## AMHS NEWSLETTER

February 2024

### Message from Mr. Desmond

Even though February is a short month, we continue to work hard to ensure students are receiving a high quality education. One focus we have this month is student attendance. It is important that students are in school every day and on time to school and class. If a student needs to miss a day of school, the day can be excused for things like medical or legal appointments. If the absence is not excused, students have the opportunity to complete a Buy Back.

To complete a Buy Back, a student must do the following things:

- Obtain a Buy Back Form from the main office
- Be present in school and on time for five consecutive school days
- Complete all of their academic work
- Have their teachers sign the form on day one and day five of the Buy Back to verify students have met the criteria.

The form is then submitted to Dr. Minahan or Mr. Dackers and one of the student's absences is waived.

In order for students to receive a high quality education, attendance is the first step. Please help us ensure that students are present in school every day. If any issues arise, please do not hesitate to contact the school so that we may be of assistance.

Here's to a great February!

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# AMHS Shout Outs!

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## Best Middle School Award

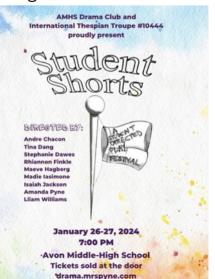
The Middle School, specifically the 7th and 8th grade students from the 22-23 School Year earned the honor of being recognized as one of the Best Middle Schools in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Click <u>HERE</u> to learn more about the award. Congratulations to all of the students and teachers for all of their hard work to earn this recognition.

## Student Achievement Awards

The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education is recognizing high achieving students across the Commonwealth that scored Exceeds Expectations or Progressing on the 2023 MCAS and MCAS-Alt in English Language Arts or Math. AMHS is please to announce we have 12 students being recognized for their achievements. These students are: Myliah Barbosa Gomes, Ariallah Beshwaty, Emmarlee Chery, Maryssa Curto, Jacob Dean, Omar Futa, Samantha Lasik, Sydney Leonard, Dylan Macafee, Myles Magne, Skylar McDonald, and Jami Mohnkern. Congratulations to these students! We look forward to seeing their continued success here at AMHS.



MASSACHUSETTS Department of Elementary and Secondary Education



## **Student Shorts**

The AMHS Drama Club performed Student Shorts Year 9 at the end of January. All lead by Student and Faculty Directors: Andre Chacon, Tina Dangm Stephanie Dawes, Rhiannon Finkle, Maeve Hagberg, Madie Iasimone, Isaiah Jackson, Amanda Pyne, and Lliam Williams. Students did a fantastic job! Moving forward, we are excited for the Spring performance of *The Con* coming up in April.

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## Varsity Boys Basketball

The Varsity Boys Basketball Team is having a great season so far, with a current record of 12-2. Jordan Medeiros was named as one of the top 68 Players to Watch in the South Shore by *The Patriot Ledger* and the team was featured in an article by <u>*The Enterprise*</u> when they started their season with a 10-0 Record. The student athletes are playing well and we are rooting for them to perform well in their Tournament Run this year. Go Panthers!

## **Unified Bocce Tournament**

The AMHS Unified Bocce Team participated in the the Special Olympics Unified Bocce Tournament on January 27th with TWO teams! They competed against teams from area high schools at Middleborough High School. The two teams were:

<u>Avon's Bocce Panthers:</u> Elijah Belotte, Andre Chacon, Taylor Kelley, and Jonas Millien

<u>Mission Imbocceball:</u> Emily Chau, Maeve Hagberg, Omar Futa, and Stephanie Dawes

Students did an amazing job! We look forward to seeing more success with our Unified Sports Teams!



Student Shorts

## Important Dates and Info for February 2024

## **Calendar Dates**

Saturday, 2/17: Polar Plunge February Vacation: 2/19-2/23

## **Event Nights**

Monday, 2/12: Varsity Boys Basketball and Varsity Cheer Senior Night - 5:00pm Thursday, 2/15: Varsity Girls Basketball Senior Night - 5:00pm



Click or Scan QR Code for AMHS Calendar



*"It's not about being the best. It's about being better than you were yesterday." -Unknown* 



## TEEN NEWS - FEBRUARY 2024

## LIBRARY HOURS:

MON: 10 A.M. - 5 P.M.
TUES: 10 A.M. - 8 P.M.
WED: 10 A.M. - 5 P.M.
THURS: 10 A.M. - 5 P.M.
FRI: 10 A.M. - 3 P.M.
SAT: 10 A.M. - 2 P.M.

Monday, February 19th: CLOSED

## HOOPLA

Did you know that you can read manga right on your phone? Download the Hoopla app and sign up/sign in with your library card to have access to music, movies, manga, and more - right at your fingertips!

If you have trouble signing up, visit Amanda in the teen area, or ask the front desk.

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

### Mario Party, Party

### Friday, February 23rd at 12 P.M.

You've heard of Mario Party, but what about a Mario Party party? Join us for a fun afternoon of playing Mario Party. Be sure to sign up, as we only have time for 2 groups of four players to enjoy our Mario Party party! For those teens who are waiting to play, we will have crafts and snacks available.

### Teen Valentine's Day Craft

#### Monday, February 12th at 2 P.M.

Join us after school on the Monday before Valentine's Day for a simple and passive craft! We will be using paper and creating Valentine's Day gifts for the ones you love. Will you make a bouquet? How about a heart? Instructions and supplies will be available on the tables in the teen area.

## TEEN ADVISORY BOARD

Do you have a program you'd like to see us have here? Or how about a Manga series you'd like to see on our shelves? Join us every other Wednesday from 3-3:30 P.M. for our Teen Advisory Board meetings. We will discuss events, take suggestions, and maybe even do a craft!

This month's meetings: 2/14 and 2/28

## **ON THE SHELF - ROMANCE**



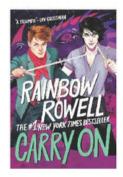
Fake Dates & Moon Cakes Sher Lee



The Davenports Krystal Marquis



Caraval Stephanie Garber



Carry On Rainbow Rowell



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