

Announcements --February 8, 2019

- ❖ Juniors: Applications for the Bezos Scholars Program are being accepted at bezosscholars.org with more information in guidance; deadline to apply is today, Feb 8, 2019.
- ❖ SENIORS: The Alabama Department of Treasury College Counts Scholarship is open; the deadline to apply is February 28, 2019; come by guidance for more details or visit treasury.alabama.gov/collegcounts-scholarship to apply.
- ❖ Troy University will host Geo-Day Monday, March 11, 2019 come by guidance for more details or visit <https://nwjh26.wixsite.com/geoday2019>.
- ❖ Auburn University will host E-Day/Engineering Day Friday February 22, 2019; come by guidance for more details or visit <http://eng.auburn.edu/outreach/k-12/eday/registration.html>.
- ❖ Auburn University will host a High School Leadership Conference Monday February 11, 2019; come by guidance for details.
- ❖ Seniors: Do you have at least a 2.75 GPA and a 26 or BELOW ACT? Apply for the Alabama College Counts scholarship at treasury.alabama.gov/collegcounts-scholarship or come by guidance for more information. Deadline is Feb. 28th.
- ❖ Seniors: A representative from Alabama State University will be here Thursday February 21st; you can apply, get admitted and be eligible for three scholarships being award to Austin High School students; come by guidance to sign-up.
- ❖ Prom tickets are available for purchase before and after school in Mrs. Allred's room A124. February- Thursday, March 28th tickets will be \$70. You can still purchase tickets on E-PAY for a discounted rate of \$60. Prom Theme is Viva Las Vegas.
- ❖ Seniors: Regions Bank will award 15 - \$5, 000 scholarships across the U.S.; come by guidance for more information.
- ❖ Decatur Youth Services offers after school tutoring each week Mon-Thurs until 6 pm. Transportation, a light meal and other services are provided. Please see a counselor in guidance for a registration form.
- ❖ The North Alabama area is seeing a significant rise in flu cases. You may have noticed several North Alabama Schools have closed due to the flu. Decatur City Schools are starting to see increased absences due to fever, flu, strep and viruses. Here are a few tips to help keep us all healthy and safe:
 - Wash or sanitize your hands on a regular bases (This is the SINGLE MOST EFFECTIVE WAY TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF ILLNESS!!!)
 - Try not to touch your face, eyes, mouth or nose unless you have cleaned your hands.
 - Cover your coughs! Use your elbow if you don't have tissue.

- Stay home if you are sick
- If you have a fever, you cannot return to school until you have been fever free for 24 hours WITHOUT THE USE OF FEVER REDUCING MEDICATIONS, SUCH AS TYLENOL OR ADVIL!!
- Get plenty of rest!
- Eat at least three meals per day (with protein).
- Stay hydrated!

Together, we can make a difference and help keep everyone healthy and safe!!

- ❖ Seniors: It is time to complete your FAFSA for scholarships and financial aid! Billions of dollars are available; 2017 income information is required; more details will be provided in Government and Economics classes--"Don't leave money on the table!"
- ❖ FCCLA will be selling cookie grams during lunch. Cookies are \$3 each or 2 for \$5. Cookie grams will be packaged and delivered to your special someone during 4th block on February 13th. If you have any questions, please see Mrs. Wood or Mrs. Allred.
- ❖ Join the 2019 Yearbook Staff to create history. Applications are located outside of A107. Return completed applications to Ms. Cheatham in A107. Applications are due March 6th.
- ❖ The deadline to purchase Senior ads is February 15th. Don't miss out on having your very own section in the yearbook! Order online at yearbookordercenter.com or see Ms. Cheatham in A107.
- ❖ Any student who is NOT in the esports AHOP needs to have all forms and information to Mrs. Bachuss today.
- ❖ Drake State Community College in Huntsville will host a summer STEM Camp and PAY you for attending; come by guidance for details.
- ❖ Congratulations to Joy Simmons who was recognized at the DAR Good Citizens Reception as the Austin High School Good Citizen winner.
- ❖ FBLA will meet during AHOP today in B-106.