



Parent Prospector Press

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April 1, 2019 - April 6, 2019



Principal Update:

by **Principal Dr. Angela Chomokos**

Testing season is upon us! This is a wonderful opportunity for our students to shine as they display how well they have mastered the content of the respective courses. The testing schedule encompasses many different assessments:

April 2 AzMerit~~Writing

April 3 AzMerit~~Reading

April 9 SAT (school day onsite)

April 16 AzMerit~~Mathematics

April 17-26 AzMerit ~~ Make-up

May 6 8:00 am AP Exam~~AP Government

May 8 8:00 am AP Exam~~AP Literature & Composition

May 10 8:00 am AP Exam~~AP US History

May 13 8:00 am AP Exam~~AP Biology

May 14 8:00 am AP Exam~~AP Calculus A/B & AP Calculus B/C

May 15 8:00 am AP Exam~~AP Language & Composition

May 20-23 AJHS Course Final Exams

Please avoid scheduling any medical or dental appointments for your student during the testing days. To ensure a fair and uninterrupted testing experience for all students, the Front Office will not call into classrooms that are in the middle of a testing period, so please plan accordingly.

Successful scores in any standardized assessment can serve to earn students rewards both internal as well as external: ie. AzMerit success can generate final exam vouchers and school-wide recognition, successful AP exam scores could earn a student college credit, and of course, success on final exams could result in a higher grade in the course. It's time to raise the bar and accomplish our academic goals!

Best Regards,

Dr. Angela Chomokos

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Our Administrators & Counselors

Dr. Angela Chomokos	<i>Principal</i>	Bria Jenkins	Counselor Grades 9/10
Ms. Tanya Loftis	<i>Assistant Principal</i>	Valerie McFarlin	Counselor Grades 11/12
Ms. Sue Campbell	<i>Assistant Principal</i>	Jillian Conway	Psychologist
Mr. Tim Vanda	<i>Special Services/EVIT</i>		
Ms. Dawn Schwenkert	<i>Athletic Director/Teacher</i>		
	<i>StudCo Advisor</i>		

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Field Trips

4/3 - 4/6/19	Forum Music Festival	Choir & Orchestra
4/6/19	Drill Competition - Alhambra HS	NJROTC

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General Information:

Have you seen the giant ladybug pinata in the front office? The pinata is here visiting as a reminder about the Apache Junction Earth Day Celebration on April 6th from 9 am to 1 pm. During the celebration 150,000 ladybugs donated by Frontier Ace Hardware will be released to the 4 acre Earth Heart Park at Horizon Health and Wellness. Horizon Health and Wellness is located at 625 N. Plaza Drive. This annual family friendly event features music and dance performances by a variety of youth groups, a 12 foot inflatable water slide, a petting zoo, face painting, pinata breaking, and the amazing 12 foot tall Ladybug Queen. Vendors focused on health promotion and wellness resources will also be there. **For more information visit:** www.ajcity.net/fitfamilies

Donate jars of PB & J to help AJ kids and families beat hunger! The McKinney Vento program collects PB&J in the Spring to help out families during times when school is not in session. If you'd like to help you can drop off your donation at the front office.

Doing Spring cleaning? Do you have new or like new professional clothing that you no longer wear or want? We are looking for donations to start a Professional Closet for our students. The purpose of the closet will be to give students the opportunity to have professional attire for scholarship and job interviews. If you have a donation please contact Kathy Allyn at kallyn@goaj.org or (480) 982-1110 x 2303.

Student Council Update

by Ms. Dawn Schwenkert

Make sure to come out for the first annual Color Run this Friday night at 5:30. Along with the actual race, we will be celebrating until 8 p.m. on Davis Field. Music, food, and games will be there for all to enjoy. The cost of the run is \$10; if you just want to come enjoy the festivities, the cost is \$5.

Mr. Prospector will be held on Saturday, April 27th at 7:00 p.m. Make sure you nominate your favorite guy. The cost is \$5 and includes a BBQ prior to the big event at 5:30.

Bragging Corner



We'd like to congratulate Hailey Weese who took second place in her class with her show pig at the Pinal County Fair last week! Hailey was also the Recipient of a \$750 scholarship from the Pinal County Junior Livestock Committee.

Have Bragging News--please share!

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9/10 Academic Update

by Ms. Tanya Loftis

As the weather warms up we'd like to remind everyone of our Dress Code, please make every effort to dress appropriately for an educational setting.

Frequent **violations** due to current fashion trends include:

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Profane language and/or symbols **l ~ l il ~ ä ä ~ ~**

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AJHS DRESS CODE POLICY (JICA-R)

The Board recognizes that each student's mode of dress and grooming is a manifestation of personal style and individual preference. The Board will not interfere with the right of students and their parents to make decisions regarding their appearance except when their choices affect the educational program of the schools or the health and safety of others. The District encourages students to take pride in their attire as it relates to the school setting. Students should dress in a manner that, in addition to the following guidelines, takes into consideration the educational environment, safety, health, and welfare of self and others.

A. Only tailored shorts and skirts that are hemmed may be worn in grades kindergarten (K) through twelve (12).

- B. Bare midriffs, halter tops, and spaghetti straps are not acceptable past the third grade.
- C. Bare feet are never acceptable. In the interests of student safety, shoes must be worn at all times. Closed shoes are to be worn for any type of physical activity, such as physical education, et cetera.
- D. Jewelry shall not be worn if it presents a safety hazard to self and/or others.
- E. Profane or defamatory writing on clothing or jewelry is not acceptable.
- F. No bandannas of any color, size, or shape may be carried or displayed in any classroom or at any school activity. This also includes simulations of anything representing "colors."
- G. No hats may be worn in a classroom, except for properly approved occupational safety headgear required for special classes.
- H. Gang-related personalization is not permitted on hats, on items of clothing, or on one's person.
- I. Obscene language or symbols, or symbols of drugs, sex, or alcohol on clothing are expressly prohibited. *Exceptions for special activities or health considerations may be pre-approved by the administrator.*

11/12 Academic Update

by **Ms. Sue Campbell**

AZ Merit Schedule - Spring 2019

AZ Merit testing is rapidly approaching. AzMERIT is an annual statewide test that measures how students are performing in English and mathematics. Assessments can be effective tools to support your child's learning, by providing information to help teachers drive their instruction. Students enrolled in English 9, 10 and 11 and students enrolled in Algebra I, Algebra II and Geometry are required to test no matter what their grade level is.

Writing - Tuesday, April 2, 2019

Reading - Wednesday, April 3, 2019

Math Part 1 & 2 -Tuesday, April 16, 2019

*EVIT students will check into their 3rd hour and leave for buses at 11:10 am.

Sack lunch will be provided upon request

Seniors not testing will report to school at 9:35am or
if riding the bus to school they will report to the library at 7:15am

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1st hour	9:45am	10:16am
2nd hour	10:22am	10:53am
3rd hour	10:59am	11:30am
4th hour - Lunch	11:30am	12:10pm
5th hour	12:16pm	12:47pm
6th hour	12:53pm	1:24pm
7th hour	1:30pm	2:00pm

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