ARAPAHOE
DRUM BEAT

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MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to create an engaging teaching-learning environment that values student individuality and encourages students to:

- recognize and achieve their full potential,
- collaborate in the learning process,
- become lifelong learners, and
- participate actively in their local and global societies.

Dear Arapahoe Parents, May 2016

It is truly impossible to believe that this is the final *Drum Beat* of the year! With the end of the high school year comes a special time to celebrate, honor, and recognize students. As a tribute to the wonderful **Senior Class of 2016**, several of our staff will join with members of our PTO to provide our graduates with an afternoon of food, games, and camaraderie at our annual **"Fun in the Sun Day**." It will be held on **Friday, May 13 at 9:30 a.m.,** our seniors' last day. There will be a cookout, field games including volleyball and Frisbee, yearbook signing, and a few new fun additions this year. There will be many photo opportunities with friends. These activities will take place on our soccer field and are open to members of the Class of 2016 only! On this day, the seniors will also receive their **cap and gown** for graduation following the events on the soccer field. We provide this event as an opportunity for our seniors to further bond as a class while sharing some final hours together. **Please note** that it will be important for seniors to **complete all required course work by Thursday afternoon** and that unless they have pre-scheduled official school matters to attend to, seniors will not be allowed inside the building on Friday. This activity has worked very well for the past several years, as our students have risen to all expectations!

I want to **thank the Class of 2016** for their hard work, spirit, academic achievement, leadership, and commitment to the Arapahoe community. They provided two **class gifts;** the first is a beautiful, new rug at the north entrance in the Trophy Hall. This is the main student entrance from the west lot. It is not only functional; it will forever be a reminder of this outstanding class. They also helped finance a major upgrade to the sound system in our Sitting Eagle Gymnasium. We have had the opportunity to hear this difference in recent assemblies this past spring. Thank you, seniors! I am proud to report that the Soldier Wolf family will be making the journey in May to attend our graduation ceremonies, and we are honored to have **Mr. Mark Soldier Wolf**, a well-respected tribal elder, address our graduating Class of 2016. This graduating class has been very special to me and absolutely one of Arapahoe's very best graduating classes. Congratulations, Warriors, on a job well done.

I want to take this opportunity to express my sincere gratitude to the entire Arapahoe High School community for all of your support. This past weekend, we celebrated one of the very best **Proms and After Proms** to date. I continue to hear praise and appreciation from the students about both. Under the leadership of **senior parent and After Prom Chair, D.D. Walsh,** After Prom was amazing. I want to extend a huge **thank you to each and every volunteer who participated and supported the event in some way.** Your Warriors appreciate it. Thank you for sending us your amazing students. They are fun to be around, and they inspire and impress us every day. I appreciate the trust you put in us as a faculty and staff as well as the collaborative partnership we have in raising our Warriors. Enjoy your summer with family and friends and always remember to take care of one another.

Sincerely,

Natalie Pramenko

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Principal

Freshman Summer Warrior Orientation

Monday, August 15
8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
$15.00 per student
Registration Deadline—August 8, 2016—To register, please click here.

Teaching Freshmen How to Succeed in High School

Students already registered will receive a confirmation letter in July.

- Taught by Arapahoe Teachers
- Teacher Tips - Science, Math, Social Studies, Language Arts, World Languages and Business
- Organizational Skills
- Homework Strategies
- Test Preparation
- Note-Taking Skills
- Textbook Comprehension & More…..

Thank You from Your PTO

Thank you so much for your tremendous support this last weekend for our After Prom. It was an amazing event, and it is simply not possible without all of you. One group of parents that did all the decorating worked on this event since last October. Then hundreds of parents donated food and prizes. Another 200 volunteers helped set up, run, and clean up the actual event. A true team effort!

Thank you to the entire After Prom committee. Another thank you is necessary and very important….thank you to D.D. Walsh! What an impressive group you assembled to navigate After Prom for the last few years. We all owe you so many thank you's for all of your hard work this year making this After Prom so wonderful for the kids and adults alike. Your leadership and many smiles make you a joy to have wandering the halls at 3:00 in the morning. The PTO would like to thank you for all you have done these past few years!

News from Your PTO

The following letter is annually written by our Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO) with full support from the Arapahoe faculty and administration. We have printed this letter for the past several years because of its important message.

PTO Board 2016-2017
President: Nancy Seavall
Co-President: Kimberly Roberson
Treasurer: Kimberley Lefever
VIPS: Leisha Andersen and Mim Lyles
Historian: Stacey LeMay
Hospitality: Amy Eckhout
New Families: Ronette Hall
Secretary: Cathy Walker

TO ARAPAHOE PARENTS FROM ARAPAHOE PARENTS:

It can be a cruel world for teenagers, but there are some things we as parents can control. Recently some essential issues concerning social activities have been brought to the attention of our PTO, and we would like to share them with you. We parents feel very strongly that the safety of our children is at stake and would like to ask for your help. All parents need to work together cooperatively. Maybe some of the problems listed below could be alleviated before our teenagers get hurt or behave in a way they will regret. Alcohol consumption can cause death and is often a contributing factor in "teen suicide."

Arrests by law enforcement are often required to be explained on college applications by the student and may be reason for denial of admission. "Good kids" can sometimes get into big difficulties, too!

We are not overreacting, narrow-minded parents, and these concerns are not limited to our high school, but let's face it–there is a great deal of pressure placed on our teenagers from many different sources.

Please read further and consider our assessment of the situation and our recommendations. PARENTS MUST STAY TOGETHER ON THIS FOR THE SAFETY OF OUR STUDENTS!

PROBLEM: There are many weekend parties in homes where parents are not in attendance. These parties can be termed "drinking parties" and frequently the absent parents are unaware their home is being used.

RECOMMENDATION: It is the responsibility of parents of teenagers to determine where their son or daughter is going every Friday and Saturday night and not become manipulated by the common defenses: "Everybody else gets to do it," or "I'll be the only one in school who won't be there," or "Their mom and dad are cool–they don't interfere with what their kids do." Get the name of the person having the party and telephone the parent to make sure there will be parental supervision. Parents going out of town should not do so without providing adequate adult supervision for their teenager. Parents may have complete confidence in their son/daughter, but peer pressure can be very influential.

PROBLEM: It's difficult to believe, but there are parties where adults supply alcohol to teenagers. This is illegal under the State of Colorado House Bill No. 1320, Section I.

RECOMMENDATION: Encourage your teenagers to have their friends over, but make it known you do not permit drinking (not even champagne) by anyone under the age of 21. Plan your parties carefully. Have food available as well as a variety of activities. Have a guest list and make it known that **only** invited guests will be welcome in your home. **Parents can be legally liable** for teenage guests' behaviors in their homes.

PROBLEM: A huge concern is that intoxicated teenagers are often driving home from parties or arrive at home parties intoxicated.

RECOMMENDATION: Telephone the parents of the intoxicated teen to come and take the teenager home safely. Parents will be very appreciative.

PROBLEM: "Sleep-over's". . . students are asking to spend the night at a friend's house and the friend makes the same request of his/her parent. The result is that neither teenager is expected at anyone's home for the sleep-over.

RECOMMENDATION: Obtain from your teenager the name of the friend hosting the "sleep-over" (please never approve this during weekdays) and telephone the parents to confirm their supervision. This can be done in a non-intrusive manner. For instance: "Hi (name of parent), this is (student's name) mother/father. I'm just calling to be sure that having my son/daughter spend the night will not be an imposition."

PROBLEM: Often teenagers violate curfew and remain out late. This situation often escalates during graduation/end of the school year time.

RECOMMENDATION: Parents should expect their teenagers to abide by the Arapahoe County curfew. Under eighteen (18) years of age, teenagers are to be off the streets by 11:00 p.m. on weeknights and Sunday nights and by midnight on Friday and Saturday nights.

A simple recommendation for all parents is not to accept "I'm going out. I'll be back later," as an explanation of destination and purpose, but rather expect specific plans for the weekend from your teenagers. ALSO . . . to ensure that our sons and daughters know we care when they return home from an evening's activity and in what physical condition they arrive, it is strongly suggested that parents make it a habit to "wait up" for their son/daughter.

Remember, as parents it can also be difficult for us to say "No." We are all in the same situation, trying to do the best possible for our teenagers. Offer alternatives to your teenager and be there for him/her. We need to care enough to positively confront. Show that you care! Peer pressure is very strong and after a while "just say no" and can become a "yes." Let's help our sons and daughters to become the best young adults they can be keep them safe and responsible.

Thank you,
The Arapahoe High School PTO

One of the important influences parents can have on their teenager is to have dinner as a family at least once each week—WITHOUT TECHNOLOGY OR TELEVISION!

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.

ARAPAHOE HIGH SCHOOL FEE PAYMENT FORM
2016/17 REGISTRATION FEES

PAYMENT DUE—WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29, 2016 **STUDENT LAST NAME** _____

REQUIRED FEES:

Student ID: AHS student ID card w/ photo.
Graduation *(Seniors only):* Payment due March 1st.

Note: Graduation fee does not include cap and gown. Seniors will be responsible for ordering their own cap and gown. Herff/Jones will provide order information to Seniors in August

OPTIONAL FEES:

SBA Stamp (Athletic pass): Allows free admittance to all regular season, home athletic events.
Yearbook: Yearbook with name plate
Parking Permit: *Juniors/Seniors only:* Required for on campus parking. (*Pay early to secure a permit*!)

OPTIONAL DONATIONS:

Link Crew: Freshman mentoring program.
Technology: Funding for AHS student technology.
PTO: Provides grants/service for AHS staff and students.
After Prom: Provides a safe, fun environment for a

FRESHMAN **Student ID #** _____

Student name _____

Student ID Card (required)	**5.00**	_____
SBA Stamp (Athletic pass)	30.00	_____
Yearbook	67.00	_____
Link Crew donation	10.00	_____
PTO donation	15.00	_____
Technology donation	30.00	_____

Total Due $_____

Total package with all options $157.00

SOPHOMORE **Student ID #** _____

Student name _____

Student ID Card (required)	**5.00**	_____
SBA Stamp (Athletic pass)	30.00	_____
Yearbook	67.00	_____
PTO donation	15.00	_____
Technology donation	30.00	_____

Total Due $_____

Total package with all options $147.00

JUNIOR **Student ID #** _____

Student name _____

Student ID Card (required)	**5.00**	_____
SBA Stamp (Athletic pass)	30.00	_____
Parking permit (school year)	50.00	_____
Yearbook	67.00	_____
PTO donation	15.00	_____
After Prom donation	30.00	_____
Technology donation	30.00	_____

Total Due $_____

Total package with all options $227.00

SENIOR **Student ID #** _____

Student name _____

Student ID Card (required)	**5.00**	_____
SBA Stamp (Athletic pass)	30.00	_____
Graduation (due March 1st)	25.00	_____
Parking permit (school year)	50.00	_____
Yearbook	67.00	_____
PTO donation	15.00	_____
After Prom donation	30.00	_____
Technology donation	30.00	_____

Total Due $_____

Total package with all options $252.00

Make all checks/money orders payable to Arapahoe High School. Write Student name/ID on Memo line.

Cash: $_____ **Check: $**_____ **Check No:** _____ **Printed Name on Check** _____

Credit card payments may be made after July 1st at https://littleton.revtrak.net

To All Incoming Freshman (Class of 2020)
"Summer Assignment"

At Arapahoe we expect each Freshman to read a minimum of two novels this summer. These novels are of your choice, but a reading list of books recommended by Arapahoe Seniors are on our incoming freshman tab, or go directly by clicking here.

Optional Technology Fee

Technology is an ever more important tool for students and teachers at Arapahoe. Our students will spend the rest of their lives in a multi-tasking, technology-driven world and will need information and communication technology literacy in order to be successful – in both their professional and personal lives. Technology is not the goal, but rather it is the enabler that allows us to achieve our goals. We are exploring ways to use technology to enable a more student-centered approach to instruction; to create a culture of learning where students take a greater role in producing and managing their own learning. We are attempting to provide teachers and students with 21st century learning skills, and an environment where students and teachers have access to the resources they need when they need them.

For these reasons, **we strongly encourage students to bring their own devices** (laptops, tablets, smart phones, etc.) to use at school. Even with some students bringing their own devices, we still have a need for additional funding to support all students and to support the infrastructure for students who bring their own. Therefore, we have listed an optional $30 technology fee as part of the fees students pay at registration. We want to be very clear – **this fee is completely optional** and $30 is just a suggested amount. You can choose to pay nothing, less than $30, $30 itself, or even $50 or $100 if you'd like (we won't say no :-). This money will be used solely to support student technology needs. This will include items like computers and LCD Projectors (and replacement bulbs), and less exciting – but still necessary – items such as toner cartridges, cabling and software licensing.

Should you choose to contribute, we would also suggest you consider contacting the Human Resources Department at your employer, as many employers offer matching funds for school donations. Should you have any questions regarding this optional fee, please contact **Karl Fisch, Arapahoe's Director of Technology, at 303-347-6085.**

Scheduling and Registration

Arapahoe High School values student input and encourages participation in the decision-making that goes into building a student's schedule. Our scheduling processes enable students to make some decisions about their schedules; however, they **do not guarantee** that students will have the period or the teacher they request, regardless of when they registered.

Please understand that after arena scheduling we may need to change some student schedules in order to balance classes. Additionally, based on enrollment of classes after arena scheduling, some sections of classes may have to be added and/or canceled. This too may impact an individual student's schedule. With that said, it is always our goal for students to be able to choose both the classes as well as the teachers they want.

Please refer to page 18 of this *Drum Beat* for the specific times of Arena Scheduling.

Thank you.

Watch Your Mail in August for the LPS Back to School Guide

(LPS School Bus/Transportation Information)

In an effort to increase student safety, LPS bus routes will be available to families electronically through the Parent Portal of Infinite Campus. This information will also be available at each LPS school and at the Transportation Services Center. **Call LPS Transportation Department for information–303-347-4775.**

Guidance Center Guidelines

Advanced Placement (AP) Examinations

The AP exam schedule in May is reproduced for your reference. Students who have an AP exam are excused from school only during the exam time.

The test site for most AP exams is The Ames Facility at 7300 S Clermont Dr, Centennial. The AP Spanish exam will take place at Arapahoe High School. Student arrival time and location were announced at Pre-registration on April 5 or 6.

Each exam costs $94.00. An AHS Billing Statement from the Bookkeeping Office reflecting the cost of the ordered exam(s) was mailed in March. Payment was due upon receipt of the billing statement and prior to April 22, 2016. Checks should be made out to Arapahoe High School. Questions about AP testing should be directed to one of our AP Coordinators, **Kelly Talen at 303-347-6009 or Jenica Schoonover at 303-347-6015.**

2016 AP Examination Schedule
May 2-6 & May 9-13

Week 1	**Morning**	**Afternoon**
Monday May 2	Chemistry	Psychology
Tuesday May 3	Spanish	Physics1: Algebra Based
Wednesday May 4	English Literature/ Comp	
Thursday May 5	Calculus AB Calculus BC	
Friday May 6	United States History	
Week 2	**Morning**	**Afternoon**
Monday May 9	Biology	Physics C: Mechanics Physics C: Elec/Mag
Tuesday May 10	United States Gov- ernment and Poli- tics	
Wednesday May 11	English Language/ Comp	
Thursday May 12		Statistics
Friday May 13	Microeconomics	

Awards Convocation

We Need Your Help! Typically, the Guidance Center is not officially notified of any scholarships or awards your student may receive from organizations or post high school institutions. **PLEASE notify Mrs. Hall in the Post Grad Center** of any scholarship awards your son or daughter receives by Monday, May 2 so that proper recognition can be given at the Awards Convocation on May 16. A copy of the scholarship award letter is sufficient.

Scholarship Information

Scholarship applications are received at Arapahoe every week and are logged in to the Scholarship List on Naviance. They can be accessed via your Naviance Family Connection account at home as well as at school. Seniors who are seeking scholarships or financial aid should contact **Mrs. Hall** in the Post Graduate Center. Mrs. Hall will attempt to assist students who are seeking financial aid of any kind; however, financial aid, which includes scholarships, is granted by colleges or scholarship programs, not the Post Graduate Center.

Beware of Scholarship Scams

With college costs skyrocketing, students and their families are looking for creative ways to finance a college education. According to the Federal Trade Commission, unscrupulous companies use high-pressure sales pitches at seminars or guarantee or promise scholarships, grants, or fantastic financial aid packages in exchange for an advance fee. The FTC cautions students to look and listen for tell-tale lines, such as: "the scholarship is guaranteed"; "we'll do all the work"; and "we just need your credit card or bank account number to hold this scholarship." Parents and students are advised to investigate any organization you're considering paying for help in finding scholarships. NO legitimate agency can guarantee scholarships!

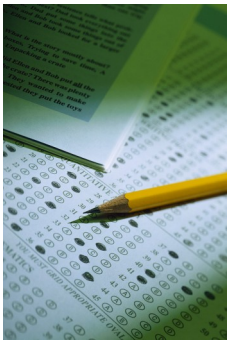
Senior Information

During the week of April 25, seniors received information about completing the Arapahoe Graduation Survey. Seniors log on to their Naviance accounts to complete the survey, which collects information for the Awards Convocation on May 16 and Graduation on May 19. Information seniors will provide includes: confirmation of future plans after high school, scholarship monies awarded, and final transcript requests.

ACT & SAT Test and Registration Dates

ACT - www.actstudent.org

ACT Test Date	Registration Deadline
June 11, 2016	May 6, 2016
September 10, 2016	August 5, 2016
October 22, 2016	September 16, 2016
December 10, 2016	November 4, 2016



SAT Reasoning/Subject Test-www.collegeboard.com

SAT Test Date	Registration Deadline
June 4, 2016	May 5, 2016

Post Grad Center News

Seniors, thank you for stopping by with updates on your future plans, college choices, and scholarship awards. Hopefully, you have already completed the Naviance Senior Exit Survey, which must be completed before cap and gown pick up. For those of you who completed it before *The Herald* went to print, you will be listed in their year-end publication and famous map that shows where the Class of 2016 will be this coming fall.

Juniors, get a jump on the college application process by becoming an expert on your schools of interest. Schedule an official visit so you can get a feel for the campus and student life. Work in Naviance on your biography for letters of recommendation and resume so you are ready to ask teachers for letters of recommendation. Find out what process your teachers use to accept requests. Begin working on one of the Common Application essay prompts if you will use this application platform to apply to multiple schools in the fall.

Sophomores, next year is your year to research! Make it a priority to attend the college fairs at the end of September and the beginning of October. Take advantage of college visits that occur right here at Arapahoe High School and remember that the majority of this will occur in late September and early to mid October. Continue to work on your resume so it is always up to date!

Freshmen, next year, you will be introduced to Naviance! Challenge yourself to work to your potential in school and invest in Arapahoe High School and your surrounding community.

The Post Grad Center has an outstanding group of knowledgeable and committed parent volunteers. A heartfelt **THANK YOU** to this year's group of volunteers who allow the Post Grad Center to meet individually with all sophomores, juniors, and seniors in preparation for their post high school years. You are making a difference in the lives of Arapahoe High School students!

Registering for Selective Service
Reminder

All young men must register with selective services within 30 days of turning 18 years old.

You may register online at www.sss.gov,
or registration forms are available at the US Post Office.

Registration
It's Quick - It's Easy - It's the Law!

Summer School 2016

The Summer School Program will be held in conjunction with Arapahoe Community College again this year during June and July. Programs offered will be:

- **Day Summer School Program**
- **Evening Summer School Program**
- **Online Summer School Program**

Registration started on April 4 and the deadline is May 25. Course schedules are available in the Arapahoe Guidance Center or online. **Any questions, please contact Arapahoe Community College at 303-797-5722.**

Art Department

Beginning in October 2015, the art department has been featuring an Artist of the Month who has been chosen because of his/her outstanding technique and originality. They are some of our most dedicated and talented artists who have shown great creative accomplishments. May's Artist of the Month is Senior **Amber Malom.** Stop by the Art Department to see her embroidery and pen piece on display!

Our 12th annual Art Attack was a huge success this year, with **over 670 student artworks** submitted to the show! A first, second, and third place winner was recognized in all twelve categories, as well as a Superintendent's choice, a Principal's choice, and five School Board Member's choices. Congratulations to the following individuals who were recognized for their artistic achievements at an awards reception on April 19:

Acrylic Painting
1st - Breanda Petsch
2nd - Cheyenne Cooper
3rd - Abby Rictor

Black & White Drawing
1st - Audra Barrow
2nd - Grace Ho
3rd - Joe Otto

Colored Drawing
1st - Jenna Bates
2nd - Lorelei Schoenstein
3rd - Grace Pakola

Computer Art
1st - Jacob Gonzalez
2nd - Katelin Godfrey
3rd - Zippy Horch

Design
1st - Aubrey Donhowe
2nd - Alyssa Brown
3rd - Remha Yohannes

Digital Photography
1st - Kaley Hinchsliff
2nd - Allison Swomley
3rd - Natalie Weber

Film Photography
1st - Haley Persichitte
2nd - Sydney Bates
3rd - Faith Fyles

Jewelry
1st - Sydney Bates
2nd - Aly Brown
3rd - Alyssa Brown

Mixed Media
1st - Amber Malom
2nd - Tatum Ramsey
3rd - Cheyenne Cooper

Printmaking
1st - Jenn Kadarisman
2nd - Chelsea Neumann
3rd - Dylon Becker

Sculpture & Ceramics
1st - Kyler Fredericks
2nd - Aspen Golding
3rd - Kate Bierschwale

Watercolor Painting
1st - Abby Rictor
2nd - Amy Raymond
3rd - Kaley Hinchsliff

Superintendent's Choice
Andrew Cole & James Conley

Principal's Choice
Kristen Miranda

Board Member's Choices:
AJ Cruz
Eliza Fink
Alyssa Leiby
Lexi Morrissey
Leah Tschumper

Southglenn Library Winners

Ashley Adams
Ashleigh Bol
Brooke Edgerton
Kyler Fredericks
Kaley Hinchsliff
Kristin Miranda
Lauren Moore
Haley Persichitte
Amy Raymond
Allie Sheehan
Allison Swomley
Walker Urban
Davis Wuthrich

Winners of the Southglenn Library Show will be having a special reception on Thursday, May12 at the library from 5-6 pm in the art gallery where the artwork will be displayed until April 2017. The reception will be open to any community members who would like to celebrate these students' artistic achievements.

A huge congratulations to all of our student artists this year! Great job warriors!

Business Department

Business Department Update

May 5 at 6 p.m. (note time changed from 6:30 p.m. to 6 p.m.) is the dessert banquet honoring students who have achieved the status of qualifying for a letter in one or more of the business organizations: DECA, Future Business Leaders of America, and National Business Honor Society. The letters indicate that a business student has a passion for business and is willing to take his/her business education to the next level. Congratulations to all of our business students who have reached this level of success. If you are interested in learning more about lettering in Business, please contact Caroline Swank in the Business Education Department at cswank@lps.k12.co.us

Arapahoe High School Junior Earns $20,000 Scholarship by Learning How to Manage His Money!

Arapahoe High School Junior Jackson Capps was awarded a $20,000 scholarship from participating in the H&R Block Budget Challenge in his Personal Finance class. H&R Block has created an online virtual world in which students receive paychecks and pay for life events such as student loans, rent, car payments, insurance, credit card bills, and unexpected life events while investing in their future through a 401k.

The following Personal Finance students also competed in the H&R Block Challenge and ranked in the top 500 students out of 18,500 students. Congratulations on all of your hard work!
Sydney Bates, Nicholas Beckman, Chris Glance, Ben Hanson, Keegan Hathaway, Megan Henke, Myah Friedman, and Paige Paulson.

Personal Finance is now an Arapahoe High School graduation requirement for the class of 2020 .The importance of giving financial education to our students before they leave high school is recognized as a life skill that Arapahoe supports for our students and community.

National Business Honor Society (NBHS)

42 students qualified to become new members of the National Business Honor Society this year. Juniors and Seniors who have taken 3 business classes are eligible to join the organization in the fall. The Director of Advising from the University of Denver's Daniels College of Business gave a presentation to Arapahoe students, providing essential information about business school.

Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA

Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) had another outstanding year for our competition in business events! At the State Future Business Leaders of America Conference our students showcased their talent for business against 5000 other students. We are very proud that, 38 students out of 58 placed in the top 10 of their events. Only the top 4 in each event are eligible to attend Nationals this summer in Atlanta, Georgia.
National Qualifiers are:
Business Calculations—Sarah Franklin
Impromptu Speaking—Kirk Zieser
Hospitality Management—Elizabeth Albeck, Trevor Call, and Caroline Carmen
Client Service—Abigail Naumann
Entrepreneurship—Henry Schaefer
Intro to Business Presentation—Carly Broady
Electronic Career Portfolio—Bree Peterson
Introduction to Parliamentary Procedure—Izzy Branscomb
Digital Video Design—Victoria Cheng
Securities and Investments—Collin Hayes
Graphic Design—MacKenzie Holland and Amber Malom
Life Smart—Elizabeth Eshelman and Amber Malom

Arapahoe High School Journalism Information

Arapahoe High School Yearbook Information

Yearbook Distribution Day ~ May 9, 2016

The 2016 yearbook will be distributed from 2:20 to 3:15 p.m. on Monday, May 9 in the cafeteria. Following that event, we will distribute books in the cafeteria during both lunches and after school until May 12. Any yearbooks not picked up by May 12 may be re-sold. In order to pick up a yearbook, students will be asked to show their school I.D. card, a driver's license, or a printout with their picture from Infinite Campus. To check whether you ordered a yearbook, check your Infinite Campus account or see the Bookkeeper's Corner on the AHS website for a list.

While we *may* have some extra books for sale at distribution day and during the week after, we can make no guarantees. We do not have the budget nor the storage space to order extra books on a speculative basis. However, often the printing plant sends us a few "over-runs" or extra copies. If we do have any extras, we will sell them on a first-come, first-served basis for $80, which can be paid in cash or by check made payable to Arapahoe High School.

Class of 2017 ~ Senior Portrait Information

The yearbook staff plans to send a mailer in late April / early May to all members of the class of 2017 with information about senior portraits, senior biographies and senior memory ads. We will include promotional brochures and materials from the AHS Yearbook Senior Photographers & Sponsors for 2016–2017 for you to look over and to help with your selection of a photographer.

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 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. Please plan ahead and make arrangements and appointments with your photographer as soon as possible. We recommend that you have your portrait taken by July 31 to receive the best prices and to avoid the rush as the school year begins anew.

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 arapahoeyearbook@gmail.com for suggestions.

We will also include a senior ads brochure in the spring mailer sent to all members of the class of 2017. 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, and for seniors who are members of an athletic team or extracurricular club. Memory block orders and payment are due on **Friday, Oct. 7, 2016**.

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

Student Council News

Election Information

Congratulations to our newly-elected 2016-2017 officers! We appreciate applicants' courage and effort and look forward to continuing to see them at general council and class meetings. We also encourage runners-up to apply for Ambassador positions in the fall.

Executive

President	Matthew Parone
Vice President	Josie Lee
Secretary	Abbie Naumann
Treasurer	Chris Keiffer
Publicity Officer	Tia Decolati

Seniors

President	Nicole Seavall
Vice President	Kali Barber
Secretary/Treasurer	Ray Hamer
Publicity Officer	Max Wilson

Juniors

President	Harper Finch
Vice President	Jay Kikkeri
Secretary	Lilly Doan
Treasurer	Carly Broady
Publicity Officer	Morgan McArdle

Sophomores

President	Janie Egan
Vice President	Emmy Hawkins
Secretary	Olivia Wilson
Treasurer	Anna Brandner
Publicity Officer	Olivia Golden

Staff Appreciation Week

May9 - May 13

Student Council wishes to express appreciation to those families and community members who donated gift cards to show appreciation for Arapahoe teachers and staff. We appreciate your generosity. We will accept donations through Friday, May 6.

Warrior Week

Every year, Arapahoe's Student Council puts on a school-wide, week-long series of events known as Warrior Week. The school sponsors a charitable organization and, this year, the proceeds benefitted The Joshua School, a local organization whose mission is to serve as a therapeutic day treatment center for individuals and families challenged and enriched by Autism Spectrum Disorders.

During Warrior Week, students and Arapahoe community members donated and raised money in their classes, at lunch, and at events hosted throughout the week. Many families and community members showed their support by attending Arapahoe Singers and C.U. Buffoons concert as well as our first annual 3 vs. 3 basketball tournament and silent auction. The community also supported the cause by dining at a number of the restaurants we partnered with throughout the week.

We sincerely appreciate the generosity the Arapahoe community showed during this year's events, which resulted in a donation of over $10,000 to The Joshua School.

Graduation Synopsis 2016

Date: **Thursday, May 19**
Location: LPS Stadium
Rehearsal Time: 8:15 a.m.
Rehearsal Location: Littleton High School Gym

Rain Time: 11:00 a.m.
Rain Location: Arapahoe High School Gym
Rain Rehearsal Time: 9:15 a.m.
Rain Rehearsal Location: Arapahoe Auxiliary Gym

Graduates will meet in the Arapahoe High School Auxiliary Gym at 7:15 a.m. to board buses that will take them to the LPS Stadium. Dress appropriately, no tennis shoes or flip flops.

Cap and Gown distribution: Friday, May 13, from 1:00 p.m.-1:45 p.m. in the Auxiliary Gym. All fines must be cleared prior to picking up cap and gown.

TICKETS: Will be distributed with the cap and gowns. Each graduate will receive 6 tickets for the outdoor ceremony and 4 tickets for the indoor ceremony at AHS in case of rain. **Lost tickets cannot be replaced and tickets are not interchangeable. A signature will be required to receive the tickets.**

Extra Tickets: Requests for additional stadium tickets should be submitted via email to Jill DeBow (jdebow@lps.k12.co.us) in Student Services by May 6th.

Guest Seating: There are no reserved seats. Seating is on a first-come, first-seated basis. Handicapped seating and parking is available, but limited.

Parking: There is a shuttle service from Arapahoe to the Stadium beginning at 8:30 a.m. and is recommended since Littleton High School is in session and parking is limited. A bus for handicapped guests will also be running.

Graduation Photos: Professional photographers have been contacted to take a candid photo as each graduate receives his/her diploma. A proof of this photograph will be mailed to each student at no charge or obligation to the student or school.

Further Information: A detailed letter should have arrived at your home by this time. If you have not received one, please call 303-347-6049.

Note: Graduates who choose not to participate in the ceremony must notify Mr. Ceriani by Monday, April 25th. A parent letter acknowledging this decision will be necessary for a refund of cap and gown fees.

Graduation
May19, 2016

Important Transportation Request of Parents & Families of Graduates

Due to limited parking at LPS Stadium, parents and families of graduates are requested to please utilize the shuttle bus provided for your transportation to the graduation ceremony at Littleton Public Schools' Stadium.

Additional parking will be available at Norgren's at Powers and Bannock, also at K-Mart on S. Broadway (Shuttle bus service to the ceremony will be provided from the K-Mart parking lot).

Beginning at 8:30 a.m. the buses (including a handicapped bus) will be taking people from the Circle Drive at Arapahoe High School (south side of the building) to the stadium.

Thank you!

AHS Graduates In The Military

Arapahoe High School would like to recognize and honor all graduates who are now serving our country in the military. The Arapahoe Guidance Department is collecting pictures and information that will be put on display in the school. If you have a son or daughter now serving in the military, please send in a photograph, the year of graduation, the branch they are serving in and the group number if applicable.

Please send the information to:
Arapahoe High School
Attention: Guidance Department
2201 E. Dry Creek Road, Centennial, CO 80122

AHS Historian Album

Pictures—Pictures—Pictures

Do you have pictures of your AHS student participating in a sport, a club, Homecoming event, any AHS activity? I would love to include them in the 2015-2016 AHS Historian Album.

Please send your photos to the AHS Main Office to the attention of **Stacy LeMay, PTO Historian.** Please include the date (approximate is fine) and the event represented. I will collect them from the PTO mailbox.

Thanks for your support in preserving Arapahoe High School history.

The Coffee Break

Deputy James Englert and Deputy James Mason
School Resource Officers, Arapahoe High School

Teen Drivers, I'm Talking to YOU!

I write a great deal about teen driving in my articles and talk about it frequently during the school day. I feel this is a topic that requires continual discussion and education. When a teen finally gets a driver's license, it is an exciting time. Along with that excitement, comes responsibility. The laws were put into place because of previous teen fatalities while driving.

I took some of the laws that are posted on www.coteendriver.com to make you aware of them or to refresh your memory. These are just a few of the laws. Please read them and follow them.

Teen Driving Restrictions

The rules of the road apply to drivers of all ages, but there are certain additional restrictions that all teen drivers need to know.

Passenger restrictions: Teens with a permit:

No passengers other than a driving instructor, parent, legal guardian or a licensed adult 21 years of age or older (authorized by parent/guardian).

Teens with a license:

- For the first six months, no passengers under 21, unless a parent or other licensed adult driver is in the vehicle.
- For the next six months, one passenger under age 21 (unsupervised).
- Siblings and passengers with medical emergencies are exceptions.
- At any time, no more than one passenger is allowed in the front seat.

Mandatory seat belts: By law, ALL teen drivers and passengers must wear seat belts (no sharing!).

Cell phones and texting banned: Teens under age 18 are prohibited from using a cell phone while driving. Teens can be fined and may risk losing their license. Exceptions include emergency calls to the police or fire department.

Curfew: For the first year as a licensed driver, your teen must abide by a curfew—no driving between midnight and 5 a.m. unless accompanied by an instructor, parent or legal guardian. Exceptions include: driving to/from school/work (signed statement from school/work required), medical emergencies and emancipated minors.

Curfew laws may vary by city or county. To properly follow the curfew in your area, please confirm restrictions with your local government.

Zero tolerance for drunk driving

Eight young people die every day in the U.S. in alcohol-related crashes. Talk with your teen about the dangers of driving drunk or riding with someone who has used alcohol or drugs. Driving under the influence of alcohol—even a trace of alcohol on minor drivers—is punishable by law. (www.coteendriver.com)

Let's Have A Great and Safe School Year!

Please feel free to contact us at:

jenglert@lps.k12.co.us and jmason@lps.k12.co.us
303-347-6086

Alive @ 25 Class

Free for AHS Students

Tuesday, May 10, 2016

2:30pm-7:00pm (bring a snack)

At AHS in room W101

Register at http://aliveat25.us/

Alive at 25 is a highly interactive program that specifically targets young drivers between the ages of 15 and 24 and encourages them to consistently practice safe and defensive driving habits. Traffic crashes are the leading cause of teen fatalities, accounting for 44% of teen deaths in the United States. The program utilizes workbook exercises, interactive media, group discussions, role-playing, and lectures to help drivers develop the lifesaving defensive driving skills and strategies which will keep them safer on the road. All young people, ages 15-24, in the community are eligible to participate in Alive at 25. For further information on how to use this certificate to obtain a driver's permit, please click this link.

If you miss this class, check the school's website for the next class available to Arapahoe students. For questions, call Deputy James Englert at 303-347-6086.

SOMETHING TO CHEER ABOUT!

Cheer Coaches Malorie Conroy and Stephanie Plattner would like to congratulate and welcome 46 outstanding athletes to the 2016-2017 AHS Cheer Program.

We want to extend a huge thank you to all the parent volunteers and coaches this past season. The cheerleaders congratulate all AHS 2015-16 teams on their successful seasons.

Both JV and Varsity will begin their new season starting in June with summer practices and camp.

GO WARRIORS!!

Tom Tom Beat

Congratulations to our Arapahoe High School Tom-Toms on their most successful competition season yet! Under the direction of new coach Brandi Carlson, our Varsity Toms placed 4th at State and finished 9th in the nation after competing in Orlando this February.

A huge thank you to all of the amazing young ladies who recently attended tryouts! The successful addition of a JV team this past year allowed the Toms to take advantage of the incredible talent that showed up. We are super excited to announce that we'll be starting the 2016-17 school year with our largest team in AHS history! Congratulations and welcome to the 28 girls that make up our 2016-17 teams:

Varsity: Cece Duhamel, Jillian Johnson, Marissa Martinez, Taylor Amen, Tarrah Baldwin, Ashlyn Fetterley, Jane Pepper, Ashley Seyfer, Briana Madden, Hope Vincelli, Jackie Munford, Sophie Quinn, Rachel Vilner, Kendall Jordan, Brooklyn Schelhaas, Alannah Juarez, and Jennie Sanders.

JV: Makenna Hanson, Emily Dykstra, Raylynn Medina, Sage Crain, Julia John, Anna Kates, Tegan Wall, Anna Holland, Courtney Mahoney, Taylor Schulze, and Sophia Stagner.

AHS Athletic Office

Detailed information regarding events as well as Summer Camps, can be found on the Athletic website at: **www.ahswarriors.org.**

Arapahoe High School
Volunteer Opportunities
2016 – 2017

Parent Volunteers are needed and greatly appreciated! You make a difference in your students' High School experience and do not need to be available during the day for many of these jobs. Please check the areas you are interested in and turn this sheet in at the Main Office. For questions or more information, contact Vips coordinators Leisha Andersen and Mim Lyles at arapahoevips.lps@gmail.com. If you already filled out this form – thank you! If you haven't indicated your volunteer choices, please click on this link to sign up.

Name _____ Home Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

E-mail _____ (this is our main form of communication)

Youngest Students' year of graduation _____

Greatest Need Areas are After Prom and Hospitality

After Prom Party – This is an amazing 31 year old tradition that gives our students a safe and fun environment within the school from 12-4 a.m. following Prom night. There are many ways to be involved regardless of your students' grade level and the benefit to the students and guests is priceless. This is our biggest event of the year and typically need over 200 volunteers to pull it off! I would like to help with: (Please check all that apply)

Chairs:

_____ After Prom Chair (overall communicator)
_____ After Prom Co-Chair
_____ Tickets & Publicity Chair
_____ Donations/Prizes Chair
_____ Chair a Hall
_____ Chair Food
_____ Clean Up Chair

Committees:

_____ Planning/Decorating a Hall
_____ Tickets and Publicity
_____ Donations/Prizes
_____ Providing/Serving Food
_____Take Down/Clean Up
_____ I'll Help Wherever

Hospitality – Provide food for school functions and receptions. Help with teacher recognitions at various times during the school year. A great way to get to know and be known by the teachers. I would like to help with: (Please check all that apply)

_____ Chair
_____ Provide Food Only
_____ I'll Help Wherever I'm Needed

Help Serve at:
_____ Monthly Staff Appreciation Projects
_____ Parent/Teacher Conference Dinner (2x year)
_____ End of School Staff Luncheon

Other Volunteer Opportunities:

____ **Homecoming** – Volunteers needed for the Coat Check & Water Table at the dance.
____ **Schedule Pick Up in August** – Help with the various stations during Schedule Pick Up – daytime and evening shifts available.
____ **Guidance Center** – Relieve the Guidance Receptionist during lunch period.
____ **Library** – Volunteers needed to help in the library during the day.
____ **Special Projects** – Whatever comes up that might need parent help.

FINAL EXAMS
Bell Schedule - May 2016

Final Exams will be given May 16, 17, 18, & 20 2016. The last day of the second semester is Friday, May 20, 2016. The final exam schedule is listed below.

Monday, May 16, 2016
Class Time

Period 1 MWF----------7:21- 8:46
Period 1 T/R----------8:56-10:21
Period 2 MWF----------10:31-Noon
Study Time----------12:00-2:16

Tuesday, May 17, 2016
Class Time

Period 2 T/R----------7:21- 8:46
Period 3 MWF----------8:56-10:21
Period 3 T/R----------10:31-Noon
Study Time----------12:00-2:16

Wednesday, May 18, 2016
Class Time

Period 4 MWF----------7:21- 8:46
Period 4 T/R----------8:56-10:21
Period 5 MWF----------10:31-Noon
Study Time----------12:00-2:16

Friday, May 20, 2016
Class Time

Period 5 T/R----------7:21- 8:46
Period 6 MWF----------8:56-10:21
Period 6 T/R----------10:31-Noon
Study Time----------12:00-2:16

Four and five hour classes (MTWRF, MWRF, MTWF) will schedule their final exams during the MWF exam time and will not meet during the T/R exam time. Block classes will schedule their final exams during the first period that the block class meets and will not meet during the second period that the block class is scheduled.

Each final exam day, students have the opportunity to be involved in a full day of instructional activity. Supervised study areas will be provided for those students not engaged in exams. These areas will be open from 7:21 until 2:16 on each exam day. Students will sign in at the study areas (Library, Cafeteria, Department Offices, the Study Center and selected classrooms).

Kitchen closes at 11:30 a.m.

Buses will run on the regular schedule.

ARENA SCHEDULING

Only students will be allowed on the arena floor.

Tuesday, May 17 – Class of 2017 & Class of 2018

12:30-12:55---Seniors----------A, B, E, F, G
12:55-1:15---Seniors----------L, M, S
1:15-1:35---Seniors----------C, D, H, I, J, K
1:35-2:05---Seniors------N, O, P, Q, R, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z

2:05-2:30---Juniors----------A, B, E, F, G
2:30-3:00---Juniors----------L, M, S
3:00-3:30---Juniors----------C, D, H, I, J, K
3:30-4:00---Juniors-------N, O, P, Q, R, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z

Wednesday, May 18 – Class of 2019 (Sophomores)

12:30-12:55----------A, B
12:55-1:15----------E, F, G
1:15-1:35----------L, M
1:35-2:05----------S
2:05-2:30----------C, D
2:30-3:00----------H, I, J, K
3:00-3:30----------N, O, P, Q, R
3:30-4:00----------T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z

Friday, May 20 – Conflict Resolution

An abbreviated set-up in the Cafeteria. Staffed by the Counselors/Mrs. Grebe/Mr. Meredith
(Department Representation is optional)

12:30-12:50----------A, B, E, F, G
12:50-1:10----------L, M, S
1:10-1:30----------C, D, H, I, J, K
1:30-1:50----------N, O, P, Q, R,
1:50-2:16---------- T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z

2015-2016 Dates to Remember:

Friday, May 13, 2016	-	Last Day for Seniors
Monday, May 16, 2016	-	Final Examinations/Senior Awards Convocation
Tuesday, May 17 & Wednesday, May 18, 2016	-	Final Examinations/Arena Scheduling
Thursday, May 19, 2016	-	**GRADUATION Class of 2016—No School**
Friday, May 20, 2016	-	**Final Examinations/Arena Scheduling/Last Day of Semester**
Monday, May 30, 2016	-	Memorial Day

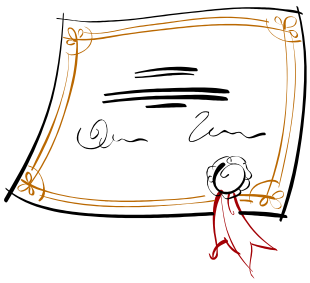
News from AHS Bookkeeper

ALL FEES ON STUDENTS ACCOUNTS ARE NOW DUE! Please check infinite campus to see if you have unpaid fees. All class, athletic and activity fees are on accounts as well as many book and class fines. (Note - class books may be returned to have the fee waived.) Visit the Bookkeeper's Corner on the Arapahoe website for links to Infinite Campus and our credit card payment system Revtrak. **Students with unpaid fees will not be able to pick up their yearbooks in May (all students) or cap and gown (seniors).** Additionally, underclassmen will be delayed at Arena scheduling if they have unpaid fees. For questions about fees, contact the bookkeeper at MLCHENEY@LPS.K12.CO.US.

School Accountability Committee

Next meeting date:
May 5, 2016
@ 3:30 p.m.
Main Office Conference Room

The SAC meetings are open to all Arapahoe parents and the community.
Any questions, please call Assistant Principal, Darrell Meredith at 303-347-6024.



Save the Date!

Arapahoe High School
Senior Awards Convocation Night

Monday, May 16, 2016
6:00 p.m. held in our Arapahoe Theater

Important August Dates

The following dates have been scheduled in August 2016 for students to pick up schedules.

Wednesday, August 3	Seniors & Sophomores:	7:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
	Juniors & Freshman:	11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday, August 9	Evening Schedule Pick Up All Grades – 5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.	

First Day of School for Freshmen—Freshman Orientation (LINK Crew) - Don't Miss It!
Thursday, August 18 7:05 a.m.-11:25 a.m.

First Day of School for All Students
Thursday, August 18 11:30 a.m.-2:16 p.m.

Littleton Public Schools does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex (which includes marital status), sexual orientation, religion, national origin, ancestry, creed, age, disability, or need for special education services. The following individuals have been designated to handle inquiries regarding the non-discrimination policies: Michael Jones, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources or Melissa Cooper, Director of Special Education and Student Support Services; Littleton Public Schools; 5776 S. Crocker; Littleton, CO 80120; 303-347-3330