# Weekly News

February 18, 2022

## Calendar Items

Monday, February 21 - No School

Wednesday, February 23 - Boys basketball games 3:15

- Pastine/Cook Away @ Prairie Star
- Stewart/Pulcini @ Home
- Schmidt/Moss Away @ Oxford

Friday, February 18 - PTO Meeting via Zoom @ 9:00 am

## **Announcements**

## **Play Information**

PLEASE VISIT THE PLAY WEBSITE AT https://tinyurl.com/abmsspringplay

## **Spring Play Rehearsal Schedule:**

\*Only Bathmat Man Cast is required at rehearsal from the 22nd-25th!

- Monday 21st: No Rehearsal
- Tuesday 22nd: Bathmat Man Cast Read Through & Blocking + Set Construction Crew 3:00-4:00PM
- Wednesday 23rd: Bathmat Man Cast Blocking (No Crew Needed) 3:00-4:00PM
- Thursday 24th: Bathmat Man Cast Read Blocking + set construction + Advertizing & Program Crew 3:00-4:00PM
- Friday 25th: Bathmat Man Cast Off Book + set construction + set moving + Advertising & Program Crew 3:00-4:00PM

To see the full play rehearsal calendar, please follow this link:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/e/2PACX-

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To see the full crew calendar, please follow this link:

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## **PTO News**

#### **CONCESSIONS**

Only 3 more games remain for boys basketball. We are partnering with Student Council and just need 1 or 2 adults to handle the money. The Student Council students will do the leg work. If you have some time, sign up on the link. You can sign up for both games or just one! Grab a friend and join the fun! Thanks in advance!

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C054BA4A62EA3FE3-abms3



#### PTO POSITIONS FOR 2022-2023

Wanting to get involved, but not sure how? Check out our sign up or reach out to <a href="mailto:abmspto@gmail.com">abmspto@gmail.com</a> with any questions you might have and we will be happy to help! Thank you for your consideration. <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090c44abac23aafc1-20222023">https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090c44abac23aafc1-20222023</a>

### **INVEST IN ABMS DONATIONS**

If you donated to ABMS, your receipt for taxes can be found on Parentvue under "fees." We will not be sending out a copy in the mail this year. If you have any questions, or cannot find the receipt please email our PTO at <a href="mailto:abmspto@gmail.com">abmspto@gmail.com</a> and we will be happy to help. Thank you so much for your generosity.

#### Blue Valley Education Foundation Presents: BATTLE OF THE BANDS

Please join our very own "BVIP" Season Lentz for this fun, adults-only night out! This event raises money for music and arts in Blue Valley schools.

You don't have to have kids in the district to attend and if you're a BVSD employee, you get a half-price ticket (\$15)!

Click <u>Blue Valley Educational Foundation - Battle of the Bands 2022 (bidpal.net)</u> and buy a ticket for \$30. Input BVIPSeason as a promo code so we know you're coming.

There are also sponsorship opportunities if you'd like to get a reserved table and help promote your business.

WHEN: Saturday, Feb. 26

WHERE: RC's Back Door in Martin City

WHO: 5 past Champion bands will be performing.

(These are not student bands, these are adults with ties to Blue Valley.)

## A Special Partnership Between Student Council and PTO:

Student Council would like to that those of you that have ordered Sensory Boxes to support the Torres family. The sale will be ending on Wednesday, February 23rd. Please contact Jill Holmes or Julie Hess to place an order. They are \$15. Please make the checks out to ABMS PTO. We only have football and fidget boxes left for sale. What is not sold through preordering will be sold at the basketball game on the 23rd.

"Thank you to the wonderful volunteers who helped spoil our staff for conferences!"





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#### Math:

Math is continuing to work on the Statistics Project.

#### Social Studies:

This week we wrapped up our ancient Greece unit. The kids gave amazing presentations that were full of great information, and the projects looked wonderful! Next week we will be introducing our ancient Rome unit.

#### ELA:

Student finished the Self-Directed Argumentative Essay this week, their hard work really showed in the finished products! Next week we begin a Propaganda Unit.

#### Science:

We will be reviewing for our Unit Test next week. The test will be on **Friday**, **2/25**. It will cover convection currents, the 3 theories we have studied. the plate boundaries and the landforms created. Students can review their History of Earth Notebook for study materials.

## 7th Grade News

#### ELA:

We are continuing our adventure into *Where the Red Fern Grows*. Students are learning vocabulary from the novel as well as practicing the use of figurative language.

#### Math:

We will be applying proportions and proportional thinking to solve problems and evaluate tables.

#### Science:

Mutation nation! After spending a month learning about genetics, this week students began learning about genetic mutations! How do all these different genotypes happen? What happens in DNA to make these changes? Are they helpful, harmful, or neutral effects? That's the million dollar mutation question!

#### Social Studies:

It was quite the week as students learned about Native American removal to reservation land in Kansas. We looked at MANY primary sources, both older and more modern. We also investigated the long term effects of boarding schools, such as Shawnee Indian Mission right here in our own metro. Next up, we'll look at the opening of Kansas territory to American and European settlers and the rise of cattle drives! *Git along little dogies!* 

#### **Vocal Music:**

The trip to Branson, MO originally scheduled for April 30 has been cancelled by the district. You can take it off your calenders.

## 8th Grade News

#### Moss Science:

Examine the effects of gravitational force on the thrust of air-propelled rockets. Begin preparation for the Rube Goldberg project beginning February 28th.

## Amihere, Farris:

Begin Roller Coaster project. ABMS will supply all needed items.

#### Math 8:

Interior and exterior angles of triangles test Wednesday. Begin Pythagorean theorem unit that will take us to the end of the quarter.

## Algebra 1:

Starting Polynomials unit

#### Social Studies:

Continuing Civil War Histagram Project

#### ELA:

Students will formulate their inquiry question for our Holocaust Inquiry project and will begin gathering sources for their research.

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## From the Desk of Mrs. Tate

Thank you so much for your participation in this week's parent-teacher conferences! We had over 900 conferences either in-person or via Zoom. It's so exciting to see parents/guardians engaged in their kids' school! We love partnering with our families for the success of our students. It was AWESOME to have parents in the building Wednesday night!

We completely understand that the dates and times of conferences don't always work for every family's schedule. Please know that we value the partnership of all our families, so if you couldn't connect with your child's teachers this past week and would like to visit with them, please reach out to them via email or phone to connect.

Thank goodness we already had our Thursday conferences scheduled via Zoom! It sure made the logistics of the weather issues much easier.

Third quarter ends for students on Thursday, March 10...only 13 school days after this weekend. All teachers will report on March 11 for professional learning in the morning and final grade preparation in the afternoon.

This deadline always creeps up on some students, so now is a good time to start talking with them about their goals and plans for finishing third quarter strong. Monitoring and supporting kids during the last 13 school days of the quarter will help them manage their time and complete assignments along the way instead of last minute before spring break.

I hope you have a wonderful, safe, warm weekend! We're going to use the time to rest and recharge for the final drive toward the end of the third quarter. Thank you for your support of ABMS!

Sincerely, Diana Tate, Principal



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