

Weekly News

October 22, 2021

Calendar Items

Monday, October 25 - Wednesday October 27 - Girls basketball tryouts 3 - 5 p.m.

Announcements

WE Survey Information for Families

Families, we want to know more about your student(s)' experiences in our school. To better understand, we are asking our students (grades 3-12), staff, and families to provide us with anonymous feedback regarding their perceptions of the learning environment, quality of instruction, and leadership at our school.

The **WE Learn Student Survey** is an anonymous, perceptual survey intended for grades 3-12. It includes about 50 items, each rated on a Likert scale, and will take approximately 10-15 minutes to complete.

Examples of survey items include, but are not limited to:

- This school has high expectations for all students.
- My teachers present lessons in different ways.
- My teachers know my academic interests and goals.

You will have an opportunity to provide your feedback as well. Starting November 1st through November 15th, our students' families can participate in the WE Support Survey. This perceptual, anonymous, voluntary survey, is similar. The survey contains about 50 questions, rated on a Likert scale, and will take approximately 10 - 15 minutes to complete. The results

will help us to better understand our community's perceptions of the school experience and their expectations of our school. Be on the lookout for additional information to come when the survey window opens on November 1st.

A couple of items to note:

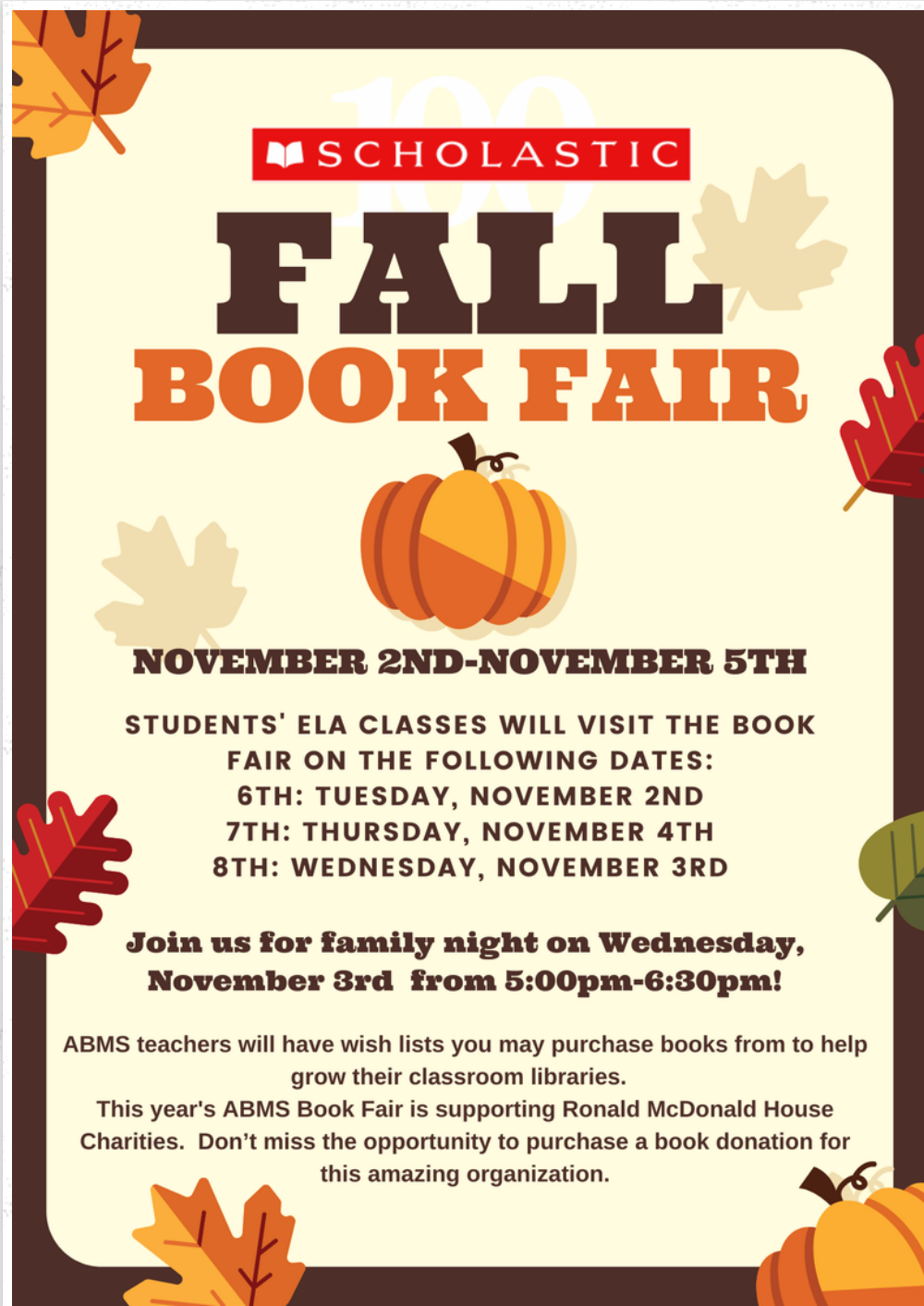
- Please log into ParentVue to either opt your student into participating or opt your student out of participating.
- Participation is entirely voluntary. Upon logging into ParentVue, a screen will pop up, and families will have the opportunity to record their decision. Only students whose families give permission (select, "I DO give permission...") to participate will participate. This means, for your student to participate, you must log in to ParentVue and select the option, "I **DO** give permission for my child(ren) to participate in the WE Learn Survey," on the consent form that pops up.
- Implementation reflects a Kansas State Department of Education requirement for school districts to collect data on instructional practices as well as the learning environment.
- You can learn more about the survey at <http://wesurveys.org/>.
- If you have any questions about the WE Survey Suite, please contact Dr. Kelly Wessel at kcwessel@bluevalleyk12.org.

Math Counts

Math Counts will meet on Monday, October 25th from 3:00-4:00 pm in Mrs. Redlin's room (313). All grade levels are welcome to join at any point! Please fill out the following Google Form to be added to our Canvas page for resources and important updates about the competition series:

<https://forms.gle/9NCKKEfKqBUJEus77>.

SAVE THE DATES...The Book Fair is Coming!

A promotional poster for the Scholastic 100 Fall Book Fair. The poster features a yellow background with a dark brown border. At the top, the number '100' is written in a large, light font. Below it, the word 'SCHOLASTIC' is written in white on a red rectangular background. The main title 'FALL BOOK FAIR' is prominently displayed in large, bold, brown and orange letters. A central illustration shows a large orange pumpkin with a green stem and leaf. The dates 'NOVEMBER 2ND-NOVEMBER 5TH' are written in bold black text. Below this, the text states that students' ELA classes will visit the book fair on the following dates: 6th (Tuesday, November 2nd), 7th (Thursday, November 4th), and 8th (Wednesday, November 3rd). A special event is highlighted: 'Join us for family night on Wednesday, November 3rd from 5:00pm-6:30pm!'. The poster also mentions that ABMS teachers will have wish lists for books to help grow their classroom libraries and that the fair is supporting Ronald McDonald House Charities. The poster is decorated with various autumn leaves and pumpkins.

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FALL BOOK FAIR

NOVEMBER 2ND-NOVEMBER 5TH

STUDENTS' ELA CLASSES WILL VISIT THE BOOK FAIR ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:

6TH: TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND
7TH: THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4TH
8TH: WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD

Join us for family night on Wednesday, November 3rd from 5:00pm-6:30pm!

ABMS teachers will have wish lists you may purchase books from to help grow their classroom libraries.

This year's ABMS Book Fair is supporting Ronald McDonald House Charities. Don't miss the opportunity to purchase a book donation for this amazing organization.

Thank you for supporting the ABMS Fall Book Fair! Please consider volunteering to help with the book fair and sign up for at least one of these committees or shifts during the event. We are looking for volunteers on October 29th, and November 2nd-5th. Thank you!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040C48AFA72CA2FB6-book1>

Check out our Scholastic Book Fair webpage for more information!

<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/aubrybendmiddlesch1>

Musical

CAST AND CREW: Tickets are on sale now for cast and crew families. Check the email address you use in Parent Vue for the link to purchase tickets. Each cast or crew member is

allotted 4 tickets for family members to see the show. Please respect that limit so all students have their families present.

- AFTER families have had a chance to purchase tickets, we will open the purchases up for families needing more than 4 tickets. **PLEASE respect the initial limit for 4 per cast and crew member.**
- Shows will be at 7pm on November 3, 4, and 5.
- *Cast and crew do not need a ticket. Crew may attend an evening performance and be seated in a crew section, so please do not purchase a ticket for them.

SHIRTS for Cast/Crew: they have not arrived yet. I will get shirts to all students who ordered them as soon as they arrive.

CAST: a new rehearsal calendar was distributed on Friday at rehearsal. It is also found on canvas and linked here:

Questions? Email Kim Vail at KSVail@bluevalleyk12.org



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We need Volunteers for Concessions for Rock of Ages! Please sign up here!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090C44ABAC23AAFC1-fall3>

Science Olympiad



STUDENTS: There are
still spots open on

**SCIENCE
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Team ABMS**

The Nation's Most Exciting
Science Competition

Minimum Requirements:

- AMBS Student
- Perseverance
- Determination
- Dedication
- Hard Work
- Integrity
- Enthusiasm
- Self Motivation

Interested in learning more?

Drop by & check us out!

- Tuesday, 10/27/2021
- 3:15 - 4:15 p.m.
- Mr. Gooden's room - 307



Exploring the World of Science

PTO News

Did you know that ABMS PTO relies on PTO membership and Invest donations to fund the majority of their activities throughout the year? Did you know that your donation is tax deductible?



BIG EVENTS COMING UP SOON!! **11.3-11.5.2021** IS THE ABMS MUSICAL! Concessions will be open. Please sign up here to help <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090C44ABAC23AAFC1-fall3>.

Also, during the Musical, we will also be having our Bookfair! We need help with set up and volunteering throughout the book fair hours. Sign up here <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040C48AFA72CA2FB6-book1>.

You can learn more about our book fair on this website

<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/aubrybendmiddlesch1>. Check out the flyer at the end of the newsletter also!

Please click on the QR code link above to purchase your **PTO membership** and to **donate to Invest**. In addition, all PTO members will receive a **ABMS directory** and **window decal** to promote their ABMS school pride! **Thank you in advance for your support of ABMS!**

WE ARE NOW ON INSTAGRAM! CHECK US OUT AT [abmspto](https://www.instagram.com/abmspto). Be sure to **LIKE** our page on **FACEBOOK** ([ABMS PTO](https://www.facebook.com/abmspto)) and **FOLLOW us** on **TWITTER** ([@AbmsPto](https://twitter.com/AbmsPto)).



ABMS PTO Membership Form 2021-2022.pdf

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6th Grade News

Choir:

Congratulations to all the sixth grade musicians who gave excellent performances on Wednesday!!

ELA:

ELA students kicked off 2nd quarter by previewing all the literary elements and terminology we will analyze this quarter. Our focus will be on informational text, along with reading a class

approved novel titled *The Cay* by Theodore Taylor. The essential question for this quarter is "How can new information impact our view of the world? We start the quarter with a Newspaper Writing project where students work together to create a newspaper to report on current events in our world.

Math:

Math classes learned how to write inequalities based off of real world situations and how to represent their solutions on a number line this week. We will continue to practice this skill into next week when we calculate distances between points on a coordinate grid.

7th Grade News

ELA:

Students are learning about life in the 1800's in England as they prepare to read "A Christmas Carol." Ask your student what they have learned about life way back when. It has been an eye-opening time travel.

Math:

Students have been making observations about a series of block patterns and identifying the expressions that they represent. We learned what it means to be "linear." Next week, students will create their own patterns, and we will venture into some vocabulary for algebra!

Science:

The Science classes have been working as neurology residents this week, pretending they are on medical rounds and presented with a patient with a traumatic brain injury. This is a fun project with real world connections as the students present a diagnosis and prognosis/treatment plan for their "patient." They're finding out quite a bit about real diagnostic tests and treatment options, and it's a super cool way to finish up our unit on the brain and its interactions with the rest of the body.

Social Studies:

Sqyres and Redford: Students continue to work on designing countries, and have been learning about climate patterns on earth to help them decide what kind of climate their country will have. Their salt-dough and other construction materials are creating some cool countries!

Fairburn:

We continue our Grid work and are now in level 2 activities, which build upon the concepts learned over the past two weeks. The students are moving on to analyzing, using the basic skills and taking them to another level of higher thinking. Feel free to check the Grid Tracker spreadsheet in Canvas to see where your student is in relation to the schedule. They are doing amazing work and I'm so proud of them.

Choir:

Please reserve Monday, December 13th on your calendars for our winter performance!

8th Grade News

Farris Science:

Students will be developing and finishing their Stop Motion videos on solids, liquids, and gases.

ELA:

This next week we are exploring literal and figurative meanings of words as we begin reading a collection of short works of fiction from our literature textbook.

Choir:

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From the Desk of Mrs. Tate

We love the fall weather and the change of seasons at ABMS...finally, it's sweatshirt weather! This also means that we've completed our first round of sports and concert seasons.

Congratulations to our cross country, volleyball and football teams for successful seasons this fall. It was a JOY to watch you compete and learn together. Thank you to our cheerleaders for promoting such wonderful school spirit for our entire community. Your smiles and cheers made us all smile and cheer!

Congratulations to our music department for six wonderful concerts this month. It was AMAZING to hear the progress our musicians have made since August. Thank you to our directors for loving and teaching our kids to love and perform music!

The school musical is right around the corner, and we can't wait to see our kids ROCK! I hear that all you 80's-rock-loving people out there won't want to miss our Rock of Ages – Middle School Edition! Our kids will all get to see the production during matinee performances on November 3, 4 and 5. Get out those rock concert t-shirts...it's going to be a blast!

Second quarter is off to a roaring start. Thank you to our families for your support! Have a wonderful weekend!

Sincerely,
Diana Tate, Principal



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