

November 12, 2021

## Friday Focus...

## A Family-Friendly Weekly Update

According to the governor's mandate, anyone attending any activity inside a school district facility must wear a mask. All activities include those attending meetings (School Board Meetings, booster group meetings, etc.), events, and performances. In addition, all visitors to the buildings must wear masks to enter.

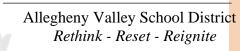
☑ The Springdale Dynamos Football Team will take on Rochester in the Quarter-final game on Friday, November 12, beginning at 7:00 p.m. at Freedom Area High School (1190 Bulldog Dr., Freedom, PA 15042). All tickets at the gates are \$7.00 (Pre-K is Free). The game will be broadcast, audio only, on WKPL-FM 92.1. Let's Go Dynamos!!

This past Wednesday, the Commonwealth Court issued a ruling, voiding Acting Secretary of Health Beam's school mask order. The state filed an appeal, which kept the original order in effect. In other words, schools are to continue to observe the school masking order throughout the duration of the court's proceedings.

What does that mean for Allegheny Valley students? The Allegheny Valley School District's Health and Safety Plan, approved in August, remains in place. Students will see no change in the expectation that masks are to be worn in the buildings and on District transportation. Per the CDC, Allegheny County remains at a high transmission level. The District will continue to monitor information and direction from the Department of Education, the Pennsylvania Department of Health, and the Center for Disease Control, in addition to cases and conditions within the School District. Additional guidance will be provided as more details are announced.

Any Springdale Jr-Sr High School students interested in participating in "Student Support Circles" with the counseling department should pick up a permission form from the guidance office. The Support Circles will take place on Monday and Thursday mornings in the Rachel Carson Conference Room. Any questions should be directed to the student's counselor or the District social worker.

☑ The Drama Club will present the fall play, "The Wildman" by J. Omar Hansen on Friday, November 19 and Saturday, November 20, at 7:00 p.m. Student tickets are \$5.00 and will be available at the door; Adult tickets are \$8.00. Come out and support your theatre friends!



## **COVID-19 Information:**

Parents are encouraged to contact Ms. Kandi Conner, School Nurse, to report positive cases of COVID-19 that directly affect their child, including if the child has tested positive, has symptoms related to COVID, or has been exposed and will need to quarantine. The District also asks if your child is symptomatic or may have been in close contact with a positive case, he/she should stay home. The District stresses the importance of contacting the School Nurse, Ms. Kandi Conner, at <a href="mailto:kconner@avsd.k12.pa.us">kconner@avsd.k12.pa.us</a> or 724-274-2110 (office) or 724-900-5443 (hotline)). If your child has been vaccinated for COVID-19, parents are asked to please provide a copy of his/her vaccination card as documentation of the date(s) the vaccine was given. COVID-19 vaccination documentation may be sent electronically to Ms. Kandi Conner at <a href="mailto:kconner@avsd.k12.pa.us">kconner@avsd.k12.pa.us</a>. Copies of vaccination cards may also be sent by U.S. mail to Ms. Kandi Conner, School Nurse, Springdale Jr-Sr High School, 501 Butler Road, Springdale, PA 15144 or dropped off at the high school building. The District will gladly make a copy of the vaccination card.

In addition, parents with health questions should contact: Ms. Kandi Conner 724-900-5443

The District has re-posted the <u>Covid-19 Tracker on the web site</u> to help notify families of Covid cases within the District.