

October 30, 2020

# Focus...

### A Family-Friendly Weekly Update

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

### **Notes:**

Springdale Jr-Sr High began its modified hybrid scheduled this past Tuesday. Administrators and counselors have been working with students and families on any necessary updates to schedules or planning remote learning. Attendance continues to be refined to help make the process easier for all involved.

Both buildings have completed the remediation for legionella scheduled on Monday and Wednesday of this week. Retesting was also completed. Results should be received in approximately 10 days. Bottled water will continue to be available for all students and staff until testing results are received and clear of any unsatisfactory levels.

On Tuesday, November 3, all students will have a remote/virtual day due to the high school being used as a polling place.

The District is excited that three of its fall sports teams have entered the WPIAL playoffs. Good luck to the football team as it begins playoffs tonight at Rochester, and to the Boys' Soccer Team as it competes in a Quarter Final match tomorrow at Peters Township. We also congratulate the Girls' Soccer Team on a terrific season! Additional information on WPIAL playoffs is available on the web site.

In the meantime, we again extend our appreciation to all of our families for their support and patience as important plans and decisions are being made.



Allegheny Valley School District

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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.

An additional check on Personal Protective Equipment (PPG) was made over the last week. All items ordered have been received and are in use throughout the buildings. The committee is working on a more streamlined way to request these items for 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 Football Team on advancing to the WPIAL playoffs. The team plays its first-round game tonight (October 30) vs. Rochester at Rochester. In addition, the Boys' Varsity Soccer Team will play a Quarterfinal match vs. Seton LaSalle on Saturday at Peters Township High School. Additional information on both games is available on the District web site.

### **Focus On: Additional Information**

Both buildings had remediation measures taken this week for the legionella found through water testing. A second round of testing was also completed after the remediation was completed. Results will be released to parents as soon as they become available. Please contact your child's building principal or nurse with questions or concerns.

The newest update to the District web site is the addition of access buttons. These buttons are quick links to areas of interest for many people visiting the page. "Support" gives phone numbers and email addresses that provide support for students in technology, health, and food service. "Newsletters" links directly to editions of the weekly Focus newsletter. The "Movie Camera" provides a list of current live stream events; and the "eMailbox" icon allows visitors to submit comments, questions, or concerns about the District. It is hoped that areas will provide easy and quick access to District information.

### 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**

Nov. 3 General Election, District will hold virtual education for all students

Nov. 10 School Board Planning Session

Nov. 17 School Board Meeting

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#### **Contact Information:**

#### Nurse Hotline

A resource for parents/ guardians to ask medical questions.

cell 724-900-5443 office 724-274-2911

#### Food Service Department

A resource for questions about the Free Meals Program.

meals@avsd.k12.pa.us

**Technology Assistance**Help and information on iPads and Chromebooks

TechSupport@avsd.k12.pa.us

**Dynamo Virtual Academy**Elementary:
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