

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

Arapahoe UIP Goal

100% of Arapahoe students will graduate prepared for meaningful post-secondary opportunities

Dear Arapahoe Parents,

September 2017

It is difficult to begin this particular article, as I look back on the first two weeks of school. It started off well with **Link Crew** (consisting of nearly 100 juniors and seniors) instilling a sense of belonging, school spirit, and confidence in our 567-member freshman class through their Link Day activities, and approximately 375 of our freshmen were further introduced to Arapahoe by some of our finest faculty at the **Summer Warrior Orientation** on August 14. The academic focus of this program helped students prepare for the transition to the high school classroom. Opening-day **class assemblies** were held, and once again, attendance records were broken at our annual **Back-to-School Dance**. Our **fall athletics** are off to a great start, and it promises to be a very exciting school year.

Thank you to all who attended our annual **Back-to-School Night** on August 30. We had a wonderful turn out, and it was a great opportunity for me to sing the praises of our **phenomenal faculty, your outstanding sons and daughters**, and the many **co-curricular** and **extracurricular activities** students at Arapahoe have available to them. Parents received a brochure highlighting some of the **recent data** that backs up Arapahoe's long-standing reputation for **academic excellence**, and for preparing **ALL students** to graduate prepared for meaningful post-secondary opportunities. I have included some of the data presented at Back-to-School Night for your review in this copy of the *Drum Beat*, and I will soon be able to share specific information on our newest National Merit Scholars.

As you know, we are required to do annual **emergency/safety drills**. We typically practice 3 main types each year. **Fire Drills, Lock Down** (dangerous situation inside) and **Secure Perimeter Drills** (dangerous situation outside) will **NOT** be shared with you **in advance** this year. We want our students to be prepared for dangerous situations, so it's important we practice them in an authentic manner.

Students and parents need to be aware of AHS behavioral expectations and possible disciplinary action. The first week of school, each student received a free personal copy of the **Arapahoe Student Planner**, which contains the AHS Student Handbook in the front section. Additionally, the **LPS Student Code of Conduct** is available online at both the AHS and the LPS websites. Each year the **LPS Code of Conduct** is revised to stay abreast of societal behaviors, laws, and consequences. The **LPS Athletic Code** is also available online, and was discussed with fall athletes and parents on August 21.

We are continuing to develop our **advisement program for our Warriors**. In the spirit of **Warriors taking care of one another**, and built on the foundational pillars of **Tradition, Relationships, Innovation, Balance, Excellence**, a committee of teacher-leaders worked hard over the summer planning lessons and refining the program. Warriors will be attending 12 TRIBE periods spread over the school year, and will earn **.25 elective credits** for attendance and participation each semester.



Students who miss 2 or more TRIBE sessions will not receive credit for the semester. However, this **will NOT factor into a student's GPA**, as it will be **Credit (C) or No Credit (NC)** on the transcript. We will continue to evaluate the program as we go, and intend to make the lessons meaningful and appropriate for each grade level. Most of our TRIBE groups remain intact from last year, though due to new staff and an entirely new freshman class, some changes were required. We have already trained staff for the first three lessons, and are looking forward to meeting with our TRIBES. Thank you for your continued support of this program.

In my recent letter to our AHS community, I shared that I am committed to finding support for the Arapahoe community to help us learn more about, and talk about suicide. I am in the process of setting up an **information night on suicide for Arapahoe parents** later this month. Details will be coming. Additionally, we are going to be implementing a **peer-to-peer suicide prevention program** that teaches strength, coping skills and resilience called **Sources of Strength**. It is evidence-based and is one of the most rigorously evaluated upstream prevention programs in the world. You will be hearing more about it in the coming weeks.

As I mentioned at Back-to-School Night, it is important to talk to your student. Stay in touch on **academic progress** as well as **in their social lives**. Recently, I have had several people share this [article](#) with me. I feel compelled to share it with all of you, and ask you to read it. It gives insight into the social environment our teenagers are growing up in. It lends credibility to the importance of understanding the huge **negative impact cell phones and social media** are having on our children. **AND, this is a very complicated issue** as those of you who have ever "taken away" the cell phone from your teenager know. I have also included this [link](#) to some response articles to the Atlantic article that provide a more complete and nuanced perspective on this topic. The important thing is to **start the conversation with your teenager!**

Having proactive conversations around making good social choices is an important step in keeping students safe and headed in a positive direction. Being a teenager is fun and exciting, but it can be tough. Not every situation has a happy ending, and teenagers do make mistakes. Being proactive with the tough choices they might face is helpful. Teenagers are not always open to taking parental advice. It is important to listen and to ask a lot of questions. Encourage them to advocate for themselves and to learn to solve their own problems. It will make them more confident and stronger as their challenges become more difficult later in life. Though it may not always feel like it, teenagers do care about what their parents think and value!

Thank you for sending us your outstanding young Warriors. I appreciate your caring as well as your involvement in the Arapahoe community. We hope to see you all at **Parent-Teacher Conferences on October 18th from 3:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.**



Natalie Pramenko

Parent-Teacher Conferences

October 18, 2017

October 18 - 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.

Welcome Back From Your PTO!

Please join us on Tuesday, September 12 from 7:30-9:00 a.m. in the Arapahoe Main Office Conference Room for our first PTO meeting. All are welcome to the meeting and we look forward to seeing you there!

The PTO is looking for event chairperson to join the Hospitality Team for the following events:

August: Staff BBQ

September: Staff Breakfast

February: Staff Breakfast

March: Conference Dinners

April: Administrative Asst. Day

May: Staff BBQ

If you are interested please email arapahoevips.lps@gmail.com

I hope your school year is off to a great start! Please feel free to contact us with any questions.

Renee Zainer

PTO President

arapahoepres.lps@gmail.com

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 2017-2018

September 14 October 5 November 16
January 18 February 15 April 5 May 3

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

Wellness Week ~ September 21 - 28

A week to challenge yourself and try new healthy habits along with all of the juniors in our health classes. All of the details on the Wellness Challenge will be posted on the AHS homepage and around the school soon. Staff, students and families are encourage to participate and support each other in the Wellness Week Challenge (30 minutes of exercise, no sugar drinks, no fast food, 8 hours of sleep, 3 balanced meals and 8 glasses of water).



ATTENTION SENIORS Don't miss being in your Senior Class Photo!

Thursday, September 28—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, September 30 OR visit their website at www.BigClassPicture.com.)



School Picture Re-takes

Wednesday, October 11

Were your eyes closed in your school photo? Did you miss school picture day entirely? If so, plan to have your picture taken Wednesday, October 11 in the East Hallway between 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Bring your first photo package to qualify for a retake.

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 2017:

Monday, October 2	7:00 p.m. - Talent Show
Wednesday, October 4	5:30 p.m. - DECA BBQ 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. Bonfire on the Baseball Field
Friday, October 6	Pep Assembly after sixth period in the Main Gym
Saturday, October 7	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 7	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.

Littleton Public Schools Unified Dance Policy

In order to promote a healthy, safe, enjoyable evening for all students, the following procedures will be in place for all Littleton Public Schools' dances. Dances are school-related events, and all LPS and school rules apply.

Dress: Students will not be admitted into the dance if dressed inappropriately for a school function.

Ladies: Semi-Formal/Formal Dress

- Strapless/spaghetti straps are allowed
- Dress/skirt length must be within school dress code
- No jeans
- No excessively low cut or revealing dresses or tops
- Public health code requires you to wear shoes at all times (bring something comfortable for dancing)

Gentlemen: Semi-Formal/Formal Attire

- Collared dress shirt (tie recommended)
- Dress pants or slacks; no jeans
- No bandanas, chains, or canes
- Public health code requires you to wear shoes at all times (bring something comfortable for dancing)

Casual/Informal Attire: Follow and maintain all LPS and Arapahoe High School dress code rules throughout the dance.

Dancing Guidelines: Students who do not maintain an appropriate style of dance will be asked to stop.

- **No Front to Back Dancing is Permitted**
- No inappropriate, graphic or suggestive dancing will be allowed
- No simulated sex acts (grinding, etc.)
- No dancing which could cause harm to oneself or others (moshing, slam dancing or crowd surfing)
- Hands on waists or shoulders only

Violation of these guidelines may result in removal from the dance by an Arapahoe administrator.

Most high schools have only two dances,
Homecoming and Prom.

We are fortunate to have more.
High school dances are a privilege.
Let's make ours the best!

Please complete the Guest Form provided by the activities office for all non-Arapahoe guests, no fax copies accepted.



The AHS Talent Show Is Coming! Monday, October 2

Mark your calendar for this year's Homecoming Talent Show to be held on **Monday, October 2** in the AHS Theater. You can see some of Arapahoe's most talented students perform at **7:00 p.m.** **Tickets** for the talent show cost \$5.00 each and will be on sale from Thursday, September 28 through Friday, September 29 in the AHS cafeteria during both lunch periods. Tickets will also be sold at the door on the night of the show. Seating is limited, so buy your tickets early!

Counseling Center Information

During the 2017-2018 school year, the Counseling Center at Arapahoe High School will provide guidance services with the following counselor assignments:

Counselor	Alpha	Counselor	Alpha
Mr. Ron Lewis	A-CI	Ms. Shannon Kershaw	Le-O
Mrs. Carmen Kittrell	Co-Go	Mrs. Kelly Talen	P-So
Ms. Katie Zimmerman	Gr-La	Mr. Scott Wadsworth	Sp-Z

Should you have any concerns about where your questions are best directed, we have an excellent support staff in the Counseling Center (303-347-6010), and they will be happy to direct you to the proper resource. Our support staff is assigned as follows: Counseling Secretary: **Mrs. Dawn Ives**, Registrar: **Mrs. Jeralyn Baker**, College Application Clerk: **Mrs. Yvetter Arnold** and Post Graduate Specialist: **Mrs. Kristin Hall**

Parents and students, please know test dates that are fast approaching! The **PSAT** will be offered on **Wednesday, October 11, 2017**, to juniors and interested sophomores. Note: Sophomores will be taking the State mandated PSAT 10 test Spring of 2018. Students can sign up for the PSAT in the Counseling Center from Wednesday, September 20 through Thursday, October 4, 2017. Cost of the PSAT is \$20.00. Cash or check *written out to AHS* is accepted.

On September 11 or 12, counselors will meet with seniors in the Forum during their Social Studies class to talk about the college application process and other pertinent issues. Counselors will meet with juniors on September 18, sophomores on September 13, and freshman on September 19.

Arapahoe High School 2017 Colorado State ACT (Class of 2018)

Embargoed until 3:00 a.m. Eastern Time Zone
Thursday, September 7, 2017

Arapahoe High School 2016 Colorado State ACT (Class of 2017)

The State ACT - 5 Year Trend - Average Scores

Year	Total Tested		English		Mathematics		Reading		Science		Composite	
	AHS	State	AHS	State	AHS	State	AHS	State	AHS	State	AHS	State
2012	523	52,438	22.7	19.4	23.6	20.1	22.7	19.8	23.1	20.1	23.1	20.0
2013	550	52,703	22.1	19.4	23.2	20.1	23.2	20.4	22.9	20.1	23.0	20.1
2014	486	53,442	22.3	19.7	23.3	20.1	22.8	20.5	22.7	20.4	22.9	20.3
2015	538	54,439	22.9	19.4	23.5	20.0	23.4	20.2	23.7	20.5	23.5	20.1
2016	528	54,734	22.2	19.6	22.9	20.0	23.3	20.7	23.0	20.6	23.0	20.4

Arapahoe Data

Our students **do not just meet the requirements for graduation** from Arapahoe - they exceed them!

Data Supporting Rigorous Course Work - Class of 2017

- **90% 2 or more years of the same world language**
- **95% 3 years or more of science**
- **95% 3 years or more of math**
- **75% Completed a math class above Honors Algebra II**
- **755 AP exams taken by 402 candidates, 81% were graded three or higher**

Concurrent Enrollment (CE) – In partnership with local universities, Arapahoe High School currently offers courses where students receive both high school and college credit simultaneously. Courses are taught by Arapahoe teachers and are subject to change each year, offering students a wide variety of choices. **Currently 390 students are enrolled in CE.**



**Attention Arapahoe High School
Parents and Students**



PSAT Examination

**Wednesday, October 11, 2017
8:20 a.m.**

**Stay tuned for posting of Late Start Schedule
For ALL Freshmen, Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors**

Wednesday, October 11, will be an adjusted schedule for ALL AHS students due to the administration of the PSAT to our junior class.
(Interested Sophomores may also take the PSAT with our Juniors. Please note: Sophomores will be taking the state mandated PSAT 10 - Spring 2018)

Juniors (and interested Sophomores) who pre-registered for the PSAT will report to their assigned rooms between 8:00 a.m. and 8:15 a.m.

PSAT Testing will begin 8:20 a.m.

Lunch for test takers will follow test for 30 minutes

REGISTRATION—September 20-October 4
Students wishing to take the PSAT (the cost is \$20) should visit the AHS Counseling Office to register with Mrs. Ives to receive their ticket.

Bus schedules will be posted later

Last year nearly 600 Arapahoe Juniors and Sophomores volunteered to take this nationally recognized examination. It is preparation for College Board examinations, can produce scholarship money, and is the only exam that qualifies students to attain National Merit Scholar status, when taken during the junior year. We are encouraging every AHS junior to take the PSAT.

In order to provide the maximum opportunity to our Juniors, we are offering the PSAT during our school day at AHS. Please call 303-347-6010 if you have any questions.



Hey, Juniors!

PSAT TEST

Arapahoe High School

Wednesday, October 11, 2017—Arrive by 8:00 a.m.

Sign up in the AHS Guidance Center September 20-October 4

Bring \$20.00 and your photo I.D. when you sign up

• How to Prepare:

- Study the Official Student Guide to the PSAT/MNSQT; review, study, and receive test-taking tips at www.collegeboard.org
- Talk to your AHS Math and Language Arts teachers about FREE test prep sessions offered here at AHS:
 - Math, week of October 2
at 6:30 a.m. rooms will be posted later
 - Language Arts, week of October 2
at 6:30 a.m. rooms will be posted later

Classroom assignments will be posted in the cafeteria on Monday, October 9

Important notes for testing day:

- Cell phones NOT allowed
- Bring Photo I.D. (driver's license or AHS student I.D.)
- Bring Two #2 pencils with erasers—No mechanical pencils!
- Bring a Calculator-See PSAT Student Guide for acceptable models

Post Grad Center

Seniors, Juniors, and Sophomores actively use the Post Grad Center, primarily to work in Naviance Family Connection to plan for their post high school years. Naviance Family Connection is a web-based program that provides tools to aid students in identifying career interests and potential majors, in building a college list, managing the application piece, and searching for scholarships.

In addition to Naviance work, the Post Grad Center hosts **College Visits @ AHS**. The majority of these visit (approximately 100) will occur in September and October. For details on College Visits @AHS, including the importance of attending, accessing a complete list of colleges coming, and how to sign up, please click [here](#).

Another way to meet with college representatives is to attend annual **College Fairs** that begin this month. Click [here](#) for a listing of these fall fairs in the area. Sophomores, it's not too early! Juniors, you're just in time! Seniors, one final look!

There are several **Career Exploration Events** taking place in the community. Please check back [here](#) for details on an upcoming events in the Denver area.

Thanks to a dedicated team of trained volunteers, all sophomores have one on one **Post Grad Appointments** during an off hour this semester and juniors will be scheduled second semester. These appointments help students plan for their post high school years while meeting state graduation guidelines in accordance with ICAP, their Individualized Career and Academic Plan.

Click [here](#) to visit the Post Grad Center website. Mrs. Hall, Post Grad Specialist, can best be reached by email khall@lps.k12.co.us.



From the Arapahoe Attendance Office

Important Attendance Procedures for Students and Parents

Daily attendance is extremely important to the success of students at Arapahoe. Please take a few minutes to familiarize yourself with the following procedures.

- All excused absences must be called in to the Attendance Office by a parent or guardian **within 24 hours**. We do not accept written notes. When calling the attendance line, please follow the recorded instructions, speaking clearly. Failure to leave the required information will result in an unexcused absence.
- Students must pick up a pass from the Attendance Office in order to leave school when missing classes for an appointment during the school day. A parent must call the Attendance Office early that morning or the day before to arrange for the pass. **The student is responsible for picking up the pass before the scheduled departure time.** Passes are not delivered. If you are calling your student in for an excused tardy, call the attendance office, **but have the student report directly to class.** If they are more than 10 minutes late they can be marked absent. Please have your student sign in at the Attendance Office upon returning from an appointment.
- We recommend that you check student attendance often or weekly by accessing the Infinite Campus Parent Portal.

For more information: Visit page 20 for all attendance guidelines in the AHS Student Planner by clicking [here](#). Please feel free to call us 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at 303-347-6030.

News From The Art Department

The Art Club is off and rolling for the year! The club meets every other Thursday after school in room 1283, from 2:30-3:30. Students will be deciding what art project they would like to work on for the year at our 1st few meetings. New members are welcome to join at anytime!

It is never to early to start thinking about Art Attack! During the month of March, we will begin collecting work for the annual all school art show. Start creating masterpieces to submit now!

Business Department

Sign up for the National Business Honor Society!



The National Business Honor Society allows students to become nationally recognized as exceptional business scholars. Becoming a member can enhance students' college, scholarship, and employment applications. In order to be a member of NBHS, you must take 3 business classes, have an overall minimum GPA of 3.0 and a minimum GPA of 3.5 in your business courses. Please contact the AHS Business Department to receive an application or for more information. **The deadline to submit an application is Monday, September 18.**



Arapahoe DECA is excited to embark on another year filled with fun activities and competitions. Visit our [webpage](#) on the Arapahoe website for information on our upcoming events.

2017-2018 DECA Officer Team

President: Graham Schultz

Vice President: Rachel Green

Secretary: Lauren Whittemore

Director of Finance: Jack Sanders

Director of Recruitment: Alicia Nguyen

Director of Publicity: Erin Buckley & Morgan Conn

Directors of Community Service: Sarah Haysley

Directors of Competition: Matthew Siayap & Ellie Broady

We will be holding a meeting for all first-year DECA students after school on Thursday, September 7!



Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA)

FBLA attended Nationals in Orange County California this summer along with 14,000 other business students from around the world. FBLA members had the opportunity to compete with students from China, Puerto Rico, and all 50 states.

We have many events planned for this year! We provide social events, community service, and, of course, our competitions! If you are involved in sports or have other after school commitments, you may still be involved. You are eligible to be in FBLA without being in a business class. All grades are welcome.

Meeting Dates for September, October, and November 2:30-3:00 p.m. in Forum:

September 13 - Introduction Meeting

September 27 - Social Event/Early Applications accepted (for 5 lettering points)

October 11 - Trick or Treat Street Planning/Business Competition

October 14 - Shred a Thon (fundraiser)

October 25 - Pumpkin Decorating (social)

October 28 - Trick or Treat Street (community service)

November 1 - **Final Day to turn in FBLA Applications/Choose your event to compete in!**

Please contact Mrs. Swank or Mr. Sawyer for more information cswank@lps.k12.co.us or csawyer@lps.k12.co.us.

Or visit our website — [Arapahoe FBLA](#) or you may also contact any of our officers for more information:

CEO's: William Xu & Carly Broady

Board of Directors: Kirk Zieser, Rachel Kelley, Ellie Schell, Moyini Iyer, Diana Christian, Chris Glance, Madison King, Paul Penna, and Matthew McCoy

Shred a Thon

Arapahoe Future Business Leaders of America
Saturday, October 14, 2017 ~ 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Arapahoe High School
\$10 per box

Performing Arts Department ~ Students of the Month

The Performing Arts Department would like to recognize and thank the following outstanding students who were named Students of the Month for September 2017:

Vocal Music:	John Aragon
Instrumental:	Evan Hanson
Theatre:	Zach Caylor

Again, thank you for sharing your talent, energy, and time.

Welcome the New Choir Teacher

Mr. Kirk Schjodt (pronounced "shot") comes to us from Nebraska where he just completed a masters program through the University of Nebraska. Mr. Schjodt is excited for this opportunity to continue the tradition of excellence in vocal music at Arapahoe High School.



Arapahoe High School

2017 -2018 Performing Arts Department Calendar

September 18	<i>The T.E.S.T. - 4th Grade APA</i>	<i>During School Day</i>
October 26	<i>Treasure Island</i>	<i>6:00 pm</i>
October 27-28	<i>Treasure Island</i>	<i>7:00 pm</i>
November 11	Band & Orchestra Concert	<i>1:00 pm</i>
November 14	Orchestra Concert - 3rd Grade APA	<i>During School Day</i>
November 14	LPS District Orchestra Concert	<i>7:00 pm</i>
November 29	Company Showcase	<i>7:00 pm</i>
December 14	Choir Concert	<i>7:00 pm</i>
February 2-3	<i>She Kills Monsters</i>	<i>7:00 pm</i>
February 27	Band & Orchestra Concert	<i>7:00 pm</i>
March 6	Choir Concert	<i>7:00 pm</i>
April 19	<i>School of Rock: The Musical</i>	<i>6:00 pm</i>
April 20	<i>School of Rock: The Musical</i>	<i>7:00 pm</i>
April 21	<i>School of Rock: The Musical</i>	<i>2:00 pm & 7:00 pm</i>
April 28	Band & Orchestra Concert	<i>1:00 pm</i>
May 11	Theatre Topics Improv Show	<i>6:00 pm</i>
May 11	Company Showcase	<i>7:00 pm</i>
May 15	Choir Concert	<i>7:00 pm</i>
May 17	Department Awards Ceremony	<i>6:00 pm</i>

Arapahoe High School Journalism Information

Class of 2018 ~ Senior Portrait Information

The deadline for seniors to submit their senior portrait is **Friday, Sept. 22, 2017**.

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.

Follow this [link](#) for important information and specifications if you misplaced the mailing last May. That link also has information about how to submit your photo. Also, an email was sent on Friday, August 25 with links to the same info. Contact Greg Anderson at ganderson@lps.k12.co.us if you need a copy, or go to the [Journalism & Student Media website](#).

Please make arrangements and appointments with your photographer as soon as possible, if you haven't 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. Contact us for other low-cost options (if interested), and contact the yearbook staff at AHSSeniorPortraits@gmail.com with any questions.

Class of 2018 ~ 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 Ads are due by Wednesday, Nov. 1, 2017. We are revising our brochure and info, so we will send another email to seniors and parents soon with ad information. You can also check the [Journalism & Student Media website](#) for updates.

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.

KEEP UP WITH WHAT'S HAPPENING ON CAMPUS FROM THE STUDENT VIEWPOINT...

Subscribe to **The Herald** and receive your copy of the Arapahoe student magazine at home, September through May, for only \$20

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

Attach \$20.00 for a one school-year subscription. Make checks payable to Arapahoe High School.

Mail check and order form to: Arapahoe Herald Subscriptions
2201 E. Dry Creek Road
Centennial, CO 80122

Questions? Call 303-347-6028



The Coffee Break

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

A new school year has begun!

With a new school year up and running, I wanted to introduce myself to those who don't know me. I am Deputy James Englert; this will be my 10th year at Arapahoe High School as a School Resource Officer (SRO). Deputy James Mason is also an SRO at Arapahoe; this is his 3rd year here.

Our first priority as SRO's is the safety of the students, staff, and school. We also deal with any situations when laws may have been broken. Our favorite part of our job is interacting with and talking to students. This includes speaking in classes on many law enforcement related topics.

A large portion of our job involves dealing with issues outside the school such as traffic concerns near the school and in the surrounding neighborhoods. We are often in the school parking lots watching for students who are making poor decisions.

We would like to remind everyone of a few guidelines:

- Students, PLEASE obey the crosswalk signs
- Please drive safely around the school and neighborhoods
- If you park on Franklin St., make sure you park between the signs
- Please make good choices at and around the school
- If you see something that is suspicious, please let me or James know

If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to send one of us an email or give us a call. Our desk number at the school is listed below. The number at the Sheriff's Office is 303-795-4711; they can reach us at any time. You may also call that number if you need a Deputy to respond or if you need to report a crime.



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 and 303-347-4092



Alive @ 25 Class

Free for AHS Students

Tuesday, September 12, 2017

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

At AHS in room W1874

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.

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Youth Education & Safety in Schools Y.E.S.S

Parent Academy

Keeping Youth & Families Safe
Social/Digital Media & Human Trafficking

Arapahoe High School / Forum
2201 E Dry Creek Rd

September 20, 2017 6-8pm



Some of the topics that will be covered:

- Identity Theft
- Keeping finances safe online
- Social/Digital Media to include latest on apps and devices
- Emotional Intelligence
- Sexting/Sextortion
- Human Trafficking

Hidden In Plain Sight

Strengthen your detective skills as a parent by searching a mock teen bedroom for clues that might indicate drug or alcohol use.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/yess-parent-academy-socialdigital-media-human-trafficking-tickets-37313224860>



Please RSVP so that we know how many parents will be in attendance. This event is for parents and other adults concerned with the safety of our children. The event is intended for adults only, please no kids.

Instructions

- Please park in the west parking lot. The event will be held in the Forum located by the library.
- Doors will open at 5:30pm and the Hidden In Plain Sight exhibit will be available throughout the evening.

2017-2018 Dates to Remember:

Wednesday, September 13, 2017 - TRIBE Schedule
Wednesday, September 27, 2017 - TRIBE Schedule
Friday, September 29, 2017 - End of Six Weeks
Monday, October 2-Saturday, October 7, 2017 - Homecoming Week
Wednesday, October 18, 2017 - Parent/Teacher Conferences - 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Thursday, October 19, 2017 - In-Service – NO STUDENTS
Friday, October 20, 2017 - NO SCHOOL
Wednesday, October 25, 2017 - TRIBE Schedule
Wednesday, November 8, 2017 - TRIBE Schedule
Friday, November 10, 2017 - End of Six Weeks
Monday, November 20-Friday, November 24, 2017 - Thanksgiving Break
Monday, December 04, 2017 - Freshmen (Class of 2022) Showcase
Wednesday, December 06, 2017 - TRIBE Schedule
Monday, December 18-Thursday, December 21, 2017 - Final Examinations
Thursday, December 21, 2017 - Semester Ends/Last Day for Students
Friday, December 22-Friday, January 05, 2018 - Winter Break
Monday, January 08, 2018 - In-Service – NO STUDENTS
Tuesday, January 09, 2018 - First Day Second Semester
Monday, January 15, 2018 - Martin L. King Day – NO SCHOOL
Wednesday, January 17, 2018 - TRIBE Schedule
Wednesday, January 31, 2018 - TRIBE Schedule
Friday, February 16, 2018 - End of Six Weeks
Monday, February 19, 2018 - Presidents' Day Holiday – NO SCHOOL
Wednesday, February 21, 2018 - TRIBE Schedule
Wednesday, March 07, 2018 - TRIBE Schedule
Thursday, March 08, 2018 - Parent/Teacher Conferences - 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Friday, March 09, 2018 - NO SCHOOL
Monday, March 12-Friday, March 16, 2018 - Warrior Week
Monday, March 26-Friday, March 30, 2018 - Spring Break
Wednesday, April 04, 2018 - TRIBE Schedule
Friday, April 06, 2018 - End of Six Weeks
Monday, April 16, 2018 - Freshman (Class of 2022) Registration
Wednesday, May 02, 2018 - TRIBE Schedule
Saturday, May 05, 2018 - Prom/After Prom
Friday, May 18, 2018 - Last Day for Seniors
Monday, May 21, 2018 - Final Examinations/Senior Awards Convocation
Tuesday, May 22 & Wednesday, May 23, 2018 - Final Examinations/Arena Scheduling
Thursday, May 24, 2018 - GRADUATION Class of 2018
Friday, May 25, 2018 - Final Examinations/Arena Scheduling/Last Day of Semester

SAVE THE DATE

Colorado Council's Day/Night College Fair

Monday, October 9, 2017 ~ 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. at Arapahoe High School



Students, if you still do not have a school ID, please see Mrs. Fletcher in the Student Service Center as soon as possible.



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