



Arthur S. May School News

September 27, 2024 Edition #4

A Message from Ms. Todd



Happy Cool Weather Time!

- Please begin sending your child in with cool weather gear. We will go outside for recess as long as it is not raining.
- Reminders for dismissal pick-up: Please remain in your car, follow the direction of the staff directing traffic and ensure that your child can enter the vehicle from the passenger side. Our priority is always the safety of our Gators!
- Reading each day with your child helps build their stamina and vocabulary.



A Message from Ms. Todd, con't.

○ If you haven't joined our PTA yet, now is the perfect time! The PTA plays a vital role in supporting our students and school by providing essential funds and resources—and it's a great way to get involved with your child's educational experience.

We're excited to invite you to the first PTA meeting of the year, which will be held virtually on October 9th at 6:30PM. Not only will you have the opportunity to learn more about how the PTA works (spoiler: no bake sales required!), but you'll also get to meet our new superintendent, Dr. Phil Benante. This is a wonderful chance to hear directly from Dr. Benante, ask questions, and show him what makes our ASM community so special.

Join us to make your voice heard, stay informed, and support our students and school!

You can sign up for the PTA and learn more here: <https://arthursmaypta.givebacks.com/>

○ We can't wait to see you online!



What's Been Happening at ASM?



Ms. Todd visited several classrooms last week to welcome students back and read the book, Our School is a Family.



ASM showed off their maroon & gold for Spirit Day!



Kindergarten practiced "rainbow breathing" to settle their minds & bodies!



Tanglewood Marionettes performed An Arabian Adventure!



Important Dates

October 3rd - No School

October 8th, 9th, 10th - Book Fair

October 11th - ½ Day (Dismissal 11:30)

October 14th - No School

October 23rd - Fall Picture Day

October 24th - ½ Day (Dismissal 11:30)

October 25th - Sport \Activity Day

October 25th - Trunk or Treat 5:30-7:00 p.m.



Save the Dates

December 11th ~ Full Day
Parent/Teacher Conferences

December 12th ~ ½ Day for
Students (Dismissal at 11:30)
½ Day Parent/Teacher
Conferences

December 13th ~ Snow Date for
Parent/Teacher Conferences

District Calendar

Hispanic Heritage Month

Hispanic Heritage Month is a month-long celebration of Hispanic and Latinx history and culture. From September 15 to October 15 we give extra recognition to the many contributions that Hispanic and Latinx communities have made to the history and culture of the United States, including important advocacy work, vibrant art, compelling literature, and popular foods, just to name a few.

The Latinx population in the United States today is over 60 million. This makes up 18.9% of the total population and is the largest racial or ethnic group in the country. Latinx people enrich our nation as entrepreneurs, athletes, artists, entertainers, scientists, public servants, and so much more.

Wishing a Happy Hispanic Heritage Month to all of the Hispanic and Latinx families at ASM. Thank you for all you bring to our community.

Source: National Museum of the American Latino

<https://latino.si.edu/learn/teaching-and-learning-resources/hispanic-heritage-month-resources/hispanic-heritage-month>

A Message from Nurse Carrigan



Friendly
Reminder

YELLOW Emergency Cards - Please return the yellow emergency cards! These are vital resources in the event of an emergency. Please complete them and send them back!

- ★ We are just a few weeks into the start of school and our LOST & FOUND is already filling up. If your student has come home missing something, please have them check the LOST & FOUND.
- ★ **Absent Notes~**
The state requires an absent note for any and ALL absence. The note must include student's name, dates absent, & reason for absence. Please include your student FIRST & LAST NAME!

[ASM School Note Link](#)

A Message from Nurse Carrigan, con't.

★ Physicals ~

NYS requires New students & students in grades K, 1, 3, & 5 to have current physicals on file. Please send in your students physical. Notifications will be going out soon for those who we have not received a physical from.

★ Medications ~

If your student requires medication to be kept in the Health Office please reach out ASAP

**Medications are NOT to be transported to or from school by students!
This is NYS LAW and a huge safety concern.**

**¡Los estudiantes NO deben transportar medicamentos hacia o desde la escuela!
Esta es la LEY del Estado de Nueva York y una gran preocupación de seguridad.**

DO NOT SEND MEDICATION TO SCHOOL WITH STUDENTS!



A Message from Nurse Carrigan, con't.

October is National Dental Hygiene Month!



- Living a life-on-the-go can be hard sometimes, but keeping a healthy smile shouldn't be!
- Dental decay is the most common chronic disease of childhood, therefore prevention and early detection is key.
- It is important to establish good oral health routines at a young age, so they become part of a daily routine as children get older.
 - Brushing teeth twice a day, mouth wash, flossing, annual exams & cleanings a few ways to instill good oral health routines.
- Dental certificates are required by NYS for grade K, 1, 3, & 5



October Lunch Specials

Monday

- **Chicken Patty**



Tuesday

- **Chicken Tenders**



Wednesday

- **Corn Dog Nuggets**



Thursday

- **Pizza**



Friday

- **Popcorn Chicken**



P.T.A. Information

Happy Fall! If you're not yet a member of the PTA, here is your reminder and invitation! All it takes is \$5 and 30 seconds to support our school community by joining the PTA. Join or renew your membership through the [Arthur S. May Givebacks Store](#).

Last call for Spirit Wear! Paper order forms were due today, but you can still order Spirit Wear online through the [Arthur S. May Spirit Wear Store](#) until **Sunday, September 29th**. All orders will be distributed at school the week of **October 14th**.

Thank you to everyone who has shopped or shared our Charleston Wrap fundraiser so far! There are just a few more days to get your orders in before our fundraiser ends. Please order online www.registercw.com (Organization ID: 16429) or send in your paper order forms on **Monday, September 30th!**

The PTA's not just about meetings of course, but we would still love to see you at the first PTA meeting of the year! We will meet virtually on **Wednesday, October 9th** at 6:30 pm. We'll be joined by special guest, Dr. Phil Benante, Superintendent of Schools.

Save the Dates...

Scholastic Book Fair — Tuesday, October 8th to Thursday, October 10th
[Sign up to volunteer](#) for an hour (or more!) and be a part of the book fair fun!

Trunk or Treat — Friday, October 25th
We need volunteers, and of course, TRUNKS to make the second annual Trunk or Treat a smashing success!
[Sign up to volunteer](#) or [sign up to decorate your trunk](#).



Stay connected with the ASM PTA! Check out the resources on our [Arthur S. May School PTA Website](#) and follow us on [Facebook](#).

Quick Links to Access

Important Information

Arthur S. May School Website

ASM News Slides

Arthur S. May School Google Classroom

Important Document Links

Arrival & Dismissal Information

Absences of any nature ~ Link

Daily Pick Up Note ~ Link

Early Pick Up Note ~ Link

Late Arrival Note ~ Link



District Resources

Do you have a question or concern about your child, a school, or the school district? We want to help! These links can help guide you to the right place to get the answers you need!

[Where Can I Find... A Family Guide for Getting the Info and Help that You Need](#)

We also encourage you to explore the Arlington website at:

www.arlingtonschools.org

Here's a sample of some of the information available in our parent section:

- [Health Forms and Information](#)
- [Safety & Emergency Preparedness](#)
- Links to our [Food Services](#) & [Transportation Departments](#)
- [Technology Help Desk](#)

Arthur S. May School - OCTOBER 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29	30	1	2	3	4	5
	Day 6	Day 1	Day 2	NO SCHOOL	Day 3	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 1	Day 2	
		Scholastic Book Fair	Scholastic Book Fair	Scholastic Book Fair	1/2 Day of School	
			PTA Meeting 6:30 p.m.	ENL Family Night 6-7:30 p.m.		
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
		Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	
	NO SCHOOL					
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	
			Fall Picture Day	1/2 Day of School (Elementary only)	Sport/Activity Spirit Day Trunk or Treat 5:30-7:00 pm	
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
	Day 6	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	

