



ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOLS

Home of the Archers



May 2024

SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

As we enter the month of May and the last few weeks of school for the 2023-2024 school year, students and staff are very busy with end of the year activities. Award programs, concerts, sporting events, and student programs highlight the month of May. Please check the district calendar and support our students with your attendance at these celebrations. Students in grades K-11 will likewise be in a celebratory mood with their last day of school arriving Tuesday, May 21st.

The end of April and the first two weeks of May are also times to celebrate and recognize the efforts of our faculty. Ohio School Bus Driver Appreciation Day was Tuesday, April 23. School Secretaries Appreciation Day was Wednesday, April 24. National Teacher Day is scheduled for May 7 while May 6-10 is National Teacher Appreciation Week. May 8 has been designated National School Nurse Day. Please consider during this timeframe thanking a bus driver, teacher, aide, school nurse, or other school employee who made a difference in your child's life. We are proud of all our employees and believe they make a huge difference in the lives of children every day.

The Class of 2024, our 140th graduating class from Antwerp High School, will celebrate commencement on May 19 at 2:00 p.m. with doors opening at 12:30. The ceremony will take place in the Main Gym. We congratulate our senior class on their many accomplishments in reaching this milestone and wish them the best as they continue on a journey of lifelong learning.

During the summer months, a few projects will be completed in time for our annual Open House slated for Wednesday, August 14 and the first day of school scheduled for Thursday, August 15. Repairs and sealing of our asphalt parking lots will take place during the month of July. Interior projects include replacement of carpet in the D-Wing hallway and Central Office. In addition, we will replace the lighting system in the main gymnasium and the gymnasium floors will receive their annual re-waxing during the month of July. Another major project will be the installation of a new backstop netting system for the baseball field.

The Range Wellness and Recreation Center Grand Opening will take place during our Open House event August 14. Details regarding the Grand Opening will be shared in the August Newsletter and posted on our website in early August.

On the academic front, we are excited to share with you that our school has received two donations toward the purchase of robotics and coding equipment for elementary and middle school age students to utilize in our innovation center. A big thanks to the Paulding Eagles and APT Manufacturing Solutions in Hicksville, Ohio.

Prior to the start of the 2024-2025 school year, incoming 7th and 12th grade students will need updated immunizations per Ohio law. Students entering 7th grade will need the Tdap and Meningococcal vaccines. Students entering 12th grade will likewise need the Meningococcal vaccine. Additional information regarding the vaccine requirements, other recommended vaccines, and immunization clinics provided by the Paulding County Health Department can be found on our school website and school app.

I want to thank the community for the support given to the staff throughout this school year. Antwerp is a wonderful school district with excellent staff, students, and parents. As noted earlier, the 2024-2025 school year will begin Thursday, August 15. In the meantime, enjoy the long summer days with your family and friends.

MR. LICHTY- HS/MS

A big thank you to all of those working to make this year's Prom and Post-Prom a safe and memorable night for our students! Our public walkthrough will be from 4:30-5:30 at Grant's on May 4 with dinner and the dance to follow.

Spring Assessments will be completed during the first week of this month. Many thanks to our staff and students for their hard work.

Attention Seniors!! Please remember that all academic requirements must be met and all school fees/fines must be paid prior to graduation practice. Students must take part in graduation practice on May 15 in order to participate in our Graduation ceremony on May 19.

Our Senior Academic Awards night will be held on Wednesday, May 8 in the Auditoria at 7:00 p.m. Parents will be notified of the awards to be received that night as we get the information. Families are invited to attend. Awards for underclassmen will be given out during the week of May 20th.

Summer School for MS and HS students will begin on May 28 and finish on June 10. We will have morning sessions from 8:00-11:00, as well as an afternoon session from 12:00-3:00. Students and their parents will be notified by the end of the school year if they will be required to attend Credit Recovery classes during this time.

It has been an honor to serve the Antwerp School community for the past 2+ decades. I have thoroughly enjoyed working with the families and watching our students grow and succeed. Antwerp is and will continue to be a special place because of the people that live here. Thank you for your continued support of our school. As always, Go Archers!

~ Mr. Travis Lichty, MS/HS Principal

HS/MS GUIDANCE NEWS

Parents of students who are required to come to summer school for credit recovery purposes will be notified in early May for first semester failures and no later than May 24 for second semester failures. Summer school will run from May 28 through June 10.

AP Exams will be May 9 for AP Psychology and May 16 for AP Biology.

The Senior Awards Ceremony will be held on Wednesday, May 8 at 7:00 p.m. All seniors are encouraged to attend.

Students in grades 6-11 will be given a tentative copy of their 2024-2025 schedule before the end of the current school year.

Fourth quarter report cards for grades 6-12 will be available on Progressbook after May 24.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- May 4 Prom
- May 8 Senior Awards - 7:00 p.m.
- May 9 Sports Physicals
- May 9 StuCo Community Service Day
- May 16 Seniors Last Day of School
- May 16 Board of Education Meeting
- May 19 Graduation
- May 21 Last Day of School (K-11)
- May 28-Jun 10 Summer School - MS/HS

MRS. STOKES - ELEMENTARY

May has come quickly! May brings summer for Antwerp students, with Tuesday, May 21 being the last day for students.

This May also brings my time as the elementary principal at Antwerp to an end. I am excited to be getting back into the classroom and back to teaching. I have loved my time as principal but truly miss being in the classroom teaching. Next year, I will be teaching sixth grade here at Antwerp Middle School. I am looking forward to watching these students soar. I am excited to see what 2024-2025 has in store for all the students at Antwerp Local Schools.

MARCH STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

- KA: Cassidy Treesh & Evelyn Gaisford
- KB: Chance Dickess & Emma Cross
- KC: Allura DeVault & Alayna Krick
- 1A: August Gordon & Coralyn Smith
- 1B: Evelyn Yenser & Jonathan Melgar Cruz
- 1C: Zoey Dix & Stella Gaisford
- 2A: Irenia Hand & Lyric Smith
- 2B: Addy Chrisman & Lincoln Bowers
- 3A: Roberta Poppe & Blade Ruffing
- 3B: Deacon Hitzeman & Ensley Parisot
- 3C: Addie Straley & Rylan Ruffing
- 4A: Brock Barker & Zoey Cottrell
- 4B: Adelle Cline & Madison Wiesehan
- 4C: Lauren Overman & Greyson Smith
- 5A: Alex Shipman & Cy Zuber
- 5B: Jameson Malfait & Sophie Partin
- 5C: Audreylynn Comer & Mattalyn Zielke

KINDERGARTEN

If you missed kindergarten screening, please contact Mrs. Kosch in the elementary office at (419) 258-5421 ext. 2200.

Your child must be 5 years of age before September 30, 2024, to attend kindergarten. S/He will also need to participate in a kindergarten screening in order to attend kindergarten in August.

TEACHER LISTS

The 2024-2025 class lists will be posted at the school in August.

~ Mrs. Tracey Stokes, Elementary Principal

ELEMENTARY GUIDANCE

The character trait for the month of April was patience. Teachers nominated two students from each of their classes who demonstrated patience this month.

In classroom guidance, Mrs. Lichty focused on stranger danger with kindergarten this month. Students learned what a stranger is and how to respond if a stranger approaches them.

First grade learned about personal space, and second graders did a lesson on patience. Third grade learned about growth mindset in preparation for state testing. Fourth grade learned about cyber safety, and fifth grade talked about what middle school will look like and what to expect next year.

Mrs. Lichty is always available to meet all students' individual needs as well. If you have any concerns regarding your child, please call Mrs. Lichty at 419-258-5421, extension 2204, or email lichty_e@antwerpschools.org.

ATHLETIC CALENDAR

VARSITY BASEBALL

- May 3 5:00 @ Edgerton
- May 7 5:00 vs. Crestview

VARSITY SOFTBALL

- May 2 5:00 @ Ottoville
- May 6 5:00 @ Edgerton
- May 7 5:00 vs. Lincolnview

VARSITY TRACK & FIELD

- May 3 4:30 Antwerp Invitational
- May 6 4:30 @ Paulding/WT
- May 9 3:30 GMC @ Ayersville Field
- May 10 5:30 GMC @ Ayersville Finals
- May 16 TBA District
- May 18 TBA District

JV SOFTBALL

- May 1 4:30 @ Hicksville
- May 2 5:00 vs. Edgerton

JH TRACK

- May 2 4:30 Paulding Relays
- May 7 4:00 GMC @ Hicksville

SPORTS PHYSICALS

Archer athletes will have the opportunity to get their sports physical for next school year on May 9 at the school. Paulding County Hospital will be performing sports physicals for all athletes at Antwerp School from 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. Forms will be distributed to athletes before that day and must be thoroughly completed and signed by both the student and parents prior to arrival. The cost is \$15.00 for the sports physical and all money will go to the Antwerp Athletic Department. Please see Mr. Altimus for an appointment time and physical form. Additional appointments can be made at a later date by contacting your primary care provider.

2024-25 CALENDAR

- Aug 14 Open House
- Aug 15 First Day of Classes (1-12)
- Aug 20 First Day of Kindergarten
- Sept 2 Labor Day - NO SCHOOL
- Sept 20 Inservice - NO SCHOOL
- Oct 18 Fall Break - NO SCHOOL
- Nov 4/6 Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Nov 27 P/T Conf. Tradeoff - NO SCHOOL
- Nov 28-29 Thanksgiving Break
- Dec 23-Jan 3 Christmas/New Years break
- Jan 20 M.L.K. Jr. Day - NO SCHOOL
- Feb 17 Presidents Day - NO SCHOOL
- Mar 14 Spring Break - NO SCHOOL
- Apr 17-22 Easter Break
- May 16 Seniors Last Day
- May 18 Graduation
- May 21 Last Day of School (K-11)

CAFETERIA MENU

- May 1 Spaghetti & meatballs, breadstick, green beans, peaches, & milk
- May 2 Boneless wings, french fries, oranges, & milk
- May 3 Pepperoni pizza rippers, coleslaw, applesauce cup, & milk
- May 6 Toasted cheese, tomato soup, orange smiles, & milk
- May 7 Chicken teriyaki, steamed rice, broccoli, peaches, & milk

Our menus are subject to change without notice.