



October 23, 2020

Focus...

A Family-Friendly Weekly Update

To provide additional communication for families, this short newsletter will be available each week.

Notes:

At the School Board meeting this past Tuesday, discussion decided that the learning phases for Acmetonia Elementary and Springdale Jr-Sr High will remain hybrid. A modified hybrid scheduled will start at the high school on Tuesday. If any students schedule has changed the parents will receive a personalized communication. Information has been sent to families by the principals in both buildings.

Parents/guardians also received a letter yesterday concerning legionella found in water testing in both buildings. The District has scheduled remediation and retesting for next week. On Monday, October 26, all students and staff at the high school will have a remote/virtual day, and on Wednesday, October 28 all students and staff at the elementary school will have a remote/virtual day. No one is permitted to be in the buildings during remediation. A retest of the water will follow remediation. The results of this testing will be passed along as soon as possible.

We cannot stress enough the importance of communication at this time. If you should have any questions or concerns about education, health & safety, student schedules, or other topics, please reach out to your child's teacher, nurse, counselor, or principal. The District continues to believe that all opinions matter and the additional information we receive, allows us to make more informed decisions. The only way we can make those types of decisions is with your help. We are working on additional ways to make communicating with the District easier for our families...stay tuned.

In the meantime, we again extend our appreciation to all of our families for their support and patience as important decisions are being made. Roadblocks may come to light, but working together, we will continue to provide a quality Allegheny Valley education.



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Committee Reports:

Reopening of School

Information for parents continues to be distributed as it comes available.

Parents/guardians are reminded to see the District web site for Reopening of Schools information.

Health & Safety

The committee continues to meet and review safety measures for students and staff.

Nurses are also working with staff to answer questions and establish best practices for when students enter the buildings

Focus On: Athletics

Congratulations to the SHS Boys' and Girls' Soccer Team on advancing to the WPIAL playoffs. Information on their first-round matches is available on the District web site.

An area has been added to the web site for livestreams of athletic events. Please see the Announcement area on the homepage for links.

Focus On: Additional Information

A letter from the Superintendent was sent out yesterday concerning legionella found in both buildings through water testing. In addition, a second letter was sent today regarding the remediation process. Additional information on this matter will be sent as it becomes available. Please contact your child's building principal or nurse with questions or concerns.

Acmetonia Elementary will not hold a Fall Parade this year. The building principals have sent information to families about what to expect for fall celebrations this year.

Focus On: Resources

Springdale Free Public Library - The Springdale Free Public Library offers resources for area families. Please contact them for additional information.

Focus On: Important Dates

- Oct. 26 End of First Quarter
- Nov. 3 General Election, District will hold virtual education for all students
- Nov. 10 School Board Planning Session
- Nov. 17 School Board Meeting

Friday Flashback is a publication of the Allegheny Valley School District. All questions concerning the newsletter or information contained in the newsletter should be sent to: pgraczyk@avsd.k12.pa.us.

Contact Information:

Nurse Hotline

A resource for parents/guardians to ask medical questions.

cell 724-900-5443
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Food Service Department

A resource for questions about the Free Meals Program.

meals@avsd.k12.pa.us

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Help and information on iPads and Chromebooks

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