



### Preparing to Excel on Semester Exams

Parents, as our students will be preparing for and completing their semester exams during the week of May 23, 2022, you can help to ensure academic success by talking to your child about the importance of performing well on the semester exams, making sure that your child is studying nightly and completing homework assignments, working diligently to ensure that your child is present and on time each day, and ensuring your child gets to bed on schedule and eats a good breakfast.



### Keeping up with those devices

Parents, please be aware of the following:

**Final Locker Cleanout** will be held **Friday, May 20, 2022.**

The **last day for students to carry backpacks** will be **Friday, May 20, 2022.**

**Please make sure your student has shown Dean Robertson your devices**

If you have any additional questions about devices, please contact Dean Robertson at 416-1030.



### **Eighth Grade Promotional Ceremony... Moving Higher**

Dear Parents, We are preparing for our 8th grade promotional exercise. The date will be Thursday, May 26th, 2022 at 8:30 a.m. The dress requirement are as follows:

**Young Ladies:** They must wear school appropriate dresses, or pants/skirt suits with sleeves. They may wear dress shoes with socks or hosiery, absolutely no jeans or tennis shoes. Simple jewelry can be worn.

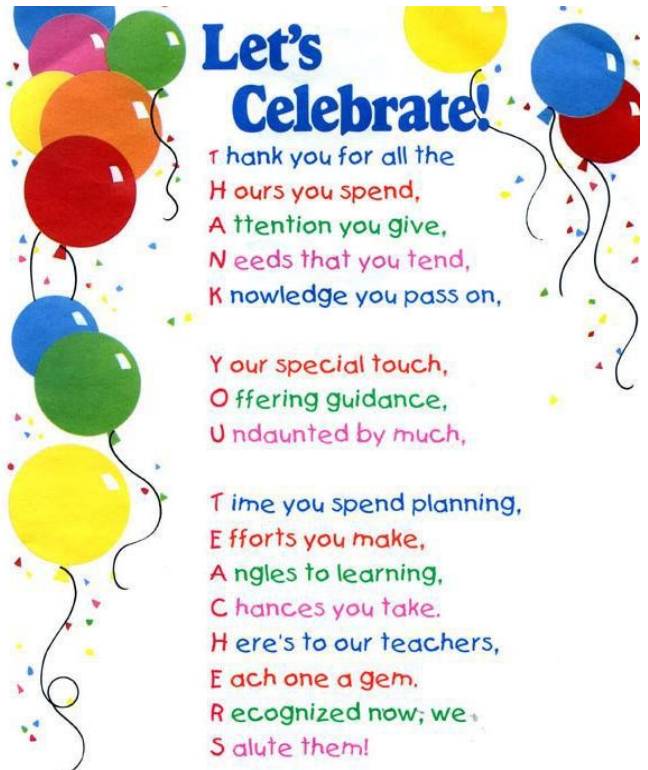
**Young Men:** They must wear white shirts and black or navy pants with a tie. Absolutely no jeans or tennis shoes, dress shoes are required. They do not have to have on suits, but they can wear one that is navy or black with a white shirt and tie.

**Although students may participate in the 8th grade activities and promotional activities, this does NOT mean that they have passed the 8th grade. Students exhibiting misconduct or insubordinate behavior will not be allowed to participate.**

Students will only get **4 tickets** for guests to attend, because of the seating capacity in the auditorium. Each guest, including children and babies, must have a ticket to attend. There will be no exceptions due to fire safety regulations. If you have any questions, please call Mrs. Ford at 416-1030.

**\* Please see school's website for additional 8th grade activities.**

### **Teacher's Appreciation Week May 2nd —6th**

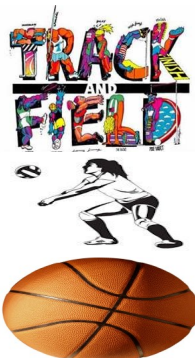


**Let's Celebrate!**

**T**hank you for all the  
**H**ours you spend,  
**A**ttention you give,  
**N**eeds that you tend,  
**K**nowledge you pass on,

**Y**our special touch,  
**O**ffering guidance,  
**U**ndaunted by much,

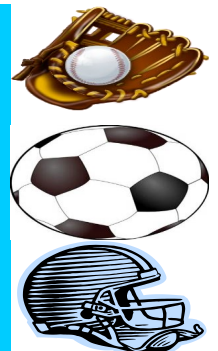
**T**ime you spend planning,  
**E**fforts you make,  
**A**ngles to learning,  
**C**hances you take.  
**H**ere's to our teachers,  
**E**ach one a gem,  
**R**ecognized now; we  
**S**alute them!



### Calling All Athletes.....

AMW Athletic Banquet  
Tuesday, May 17, 2022  
5:00 PM

For more information, contact Coach Patterson, Athletic Director at 416-1030.





## Don't React—Act

Sir Isaac Newton's Third Law of Motion states that for every action, there is an equal and opposite reaction. That may be true, but the real question is, why do we often wait to react instead of taking the necessary first action? Why aren't we proactive when we first see a situation moving out of control, instead of waiting for it to get so bad that we finally don't have a choice?

Take the situation of a child's poor performance at school. As educators and parents, we can see bad habits and sub-par performance developing at a very early stage in the school year, and yet we often wait until the parent-teacher interviews half-way into the term to raise our concerns with each other. Think about how much easier it would be--for us and the student--if we acted when we first knew there was a problem. Taking action can not only improve the lives of those around us, it can also help us better manage our own lives.

Being proactive is the first step to breaking the action-reaction cycle that many of us have learned to live by. It may make us a little uncomfortable to step out of the normal reaction mode that we have adopted, but it also may bring great benefits. Instead of trying to ignore a problem because we are afraid of the consequences, we should simply acknowledge the mistake, correct it, and then learn from the experience.

The next step to being more active in our own lives is to develop and maintain our own plan or schedule. That way we can not only make better judgments as to when an intervention may be in order, but we can also be more effective in planning the timing of any action or project. This also means paying close attention to what's going on around us so that we can identify potential problems or setbacks and make the proper corrections to get back on track.

The final step to moving from reaction to action is being prepared to change. This includes managing our thinking as well as our actions. Our thinking will sometimes make us believe that the rut we have fallen into is actually a nice comfortable groove. But the reality is that if we are not moving forward, we are falling back. And by not taking action, we will simply sink further into the mud. You may find that you need to seek assistance to help you move forward or finally deal with a bad situation that has been allowed to continue for far too long.

## Dates to Remember:



TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK	May 2-6
ATHLETIC BANQUET	May 17
8TH GRADE WEEK	May 13-26
8TH GRADE PROMOTIONAL	May 26
LAST DAY OF SCHOOL	May 27

**Back To School Registration  
Is  
Happening Now!!!!**

