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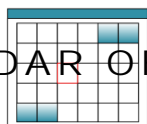
Mission Statement

American Heritage Charter School strives to create **patriotic and educated leaders.**



We believe in James Madison's statement: "The **advancement** and **diffusion** of **knowledge** is the **only guardian** of **true liberty.**"

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



LABOR DAY/ NO SCHOOL

September 4th

SECONDARY FIELD TRIP

Place: Yellowstone National Park

Date: September 5, 2017

Time: 5:30 a.m.- 7:00 p.m.

BENCHMARK TESTING

Place: American Heritage Charter School

Date: September 6, 2017- September 16, 2017

BOARD MEETING

Place: American Heritage Charter School

Date: September 7, 2017

Time: 6:00 p.m.

WELLNESS WEEK

Place: American Heritage Charter School

Date: September 25, 2017- September 29, 2017

WALK-A-THON

Place: American Heritage Charter School

Date: September 29, 2017

The Principal's Corner

Welcome to the 2017-2018 school year! I love this time of year when our students and staff are excited to start a new year of learning. I appreciate the opportunity you give me to be a part of your student's education and their lives.

I would like to introduce myself to those who may not know me. My name is Tiffnee Hurst and I grew up down the street from the New Sweden School. I have been married to my husband, Scott, for the past twenty-three years and have 4 wonderful children.

I have been working in the field of education for the past eighteen years. In 2013, I started working for American Heritage Charter School and fell in love with the opportunities this school gives to the students and its employees. This year I will have three of my own children attending American Heritage Charter School for it offers a rigorous and patriotic education they cannot receive anywhere else in this area.

I love working with children and enjoy helping them reach their goals. Nothing to me is more satisfying than seeing students' eyes sparkle when they understand a new concept and seeing their smiles when they are enjoying school.

We have excellent teachers and a wonderful staff at AHCS. I know they will provide a great learning environment for your student. Please feel free to contact me if you have any comments, questions, or concerns. My door is always opened.

Let's have a great year!

Mrs. Hurst

Strategic Plan

Math



AHCS had great results in math last year. Ninety-three percent of our students reached their math fact goal. I am so proud of the hard work these students did in achieving their goal.

AHCS will continue to work hard to reach and keep the math goal of having 80% of our students proficient in their math facts. Each grade is focusing on specific facts that align to our state standards:

- Kindergarten: Identifying the numbers 1-20
- 1st Grade- Addition Facts up to 10
- 2nd Grade- Addition and Subtraction Facts 1-10
- 3rd Grade- Addition and Subtraction Facts 1- 20
- 4th Grade- Multiplication and Division Facts 0-10
- 5th and 6th Grade- Multiplying and Dividing 0-12

Please help us reach this goal by practicing math facts with your student at home and reinforcing previous skills from earlier grade levels.

Writing

This school year, we will begin to focus on the academic area of writing. Our goal is to help students develop their writing skills in the areas of organization and sources.



Student Pickup

The student pickup in the afternoon is off to a good start. Here are a few items to help keep our students safe and our parents happy:

1. The teachers are having the students lineup according to their last names. Please let the teachers know the last name of the students you are picking up. This will help the teachers find them quicker.
2. The teachers will bring your student(s) to you. Parents, please stay in your car, this will help the line keep moving.
3. If you are coming early to wait in the car pickup lane, please fill in the first row closest to the playground before filling in the row next to the road. This will allow an open lane for a few minutes to help those who may need to exit.
4. If you are in the front of the line and your student is not quite ready to leave, please pull forward next to the first four parking spaces so the cars behind you can exit.
5. Middle school and high school students can be picked up in the parking lot by the high school after the bus leaves at 3:35 p.m.

We appreciate your patience and understanding in this matter. Our first priority as a school is to ensure the safety of our students.

Our Amazing Staff

Elementary Principal- Mrs. Hurst
Executive Director to the Board- Mr. Dalton
Kindergarten- Mrs. Dana Alboucq
Kindergarten- Mrs. Angie Croft
First Grade- Mrs. Leigh DeHart
First Grade- Ms. Tracie Peterson
Second Grade- Ms. Aimee Jones
Third Grade- Mrs. Mary Milby
Fourth Grade- Ms. Shea Gohr
Fifth Grade- Mrs. Lise Wenstrom
Sixth Grade- Mrs. Jolene Harris
Counselor- Mrs. Rebecca Jensen
Special Education- Ms. Camille North
Mrs. Tiffnee Hurst
Technology- Mrs. Lisa Dalton
Business Manager- Mrs. Katy Mason
School Secretary- Mrs. Jenni Jensen
Lunchroom- Mrs. Simone Woods
Mrs. Joanna Rogers
Mrs. Jill Dalton
Paraprofessionals- Ms. Karen Roundy
Mrs. Shantelle Stewart
Playground Duty- Mrs. Missy Hyde
PFA Representative- Mrs. Kirsten Barney

Dress Code

The students at American Heritage Charter School look sharp wearing our dress code. I appreciate the support our parents and students give in making sure our students are dressed according to the dress code. Here are a few reminders:

- Polo shirts must be a solid red, navy blue, or white.
- Please remember that gray is only to be worn for pants and skirts.
- Students in grades 1-12 must wear a belt at all times. Students in kindergarten are not required to wear belts. Exceptions will be made for pants, shorts, or skirts without belt loops. Belt colors must be solid brown, black, white, tan, gray or navy.

Welcome

We would like to welcome our new staff members at AHCS. We are delighted to have Tracie Peterson, Aimee Jones, Mary Milby, Camille North, and Karen Roundy join our elementary team. They bring with them experiences and qualities that will help our school continue to be top notch. Welcome aboard!

