

April 2022











April Events and Information

Save the Dates: Spring PTO Events

With warmer weather on the horizon, the PTO is excited to announce an exciting line-up of spring events. Please save the dates and click the button below to volunteer to help organize these fun events.

- Friday, May 6: Spring Fling
- Friday, June 3: Fun Run and Picnic
- Early June (date TBD): Heritage Night

VOLUNTEER NOW

Please note that the Progressive Dinner originally scheduled for Saturday, May 7 has been cancelled due to lack of volunteers/hosts.

Spring Learning Labs Update

Learning labs are back! We're excited to announce the before school Learning Lab courses offered this Spring. You can review the courses in more detail here. To find out more about learning labs and to find answers to commonly asked questions please click here.

Once you decide which course your child(ren) would like to take, please select and pay for the appropriate course on this <u>sign-up sheet</u>. If you would like to sign-up for a class that is already full, please click on the wait-list option at the bottom and put the name of the class in the comment section.

As always, the PTO has scholarships for students with financial needs, and can help coordinate rides for children with transportation needs. For more information, please contact Amy Hamilton (amy@thewesternshore.com) or Christina Baker (Christina.Baker13@gmail.com).

Art to Remember

Bancroft is once again participating in a creative fundraiser with Art to Remember that allows you to purchase keepsake products customized with your child's art! Your child's personalized order form will be sent home soon, if you haven't received it already. Orders can easily be submitted online or handed in by Monday, April 11. It's a purchase that you'll cherish for years to come!

Bancroft's Virtual Art Show Personal Gift Shop

Please feel free to contact Jeanne Cheng at jcheng.risd@gmail.com with any questions.



Celebrate Bancroft's DI Students



Please join us in celebrating the accomplishments of all of the Bancroft students that participated in Destination Imagination this year!

Eddie Adourian, Bransen Baker, John Balekian, Michael Barry, Charles Barry, Mason Becker, Julian Blais, Claire Carbone, Caroline Coble, Anna D'Alessio, Kenton Dudevoir, Nora El Alam, Claire Gu, Tyler Hamilton, Kavya Morde, Ryan Sylvester, Merson Tang, Claire Wainer, and Ryan Zhu.

Teams completed their season by competing in the state competition on Sunday, March 13. Interested in learning more or having your child join a team next school year? Visit challengemeinc.org for more information or reach out to andoverdikids@gmail.com.

Substitutes Needed!

There is an urgent demand for substitute teachers at Bancroft! Currently, there are open positions for lunchroom assistants, daily substitutes, and building-based substitutes. A substitute can determine the number of days they want to work and the jobs they want to accept, so this is great for someone looking for flexibility.

If you are interested in applying, please visit www.aps1.net and click on Employment for more information. If you have questions, please contact Kimberly Rabold at kimberly.rabold@andoverma.us.



Library Volunteers

Are you interested in volunteering in the library this year? If you already have an approved CORI (see below under important reminders) and are able to help please <u>click here to sign up</u>.

If you have not completed a CORI yet and would like to volunteer this school year please complete one as soon as possible (see the Important Reminders section at the end of this email for more information).

Upcoming Community Events

April Vacation at SHED

April Vacation is just around the corner and SHED is excited to offer programming for that week. SHED will be open Tuesday, April 19 through Friday, April 22 from 8:15am-4:15pm daily.

To sign your child up for April Vacation at SHED, please visit: https://www.shedchildrenscampus.org/registration-and-forms/. If you have questions, please contact Dina Hurley at dhurley@shedchildrenscampus.org. Registration closes Friday, April 8.

Andover Senior Community Fundraiser

Support Andover's Senior Community Friends by ordering a pie (or two)! The group's spring fundraiser is accepting pie orders through Friday, April 8 and pies can be picked up at The Robb Center on Friday, April 15.

For additional details and to place an order, please visit https://www.andoverscf.org/.

AHS Girls Softball Easter Egg Drop

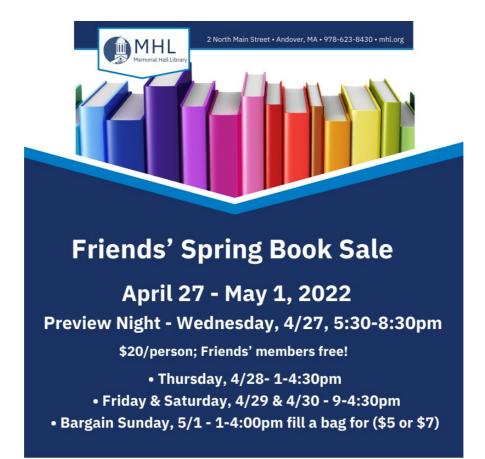


Andover Little League

Andover Little League is now accepting registrations for its spring season. Options include Tee Ball (ages 4-6), Coach Pitch (age 7), A-League (age 8), AA-League (age 9) and AAA (ages 9.3-12), and the Challenger Division program, which is open to boys and girls between the ages of 5 and 18, with physical and/or emotional challenges. Registration closes Sunday, April 10.

To sign-up or learn more, please visit https://www.andoverlittleleague.com/.

Memorial Hall Library Spring Book Sale



Your PTO Funds Hard at Work

The Bancroft PTO has been hard at work planning spring field trips after many events were put on hold at the start of the schoolyear. The spring calendar is now full with fun events for all grades. Thank you for supporting the PTO so we can make these trips a reality!

Important Reminders

- PTO meetings for the school year all be virtual. The remaining meeting will take place on 5/10 at 7:00pm. Join the meeting here.
- Andover Public Schools require a new Criminal Offender Record Information (CORI) check every year for anyone who volunteers at a school or school event (i.e. field trip chaperones, volunteers for class parties, etc.). If you would like to volunteer during the 2021-2022 school year, please fill out the APS CORI check form and return it in person to a school administrator with an original government issued ID. Blank forms are also available at the front office.

Upcoming Calendar Items

Click here to access the full Bancroft PTO Calendar Click here to view the full Andover Public Schools 2020/2021 calendar on the APS Website.

April 1: Spirit Day

- April 4: School Librarian Appreciation Day and Assistant Principal
 Week
- April 5: C3 Meeting (8:15am in person); Fifth Grade Yearbook
 Photo; Band Concert at Collins Center (7:00pm)
- April 4 and 5: Grade 4 MCAS (ELA)
- April 6 and 7: Grade 3 MCAS (ELA)
- April 6: Instructional Assistant Appreciation Day
- April 8: Discovery Museum Light and Lasers (Grade 1)
- April 11 and 12: Grade 5 MCAS (ELA)
- April 12: School Council Meeting (8:15am in person)
- April 13 and 14: Nature on Wheels Nature's Classroom (Grade 5)
- April 15: Warrior Way with Andover HS Students
- April 18-22: Spring Break NO SCHOOL
- **April 27:** Administrative Professional's Day
- April 29: Explore the Ocean World Touch Tank (Grade 1)
- **May 2-5:** Andover Historical Society Field Trips and TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK!
- May 3: C3 Committee (8:15am in person)
- May 6: SPIRIT DAY; School Lunch Hero Day; 12:15pm Early Release; Spring Fling - PTO event (7:00-9:30pm)

HAVE NEWS TO SUBMIT TO THE BOBCAT? Email us at

<u>communications@bancroftpto.org</u>. All submissions must be received by the end of the month to be included in the next monthly update.

Bancroft PTO

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