# **ASHLAND HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER**



# Principal's Message

Arrow Families,

We hope you enjoyed a great spring break with your family. There are lots of important pieces of information you'll want to make sure you know as we head into the end of the year. Please be sure to check our information on the end of the school year schedule later on in the newsletter. If you have a fall athlete, it is a good time to remind them that their extracurricular eligibility for fall depends on this 9 weeks. For our seniors, we want them to finish strong and look forward to celebrating their accomplishments with you on June 1st.

Go Arrows!

Mr. Packard

### Extracurricular Eligibility

In order to be eligible, students <u>must have</u> <u>received passing grades in a minimum of five</u> <u>one-credit courses or the equivalent, have at</u> <u>least a 1.5 GPA and have no more than 1 F</u> <u>on their report card.</u>

Students who have between a 1.5 and 1.8 GPA will remain eligible but will be placed on probation during the following grading period and may be required to meet regularly with their Arrow Time teacher.

# The 4th 9 week grading period determines eligibility for extracurricular activities in the fall.

# Upcoming Dates

April 15th & 16th - State Testing in ELA

April 23rd - State Testing in American History

April 24th - Dangers of Stalking presentation to 12th graders

#### April 25th - State Testing in Government April 25th & 26th - State Testing in Biology

April 25th - Parent Teacher Conferences 3:30 to 7 PM

April 27th - AHS Prom and Post-Prom

April 29th & 30th - State Testing in Algebra

May 1st & 2nd - State Testing in Geometry

May 2nd - AHS Orchestra Concert 7 PM

May 3rd - Ashland City Schools Art Show May 3rd - Visual Performing Arts Signing Day 3 PM

May 4th - Ashland City Schools Art Show

May 5th - Ashland City Schools Art Show May 5th - AHS Band Art Show Concert 2 PM

May 7th - Dangers of Human Trafficking Presentation to 11th graders

- May 10th Mandatory Senior Class Meeting 7:40 AM
- May 11th May Fiesta 2 PM and 7 PM Performances
- May 14th JR Class Field Trip to Ashland Career Exploration Day
- May 18th Jazz Band Big Band Dance
- May 20th Scholar Recognition Night 7 PM AHS Gym
- May 27th- Memorial Day (No School)
- May 31st- Last Student Day

June 1st- Graduation at Community Stadium 10 AM

\*State Testing dates will be 2-hour delay days for students who are not testing in that area. Busing will run on a normal schedule.

# Prom 2024

Date - April 27, 2024

Location - Ashland University Convocation Center

### Grand March - 6:00 PM at Archer Auditorium

Grand March will be open for spectators. Students should plan on arriving at 5:30 to check in and line up. Going to Grand March is optional and students may choose to go directly to the dinner portion of prom if they wish.

### Dinner - 7:00 PM at Ashland University's Convocation Center

Dinner will be catered by Ashland University at the Convocation Center. Doors will open at 7:00 PM for students to check in with their tickets. Dinner will be served at approximately 7:30 PM when most of our guests have checked in and found their seats.

### The Dance - 8:00 PM to 11:00 PM

The dance portion of Prom will also be held at Ashland University's Convocation Center. The dance will last from approximately 8 PM to 11:00 PM. **Students bringing a guest must have filled out and turned in the guest form or their guest will not be allowed into the dance**. Students may leave before 11 PM, but will need to sign out as they leave and will not be able to re-enter the dance if they choose to leave. Any student needing something from their vehicle may ask a chaperone to accompany them.

### Post-Prom 11:30 PM to 2 AM at the Ashland University Rec Center

Post-Prom will begin at 11:00 PM in the Ashland University Recreation Center. Our junior parents organization does a fantastic job of creating a fun atmosphere of games, food, and amazing prizes. Students may leave before 2 AM **but may not re-enter once they have left**. **Students and any guests must have filled out their post-prom waiver form in order to enter.** 

### **Ticket Sales**

Prom tickets can be purchased online this year. They are **only on sale through April 16th.** To purchase them go to www.ashlandcityschools.org and click on the tickets and payments link on the far right. (see below)

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### Ashland High School

### Mr. Parsons will be available to help with online purchases on the following dates:

April 11th 7:20 to 7:40 AM and 2:45 to 3:30 PM at Ashland High School

- April 12th 7:20 to 7:40 AM and 2:45 to 3:30 PM at Ashland High School
- April 15th 7:30 to 8:20 AM at the Ashland County Career Center
- April 16th 7:30 to 8:20 AM at the Ashland County Career Center

## Senior Dates and Graduation Update

May 10th - Senior Class Meeting at AHS at 7:45 AM in Archer

May 20th - Senior Social following Scholar Recognition Night

May 30th - Farewell Assembly Practice 12:20 to 2:30 - (Required if participating) - AHS Gym Fees & Obligations must be paid and Chromebook & charger returned to participate in practice

May 31st - Farewell Assembly at AHS - 8:00 AM - Graduates report to Archer by 7:40 AM

May 31st- Graduation Practice 12:30 to 2:30 PM (Required if participating in graduation ceremony)

May 31st- Baccalaureate at Grace Church 7 PM (optional) Graduates Report by 6:30 PM

June 1st - Commencement Ceremony - 10 AM (Livestreamed on ACS YouTube Channel)

### Graduation

Graduation for the class of 2024 will be held at 10 AM on Saturday, June 1st. If there are unfavorable weather conditions on Saturday at 10 AM, we will move to our backup time of 7 PM. At that time if weather conditions are favorable, we will hold our ceremony outdoors in Community Stadium. If conditions are unfavorable, the ceremony will be moved to the Ashland High School Gym. There is no limit to guests for an outdoor graduation; however, if weather conditions force us indoors, each graduate will be given four tickets to distribute to their guests. The ceremony will be livestreamed on our YouTube channel as well.

### Time and Location

Saturday June 1st 10:00 AM at Community Stadium

7:00 PM at Community Stadium (backup time if there is inclement weather at 10:00 AM) OR 7:00 PM at Arrow Arena (AHS GYM) if inclement weather

The following conditions must be met in order for students to participate in the Ashland High School commencement ceremony:

- All curricular graduation requirements met
- All fees and obligations paid
- Chromebook and charger must be returned
- The student must have attended the AHS Graduation practice

# Career Exploration for Juniors

11th Grade Students at Ashland High School will be traveling to the Ashland County Fairgrounds on the morning of May 14th to take place in the Destination Career Event sponsored by Junior Achievement. Students will have the opportunity to participate in hands on demonstrations of many different careers in Ashland County and gain insight into what opportunities are available to them in our area both as students and later on as adults.



# Keeping our School Community Safe

Later this spring we will be giving presentations aimed at informing our upperclassmen about two important safety issues. As part of our ongoing commitment to student safety and well-being, Ashland Safe Haven will be conducting sessions on the dangers of human trafficking and stalking during Arrow Time. The dates of the presentations are below:

Stalking - Know It, Name It, Stop It	12th graders - April 24th during Arrow Time
Human Trafficking in Ohio	11th graders - May 7th during Arrow Time

These presentations will equip our students with insights and strategies to recognize, prevent, and respond to these threats. Ensuring the safety of our students remains our top priority, and these sessions are invaluable to preparing our students to stay safe.

We encourage all parents to discuss these topics with their children and reinforce the importance of staying informed and vigilant. Thank you for your continued support and partnership in keeping our school community safe. If for some reason, you would object to your child attending these presentations, please call our main office at 419-289-7968 and let us know you would like your student to be excused from them.



# End of the Year Schedule

SPRING 2024

Monday, May 20th	Tuesday, May 21st	Wednesday, May 22nd	Thursday, May 23rd	Friday, May 24th
			Senior Only Exams Periods 1&7	<i>Senior Only Exams</i> Period 5
Monday May 27th	Tuesday, May 28th	Wednesday May 29th	Thursday, May 30th	Friday, May 31st
Memorial Day	2nd Period	3rd Period	1st Period	Farewell Assembly
No School	7:40 - 9:25 (Grades 9-12)	7:40 - 9:25 (Grades 9-12)	7:40 - 9:25 (Grades 9-11)	7:40 to 9:25 AM
	6th Period	4th Period	7th Period	5th Period
	9:40 - 11:25 (Grades 9-12)	9:40 - 11:25 (Grades 9-12)	9:40 - 11:25 (Grades 9-11)	9:40 - 11:25 (Grades 9-11)
	Lunch 11:30 to 12:15	Lunch 11:30 to 12:15	Lunch 11:30 to 12:15	Chromebook & Charger Return (Kiva)
		Early Release	Early Release	9:30 AM to 2:35 PM
	Early Release 12:25 to 2:35	12:25 - 2:35	12:25 - 2:35	Lunch 11:30 to 12:15
		Seniors done w/exams after	Chromebook & Charger	
		4th period	Return (Kiva)	Early Release
			11:25 to 12:45	12:20 - 2:35
		Senior Chromebook &		Conduction Prosition for
		Charger Return (Kiva)	Farewell Assembly Practice	Graduation Practice for Seniors 12:30 to 2:30 PM
		11:25 to 12:30 PM	(Seniors) 12:20 -2:35 PM	Seniors 12:30 to 2:30 PM

The AHS End of the Year Schedule is designed to provide flexible learning options to meet the needs of our students as they finish up the year. Some classes may have exams while other classes may use it as a cumulative learning experience or to have an opportunity to accomplish more in class with a longer bell schedule.

#### Seniors

Senior Exams begin on May 23rd and 24th for periods 1, 5, & 7. Seniors will take exams with the rest of the student body for periods 2,3,4, & 6. The last day in class for seniors is May 31st. If they are participating in Farewell Assembly or Graduation they are required to be here for the practices for both events. All fees and obligations must be paid to participate in graduation ceremonies.

#### All Students

Must be in attendance during times they are scheduled for class. Students may leave after 11:25 on May 28th -31st only if they have turned in the Dismissal Authorization Form. Students may also opt out of study hall time during these days providing they have filled out the Dismissal Authorization Form.

Students not present at Ashland High School during the school day are expected to not be on any ACS properties during the hours of 7:40 AM to 3 PM. This includes the Fieldhouse, Stadium, Ashland Middle School and all Ashland elementary schools.

#### **Early Release Time**

Students are encouraged to stay at AHS on May 28th -31st to make up missing work or exams from 12:20 to 2:35 PM. Any student staying on campus will be monitored in their Arrow Time classrooms during that time. Buses will run at their normal times. Any student needing transportation home will need to stay at Ashland High School during this time as buses will run on a regular schedule.

#### **Farewell Assembly**

Following our Farewell Assembly in the gym students will return to homeroom to watch the end of the year video. All students are expected to attend Farewell Assembly on Friday. Students without a 7th period exam may leave at 9:30 following our arrow time period. Students who do not have a ride home will be supervised in the cafeteria until 2:35.

#### Chromebook and Charger Return

All student Chromebooks and their chargers must be returned before students leave for the summer. Senior Chromebooks must be returned before they may participate in Farewell Assembly or our Graduation Ceremony. Chromebooks and chargers that are not returned will be added to the student's obligation as a charge.

# **Ashland High School**

Dismissal Authorization Form End of the Year Schedule 2024

Turn in to your 1st period Teacher or the Main Office by 5/22/24

Student Name\_\_\_\_\_

Student grade: 9 10 11 12

My student has permission to have early dismissal at 11:25 AM on the following days (circle all that apply)

May 28th, 2024 May 29th, 2024 May 30th, 2024 May 31st, 2024

My student has permission to opt out of their study hall during the end of the year schedule from May 28th to May 31st. Their study hall is \_\_\_\_\_\_period.

I understand that my child must arrange for transportation from school and that once they have left school grounds parents/guardians are responsible for their safety on the days and times above. I also understand that it is not mandatory for students to leave school on these days and that supervision will be provided in a study hall setting in the afternoon. Students who have failing grades in any subject are highly encouraged to stay and spend time working in those classes.

Parent/Guardian Name (Print): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# ASHLAND CITY SCHOOLS

Ashland City Schools has transitioned to using digital forms. In order for you to update your child's information, complete their emergency medical forms, and more, please go to https://goarrows-oh.finalforms.com/ and login as a parent. If you did not receive the email to setup your FinalForms account and have a child attending school at Ashland City Schools, please email bespield@goarrows.org. DO NOT create a new account unless you are enrolling your child for the first time into Ashland City Schools. Below are the directions for updating your child's information for the 24-25 school year.

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Go to the FinalForms website. Access it at https://goarrowsoh.finalforms.com/ or scan the QR code on this page.

# Click the 24-25 registration button.

CLICK TO SWITCH TO 2024-25 REGISTRATION And for more information on 2024-25

### Click the "Incomplete Forms" button.

Look for this button beside your child's name:

Incomplete Forms
(Click to complete them)

# Complete and sign forms.

Be sure to complete and sign each form until all forms are green in color.

### Click "Parent" login.

Log in using your email address and the password you create(d).



Click "OK, Let's Get Started."

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### Skip the sport forms. (grades 5-12 only)

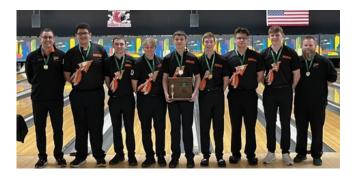
The athletic forms will open later in the spring or early summer. Simply skip these for now.

Thank you for your cooperation and support as we utilize this new digital resource. Go Arrows!

# **Recognizing Arrow Excellence**

### **Boys Bowling**

National Record Setting Score of 1345 State Record Holders 3rd Place as a team at State Landen Dreibelbis - 2nd Team All-Ohio Max Oeken - 2nd Team All-Ohio



### Wrestling

Mason Bauer - 5th Place in State Guardian Miller - State Qualifier Cayden Spotts - 3 Time State Qualifier



### **Girls Bowling**

Jada Baker 3rd Overall Individually at State 1st Team All Ohio



### Indoor Track

Dakota Kruty - State Qualifier in Long Jump Jayden Goings - State Qualifier in the 60m Hurdles



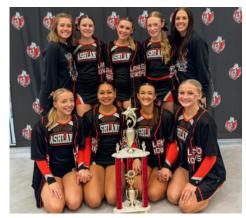
### Diving

Owen Lemon 6th Place in State and 1st Team All-Ohio. Altin Rowland - 2nd Team All-Ohio and State Qualifier Brian VanBremen - State Qualifier

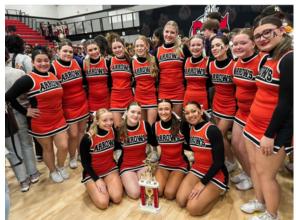


### Competition Cheer Team - 11 years in a row as state qualifiers!

### Tumbling Team State Runner Up



GameDay Team 5th in State



# Serving our Community

### **AHS** Cheer



### **Community Service Club**

Our student body donated approximately 1,200 items to Associated Charities for our Caring and Sharing Drive this spring. Thank you to our Community Service Club for their work in organizing it and our student body for participating!



### Ashland High School National Honor Society

Ashland High School NHS members have recently helped with ushering for the Ashland Symphony Orchestra, working at the Hunger Center through St. Edward Church to prepare and serve meals, providing respite care with Ashland Special Needs Ministry, distributing produce through Matthew 25 Outreach, serving meals at Feast Nights through First United Methodist Church, reading for the middle school Academic Challenge Meet, and helping with the Mother/Son Night at the YMCA.

### Ashland High School Baseball



Members of our baseball team recently spent time helping both the Ashland County Cancer Association and the Ashland Council on Aging with projects.



# Congratulations to our Students of the Month for January, February, and March

Abdallah Abdallah Taylor Duncan Felicity Krieger Alex Siegenthaler Jessica Wally

Gabe Barlow Jo Ebert Isabella Lewis Violet Summers Emrick Wentworth Essentiual Brown Brendan Henderson Kaci McCormic Olivia Swartz Allie Wentworth Riley Cline Alex Huckleberry Sadie Mills Emma Vore Robert Williams Colton Conway Tanner James Frankie Rupsis Reese Walk

### End of the Year Chromebook Return

All student Chromebooks and chargers must be returned at the end of the year.

**For Seniors:** Chromebooks and chargers must be returned prior to practicing for Farewell Assembly on Thursday May 30th at 12:45. Seniors may begin turning in their Chromebooks and chargers Wednesday May 29th after 4th period.

**For 9th-11th Graders:** Underclassmen may begin turning in their Chromebooks and chargers on May 30th at 11:25 and May 31st beginning at 9:30 AM

Students should remove any stickers that have been placed on their devices before returning them.

Chromebooks or chargers that are not returned will be charged to the student's account as an obligation beginning on Tuesday, June 4th

### Parent Survey

Parents and guardians, we value your input on our building climate and culture and would like for you to tell us how we're doing by taking a brief moment to complete this annual survey. Please follow the link or scan the QR code to get started.

https://forms.gle/2coyy2Fm1aYv5Qh76



### Summer School Process

For students interested in summer school, information is now available on the Ashland High School Guidance Website at the link below. Ashland High School partners with TRECA to offer students a wide variety of course options. Parents and students should be aware that some courses are only offered as credit recovery options.

- 1. Look over available courses and fill out the AHS Credit Flexibility Course Application
- 2. Turn in Course Application form to your school counselor\*
- 3. Register with TRECA prior to their deadline. (see forms)\*\*

\*It is a good idea to make sure your counselor has seen and approved your form before registering online

\*\*Turning in your course application form to AHS does not automatically register you for the class. You must do this online with TRECA

#### Ashland High School Summer School Policy

To help Ashland students who want to earn credits over the summer, Ashland High School will accept summer school high school credit from various <u>accredited</u> online summer school programs. All registration and payments should be completed through the summer school provider of your student's choice. If your student chooses to take online summer school classes, please complete the credit flexibility form on the next page and return it to the AHS Guidance Office by mail or email.

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Below is the contact information for TRECA online summer school, an online summer school program that AHS students have successfully used in the past. Also provided is a list of the most commonly taken TRECA Summer School classes. **The deadline to register is June 4th by 11:59 PM and opens on April 3rd.** Classes will begin on June 10th and must be completed by August 5th at 11:59 PM.

#### **TRECA Website:**

https://treca.org/prgrams/summer-school 1-888-828-4798 ext 791

Cost for each class is \$95 per  $\frac{1}{2}$  credit course. Students taking multiple courses will need to register for <u>all</u> courses prior to June 4th.

Ashland High School Course	TRECA Summer School Equivalent
Algebra I (Credit recovery only)	Algebra IA and/or Algebra IB
American Government	Government
American History (Credit recovery only)	American History A and/or American History B
Biology (Credit Recovery only)	Biology A and/or Biology B
Economics	Economics
English 9 (Credit recovery only)	English 9A and/or English 9B
English 10 (Credit recovery only)	English 10A and/or English 10B
Financial Literacy ((Required for class of 2026 and younger)	Financial Literacy
Geometry (Credit recovery only)	Geometry A and/or Geometry B
Health	Health
Physical Education	Physical Education
Physical Science (Credit recovery only)	Physical Science A and/or Physical Science B
World History (Credit recovery only)	World History A and/or World History B

### **Credit Flexibility – Course Application (Summer 2024)**

This form <u>must be</u> returned to the AHS Guidance office <u>prior to registering for a summer course</u> through any online provider, outside district, or college/university in order for credit to be approved.

Student Name:	Grade:
Parent Name:	Phone:
Parent email address:	
Name of Course Provider (i.e. TRECA):	
Course Title:	Amount of credit:

### **Credit Flexibility – Course Commitments and Acknowledgements**

Classes provided through credit flexibility offer Ashland High School students a chance to earn credits outside of what is offered by Ashland High School. Students and parents must understand and agree to the following terms before enrolling in a summer program.

- Students and parents realize that while Ashland High School may accept the courses above for credit, AHS is not responsible for any technical or other issues that arise in the summer. Any issues must be resolved directly with the course provider.
- Students and parents are responsible for having their grades sent to the AHS Guidance office when the course has been completed. **Grades will count on the student's high school transcript.**
- Online courses count toward a student's credits for the purposes of graduation, but students planning on participating in college level athletics should know that they will <u>not count</u> toward their NCAA or NAIA eligibility.

### To the parents/guardians of the student submitting a credit flexibility application:

Please read and discuss the above policies with your student. Your signature indicates that you have read and agree to the policies set forth above by Ashland High School.

Student signature:	Date:
Parent signature:	Date: