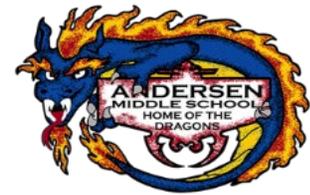


ANDERSEN MIDDLE SCHOOL

January 11, 2021 | Newsletter



Upcoming Events

January 14

End of 2nd quarter

January 15

Teacher Work Day
No school for Students

January 18

MLK Jr. Day
No School for Students

January 19

Begin Q3/2nd Semester

January 22

Report Cards will be sent home

February 15

Presidents' Day
No School for Students

February 19

Staff Professional Development Day
No School for Students

March 9

Staff Professional Development Day
No School for Students

Happy New Year Dragon Families,

Goodbye 2020, and Hafa Adai 2021! We are back and ready to take on the new year.

It was a great week back with our AMS students. Please be reminded that Friday, January 15th is a teacher workday and no students will be present. Please encourage your child to "finish strong" academically over the next couple of days. Stay connected to your child's teacher to make certain he/she is doing well academically. We have great support team ready to help if you need it!

In addition, we would like to give an early welcome back to our students returning from the DoDEA Virtual School (DVS). We've prepared information to share with our returning families via orientation meetings. Ms. Jao our school counselor will lead the sessions.

Our students were invited to participate (not mandatory) in the Annual Dr. M.L. King, Jr. essay contest. All entries were to be submitted directly to Mr. Jacob Dowdell, AES Educator on Monday, January 11th. Good luck to each person that entered.

Thank you for being supportive of our school needs! We want to ensure that your child is "College & Career Ready".

Home-based Screening Protocol & Acknowledgment Requirements: The Home-base Screening Protocol & Acknowledgement Requirement form has been updated! Please review the updated form attached to this newsletter. This revised form is to be used for newly enrolled students. If you have already signed the Pre-Screening Acknowledgment, you **DO NOT** need to sign the updated form again. Please see the attached form at the end of the newsletter.

No Dogs on Campus: This is a reminder that per the **DoDEA AI 6055.01 DoDEA Safety Program** *no dogs* are allowed at schools or on school grounds **unless they are an approved service or therapy animal**. The animal must be certified by a licensed veterinarian that it is in good health and has the disposition to be around students. Written approval will be filed with school administrators for each school year. This policy can be found at <https://www.dodea.edu/Offices/PolicyAndLegislation/upload/AI-6055-01-DoDEA-Safety-Program-Signed-27-Nov-2017.pdf>

Mrs. Baxter-Oakley
Principal

STARTING JANUARY 19 (SEMESTER 2) THERE WILL BE A NEW SCHEDULE ROTATION

BLUE DAYS	SILVER DAYS
PERIODS 3, 4, 1, 2	PERIODS 7, 8, 5, 6

Social Distancing

Please remind students to maintain their **social distance** where possible, especially entering and leaving the building, during lunch, outdoor break time, walking to class, and use of stairwells. Please wear your masks; especially when social distancing cannot be maintained.

All Hands: Sanitize

Wash your hands frequently; especially before lunch. At other times, use the sanitization stations within the building or your class to keep your hands clean!

Water Bottles

Students are urged to bring their own water bottles to school, as the water fountains are currently not in use. However, students can use the water bottle filler stations. Special shout out to PTO for providing disposable water bottles to our nurse. However, the supply is very low. **Please bring your water bottles to stay hydrated!**

Attendance

Students should not arrive prior to **7:20 a.m.** Adult supervision is not available prior to that time. The tardy bell rings at **7:45 a.m.** Students that arrive late will receive an unexcused tardy unless arriving with a parent and an excuse note. The attendance policy can be found in the parent/student handbook.

Lunch Information

K12 PaymentCenter is a secure and easy way to deposit funds directly into your child's lunch account online. You can check the account balance and monitor what your child is buying, as well as opt-in to receive Low Balance notification emails.

Please note that all lunches are **free of charge** through the end of the **2020-21 school year**. However, seconds and a la carte menu items will be charged.

You can find more information about school lunches here:

www.K12PaymentCenter.com

<https://www.dodea.edu/AndersenMS/meals.cfm>

Front Office

(671) 366-5973

KEEP US UPDATED!

If there are any changes to student contact information, please contact the school registrar at (671) 366-5973.

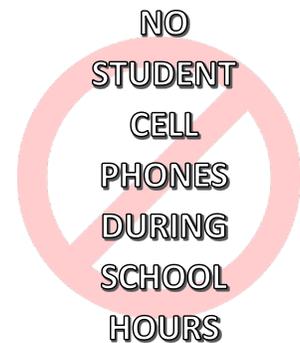
Preparation Be ready to learn and participate in my education.

Responsibility Be responsible for my learning and the learning of those around me.

Integrity Do the right thing even when no one is watching.

Determination Exhibit a determined attitude to do my best in all tasks.

Excellence Push myself to achieve excellence in all I do!



ANCHORED4LIFE CANNED FOOD DRIVE

The Anchored4Life canned food drive that took place in December was a great success! All proceeds were donated to the Catholic Social Service to assist families in need. Thank you so much to everyone who contributed!



8th grade embraces the holiday spirit!

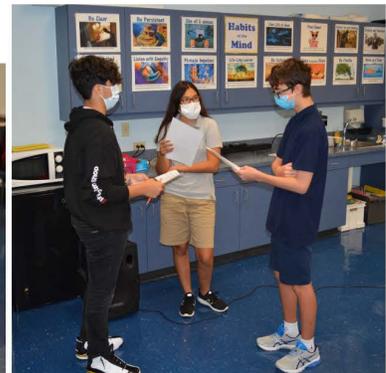
Our 8th graders went all out in December to celebrate the holiday spirit. Advisory classes joined the school-wide PTSSO-sponsored door/hallway decorating contest on the theme of Festiveness Around the World. The 8th-graders also challenged each other in a competition to build a 4'x4'x4' or larger, Gingerbread House from recycled materials.



Mrs. Hidalgo's advisory class built an award-winning Gingerbread House and took home the 8th grade Advisory Trophy.

Bah! Humbug! - *Not!* A Study of Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol*

In Language Arts class, the 8th-graders embarked on a study of Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol." The novel, written in 1843 and set in the Victorian Era, provided an opportunity for students to study text closely, decipher vocabulary in context and break down complex structures. Learning activities included the study and discussion the elements of plot and themes like greed, generosity, regret, moral responsibility, social injustice and the spirit of Christmas. Students also watched the 1984 movie version of the book starring George C. Scott. They analyzed the movie and compared it to the original story by Dickens. "I liked the book "A Christmas Carol" better than the movie because in the book, there was more suspense—especially with the Ghost of Christmas Yet to Come—'The Phantom slowly, gravely, silently approached.' The book was more descriptive so I could imagine what was going on. Maybe I just didn't like that my vision of the story was not the same as the director's," wrote 8th grader, Madelyn Horning.





DRIVEN DRAGONS



Mrs. Nelson's Advisory won the first **8th grade Advisory Challenge** of the year by earning the highest 1st Quarter Overall GPA of the five Advisory classes. Her 12 students earned an average GPA of 3.5. The 8th grade Revolving Advisory Trophy was proudly displayed in the room.

Students William and Lucia on the camera and teleprompter team up to videotape classmate Sean in CompApps/Video Production class. The students were producing news segments on topics of their choosing. Sean produced a segment on the evolution of video games.



DRESS FOR SUCCESS

Please remind students that they need to adhere to the dress code:

**DODEA PACIFIC SOUTH
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- **Uniform Top Color Options:**
 - Navy Blue
 - White
 - Black
 - Gray

- **Uniform Bottom Color Options:**
 - Khaki
 - Navy Blue (no denim or jeans)
 - Tan
 - Black

- **Uniform Sweatshirt/Sweater/Jacket Color Options:**
 - Navy Blue (no denim or jeans)
 - White
 - Gray
 - Blacks



Authorized Clothing	
Female Tops	Male Tops
Button-down, collared shirt	Button-down, collared shirt
Tailored Blouse	Polo style shirt
Polo style shirt	
Female Bottoms	Male Bottoms
Full-length Pants	Full-length Pants
Capri Pants	Cargo Shorts*
Cargo Shorts*	Bermuda Shorts*
Bermuda Shorts*	
Skorts*	
Skirts*	
Jumpers*	
*Cannot end higher than 3 inches above the top of the knee	
*Leggings, Tights or Stretch Pants cannot be worn in place of uniform bottoms	

Optional Clothing
V-Neck Pull-over
Buttoned Sweater
Jacket (With or Without Hood)
Pullover Sweatshirt (With or Without Hood)
Zippered Sweat Jacket (With or Without Front Pockets)
Uniform Patch
Undershirt (Any solid color. Must be short-sleeved and tucked into bottoms.)
Hats and Sunglasses are not allowed indoors without an approved exemption
**All uniform sweatshirts/sweaters/jackets must have sleeves.
***Uniform top must be worn underneath all uniform sweatshirts/sweaters/jackets.

*****LOGOS, DESIGNS, TAGS, BRANDS, OR EMBLEMS ARE PERMISSIBLE*****

**Department of Defense Education Activity
Pacific West District
Home-Based Screening Acknowledgment**

Sponsors and Caregivers: Please complete this short check of your student each morning before they leave for school.

Staff: Please complete this short check of yourself each morning before you leave for work.

Section 1: Symptoms

If the individual has any of the following symptoms, they might have an illness they can spread to others (for those with chronic conditions, check a symptom only if it has changed from usual or baseline health):

- Temperature (Korea 99.5/Guam 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or higher)
- Sore throat
- Cough (for those with chronic cough due to allergies or asthma, a change in their cough from baseline)
- Difficulty breathing (for those with asthma, a change from their baseline breathing)
- Diarrhea or vomiting
- New onset of severe headache, especially with a fever

Section 2: Exposure

A. Has the individual had close contact with someone with COVID-19 (within 6 feet of an infected person for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period, regardless of whether the contact was wearing a mask)?

- Yes
- No

B. Has the individual traveled or arrived from an area where the local, territorial, or state health department is reporting large numbers of COVID-19 cases as described in the Community Mitigation Framework or in HPCON C or D?

- Yes
- No

→ **If YES response to any part of Section 1 and NO to both parts of Section 2:**

- The individual should stay home until at least 24 hours after they no longer have a fever (Korea 99.5/Guam 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or higher) or signs of a fever (chills, feeling very warm, flushed appearance, or sweating) without the use of fever-reducing medicine (e.g., acetaminophen or ibuprofen) AND cleared by Public Health or appropriate medical authority.

→ **If YES response to any part of Section 1 and YES to any part of Section 2:**

- Consult with healthcare provider.
- Consult with local public health officials for potential testing and evaluation as a possible close contact.
- Follow applicable public health or local installation quarantine, isolation, and Restriction of Movement (ROM) requirements.

→ **If NO response to Section 1 and YES to any part of Section 2:**

- Consult with local public health officials for potential testing and evaluation as a possible close contact.
- Follow applicable public health or local installation quarantine, isolation, and Restriction of Movement (ROM) requirements.

I have reviewed the DoDEA Home-based Screening Protocol and agree to conduct the prescreening daily prior to entering a DoDEA facility.

Student or Staff Name: _____

School Name or Office Location: _____

Student Sponsor or Staff Signature: _____

Date: _____

Pacific West 2020-21	Event Black-All Pac West, Purple-Korea, Green-Guam
Monday, August 17, 2020	Report Date for Teachers-All
Tuesday, August 18, 2020	CCR Back To School-All
Wednesday, August 19, 2020	CCR Back To School-All
Thursday, August 20, 2020	Pacific West District Kick Off
Monday, August 24, 2020	Begin 1st Quarter and 1st Semester (Grades PSCD, 1-12) (Korea) Begin 1st Quarter and 1st Semester (Grades PSCD, 1-12) (Guam)
Mon-Fri, August 24-28, 2020	Kindergarten Home Visits – No School for Kindergarten (Korea)
Mon-Fri, August 24-September 4, 2020	PreK Home Visits – No School for PreK (Guam)
Mon-Wed, August 24-September 9, 2020	Sure Start Home Visits – No School for Sure Start (Korea)
Tuesday, August 25, 2020	First Day of Kindergarten (Guam)
Monday, August 31, 2020	Kindergarten First Day of Class (Korea)
Monday, September 7, 2020	Labor Day - Federal Holiday-All
Tuesday, September 8, 2020	First Day of Class PreK (Guam)
Thursday, September 10, 2020	First Day of Sure Start (Korea)
Thursday, October 1, 2020	Full-Day PD/ Observance of Chuseok (Korea)
Friday, October 2, 2020	CCRS Professional Learning Day (Q1) - No school for all students (Korea)
Monday, October 5, 2020	CCRS Professional Learning Day (Q1) - No school for all students (Guam)
Friday, October 9, 2020	Prof Development Day (Guam)
Monday, October 12, 2020	Columbus Day - Federal Holiday-All
Thursday, October 22, 2020	End of 1st Quarter (40 days of instruction)-All
Friday, October 23, 2020	Teacher Work Day - No school for all students-All
Monday, October 26, 2020	Begin 2nd Quarter-All
Thurs., October 29-Wed., November 4, 2020	PreK Trimester Workday and Conferences (No School for PreK only)
Thursday, October 29, 2020	Parent Teacher Conferences (School Specific Schedules)-Elementary/MEMS/HMS only
Friday, October 30, 2020	Parent Teacher Conferences (School Specific Schedules)-Elementary/MS/HS (All)
Wednesday, November 11, 2020	Veterans Day - Federal Holiday
Thurs.-Fri., November 26-27, 2020	Thanksgiving Recess- Federal Holiday
Friday, December 4, 2020	CCRS Professional Learning Day (Q2) - No school for all students (Guam)
Friday, December 11, 2020	CCRS Professional Learning Day (Q2) - No school for all students (Korea)
Mon., December 21 - Fri., January 1, 2021	Begin Winter Recess – No school for all students
Monday, January 4, 2021	School Resumes
Thursday, January 14, 2021	End of 2nd Quarter (44 days of instruction) and 1st Semester (84 days of instruction)
Friday, January 15, 2021	Teacher Work Day - No school for all students-All
Monday, January 18, 2021	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - Federal Holiday-All
Tuesday, January 19, 2021	Begin 3rd Quarter and 2nd Semester
Monday, February 8, 2021	CCRS Professional Learning Day (Q3) - No school for all students (Korea)
Friday, February 12, 2021	Lunar New Year PD Day No school for students (Korea)
Monday, February 15, 2021	Presidents' Day - Federal Holiday
Friday, February 19, 2021	CCRS Professional Learning Day (Q3) - No School for students (Guam)
Monday, March 8, 2021	PreK Trimester Work Day- No School for PreK (Guam)
Tuesday, March 9, 2021	PD Day (Guam)
Wednesday, March 24, 2021	End of 3rd Quarter (45 days of instruction)-All
Thursday, March 25, 2021	Teacher Work Day - No school for all students-All
Fri., March 26 - Fri., April 2, 2021	Spring Break
Monday, April 5, 2021	Instruction Resumes (Q4)
Thursday, April 15, 2021	CCRS Professional Learning Day (Q4) - No School for students (Guam)
Friday, April 23, 2021	CCRS Professional Learning Day (Q4) - No School for students (Korea)
Friday, May 14, 2021	Last day for Study Trips
Friday, May 28, 2021	Recess Day
Monday, May 31, 2021	Memorial Day - Federal Holiday
Wednesday, June 2, 2021	Last Day for Sure Start (Korea)
Wednesday, June 9, 2021	Last Day for PreK (Guam) 1/2 day for High Schools-All
Thursday, June 10, 2021	End of 4th Quarter (46 days of instruction) and 2nd Semester (174 Days of instruction) Last Day for Students (½ day) No lunch for students
Friday, June 11, 2021	Last day for Non-Administrative Educator Personnel Teacher Work Day
*Accelerated Withdrawal Dates determined by HQ.	
Semester 1 Date: December 4, 2020	
Semester 2 Date: May 11, 2021	Version 5-26-2020