

ARAPAHOE DRUM BEAT



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Vision Statement

A leading school where excellence and tradition meet innovation

Mission Statement

To provide: a community of collaborative learning, rich culture, and meaningful relationships that prepares each student for their future

Dear Arapahoe Parents,

August 2016

Welcome to an exciting new school year at Arapahoe High School! I would like to extend a very special welcome to all freshmen and other students new to Arapahoe. I am confident you will find **your** high school an exciting learning environment packed with many new adventures, opportunities, challenges, and fun. I am looking forward to many new adventures, opportunities, challenges, and fun as well, as I humbly embark on my fifth year as your principal!

This fall will begin my 27th year in public education. I like to share my background in education with our Arapahoe family each year, especially for those of you who are new to Arapahoe to know a little bit more about me. I graduated from the University of Nevada, Reno with a bachelor's degree in biology and a minor in chemistry. I taught high school science (biology, chemistry, anatomy/physiology, and physical science) for 10 years before moving into administration. While teaching, I sponsored a variety of student activities including Link Crew and student council. I have also coached the sport of cheerleading throughout my career. I have spent the last 16 years as a high school administrator (eight of those as an assistant principal at AHS in the Office of Curriculum and Instruction). My husband and I love Colorado, and our two children attend Lois Lenski Elementary School and Powell Middle School. Each year I continue to be more and more grateful to be a part of the Arapahoe and Littleton Public Schools communities.

I would like to extend **special congratulations to our most recent graduates of The Class of 2016**. They earned some of the most impressive awards and accomplishments to date! More than 93% of them have been accepted for fall enrollments at colleges, universities, and other post secondary educational programs throughout the country. Just over \$24 million in scholarship money was offered to the Class of 2016, including a prestigious Daniels Fund Scholarship and appointments to the United States Naval and Air Force Academies.

High academic expectations remain a strong value at Arapahoe. This year, there will be an even greater focus on student learning. During the summer of 2015, the entire staff read the book **Mindset by Carol Dweck, Ph.D.** Dweck teaches us that we can be successful in parenting, business, school, and relationships by having a **"growth"** versus a **"fixed"** mindset towards our goals. If you did not get around to reading it last year, and were unable to participate in our community book study last year (led by Arapahoe faculty, Anne Smith and Kelly Talen), I highly recommend you read this book.

To keep Arapahoe a top academic high school, we believe it is essential to continue to grow and improve. Under the leadership of the LPS Board of Education, and our superintendent, Mr. Brian Ewert, Littleton Public Schools has a renewed focus and commitment to support the **Professional Learning Community (PLC)** model for professional development for our teachers. Our PLC teams are made up of teachers who share common courses. While using the Colorado Academic Standards as their guide, the PLC groups focus their work on four guiding questions:

1. What do we want students to know? (Identification of **Essential Learnings**)
2. How will we know if they have learned it? (Create **Common Assessments**)
3. What will we do if they don't know it? (Review Data—**Interventions**)
4. What will we do if they already know it? (Review Data - **Extensions**)

Through collaboration in PLC teams, teachers will be able to share instructional strategies and best practices. They will re-teach if necessary, and basically do whatever it takes to ensure learning takes place. In addition to the time teachers already spend planning to teach, each LPS elementary, middle, and high school will commit two hours on 10 Wednesday mornings for the purpose of Professional Learning Communities. The dates are located on page six in this newsletter.



We find that many students who struggle academically can perform successfully, but at times may need more time and extra support. With the **variable schedule and a variety of interventions available for individual students**, Arapahoe provides an outstanding learning environment. Our variable schedule teaches students to manage time, to advocate for themselves, and to take personal responsibility for their own learning. Our teachers are available every period in all departmental offices to offer subject-specific assistance and tutoring. It is inherent in our culture to help each student achieve. Therefore, even if your student's teacher does not share an unscheduled hour with your student, any teacher in the given department will be ready and willing to help him/her. The variable schedule is designed to **provide opportunities for students to manage unscheduled time**. This unscheduled time allows students to access extra support from teachers and to work on assignments during the school day. Therefore we **want and expect our students in grades 9-12 to have some unscheduled hours during their week**.

Our **Academic Study Center** is also available each period every day to all students. The Study Center is staffed with teachers and offers tutoring, goal-setting, and assistance with organization and study tips. There are computers available, and students can work on assignments or check their progress in Infinite Campus. It can be utilized on a drop-in basis or can be taken as a class for pass/fail credit. This takes significant time, coordination, and commitment by our teachers and counselors, but we are going to continue to make academic achievement our priority! Student self-referrals and parent referrals to the Academic Study Center are accepted.

Back to School Night will be held on **Wednesday, August 31, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in Sitting Eagle Gymnasium**. Please plan to attend our Back-to-School Night when you will see and hear more about your high school.

I want to **remind all freshmen** to let me know **which two novels they read over the summer, by completing the this [Google Form](#)**. While this expectation is not an easy assignment for many, it reinforces our attention to the importance of reading and academic rigor. It is also meant to show incoming freshmen that Arapahoe is unique. In this technological age in which so many of us are conditioned to reading the Internet, summaries, text messages, paragraphs, and quick reads, we are finding many teenagers do not often read full novels. Completion of these books will enhance confidence to accomplish tougher assignments. Also, many of these **summer reading books** will be discussed and reviewed in freshman English classes early in the semester.

New school years bring the promise of a new beginning. There are many new opportunities on the horizon for our faculty and staff. We will learn about additional modifications to the **Colorado State Assessments**, continue our work with a **growth mindset** as teachers and learners, grow our **Connected Learners Pilot** where all Warriors will be bringing or borrowing an individual laptop/tablet device, and **grow professionally as learners in our PLC teams**.

Thanks to summer-work done by our faculty advisement leaders **Audra Binney, Lindsay Gillespie, Maura Moritz, Kelly Talen, and Alison Winn**, our advisement lessons have been developed for the first semester, and we are excited to adopt the name **TRIBE** for our groups.

- Tradition
- Relationships
- Innovation
- Balance
- Excellence

As we enter our second year of the **program**, we look forward to spending 12 days with our Tribe groups this year! This new name supports Arapahoe's newly revised Vision & Mission Statements:

Vision: **A leading school where excellence and tradition meet innovation.**

Mission: **To provide: a community of collaborative learning, rich culture, and meaningful relationships that prepares each student for their future.**

While always striving for improvement, Arapahoe is one of the best high schools in the country. With wonderful teenagers, supportive parents, and a quality faculty, we have the perfect combination to nurture students academically, socially and emotionally. We continue to be amazed at the intelligence, compassion for others, spirit, resourcefulness, and work ethic of your sons and daughters. Thank you for sending them to Arapahoe. The generosity, support, and love of this outstanding community continues to be felt and is greatly appreciated!

Stay tuned for more information on all Arapahoe events and activities in future editions of the **Drum Beat**. As always, keep an eye on the Arapahoe High School website at arapahoe.littletonpublicschools.net for the most up-to-date information. Thank you for all you do to support your son or daughter and for sending them to Arapahoe!

Sincerely,



Natalie Pramenko
Principal

Important Upcoming Dates:

- **Tuesday, August 9**
 - **Late Schedule pick-up** 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
 - All students unable to attend August 3
 - Newton's Gymnasium
- **Monday, August 15**
 - **Freshmen Summer Warrior Orientation** 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
 - **Pre-registration required**
 - **Fall Athletic Practices Begin**
- **Thursday, August 18 — First Day of School**
 - **Link Crew Freshmen Orientation** 7:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
AHS Sitting Eagle Gymnasium
Lunch will be provided as part of this orientation for freshmen
 - **First Day of Classes for All Students** 11:30 a.m. – 2:16 p.m.
 - **THURSDAY CLASSES – periods 1, 2, and 3**
Buses will run on a normal schedule. 10-12 grade students needing to ride the bus will be welcome to stay in the cafeteria or library
There will be no second bus run.
- **Friday, August 19**
 - **FRIDAY CLASSES - All Periods 1 - 6**
- **Monday, August 22**
 - **Athletic Night for All Fall Sports Athletes and Parents** 6:00 p.m.
 - AHS Theatre
 - **ALL Fall Arapahoe Athletes Attend** – no matter which sport – coaches will be here
- **Wednesday, August 31**
 - **Back-to-School Night** 6:00 p.m.
 - AHS Sitting Eagle Gymnasium

Reminder of Procedure When Visiting Arapahoe

Part of our school safety/security efforts include the following expectations. All visitors to AHS, must enter only through the East Entrance to the school. You must present a valid, photo ID at the Security Kiosk and sign in. You will receive a "Visitor Sticker" which is to be worn visibly on your clothing. The main office staff will contact the faculty or staff member you are here to see and they will escort you from the front office. Requests to "drop in" to see a teacher in the classroom or department office without an appointment will not be granted.

Thank you for your cooperation on this important matter

Arapahoe High School

Procedures for 2016/17



Student Information/Schedule Pick up/Fee Payments

Please pay fees by July 29th

Links to all 2016-17 forms may be found at <http://arapahoe.littletonpublicschools.net>.
Select "Explore" and "Registration" in the second column.

Complete "Annual Family Check-in" online

- The Annual Family Check-in (formerly medical and permission forms) will be completed **online** through **Infinite Campus Portal** (Starting May 25, 2016). **NO forms will be mailed home.** Log in to Infinite Campus using your **Parent Portal** account to access forms for the 2016-17 school year. You must be a member of the Primary Household (update defaults to the Mother's account if both parents are in the primary household.) Please note: **YOU MAY NOT USE A STUDENT'S LOG-IN to update student information.**

Parent Infinite Campus Portal ID

- Parent Campus Portal ID will carry over from year to year and between schools within LPS.
- If you do not have a Parent Campus Portal ID please email kkazakoff@lps.k12.co.us with your student's name, current school, grade level and date of birth. Requests received after June 10 will be answered after Aug 1st.

Pay your student's fees

- Visit the "[2016-17 Registration Forms](#)" tab on the Arapahoe High School for the fee payment form.
- **OPTION 1: Make a credit card payment AFTER July 1** (the "Year" column will say "2017" for 2016/17 fees). Using your Infinite Campus username, login to <http://littleton.revtrak.net>. There is a \$2 convenience fee. *Note: fee payment form does not need to be sent to the school if paying by credit card.*
- **OPTION 2: Mail check or money order** to Arapahoe High School: 2201 E Dry Creek Rd, Centennial, CO 80122.
- **OPTION 3: Bring cash or check to our temporary office at Newton Middle School.** Summer hours: 8:00am – 2:00pm. Closed Jun 16 - July 24.

Parking permits (Seniors and Juniors only)

- Issued on a first come first serve basis. See "Pay your student's fees" for payment options. Students who do not pre-pay may be waitlisted.
- Permits will be distributed at schedule pick up. **Bring a copy of your driver's license, car registration, and proof of insurance that day.** Permits may also be picked up the first week of school in the Guidance Office.

Pick up student ID, schedule, and parking permit AT NEWTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

- **Wednesday, August 3** will be the day **all students** come for ID photos, course schedule pick up and parking permits (for Juniors and Seniors).
- **Seniors and Sophomores: 7:30 am to 10:30 am. Juniors and Freshmen: 11:30 am to 2:30 pm.**
- Make up session for schedule pick will be the **evening of August 9: all students 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm.**

Links to all the registration forms and credit card payments are available at the school website:
www.arapahoe.littletonpublicschools.net. If you have questions please call: 303-347-6000.

Please follow us on [Facebook](#), and [Twitter](#).

Our monthly newsletter, [The Drum Beat](#), posts every month to our AHS website and is not mailed home.

News from Your PTO

As a parent at Arapahoe, you are automatically a member of our Parent Teacher Organization. Together, we work hard to support our students and staff through Teacher Grants, Staff Hospitality Events, "Art Attack", After Prom, the LPS Foundation's Littleton Stride, as well as other events and activities. If you are new to Arapahoe, you will notice that as a PTO, we do not fundraise and rely solely on the donations of our families. These donations allow us to continue to support the school, students and staff. **We can't do it without you!** Please click [here](#) for the AHS Volunteer Opportunities Form for ways to get involved in your student's school. The PTO meetings are held on the **second Tuesday of each month from 7:30-9:00AM in the Main Office Conference Room - all are welcome to attend!**

AHS PTO Meeting Calendar 2016-2017

September 13	January 10
October 11	February 14
November 8	March 14
December 13	April 11

On behalf of the AHS PTO, welcome back Warriors, and have a great school year.

PTO Officers

2016-2017

Co-Presidents: **Nancy Seavall and Kimberly Roberson**

Treasurer: **Kimberley Lefever**

Secretary: **Cathy Walker**

VIPS: **Leisha Andersen and Mim Lyles**

Hospitality: **Amy Eckhout**

New Families: **Kathleen Pope**

School

Accountability

Committee

The School Accountability Committee meets one Thursday a month in the Arapahoe Main Office Conference Room—3:00-5:00 p.m. The meetings are open to all Arapahoe parents and the community.

Meetings for 2016-2017

September 15 November 17 February 16 April 6 May 4

Any questions, please call Assistant Principal Angela Boatright at 303-347-6024.

Parent-Teacher Conferences

October 19, 2016

October 19th - 3:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Main & Auxiliary Gymnasiums

As a school community, a core value we share is strong communication between Arapahoe High School and your home. All Arapahoe teachers, counselors, and administrators have made a commitment to be in attendance. No appointments are necessary.

In order to allow our teachers to effectively communicate with all parents, please honor the 5 minute time limit. As always, all teachers are available by appointment if your conference requires more time. Questions? Please call 303-347-6000.



ATTENTION SENIORS

Don't miss being in your Senior Class Photo!

Thursday, November 3—First Period in the Main Gym.

All Seniors should be there. Don't miss being in the picture!

(For seniors wishing to order a photo of the class, order forms will be available at the time the photo is taken. The orders must be postmarked by Saturday, November 5 OR visit their website at www.BigClassPicture.com.)

Arapahoe High School

Daily Bell Schedule

Period	Time		
1	7:21 a.m.	-	8:20 a.m.
2	8:25 a.m.	-	9:24 a.m.
3	9:29 a.m.	-	10:30 a.m.
4	10:35 a.m.	-	12:09 p.m.
1 st Lunch	10:30 a.m.	-	11:05 a.m.
(All Departments except those scheduled for 2 nd Lunch)			
Class	10:35 a.m.	-	11:34 a.m.
Class	11:10 a.m.	-	12:09 p.m.
2 nd Lunch	11:34 a.m.	-	12:09 p.m.
(Family Consumer Sciences, Language Arts, Social Studies, Tech Studies, World Languages)			
5	12:14 p.m.	-	1:12 p.m.
6	1:17 p.m.	-	2:16 p.m.

Advisement Bell Schedule

Advisory Dates

August 30 October 13 January 24 March 21
 September 15 November 1 February 7 April 18
 September 27 December 8 March 2 May 4

Period	Time
1	7:21 a.m. - 8:14 a.m.
2	8:19 a.m. - 9:12 a.m.
ADVISORY	9:17 a.m. - 9:49 a.m.
3	9:54 a.m. - 10:47 a.m.
4	10:52 a.m. - 12:20 p.m.
1 st Lunch	10:47 a.m. - 11:22 a.m.
(All Departments except those scheduled for 2 nd Lunch)	
Class	10:52 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.
Class	11:27 a.m. - 12:20 p.m.
2 nd Lunch	11:45 a.m. - 12:20 p.m.
(Family Consumer Sciences, Language Arts, Social Studies, Tech Studies, World Languages)	
5	12:25 p.m. - 1:18 p.m.
6	1:23 p.m. - 2:16 p.m.

PLC Wednesday Bell Schedule

10 Wednesdays

August 31 October 26 January 25 May 3
 September 14 November 16 February 15
 October 5 December 7 March 15

PLC Teacher Meeting Time – 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Period	Time
1	9:21 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
2	10:05 a.m. - 10:44 a.m.
3	10:49 a.m. - 11:29 a.m.
4	11:34 a.m. - 12:48 p.m.
1 st Lunch	11:29 a.m. - 12:04 p.m.
(All Departments except those scheduled for 2 nd Lunch)	
Class	11:34 a.m. - 12:13 p.m.
Class	12:09 p.m. - 12:48 p.m.
2 nd Lunch	12:13 p.m. - 12:48 p.m.
(Family Consumer Sciences, Language Arts, Social Studies, Tech Studies, World Languages)	
5	12:53 p.m. - 1:32 p.m.
6	1:37 p.m. - 2:16 p.m.

Appropriate Student Dress

Student dress reflects personal pride in appearance. Student school attire should adhere to accepted and traditional standards of decency, described as neat, clean, tasteful, and moderate, and should not intimidate or pose a threat to personal or public health and safety. Whenever there is a disagreement between the school and students about appearance, an administrator will verify that the possible dress code infraction has been reviewed and rectified. In some cases, students may be sent home to change. Below is a list of specific guidelines for student dress. This list is not exhaustive.

1. Shoes or sandals must be worn at all times.
2. Hoods/hoodies are not to be worn "up" in school. Faces must be able to be recognized.
3. Offensive slogans which could be considered sexist, vulgar, promote or display weapons, alcohol, tobacco, or drug use are unacceptable.
4. No sunglasses are to be worn in the school.
5. Masks or excessive markings on face are not allowed.
6. Inappropriately sheer, tight, short, or low-cut clothing that bare or expose traditionally private parts of the body including, but not limited to, the stomach, buttocks, upper thigh, back, and breasts are not acceptable in the school building.
7. Spandex shorts are not allowed.
8. **Shorts must have a minimum of a 3-inch inseam.**
9. When wearing shorts, the hem of the shorts must show below the hem at the bottom of the shirt.
10. No halter tops, spaghetti straps, or tube tops are permitted.
11. **Pajamas, robes, togas, and/or slippers are not allowed.**
12. **Hats are not to be worn during the school day in instructional areas.**(Classrooms, departmental/guidance/main offices, theatre, gym, library, Forum, etc.) Hats or head coverings of any sort are limited to the cafeteria, halls, outside of school and anywhere after school is dismissed.
13. Bandanas, of any color or design will not be tolerated. Bandanas are defined as colored or paisley-patterned handkerchiefs, or textiles, often tied around the head. Bandanas are not to be worn in hair or as a clothing accessory.
14. Clothing reflecting gang affiliation, including sagging pants, oversize pants, or bandanas will not be tolerated. Doo-rags are not allowed at school.
15. Jewelry or clothing spiked, harmful or in any way intimidating to others is not acceptable. Chains may not be worn, including wallet chains.
16. Coats are not to be worn to classes. Every student has a locker issued for this purpose. Full length trench coats are not allowed.
17. Clothing must be worn as intended by the manufacturers.

Student Smoking

The campus at Arapahoe High School is **smoke free**. **Smoking or use of all tobacco products is prohibited on all sites.** It is illegal to possess tobacco products in the City of Centennial for anyone under the age of eighteen (18). First time offenders will pay a \$100.00 fine plus \$25.00 court costs. For subsequent offenses a judge can impose a fine between \$100.00 and \$400.00.

Smoking off campus during "unscheduled hours" is discouraged and offenders may lose "off campus" privileges.

Canine Drug Search - School District Policy J1H

"Student Interrogations and Searches" Locker/Desk/Storage Area Searches

All lockers, desks, and other storage areas provided for student use on school premises remain the property of the District and are provided for the use of the students subject to inspection, access for maintenance, and searches, including "canine sniff searches," with or without reasonable suspicion, pursuant to this policy. Backpacks may be searched. Therefore, no student has a reasonable expectation of privacy of or in the lockers, desks, and other storage areas made available to the students. No student shall lock or otherwise impede access to any locker, desk, or storage area except with a lock provided by or approved by the principal of the school in which the locker, desk or storage area is located. Unapproved locks shall be removed.

Parking

Student parking is provided in the **east and west** parking lots and is designated by yellow striping and signs. Areas not reserved for student parking are designated for staff and visitors by white striping. Seniors and juniors may purchase parking stickers for \$50.00 on a space available basis. **Freshmen and sophomores are NOT given parking privileges.** Because space is limited in the student parking lot, the Assistant Principal for Student Services may limit the number of stickers and set up a waiting list on a first come-first serve basis. The Fire Department inspects the parking lot on a regular basis. They often phone the Sheriff's Office if student cars block fire lanes. The Sheriff's Deputy will write tickets on their own volition. Parking fines are also assessed by AHS Campus Supervisors for parking without a parking sticker, parking in a fire lane, designated non-parking space or handicapped space. Students parking in the east lot designated for staff and visitors may be ticketed/towed/booted. **Parking fines are: \$10.00 per violation and \$25.00 boot fee.** Boots may be applied and parking privileges may be revoked for flagrant or persistent violations. Loitering in parked cars is prohibited.

Counselor/Administrator Assignments 2016-2017

The Guidance Center at Arapahoe High School provides guidance services with the following counselor assignments:

Counselors

All students are assigned by alpha and remain with that same counselor throughout high school.

Mrs. Nicole Kostra	A-CI
Mrs. Rachel McNiff	Co-Go
Mrs. Lindsay Gillespie	Gr-La
Ms. Shannon Kershaw	Le-O
Mrs. Kelly Talen	P-So
Mr. Scott Wadsworth	Sp-Z
Ms. Bree Dougan	School Psychologist
Ms. Elizabeth Wilburn	School Psychologist
Mrs. Kristin Hall	Post Grad Coordinator

Administrators

All students are assigned by grade and remain with that same administrator throughout high school.

Ms. Angela Boatright	Class of 2017
Mr. Brian Ceriani	Class of 2018
Mr. Pat McCabe	Class of 2019
Mr. Cory Hawk	Class of 2020

Should you have any concerns about where your questions are best directed, we have an excellent support staff in our Guidance Center. They will be happy to direct you to the proper resource. Our support staff are assigned as follows:

Guidance Secretary	Mrs. Rebecca Flinders
Guidance Registrar	Mrs. Sharon Westerman
Guidance Records	Ms. Kathy Kazakoff

MOVING?

Please remember to notify the Guidance Center, as well as the Attendance Office, in the event of an address or telephone change. **It is very important that the school learn of these changes as soon as possible. Thank you.**

Health Office Guidelines

The Health Office is located within our Guidance Department. Medications to be stored at school for your student should be accompanied with a Health Care Action Plan or an Authorization to Administer Medication. This may be dropped off at the Health Office to Dawn Ives, Health Assistant, beginning **August 17th from the hours of 8 am - 1:30 pm.** Medication can only be accepted in original packaging and pharmacy label, and all required paperwork signed & dated by provider and parent/guardian.

If your student becomes ill at school, they may utilize the Health Office. Students will have their symptoms recorded and temperature taken. With ill symptoms plus a temperature of 100.0 or greater, and/or other symptoms and injuries that prevent your child from participating in their school day, your child's exclusion from school is recommended until they are improved. Students must be fever free without the help of a fever reducing medication for 24 hours in order to return to school. Parents/guardians will be notified for student pick up.

For information on health policies, illness guidelines, and health forms for Arapahoe HS and Littleton Public Schools, please visit the [AHS health services web page.](#)

The LPS Back-To-School Guide

LPS Back-to-School Guide, was mailed to all homes in the LPS attendance area and "out-of-district" families and **contains pertinent district information.**

Parents and students are encouraged to take particular notice of the fact that the bus schedules are **NOT** listed in the back-to-school guide. In an effort to increase student safety, bus routes were mailed directly to families. They will be available electronically through the Parent Portal of Infinite Campus. Bus transportation questions may be referred to the **LPS District Transportation Department: 303-347-4775.**



UPCOMING EVENTS

Fall Sports "Pink Card" Distribution

Tuesday, August 9, 2016 at late Schedule Pickup

Mandatory "Fall Sports Athletic Night"

Monday, August 22, 2016

6:00 pm in AHS Theatre

More detailed information regarding athletics at Arapahoe can be found on the Athletic website at: www.ahswarriors.org

LINK Crew Orientation News

We are pleased to announce that Link Crew will continue at Arapahoe High School during the 2016-2017 school year. This student mentoring program links 11th and 12th graders with entering freshmen and new students. Link Leaders organize and lead 9th grade and new student orientation and mentor their 9th grade students throughout their first year at Arapahoe. Hundreds of schools across the nation use this program with success.

Nearly 110 Arapahoe juniors and seniors work closely with, and are trained by, several Arapahoe teachers. They will ensure a comfortable transition for freshmen and new students to our high school. Nobody will be left out! Getting off to a great start in high school is essential, and we will make sure that not only during the first days, but throughout the school year, LINK CREW LEADERS will lend a hand, advice and friendship.

IMPORTANT DATES:

11th and 12th Grade LINK LEADERS

Mandatory Training Sessions

Thursday, August 11 - 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Meet in AHS Main Gym

Friday, August 12 - 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Meet in AHS Main Gym

Mandatory Freshmen and New Student Orientation

Thursday, August 18—7:00 a.m.-11:25 a.m. CLASSES START AT 11:30 a.m. Thursday Schedule period 1, 2, and 3

Arapahoe High School Main Gym

(Freshmen will receive schedules at this time.) We will host lunch for all freshmen, new students and Link Leaders. Neighboring restaurants will be bringing food to campus.

Beginning the first week of August and continuing through orientation, Link Leaders will be calling ninth graders and other new students to welcome them. If you prefer that Arapahoe **not** release your phone number, or that your student does not receive this welcoming phone call, please call and leave a message at 303-734-6570. Thank you.

Join Student Council!

All Arapahoe Students are invited to attend Student Council meetings and enroll in our pass/fail zero hour class on **Tuesdays at 6:20 a.m. in the Forum.**

We encourage freshmen students to take an active interest in their class's leadership by running and voting for the positions of class president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, and publicity officer. We will be conducting elections for the Freshmen class in early September.

Student Council is also proud to announce the schedule for Homecoming 2016:

Wednesday, September 28	5:30 p.m. DECA BBQ 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. Bonfire on the Baseball Field
Friday, September 30	Pep Assembly after sixth period in the Main Gym
Saturday, October 1	10:00 a.m. Parade - Will begin in the west student parking lot and heads north on Franklin, east on Easter, through The Streets of Southglenn, back to Easter going west to Franklin, and from Franklin back to AHS.
Saturday, October 1	8:00 – 11:00 p.m. Dance in the Main Gym. Tickets are \$10.00 in advance / \$15.00 at the door. Tickets will be sold during lunch in the cafeteria during Homecoming week. Attendees need to bring their student identification to the dance. Arapahoe students bringing dates from other schools must complete a guest pass form. Please see Mrs. Railey in the Attendance Office to obtain the permission slip. Dance dress is semi-formal. No jeans permitted. Please see LPS Dance Policy in the Student Planner on page 21.

Other activities will also transpire in the cafeteria during Homecoming week. Homecoming t-shirts will also be on sale every day during both lunches.

Arapahoe High School Journalism Information

Class of 2017 ~ Senior Portrait Information

The deadline for seniors to submit their senior portrait is **Friday, Sept. 16, 2016**. Seniors should also submit their senior biography by that date, if they choose to have that optional information included in the yearbook.

The photos which are taken at schedule pick-up in August and which are used for student IDs are **not** the photos used for seniors in the yearbook. Seniors need to submit a portrait to the yearbook by Sept. 16.

See this [brochure](#) for important information and specifications if you misplaced the mailing last May.

Please make arrangements and appointments with your photographer as soon as possible, if you have not done so already. Our AHS Yearbook Senior Photographers & Sponsors offer a wide range of prices and options, and will be happy to assist you with your senior portrait planning. See the brochure for other low-cost options, and contact the yearbook staff at AHSSeniorPortraits@gmail.com with any questions.

Class of 2017 ~ Senior Ads & Memory Block Information

It's not too early for parents and friends of seniors to begin creating their senior memory ads. Senior memory ads are placed in a section of the yearbook reserved especially for parents and friends to congratulate their graduate. Memory ads can be created for individual seniors, for best friends or groups of friends, or for seniors who are members of an athletic team or extracurricular club. A favorite format has been a toddler or baby picture paired with a senior photo together with a special message from parents, siblings or friends.

Senior memory ad orders and payment are due on **Friday, Oct. 7, 2016**. The deadline is very important because the number of yearbook memory block pages will be planned according to how many spaces are reserved. If an order is late, a space is not guaranteed.

See this [brochure](#) for important information and specifications if you misplaced the mailing last May. If you have questions about senior ads, contact us at AHSSeniorMemoryAds@gmail.com.

If you have any other questions, please contact the yearbook staff at arapahoeyearbook@gmail.com.

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ARAPAHOE HIGH SCHOOL



Back-to-School Night

Wednesday, August 31, 2016

Back-to-School Night will begin at **6:00 p.m.** with a parent meeting in Arapahoe's Sitting Eagle Gymnasium, followed by the schedule of classes below:

- 6:00—6:30 p.m.
- 6:40—6:46 p.m.
- 6:51—6:57 p.m.
- 7:02—7:08 p.m.
- 7:13—7:19 p.m.
- 7:24—7:30 p.m.
- 7:35—7:41 p.m.
- 7:46—7:52 p.m.
- 7:57—8:03 p.m.
- 8:08—8:14 p.m.
- 8:19—8:25 p.m.
- 8:30—8:36 p.m.
- 8:41—8:47 p.m.
- 8:52—8:58 p.m.

Parent Meeting, Large Gym

- Period 1 Monday, Wednesday, Friday
- Period 1 Tuesday, Thursday
- Period 2 Monday, Wednesday, Friday
- Period 2 Tuesday, Thursday
- Period 3 Monday, Wednesday, Friday
- Period 3 Tuesday, Thursday
- Period 4 Monday, Wednesday, Friday
- Period 4 Tuesday, Thursday
- Period 5 Monday, Wednesday, Friday
- Period 5 Tuesday, Thursday
- Period 6 Monday, Wednesday, Friday
- Period 6 Tuesday, Thursday

Zero Hour Class, **Link Crew in room C17, Spanish III in room S5 And Medicine in room W205 & W206**

Classes that meet MTWRF, MTWF, or MWRF will meet during the MWF schedule.

Classes that only meet on Tuesday and/or Thursday will meet during the TR schedule.

Please have your student complete his/her schedule. Student schedules can also be printed in the AHS Guidance Office - just off the cafeteria.

STUDENT'S NAME: _____

	CLASS	TEACHER	ROOM#
Period 1 MWF	_____	_____	_____
Period 1 TR	_____	_____	_____
Period 2 MWF	_____	_____	_____
Period 2 TR	_____	_____	_____
Period 3 MWF	_____	_____	_____
Period 3 TR	_____	_____	_____
Period 4 MWF	_____	_____	_____
Period 4 TR	_____	_____	_____
Period 5 MWF	_____	_____	_____
Period 5 TR	_____	_____	_____
Period 6 MWF	_____	_____	_____
Period 6 TR	_____	_____	_____
Zero Hour	_____	_____	_____

Arapahoe High School Calendar 2016-2017

August 2016				September 2016				October 2016				November 2016				December 2016													
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Important Dates to Remember

Date	Event	Date	Event
Aug. 3	Schedule Pickup @ Newton Middle School	Nov. 14	Freshman Showcase Class of 2021
Aug. 9	Late Schedule Pickup @ Newton Middle School	Nov. 21-25	Thanksgiving Break
Aug. 18	FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL	Dec. 19-22	Final Examinations
Aug. 22	Mandatory Fall Athletic Night for Parents & Students	Dec. 22	Semester Ends/Last Day for Students
Aug. 31	Back to School Night	Dec. 23-Jan. 6	Winter Break
Sept. 5	Labor Day - No School	Jan. 9	In-Service - NO STUDENTS
Sept. 19	Academic Letter Ceremony	Jan. 10	First Day Second Semester
Sept. 26-Oct. 1	Homecoming	Jan. 16	Marlin L. King Day - NO SCHOOL
Oct. 19	Parent/Teacher Conferences - evening	Feb. 13	Mandatory Spring Athletic Night for Parents & Students
Oct. 20	In-Service - NO STUDENTS	Feb. 20	Presidents' Day Holiday - NO SCHOOL
Oct. 21	NO SCHOOL	Mar. 9	Parent/Teacher Conferences - evening
Nov. 7	Mandatory Winter Athletic Night for Parents & Students	Mar. 10	NO SCHOOL
		Mar. 13-17	Warrior Week
		Mar. 27-31	Spring Break
		Apr. 17	Freshman Registration
		May 6	Prom/After Prom
		May 19	Last Day for Seniors
		May 22	Final Examinations/ Awards Convocation
		May 23-24	Final Examinations/ Arena Scheduling
		May 25	GRADUATION
		May 26	Final Examination
		May 29	Last Day of Semester
			Memorial Day

Key

- Holiday/Vacation/No School
- In-Service Day
- PLC - Late Start Day
- * End of Six Weeks
- [^] Advisement

2016-2017 Dates to Remember:

Thursday, August 18, 2016	- Link Crew Freshmen Orientation - 7:00 to 11:00
Thursday, August 18, 2016	- First School Day for All Students - 11:30 to 2:16
Wednesday, August 31, 2016	- PLC – Late Start Day
Wednesday, August 31, 2016	- Back-to-School Night
Monday, September 05, 2016	- Labor Day - NO SCHOOL
Wednesday, September 14, 2016	- PLC – Late Start Day
Friday, September 30, 2016	- End of Six Weeks
Monday, September 26-Friday, September 30, 2016	- Homecoming Week
Wednesday, October 05, 2016	- PLC – Late Start Day
Wednesday, October 19, 2016	- Parent/Teacher Conferences - 3:00 to 8:00 p.m.
Thursday, October 20, 2016	- In-Service – NO STUDENTS
Friday, October 21, 2016	- NO SCHOOL
Wednesday, October 26, 2016	- PLC – Late Start Day
Friday, November 11, 2016	- End of Six Weeks
Monday, November 14, 2016	- Freshmen (Class of 2021) Showcase
Wednesday, November 16, 2016	- PLC – Late Start Day
Monday, November 21-Friday, November 25, 2016	- Thanksgiving Break
Wednesday, December 07, 2016	- PLC – Late Start Day
Monday, December 19-Thursday, December 22, 2016	- Final Examinations
Thursday, December 22, 2016	- Semester Ends/Last Day for Students
Friday, December 23-Friday, January 06, 2017	- Winter Break
Monday, January 09, 2017	- In-Service – NO STUDENTS
Tuesday, January 10, 2017	- First Day Second Semester
Monday, January 16, 2017	- Martin L. King Day
Wednesday, January 25, 2017	- PLC – Late Start Day
Wednesday, February 15, 2017	- PLC – Late Start Day
Friday, February 17, 2017	- End of Six Weeks
Monday, February 20, 2017	- Presidents' Day Holiday – NO SCHOOL
Thursday, March 09, 2017	- Parent/Teacher Conferences – Evening
Friday, March 10, 2017	- NO SCHOOL
Wednesday, March 15, 2017	- PLC – Late Start Day
Monday, March 27-Friday, March 31, 2017	- Spring Break
Friday, April 07, 2017	- End of Six Weeks
Monday, April 17, 2017	- Freshman (Class of 2021) Registration
Wednesday, May 3, 2017	- PLC – Late Start Day
Saturday, May 6 2017	- Prom/After Prom
Friday, May 19, 2017	- Last Day for Seniors
Monday, May 22, 2017	- Final Examinations/Senior Awards Convocation
Tuesday, May 23 & Wednesday, May 24, 2017	- Final Examinations/Arena Scheduling
Thursday, May 25, 2017	- GRADUATION Class of 2017
Friday, May 26, 2017	- Final Examinations/Arena Scheduling/ Last Day of Semester
Monday, May 29, 2017	- Memorial Day

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