Dear Arapahoe Parents,

Looking back over the month of November, there are many things to pause and give thanks for. A November highlight for us was a visit by some of our American Veterans. On Friday, November 9, they spent time with students sharing their individual experiences and some of the sacrifices they made while serving our great nation. We are appreciative of their time. I would also like to say thank you to our wonderfully supportive PTO for the delicious pumpkin bread provided to the entire Arapahoe Faculty and Staff. We are also appreciative of the donations PTO gathered for our Inaugural AHS Faculty/Staff and Family Turkey Bingo Night! It was a huge success and tremendous opportunity to build community, laugh and have fun together. Arapahoe parents do so many things that make Arapahoe an even better place to work!

Another highlight in November was the first-ever AHS Girls’ Basketball Foundation Game. Under the leadership of head coaches, Jerry Knafelc (AHS), and Carl Mattei (RHS), the varsity teams played an exhibition game on November 27th. Thanks to the incredible support of the Arapahoe and Regis communities, over $11,000.00 will be split between Judi’s House and The Second Wind Fund to help support mental health for our teenagers in Colorado. Thank you for partnering with us to reach out to those affected by suicide, raise awareness, and connect teenagers to treatment services. We were humbled by the support through attendance as well as through the donations of many organizations and individuals.

Please, save the date! The Arapahoe Counseling Office is bringing back Alex Yannacone, a speaker from the CU Johnson Depression Center on Tuesday, January 22, 2019, at 6:30 p.m. in the AHS Theatre. She will share information with parents on suicide and depression including warning signs, the role depression plays, and steps to save a life. Please see this flyer and contact the AHS counseling office if you have any questions. We were fortunate to have Alex at AHS 2 times last year, and we are happy she is able to join us again in January. Her message was helpful and well-received by parents in the past.

This issue of the Drum Beat contains important communication for both the months of December and January. Key elements include performance dates for our music programs and other extracurricular and co-curricular activities. You will also find information on first-semester final exams and grades as well as on second-semester schedules. As always, please contact us if you have any specific questions. In the athletic section of this Drum Beat, we have shared with you the outstanding academic and athletic accomplishments of our fall athletes.

Our annual Arapahoe Toy Drive is underway! Our goal is 1,000 toys for the children at Castro Elementary School located in Denver as well as for the Denver Indian Center. If you can still bring in toys, or monetary donations, we will take them. Our delivery date to Castro Elementary School is Tuesday, December 18th. The annual wrapping party will take place Tuesday, December 11th right after school in the AHS Cafeteria. If you would like to help, please sign up through PTO.
As we wind down the semester, strong academic preparation of our students remains important. We will induct our newest National Honor Society members on Monday, December 10 at 7:00 p.m. in the AHS Theatre. Our daily attendance rate is holding strong at nearly 95.20%, and at the time of this publication, 92 of our students had perfect attendance. They have not missed even one single class period! Our Link Crew will be hosting our annual Cramfest on Wednesday, December 12 at 3:30 p.m. in the AHS Library. This is an opportunity for all freshmen to get tips and learn how to prepare for final exams here at Arapahoe. They learn from our upperclassmen what to expect, how to prepare, and how to study for their individual classes. On Tuesday, December 4, from 4:00 - 6:00 pm, Arapahoe High School will host our first annual Hour of Code and STEM immersion event. You are cordially invited to bring the whole family and engage in activities for all ages, from flying drones to programming robots to utilizing 3D printers. Please click here for more details; you can sign up at https://goo.gl/aDFzf3. Hope to see you there!

January will bring many exciting events: the start of a new academic semester (the last one for our seniors), many exciting winter sports contests, the annual Winter Assembly featuring the always-impressive Arapahoe Faculty Dance, the Arapahoe Winter Dance, and the musical, Grease!

This year, Student Council and Sources of Strength student leaders are partnering to carry out our Deliberate Acts of Love and Kindness Campaign. We are looking forward to the activities these outstanding students have planned throughout the month of December including a Purple Out on December 13th, and a “Take What You Need Wall” which is a wall of positively affirming sticky notes designed for the student body to take something that he/she needs. Research shows that kindness creates a virtuous cycle that can lead to lasting happiness and altruism. We hope you will encourage your Warrior and join us in participating in acts of love and kindness throughout the month of December and always. I want to say a heartfelt THANK YOU to the Arapahoe Community for your continued support in helping us along our healing journey since the tragic events of December 13, 2013. Though it has been a difficult and long road in many ways, each year we make positive progress as a united Arapahoe Community.

I hope the upcoming winter break brings you some much-needed relaxation and time to spend with family and friends. Thank you for your support and confidence in Arapahoe High School. This is an incredible community and we truly love and appreciate all of you.

Sincerely,

Natalie Pramenko
Principal

Open Enrollment Information

Arapahoe High School is accepting Open Enrollment Applications for the 2019-2020 school year only, for students entering grades 9-12.

An application form and other information may be picked up in the Arapahoe Main Office, or by clicking here. Any questions may be directed to Mrs. Clark, Secretary to the Principal, at 303-347-6023.

The deadline for submitting an application for the 2019-2020 school year is January 31, 2019.

Reminder

To parents of students presently attending Arapahoe and living out-of-district, look for your “Intent to Renew Enrollment Google Form” in your email or by clicking here. Please complete the Google Form by January 31, 2019. If you have questions, please contact Mrs. Clark, Secretary to the Principal, at 303-347-6023. Thank you.
CRAMFEST

Parents and Guardians—help your freshman get ready for finals by bringing him/her to Link Crew’s Cramfest. Cramfest will occur on Wednesday, December 12 from 3:31-4:31 pm in the Library. This is a great opportunity for freshmen and new students to get help and advice on what to expect during finals week.

First Semester Final Grades Reminder To Parents

As final exam week progresses, grades for each course will begin appearing on the Parent Portal as teachers complete grading for the semester. While most grades will be available by the end of the day on December 21, grades are not officially due from teachers until January 7.

You can view the grades online, and print them in a “report card” format, after January 7. A report card will appear when you click the “Reports” link on the left side of the portal.

Second Semester Schedules

2nd semester schedules will not be printed and distributed to students. Students will be able to access their schedules through their Infinite Campus Portal account after 4 p.m. on Friday, December 7. The window for schedule adjustments will be from December 10 -- December 21.

Schedule adjustments will be made for the following reasons only:

1. **Academic Misplacement** (Example: if a student is missing a required course, or you are enrolled in Calculus and have only completed Algebra I prior to this year.)
2. **Conflicts** (Example: if a student has two classes scheduled for the same time period or you are missing a required course or lab.)
3. **Under Hours** (Example: if a student is under the minimum required hours for their grade level. 9th - 26, 10th - 24, 11th & 12th - 22)

If a student needs to make an adjustment to his/her schedule for any of the reasons listed above, they should make an appointment to see a counselor in the AHS Counseling Department.

Arapahoe High School Journalism Information

Have you ordered your yearbook?

If you have not yet ordered a yearbook, it’s not too late. You can still order your yearbook for only $67.

The last date yearbooks can be ordered is January 11, 2019, before we submit our order. All payments must be received in the bookkeeper’s office by January 11. You may contact her at ronald@lps.k12.co.us or 303-347-6018.

When yearbooks are distributed at the end of the year, many students and parents regret not ordering a copy. We do not have the budget nor the storage space to order a lot of extra books on a speculative basis, so please order your yearbooks now so that we can place an accurate order with the printer. We may not have any extra books in May. If we do have any books, they will be sold for $80 on a first-come, first-served basis.
Art Department News

The Fall art show is up in the halls from now through the 6th of December, so stop by the east wing and the showcase in the cafeteria to check out all the wonderful artwork students have created so far this year! Art Club is making some art and having a blast. If you want to join the creative fun, come down to room E1283 every Thursday after school. Want to join art club? It’s not too late! Come join us at our next meeting.

The December Artist of the Month is Senior Cole Trautman. Look for his artwork on display toward the middle of the month before finals!

Art Show This Month:
Littleton Adventist Hospital Show
Now - Wed, January 9, 2019
Please contact anyone in the Art Department for more information regarding the show. Hope to see you there!

AHS Business Department

Arapahoe Students take business and marketing beyond the classroom!
DECA, Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) and National Business Honor Society provide students with opportunities to showcase their leadership skills in the business environment. Currently there are over 400 members that participate in business competitions, community service, and social events. Our business clubs are a place to network with others with a passion for business.

Free College Credit!
Arapahoe Business department offers Personal Finance, Advanced Marketing (MAR216), and Introduction to Business (BUS115) for both high school and college credit! These courses are taken at Arapahoe High School during the normal school hours. Do not miss out on this opportunity to earn college credit while in high school.

Get Arapahoe High School Elective Credit for Working!
If you have a job you can earn 5, 7 or 10 elective credits. Students must sign up for Professional Employment Training class in order to be eligible for Arapahoe High School’s Community Employment Experience. Please contact Mr. Sawyer for more information.

Upcoming Events for FBLA:
December 5
Walking Tacos Social, Project Check for lettering points

December 11
Arapahoe Toy Drive wrapping in the Cafeteria after school
Projects for production events are due to Mr. Sawyer or Mrs. Swank

January 10 thru January 19
After School testing in rooms S-1407 and S-1409 from 3:30-5:30 (bring your own laptop)

January 22, 23, & 24
Boot Camp Practice Presentation room S-1406

February 6
BLA District Conference -Arapahoe County Fairgrounds - All Day Event

National Business Honor Society
If students are currently in their third business class, they can apply for National Business Honor Society at the beginning of spring semester. Please see teachers in the Business Department for more details.
Counseling Department Guidelines

Sophomore Information

Second semester is a good time to take interest inventories and to utilize career exploration programs. This fall semester students began this process during a scheduled visit to the Post Grad Center. Students should make an appointment with their counselor to discuss these activities as well as to outline their course work for the remaining semesters of high school. Consistent solid school achievement will be emphasized. Students will be taking the PSAT 10 during the week of April 8th.

Juniors and Seniors

NCAA Eligibility Center

The NCAA Eligibility Center is an organization that clears athletes for initial eligibility in NCAA division 1 and 2 athletic programs. If you have a student-athlete with aspirations for college athletics, the following web address will be helpful in giving information and also for registering: [Eligibility Center](https://www.eligibilitycenter.org). Students may also access this page through Arapahoe’s Website by clicking on Guidance and the NCAA Eligibility Center, under the Post Graduate Center tab.

Junior Information

- The Colorado State SAT test required for all juniors is Tuesday, April 9, 2019. More details will follow.
- In the spring, counselors will be visiting with Western Civilization classes in the AHS Forum to discuss the college search and application process. Information will be given about college entrance tests, academic preparation for college, and U.S. service academies. Juniors not enrolled in a Western Civilization class should see their counselor for a time to meet in the Forum for this presentation. Parents are urged to review this information and to contact their student’s counselor regarding questions.

Senior Information

- Recheck graduation requirements for the final semester. Make an appointment with your counselor if you have any questions. Remember that all college acceptances are contingent upon successful completion of high school credits. Grades earned in classes taken your senior year are carefully reviewed by admission personnel.

Please see the Post Grad Center News concerning college applications and scholarship information.

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[www.sat.collegeboard.com](https://www.sat.collegeboard.com)
Suicide Prevention Presentation
Together We Can Make A Difference
Tuesday, January 22nd
Arapahoe High School Theatre
6:30 - 8:00 pm

Suicide: It's the word every parent dreads hearing, yet an increasing body of evidence points to hope—hope that with a better understanding of the warning signs and how to respond, we as a community can protect our kids.

Alex Yannacone, from CU Denver Helen and Arthur E. Johnson Depression Center will speak on the all-important topic of suicide. She will provide us with evidence-based prevention training that covers:

~ Warning signs to watch for in your child and in their friends
~ The role depression plays
~ 3 steps that can potentially help save a life

Parents and community members are welcome and encouraged to attend.
College Night, an informative evening for juniors, sophomores, and freshman students and their parents/guardians will be held on Monday, February 11, 2019, from 7:00-9:00 PM. (Note this is a NEW DATE since the last newsletter!) Attendees will hear the keynote speaker and attend 2 breakout sessions. Come get an understanding of the big picture pieces, acquire knowledge to help manage the process, and gain insight on how to reduce the stress associated with it. This is designed for families to attend the first three years of high school leading up to senior year, so plan to attend even if you have come previously! Details on the sessions will be sent out in January along with an RSVP request.

College Application Day, a free event for students who have yet to apply to college, will be held on Friday, March 2019 from 8:30-10:30 AM in the Forum. College Representatives from 4 year colleges, 2 year community colleges (who accept all applicants regardless of GPA and test scores), and a vocational school will be here. Please take advantage of this FREE opportunity to apply to college. We will lift every barrier we can and support you in the process. Please refer to the Post Grad website for a list of what to bring that day. All students who RSVP by Monday, February 25th will be excused from class. Please click here to RSVP.

SENIORS: Remember that several application deadlines occur during Winter Break or shortly thereafter, the most common being December 30th, January 1st, and January 15th. Prepare NOW by completing the blue transcript request form and submitting it with payment by December 3rd to Mrs. Arnold in the main office. For those still working to complete applications, please click here to view the application checklist on the Post Grad website.

Scholarship award letters: Many students have already received acceptance letters and scholarship award letters. Please bring copies of the scholarship award letters (not financial aid awards) to the Post Grad Center as you receive them, even those you do not plan to accept. These will be included in the Class of 2019 total scholarship awards. Seniors who are graduating with high honors, honors, and those accepting scholarships will be recognized at the Awards Convocation in May. This is a wonderful evening of recognition and celebration for the senior class.

JUNIORS: Second semester, juniors will be scheduled for their Post Grad appointments during an off hour. This appointment serves as a springboard to prepare for the college application season. In addition to building their college list, there are several tasks that students can start this spring and work on over the summer. There are limited appointment slots; it is imperative that students attend these appointments as scheduled. We go to great lengths to ensure students know about their appointment. All junior appointment dates and times will be posted in the library and in the Post Grad Center by February 1st. In addition, appointment slips will be delivered to students in class one week in advance, an email will be sent a few days before the appointment, and a text reminder will go out through Infinite Campus Messenger the evening prior to the appointment.

SOPHOMORES: First semester, sophomores had their introductory Post Grad appointment. In addition to creating a profile, students completed a career survey. By no means, can students solidify their career plans during this appointment. This appointment should serve as the launching pad for further exploration. Complete additional career interest surveys, read about different career fields online, watch the RoadTrip Nation videos in Naviance that cover a wide spectrum of careers, take advantage of career fairs that are advertised on the Post Grad website and in Naviance, then meet with your counselor if you still need help. If you missed your appointment, be sure to see your counselor so you can get set up in Naviance, work on your resume, and complete the career survey. The focus of the next visit during junior year builds on this appointment, so take care of this now.

COMMUNICATION PLUG: Parents and guardians, please add your student’s cell phone number to Infinite Campus! Simply log in to the parent/guardian account, then go to family members and click update to add the cell phone number of your student(s).

Mrs. Hall can best be reached by email at khall@lps.k12.co.us.
College Night 2019

JUNIOR, SOPHOMORE, AND FRESHMAN STUDENTS AND PARENTS — LEARN ABOUT MANAGING THE COLLEGE APPLICATION PROCESS. START EARLY AND STRESS LESS!

Presented by
THE ARAPAHOE HIGH SCHOOL
COUNSELING AND POST GRAD CENTER

Monday, February 11, 2019
7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Social Studies Department Update

The Social Studies Department could tell you about some of the great things that have already happened in Social Studies this fall like the Statecraft simulation in International Relations or the Law class’s Mock Trial held in a District 18 courtroom in the presence of Judge Anne Ollada or the work done in many classes addressing the recent election. Or we could brag about the new electives we introduced this year like Mr. Corson’s PsychHistory course that integrates Psychology and History or Mr. Sisler’s examination of US History through its music or Mr. Meyer’s Senior Seminar that examines ideas that are often seen as coming from “outside of the box.”

Instead, we want to look ahead to next year, especially since scheduling is going to take place early in second semester. In addition to a very diverse offering of electives and a strong offering of core classes, we are making a few changes to our Advanced Placement offerings. Sophomores will have a new option with A.P. Human Geography replacing Honors World Geography and Civilizations. We hope to offer five or six sections of the course. Details about the sections and the application process will be shared in U.S. History classes prior to final exams. Juniors and Seniors will still be able to access A.P. U.S. History, A.P. American Government, A.P. Economics, and A.P. Psychology.

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News from your PTO President

The members of the PTO Board want to thank the Arapahoe staff for their hard work and dedication to our students. We recognize the countless hours spent preparing lessons, grading papers, and guiding each student as they make the journey to adulthood. This time of year, we are also reminded how much you do for our students. You all are a vital part of what makes Arapahoe such an amazing place to learn and grow. We are thankful for your continued support.

So many PTO volunteers help ensure that a supportive community exists for our teachers, staff and students, Thank you for your countless hours and please know it makes an impact!

Renee Zainer  
Arapahoeptolps@gmail.com

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GRADUATION INFORMATION 2019

Graduation will be held at the Ritchie Center at the University of Denver on Saturday, May 25, 2019 at 1:00 p.m.

GRADUATION/CAP AND GOWN INFORMATION

A graduation fee of $50 is assessed on each senior’s account. If you have not already done so please visit your account in Infinite Campus and pay your fees. The $50 fee includes cap and gown rental, diploma, diploma cover, and medallion.

Please click here to access the graduation website. Check back frequently as information will be updated on an ongoing basis.
The Performing Arts Department would like to recognize and thank the following outstanding students who were named Students of the Month for December 2018:

Vocal Music: Ethan Vahle
Instrumental: Bekah Voelkelt
Theatre: Lexi Lips

The Performing Arts Department has been working hard this fall in preparation for some great concerts and theatrical performances. We would like to extend an invitation to the community. All Arapahoe events will be in the AHS theater. We hope to see you there!

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2018 Holiday Performances - Arapahoe Singers

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Performing Arts Department ~ Students of the Month

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2019 Honor Choir Participants Announced

Congratulations to Seniors Ethan Vahle, Jayson Glidden, Jonathan McEntire, & Anna Maji who were selected via live audition for the Colorado All State Chorus. These students were selected from a pool of almost 1800 students who auditioned from across Colorado. All State Chorus takes place in downtown Denver on the last weekend of January 2019.

Recently selected via recorded audition for the American Choral Directors Association’s National Honor Choir are Seniors Ethan Vahle and Eden Goodiel and Junior Jensen Disbrow. These students were selected from among a pool of several thousand students who submitted auditions from across the entire United States. This event takes place on the last weekend of February in Kansas City.
Tom Tom Beat

The JV and Varsity Arapahoe Toms teams are coming off a huge week, celebrating their successes at multiple competitions! At the USA Competition on 11/3, the JV team placed a notable 1st in their division; a huge shout out to JV Coach Katie Zimmerman and all of our JV dancers on a job well done! Varsity was very pleased to be honored with a 2nd place trophy in their division for their pom routine, followed by a 3rd place trophy for their jazz dance. The jazz routine even brought the audience to tears: Warrior Strong! Watch for all of these memorable dances during the Toms’ half-time performances at many upcoming home basketball games.

At the highly competitive Centennial League Competition at Smoky Hill High School on 11/8, JV placed 2nd, and Varsity placed 3rd in front of a large and rowdy crowd including Arapahoe supporters, staff members and the tight-knit Toms Family. And to round out the week, the Toms represented Arapahoe High School with excellence on the huge stage at the UDA Competition on 11/10 at The National Western Complex. JV placed 6th out of 15 teams, Varsity placed 6th out of 21 pom routines as well as 6th out of 14 jazz dances. Varsity Coach Brandi Carlson gave the Toms’ incredible performances high praise, applauding the strong work ethic and positive attitudes she observed on the Varsity and JV teams. Another coach from a rival school even complimented the Toms’ fresh look, high energy, and the overall excellence she spotted in both teams!

As Varsity continues to prepare for the State Competition coming up on 12/8 at The Denver Coliseum, the Toms are busy serving the local community through a variety of service projects and will showcase their “Santa Dance” at multiple nursing homes in the Denver area.

Finally, the Varsity team will head to the UDA Nationals Competition in late January after winning their bid to that event at camp last summer. It’s a great time to be an Arapahoe Tom! “Trust. Commitment. LOVE.”
CONGRATULATIONS ARAPAHOE ATHLETES
FALL SEASON 2018

The Arapahoe Athletic Department would like to congratulate these fine scholar-athletes on their wonderful competitive seasons. These young men and women along with 16 other Arapahoe High School Honorable Mention athletes have been recognized by the Centennial League, the Metro East Football Conference, CHSAA and CHSCA for their performances this fall. In addition to their athletic accomplishments, they have been great ambassadors of their school, community, and sport.

**Cheer**
***League***
  4th Place
***Regionals***
  4th Place

**Cross Country**
***First Team League***
  Cole Trautman
***Second Team League***
  Stephen Haysley
  Jeffrey Powell
***First Team Regionals***
  Cole Trautman
***Second Team Regionals***
  Stephen Haysley

**Field Hockey**
***Second Team League***
  Abbie Chalmers

**Football**
***First Team League***
  Kevin Lukasiewicz
***Second Team League***
  Patrick Haas
  Jalen Thomas
  Max Wilson

**Golf – Boys**
***League***
  Team Champions
  Jack Tickle - 1st Place
  Caleb Busta - 2nd Place
***Regionals***
  Team Champions
  Jack Tickle & Riley Rottschafer
  (Tied for 1st Place)
***State***
  Team - 3rd Place Overall

**Soccer – Boys**
***First Team League***
  Spencer Cobb
  Cameron Gail
  Zander Hahn
  Zach Westerman
***Second Team League***
  Noah Carl
  Zach Miller
  Jacob Vogel
***League Player of the Year***
  Cameron Gail
***5A State Champions***

**Softball**
***First Team League***
  Keely Holt
  Kayleigh Krueger
***Second Team League***
  Mia Glover
  Kayla Huskey
  Kathryn Maney
  Michelle Salazar

**Tennis – Boys**
***League***
  Team Champions
***Regionals***
  Team Champions
***First Place Regionals***
  Tyler Landen
  Jared Green
  Ryan Wood
  Nick Stephenson
  Jacob Lobb
  Chase Wern
  Jake Hall
  Clark Pearson
  Max DaHarb
***Second Place Regionals***
  Connor Rundell
  Francis Jasper
***State***
  Team – 5th Place Overall

**Volleyball**
***First Team League***
  Kathleen Girard
***Second Team League***
  Kylie Dailey

**Toms**
***League***
  3rd Place
***Regionals***
  6th Place

**Additional Honors**
**All-State**
***First Team***
  Caleb Busta–Golf
  Spencer Cobb - Soccer
  Cameron Gail - Soccer
  Riley Rottschafer–Golf
***Second Team***
  Zander Hahn - Soccer
  Jack Tickle–Golf
  Zach Westerman - Soccer
***5A Coach of the Year***
  Mark Hampshire - Soccer
Important Attendance Reminders

When calling your student in, please only leave the following info:
- Your student’s name—please clearly spell the last name
- Your student’s grade
- The date of the absence
- The class period(s) that your student will miss
- The reason MUST be given

PLEASE NOTE:
Calls received after 2:30pm will be recorded in the Parent Portal the next school day and may result in an automated message that evening. Students are not permitted to miss a class to make up or study for another class. These absences will not be excused, per AHS policy. All excused absences must be called into the Attendance Office by a parent or guardian within 24 hours. We do not accept written notes or emails. Passes are not delivered to students. Students must pick up a pass from the Attendance Office in order to leave school during a class period. To check student attendance, access the Infinite Campus Parent Portal. Please check at least weekly. Thank you for your help in making the Attendance process as efficient as possible.

EARLY EXAM FORM AND PROCEDURES
- The student picks up an Early Exam Form from the Attendance Office available starting December 3rd, must be returned prior to finals week. The parent completes the top portion of the form.
- The student works with the teacher(s) to complete the form and to reschedule exams.
- The student returns the form to the attendance office, the form is used for attendance documentation.
- It is the student’s responsibility to show up at the rescheduled time.

Delays and Closures

In case of an emergency or severe weather conditions, please check the LPS website or click here for a prominent announcement in a red or yellow banner across the top of the home page regarding changes in school schedules. If there is no red or yellow banner, all schools are on Normal schedule. Most Denver news stations announce these changes, as well. The district may also send an email to all LPS families when school schedule changes occur. Families are encouraged to keep their contact information and contact preferences in their Infinite Campus Parent Portal account updated.

In an effort to better serve families, you may now choose to receive a text message when weather-related decisions are made.

To sign up to receive a text message:
- Log in to your Infinite Campus Parent Portal
- In the left side menu, select “Contact Preferences”
- In the column “Priority Notification,” select at least one cell phone on which to receive a "Text (SMS)"
- Click "Save" at the bottom of the screen.

You can change this preference at any time.

Remember: weather-related decisions are made early in the morning and a text may be delivered to your phone before 5 a.m. Charges are dependent upon your service plan, which may include fees from your carrier to send and receive these text (SMS) messages.
Happy Holidays Warriors! The month of December is jam packed with festive activities, cramming for finals and finally; a much deserved break from school. We want like to remind you to make safe choices always, but particularly this time of year. The Sheriff’s Office responds to many calls for underage drinking during this time of year. There are many dangers associated with underage drinking, so please avoid dangerous situations that involve underage drinking.

Binge drinking (consuming an excessive amount of alcohol in a short period of time) is one of the biggest dangers of underage drinking. Binge drinking can result in loss of consciousness and lowered respiratory rates. If not treated correctly, victims of binge drinking can aspirate, stop breathing from positional asphyxiation, or slip into a coma; all of which can result in death.

It is important to remember that if you notice someone who is losing consciousness, is incoherent, or appears to be experiencing an alcohol overdose that you CALL 911 immediately. Remember that those who call for emergency services in a drug or alcohol overdose are immune from certain criminal charges. Keep in mind you must stay on the scene and cooperate with emergency responders. (18-1-711 Immunity for persons who suffer or report an emergency drug or alcohol overdose event.) Ultimately, it is much more important to save a life.

Let’s Have A Great and Safe School Year!
Please feel free to contact us at:
jenengl@lps.k12.co.us and dtipton@lps.k12.co.us
303-347-6086

Alive @ 25 Class
Tuesday, January 29, 2019
3:45pm-8:15pm (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.
**FINAL EXAMS**

Final Exams will be given December 18-21, 2018. The last day of the first semester is Friday, December 21, 2018. The final exam schedule is listed below.

**Tuesday, December 18, 2018**

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**Wednesday, December 19, 2018 (Note PLC start time)**

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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 8:20 until 3:31 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 1:20 p.m.

**Buses will run on the regular schedule.**
HOUR OF CODE

Cookies & Code
Date: Tuesday Dec 4
Time: 3:45 – 6:00 pm
Grades: K – 8
Parking: NW parking lot

Please register at: https://goo.gl/aDFzf3

Arapahoe High School invites you

Hour of Code & STEM Immersion
Family Event
Cookies & Code

Ozobots
Parrot Drones
Coding Mouse
3D Printing
Makey Makey's

Guest Speaker: Tina Granato

ARAPAHOE HIGH SCHOOL
2201 E. Dry Creek Road
Centennial, CO 80122
303-347-6000
Dec 4 3:45 – 6:00 pm
kbownds@lps.k12.co.us
LITTLETON PUBLIC SCHOOLS
COMMUNITY NIGHT WITH THE DENVER NUGGETS
Supported by the Littleton Public Schools Foundation

VS

Denver Nuggets vs Phoenix Suns
Friday – January 25th, 2019 • 7:00pm • Pepsi Center

Alternate Night: Denver Nuggets vs. Miami Heat
Monday – February 11th, 2019 • 7:00pm • Pepsi Center

TICKETS:
Lower/Club Level: $42
Upper Level: $16

* All lower/club level tickets include a free Nuggets Hat.

Order tickets online at:
https://nuggets.ksetickets.com/LPS1819
Follow the link and select your school

*A portion of every ticket purchased will benefit the Littleton Public Schools Foundation & Littleton Schools

The top selling schools will be able to participate in the Flag Presentation & Fan Tunnel!!

For more information, call Alexa Carpenter at 303.405.1196 or email Alexa.Carpenter@TeamKSE.com
17th Annual Arapahoe Toy Drive
#WarriorsCare

Every year, the Arapahoe High School Community donates holiday gifts to a highly impacted school in the Denver metro area. This year, we have chosen Castro Elementary. There are 333 students who come from very loving families, but many of their parents struggle to provide the basic necessities. We will also be reaching out to Denver Indian Health and Family Services. Our toy drive will run from November 5 - December 10. We will be accepting toys and cash donations in the Activities/Attendance Office during this time. Toy donations are for girls and boys ages 5-12, price range $10-20. Please no weapons or toys that require batteries. Students and Staff will be delivering the toys on December 18. Please consider giving to this wonderful cause. It is a powerful experience that both the students at Castro Elementary and Arapahoe High School will remember for years to come. If you have any questions, please call the Activities/Attendance Office at 303-347-6095.