Avenger Announcements -Oct. 2019

AAI News for Avenger Students and Families

What's going on at Alliance

It's the end of the first quarter! We are all enjoying the cooler weather and hope that you are also! Please read this newsletter for important information about upcoming dates and events, as well as some great photos of what's been going on here at Alliance.

Upcoming Events / Dates

Tuesday Oct. 15, 2019: Coffee with Cannizzaro 9:00-10:00 a.m.

Come to the AAI Innovation Lounge to meet our principal and hear about exciting things going on at Alliance.

Tuesday Oct. 15, 2019: Digital Citizenship Night 6:00 p.m.

Steve Honn, District School Safety Coordinator, will be presenting on Dangerous Apps and Social Media Pitfalls at 6:00 p.m. on Oct. 15 at Alliance Academy. Please plan to attend.

Wednesday Oct. 16, 2019: PSAT Day All Day

PSAT day will NOT be an A or B day. We will be testing all morning and will meet with CTSOs in the afternoon. Students who have not yet joined a CTSO will be able to attend the CTSO event for their pathway to see what being a member of a CTSO is all about. *See the following section for more information about the PSAT. Please note that students are allowed to use a scientific or graphing calculator on the math portion of the exam. Students MUST bring their own calculator. We are unable to provide calculators for students who forget.*

Thursday Oct. 17, 2019 Report Card Distribution for First Quarter Grades. Your student will receive a copy of his/her grades so far to bring home.

Saturday Oct. 18, 2019 Marvel Academy 9:00-11:00 a.m. Innovation Lounge

Does your student need to make up missing work or assessments? Need help with a class? Marvel Academy is the place to be! Teachers and peer tutors are available to help on Saturday from 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. in the AAI Innovation Lounge. Drop by and check it out! If you want to make up a missing test or quiz, please let your teacher know that you plan to attend so the work will be there waiting for you.

Wednesday Oct. 23, 2019 Trunk or Treat 5:00-7:00

AAI Clubs and Organizations are sponsoring a community Trunk or Treat! Please bring your young children to enjoy.

Thursday Oct. 24, 2019 Picture Retake Day

We will retake fall portraits for any students who missed picture day last month.

Friday Oct. 25, 2019 NO SCHOOL for students

This is a District Collaboration Day for teachers so students do not attend. Please note that high schools do NOT have Early Release days that week.

Wednesday Nov. 6, 2019 Dress for Success

We love seeing our students dressed for success. Take a look at the pictures below to see how great they all look.

Nov. 25-29, 2019 Thanksgiving Break

Dec. 16-19, 2019 Midterm Exams

Students will take Midterm Exams during the week of Dec. 16-19. See the <u>Midterm Schedule</u> for exam dates and times. Please note that students cannot take exams early for any reason. Make up exams will be given on Monday Jan. 6, 2020 beginning at 9:00 a.m.

PSAT Testing - Important Information for TEST DAY

The PSAT is an exam given by the College Board. This exam will be given on Wednesday Oct. 16th. This will NOT be an A or B day. Students will report to testing locations promptly at 9:00 a.m.

- Rosters are now posted in the Counseling Center, Cafeteria and Innovation Lounge. Students need to check the rosters and report to the room assigned by 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday Oct. 16. Late students will not be admitted to the exam room once the exam has begun.
- Students need to bring the following on test day:

CALCULATOR (scientific and graphing are acceptable)

**Please do NOT forget your calculator as we are unable to provide calculators! Pencils (#2 only, not mechanical) A snack and/or water for the break (no eating or drinking allowed during testing)

• DO NOT BRING: cell phones, laptops, smart watches, fitness trackers, any electronic devices.

Students will not be able to check out of school during testing. We anticipate that testing will end by 1:00 p.m. Students will have a grab and go lunch and then attend CTSO events for the remainder of the day.

Juniors who are not taking the exam are encouraged to visit a college that day. Please see the AAI website for the College Visit Form.

AP Exam Registration Information - DEADLINE is OCT 28

In an effort to be consistent with the other FCS high schools, Alliance Academy will be using Total Registration for our AP Exam registration. Students must follow the procedures as outlined in this <u>AAI</u>

<u>AP Registration 2019-20 document</u>. The deadline to register and pay is Oct. 28th. There will be a \$40 late fee for any registration after that date.

Future Avenger Information Nights

Please let your friends and neighbors know about Alliance! If you know of any 8th graders that are interested in attending Alliance, please encourage them to attend one of our Future Avenger Information Nights. We will host these events on Nov. 7, 13, and 19 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. Our application for the 2020-21 school year will open on Oct. 28 and close on Dec. 15. Current students do NOT need to reapply.



Holiday Food Drive - Oct. 21-Nov. 8

Student Government is partnering with The Place of Forsyth to help provide holiday meals for families. We will compete through our 4th period classes. Each school in the area is assigned a different food to bring -- Alliance will be providing CRANBERRY SAUCE!! Please bring in your cans of cranberry sauce during the drive. The winning class will receive a doughnut party!

Student Resources

Marvel Academy: Saturday 10/19/19 9:00-11:00 a.m.

We are happy to again be able to offer Marvel Academy on several Saturdays this semester! Marvel Academy is a place where Alliance students can come and make up missing work, quizzes and tests, as well as get tutoring from a teacher or peer. We are located in the AAI Innovation Lounge. Tutors are there from 9:00-11:00 a.m. Please plan to come and see us.



Parent Resources

Counseling Website: Do you need information? Check out the counseling website! To find the website go to <u>Alliance main webpage</u> and hover over the Heading "Student Support", click Counseling Department. There are some blue and gold boxes with shields in them. Click on the words in the box to get more information. Under Academic Assistance and Tutor List you will find a link to click on to get information about our teacher tutor times. Check back regularly as we keep this page updated.

Attention Parents of Juniors!

Did you know that in order to be eligible for the HOPE scholarship, you must have your child's Social Security number on file with Forsyth County Schools? Many parents have already provided this information. Letters to students who are missing this information are going home soon. If you receive one of these letters, please make sure to follow the directions in the letter on how to provide us with this vital information to ensure that your student receives HOPE scholarship if eligible.

Parent Survey

Each year, the Georgia Department of Education conducts a climate survey for each school in Georgia. We encourage parents to complete this 24 question survey about the school climate at Alliance Academy for Innovation. Thank you for your participation! <u>https://gshs.gadoe.org/Pages/Parent.aspx</u>



Dress for Success

Thank you for supporting our Dress for Success Initiative. Approximately once each month, students will participate in one Dress for Success Day and one Dress for Industry Day. Several parents have asked to see the rubrics that are used for these formative grades:

Dress for Success - Female Dress for Success - Male

Please contact your child's CTAE teacher with any questions.

Upcoming Dates:

Wednesday 11/6 Dress for Success Wednesday 11/14 Dress for Industry Wednesday 12/4 Dress for Success Wednesday 12/11 Dress for Industry



Congratulations to our September Teacher of the Month Jessica Demerly!

PTSO Corner: Reminders and Info from the AAI PTSO

1. Please sign up to the PTSO website so that you receive our emails containing the most up to date information... <u>www.aai-ptso.com</u>

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FBLA Dress for Success

Dress for Success



Dunk Tank



Face Painting



Fall Festival Fun



Fall Festival



Friends



Fun on a Friday!



Pep Rally



House Spirit



PTSO brings the Treat Trolly!! A monthly teacher favorite!

