

Altamont Eagle News

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January 2024

Important Dates in January

- 1 - Happy New Year
- 3 - Teachers return .5 PD/.5 Workday
- 4 - School Resumes: Welcome back!
Bball AGS @ Bartlett 4:00
- 5 - Child Find Screenings @ Edna
& Mound Valley
- 8 - Board Meeting - 7:00 @ AGS
AGS bball @ Edna - 4:00
- 9 - Bball Coffeyville vs. AGS (boys)
(Home) 4:00
- 11- JH Cue Party - Coffeyville Skating
Rink
JH Bball - AGS vs. St. Pats(away)-
5:00 - 'A' Girls only
- 15 - MLK Jr. Day - No School
- 18 - JH Bball - AGS vs. Chetopa - 4:00
(Home)
- 22 - JH Bball - AGS vs. Mound Valley -
4:00 (away)
- 24 - Body Venture
- 25 - JH Bball - AGS vs. Thayer @ Home
4:00
- 27 - Elem/Middle School District Band/
Choir
- 29 - JH Bball - AGS vs. Oswego
8th Grade Parent Night (Home)
4:00

Parents as Teachers

Parents as Teachers Labette
County USD 506

Being a parent is hard work.
USD 506 offers a FREE Child
development/parenting program to
families who are expecting or raising
a young child under the age of three.
Parents who enroll in the voluntary
program "Parents as Teachers" can
expect personal visits every 3-4
weeks from a certified Parent
Educator and opportunities to meet
other parents of young children at
group connections.

For more
information or to enroll in "Parents as
Teachers" please contact Paula Kastler or
call at 620-820-3892



January 2024. Transportation Corner

Happy New Year! As we begin
the new year just a reminder or
two.

1.)Phone/Address Changes:

If you have changed phone
numbers, address or
primary/emergency contact
persons for your student during
the Christmas Break please
notify the bus barn and your
student's school so we can
make appropriate changes.
Please remember to call or text
in advance if your student will
not be riding on any particular
morning as this saves the driver
time and the district saves on
fuel and the bus traveling
unnecessary miles.

2.)Lost and Found:

Items that get left on the bus
usually make their way to the
building's lost and found.
However, occasionally lost items
get dropped off at the bus barn.
Normally these are clothing
items and after they sit at the
bus barn a month or two we
donate them to the thrift store or
throw them away.

Be sure and like us on
Facebook: Altamont Grade
School and follow us on
Twitter: @AltamontEagles



Why School Breakfast?

Breakfast really is the most
important meal of the day for
kids, as it provides the
necessary energy to get set for
a day of learning and
achievement. Some of the
benefits of eating school
breakfast include:

- **Improved Behavior-**
Hungry children are more
likely to have discipline
problems. But kids who
eat regularly are less
likely to be suspended
from school.
- **Reduced Tardiness-** Kids
who participate in the
School Breakfast
Program are late or
absent from school less
often.



Is Your Home Suicide- Proof?

After the holidays, January can be a time of year when people often become depressed and stressed. Even if you think your loved ones are not at risk for suicide, these are some simple steps you can take to help suicide-proof your home and help save a life.

- Reduce access to lethal means.
 - Individuals are five times more likely to die by suicide when there is a firearm in the home. When individuals are kept from using a specific method they do not simply "find another way".
- Limit access to medications.
 - Teens who attempt suicide use medications more than any other method.
- Promote healthy use of social media.
 - Don't allow social media to replace real life--encourage time with family and friends
- Listen and ask.
 - Asking, "Are you thinking about suicide?" communicates that you are open to speaking about suicide in a non-judgmental and supportive way.

Resources

If you are concerned that someone you care about is at risk of suicide contact:

SUICIDE PREVENTION LIFELINE 1-800-273-TALK (8255)

CRISIS TEXT LINE Text HELLO to 741741

SUICIDE PREVENTION HOTLINE 316-660-7500

THE TREVOR PROJECT 1-866-488-7386 or Text START to 678678, or Instant Online Messaging via a computer at TrevorChat

A FRIEND ASKS APP developed by the Jason Foundation can be downloaded for Android or iPhone

TRIO

TRIO - Michelle Dayton, the educational advisor for TRIO notified AGS to let us know there are still spots available for students in grades 6-8 who are interested in the program. You can contact Michelle at Labette Community College: michelled@labette.edu

What is Talent Search?

Talent Search is a federally funded TRIO program that reaches out to secondary students grades 6 through 12 and adults who have the potential to succeed in higher education. Talent Search provides services to encourage eligible participants to graduate from high school and enroll in college. For more information, check out the link: <http://www.labette.edu/studentaffairs/talentsearch/about.html>