

Dear Adams Families,

Please see below what's happening this week at AMS:

Week at a Glance

Monday, September 2nd – Labor Day-No School

Tuesday, September 3rd – Periods 2, 4, and 6. RBEF Investor Drive Begins! Intermural Sports Meetings 3:10 & 3:30 PM in Cafeteria.

Wednesday, September 4th - Periods 1, 3, and 5. Girls Volleyball Tryouts in Gym Last Names A-L.

Thursday, September 5th - Periods 2, 4, and 6. Gear Up for College Day! Girls Volleyball Tryouts in Gym Last Names M-Z.

Friday, September 6th – Periods 1, 3, and 5. Spirit Day-wear your Adams gear!

School News

SAVE the DATE for Adams Back to School Night taking place on Thursday, September 12th from 5:30-8:00 p.m. We hope you will join us!

All students should have their Chromebooks or a loaner at this time. If your child is a returning student, s/he will use the same username and login s/he were provided last year. New students should have received their login information this week. If they did not, please have them see Ms. Crompton in the library.

Please note our Student Systems Information Night has been moved to September 25th from 5:00-6:00 PM. You should be receiving a letter home soon from our Instructional Technology Department detailing how to sign in to the new parent portal on Power School. On this evening, we invite you to learn more about how to navigate the system in order to monitor your child's progress and attendance, and utilize the other parent features of the new system. Look for additional details to come soon.

Remind your child to come to the cafeteria on Tuesday starting at 3:10 PM if they are interested in fall intermural sports.

The September edition of the *Middle Years* newsletter is attached. This month's edition details the importance of having a good attitude about school; provides tips on how to 'partner with your child' in his/her education; and explains how family fun time can help tweens resist risky behaviors. Please take a moment to peruse it, and remember it is available in both English and Spanish.

In their advisement classes, your children will be engaging in social emotional learning (SEL) lessons. Through the Second Step curriculum, students in grades 6-8 will receive a weekly lesson on topics from mindsets and goals to peer conflict and emotion regulation. We encourage you to take a moment each week to discuss with your children what they are learning and how they can further develop and use the skills learned. Visit the Second Step website at the following link to learn more about the curriculum: <http://www.secondstep.org/middle-school-curriculum>

Sixth grade parents, the ASB will be hosting a back-to-school dance in their honor on Friday, September 20th from 3:00-5:00 PM. As we welcome them to Adams, we hope they will join us for an afternoon of food, music, and fun. Look for additional details in next week's e-blast.

Title I, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act provides financial assistance to school districts with children from low-income families to help ensure that all children meet challenging state academic standards. RBUSD and Adams are recipients of these funds which are used to ensure *all* students find academic success. We are asking all parents fill out an application for free & reduced price school lunches at school, even if their child does not eat school lunch or they don't think they will qualify. The more students that qualify, the greater the funding that RBUSD and Adams receives from this program. Take a moment to access the online application on the Child Nutrition Services here:

Please note: Free/Reduced 18-19 meal applications will expire October 3, 2019. Please complete a new application for the 2019-2020 school year to prevent the loss of meal benefits.

Tuesday kicks off the RBEF Investor Drive! RBEF supports the middle schools with math and science coaching support; an 8th grade Museum of Tolerance field trip; college field trips; and teacher grants, to name just a few. If you are unable to make a one-time donation, for just \$21 per month through monthly installment payments, you can make a difference in your school and district. Please consider investing in RBEF and Adams today at www.rbef.org.

As we kick off the school year, we'd like to remind students of the RBUSD digital library service, OverDrive. Students can borrow eBooks and audiobooks using the digital service. They can do so using their RBUSD email address and password. The service can be accessed on student Chromebook computers and other digital devices such as iPads. Please see the attached OverDrive Student Directions.

PTSA News

The PTSA Reflections program has been announced. This year's theme is 'Look Within'. All entries are due to the library by 1:00 PM on Friday, October 11th. Please see the attached flyer for details.

Don't forget to join the PTSA today! <https://jointotem.com/ca/redondo-beach/adams-middle-school>

"Adams Eagles, come soar with your PTSA! "

Upcoming Dates

September 9 th	Dining for Dollars at CPK
September 12 th	Back to School Night-Minimum Day Schedule
September 20 th	6 th Grade Dance
September 23 rd	Make-up Picture Day
September 25 th	Student Systems Information Night
September 26 th	Minimum Day-Staff Professional Development

September 27 th	PTSA Catalog Fundraiser Kick-off
September 30 th	Local Holiday-No School
October 2 nd	State of Education
October 9 th	Local Holiday-No School
October 17 th	Great CA Shakeout
October 18 th	ASB/PTSA Family Movie Night
October 25 th	Minimum Day for Staff Professional Development
October 27 th	Skechers Pier-to-Pier Walk
October 28 th	8 th Grade Hearing/Vision/Dental Screening

Have a wonderful week!

Lisa Veal
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