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Upcoming Events

September 18, 2020

School News

September

- 21 PLC Late Start 9:40am
- 28 PLC Late Start 9:40am

October

- 1 Distance Learning Kit Pick up at school
- 5 PLC Late Start 9:40am
- 8 Individual Pictures Day 3:00pm - 7:40pm
- 9 NO SCHOOL Waiver Day
- 12 PLC Late Start 9:40am
- 12-23 ASB Catalog Sales
- 19 PLC Late Start 9:40am
- 26 PLC Late Start 9:40am

WELCOME TO A GREAT NEW YEAR!

This school year is undoubtedly different than ever before as educators, students, and families alike continue to navigate the challenges presented by COVID-19. I am happy to announce we have enrolled and connected with all 526 students that are attending AJ this year. We have successfully distributed our first set of materials, and another supply pick up day is scheduled for October 1. I would like to thank parents for preparing and supporting their child for our new distance learning school. Kindergarten WaKids Parent conferences were helpful in meeting our new students and families and getting everyone connected to classrooms and teachers. Thank you Kindergarten parents for meeting with teachers. Parental connection to the school and the class is vital in a distance learning environment. We are here to support you and your child and look to make this a great learning experience. Thank you for your patience and support in the process. Please call or contact the school office with your questions. We will make this a great year of learning!



SAVE THE DATE

Individual Pictures coming October 8th

We are having individual pictures taken on Thursday, October 8th between 3:00pm - 7:40pm at our school. Please save the time on your calendar with the corresponding time slot using your child's *last* name. Ordering and packet information will be available soon.

3:00 A-Be	5:20 Ki-Lu
3:20 Bl-Co	5:40 Lw-Mo
3:40 Cr-Fl	6:00 Mu-Pe
4:00 Fo-Ha	6:20 Ph-Sa
4:20 He-Ji	6:40 Sc-Sw
4:40 Jo-Kh	7:00 Ta-Vo
5:00 Break	7:20 Wa-Zi

There is no picture make-up day scheduled by the photographer.

PLC LATE START MONDAYS

Auburn School District has scheduled Professional Learning Community (PLC) late Start Mondays on the following dates throughout the 2020-21 school year. School will start one hour late during these "Late Start" Mondays:

September 14, 21, 28	February 1, 8, 22
October 5, 12, 19, 26	March 1, 15, 22, 29
November 2, 9, 16, 23, 30	April 12, 19, 26
December 7, 14	May 3, 17, 24
January 4, 11, 25	June 7, 14, 21

PTSA YEARBOOKS FOR PURCHASE

2019-20 Yearbooks are available for purchase. If you pay by check or cash, please drop your payment off in a sealed envelope with your child's name and current grade level/teacher to the PTSA mailbox at the school. You may order online on the PTSA website ajpta.com/ptsa-store or Facebook page. They are \$15. Once purchased, your yearbook will be available for pick up at the school on Fridays. Questions or need help contact yearbook@ajptsa.com.

APPLYING FOR FREE OR REDUCED - PRICE MEALS

Due to a waiver from the federal government, the ASD is providing free meals to all children ages 1-18 through the end of the calendar year. Specific information about times and locations is available on the ASD webpage. Beginning in January, students will need to qualify for free and reduced-price meals.

Families meeting certain household income requirements or currently receiving food assistance should apply **now** for meal benefits. Eligible families are encouraged to submit a new application for free and reduced-price meals now. Once the federal waiver expires, there will be no grace period for applying. Applying now allows time for the application to be processed and correct eligibility established.

As always, if eligibility status changes during the school year, a new application can be submitted. Please note, families who received benefits during the 2019-2020 school year must reapply.

We encourage everyone to apply for free or reduced-price meals! It's easy and quick. Families submit one application that includes all their students. The online application is found in Skyward Family Access and is the quickest way to apply. Paper applications are available in several languages in each school office or can be printed from the Child Nutrition page of the ASD website. Paper applications can be turned in to your child's school or to the Child Nutrition office.

Please note, every family needs to re-apply every year. If you have received a letter of qualification but not all of your children are listed, please contact Child Nutrition. You may reach Child Nutrition at (253)931-4972 or email childnutrition@auburn.wednet.edu. We are happy to help with any questions.

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