

May 2022



May Events and Information

TONIGHT: Spring Fling



Get your dancing shoes on! Tonight marks the return of the popular Spring Fling! From 7:00-9:30pm, the cafeteria will transform into a jungle and Mr. Rex will spin the hottest dance songs to get kids moving. There will be a photo booth, pizza and snacks, and a raffle. If you haven't already, please purchase tickets in advance and volunteer to help make this event a success. We are in particular need of snack/dessert donations. See you tonight!

> GET TICKETS AND VOLUNTEER

Maker Night and Chorus Concert

You're invited to Bancroft Maker Night on Wednesday, June 1 at 6:00pm. Come see the creative thinking and innovative learning at Bancroft! You will have a chance to view the amazing Maker Projects and Art Projects that students have designed and created.

The evening will also include a Chorus Concert in the Gym at 7:00pm.

Save the Dates: Spring PTO Events



In addition to tonight's Spring Fling, 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, June 3: Fun Run and Picnic (4:00-7:00pm)
- Thursday, June 9: Heritage Night and Book Fair (6:00pm)

Heritage Night

Heritage Night is an annual event that celebrates the different heritages and cultures across the Bancroft community. During the event, families and staff showcase their heritage or culture in various forms.

Click the button on the right to volunteer to host a table, prepare a food dish, contribute a recipe to our digital cookbook, provide entertainment, or something else to contribute to the evening.



VOLUNTEER

Join the PTO!

We are currently seeking volunteers to join the Bancroft PTO Board for the 2022-2023 school year. Please see the list of positions via the button below and let us know if you are interested in volunteering for one or more of them. For more information on any specific position, please look at the PTO website (<u>www.bancroftpto.org</u>) or contact <u>president@bancroftpto.org</u>.

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Farewell, Ms. Costa!

Our beloved principal, Ms. Costa, will be departing at the end of the school year to take on a new role in Rye, New Hampshire. After six amazing years, there is no doubt that she will be sorely missed. We're inviting students and parents, past and present, to send in a note and/or drawing that the PTO will compile into a published book for her to take with her. Thank you!



SAY THANKS

Your input is needed in the search for Bancroft's next principal. We are currently seeking parents to join a focus group with Dr. Parvey to help with the Bancroft principal search. The focus group will meet virtually on Thursday, May 12 from 7:00-8:30pm.

If you are interested in participating, please email <u>president@bancroftpto.org</u> with your name and email address. Thank you in advance for your consideration!

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 <u>www.aps1.net</u> and click on Employment for more information. If you have questions, please contact Kimberly Rabold at <u>kimberly.rabold@andoverma.us</u>.



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

Annual Town Meeting

Andover's Annual Town Meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 17 at 7:00pm and a Special Town Meeting on Tuesday, May 17 called by a private petitioner. The Town Meetings will take place in the Richard J. Collins Field House at Andover High School.

To view the Warrants for the Annual and Special Town Meetings and the Finance Committee Report for both meetings, please visit <u>www.andoverma.gov/townmeeting</u>. The Finance Committee Report will also be mailed to all households.

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Andover Recreation Summer/Fall Programs

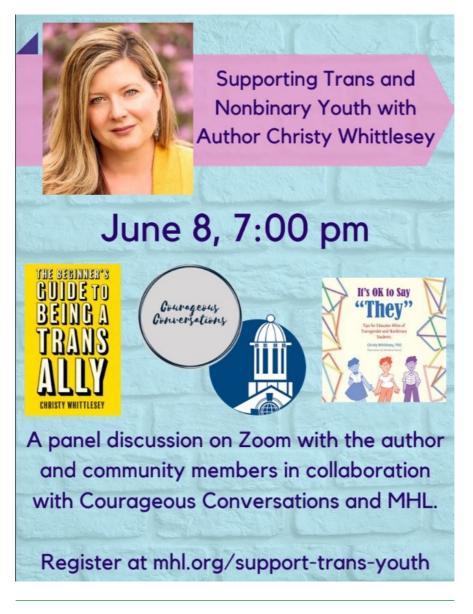
Andover Recreation is pleased to offer engaging summer and fall programming for kids of all ages, including summer camps, swim lessons, flag football, soccer, and more!

ACE Fundraiser at 34 Park

Spring Classes at the Y

Spring classes are now open for registration at the Andover/North Andover YMCA. Offerings include yoga, tennis, basketball. lacrosse, and more. To see a full class list and register, please visit <u>https://mvymca.org/programs/</u>.

Courageous Conversations



Your PTO Funds Hard at Work



The Bancroft PTO helped celebrate our amazing teachers throughout Teacher Appreciation Week (May 2-6). We were able to provide special treats in the staff break room each day this week, including breakfast, a cookie bar, drinks with reusable cups, and a luncheon. Thank you for making this week such a success!

The PTO was also able to provide Bancroft's art teachers with discretionary funds that they used to purchase art supplies for future collage and ceramic projects.

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 <u>APS CORI check form</u> 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. May 2-6: Andover Historical Society Field Trips and TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK!

- **May 6:** SPIRIT DAY; School Lunch Hero Day; 12:15pm Early Release; Spring Fling PTO event (7:00-9:30pm)
- May 10: School Council Meeting (8:15am), PTO Meeting (7:00pm)
- May 10-20: MCAS (Grades 3-5)
- May 11: School Nurse Day

- May 16: Techsploration (Grade 5)
- May 23-27: Maker Week
- May 25: Doherty Principal Robin Wilson visits Grade 5
- May 26: Picnic Lunch (all grades; bring blankets); Dianne Caraviello's Retirement Party and Fundraiser (6:00pm)
- May 27: Andover HS Seniors Visit
- May 30: Memorial Day NO SCHOOL
- May 31: Discover Museum Field Trip (Grade 3); Instrument Showcase for Families during Music Period
- June 1: Grade 5 to Doherty (9:15-10:30am); Art Show (Grades 3-5); Maker Night/Art Show (6:00pm); Chorus Concert (7:00pm)
- June 2: Track and Field Day (Grades 4 and 5)
- June 3: SPIRIT DAY; 12:15pm Early Release; End of Year Picnic and Fun Run (4:00-7:00pm)
- June 7: Band and Orchestra Concert (at Doherty, 7:00pm)
- June 9: Special Olympics in Andover; Butterfly Museum Field Trip (Grade 2); Heritage Night/Book Fair (6:00pm)
- June 10: Butterfly Museum Field Trip (Grade 2)
- June 15: Moving On Ceremony (Grade 5, 9:30am)
- June 16: LAST DAY OF SCHOOL; End of Year Assembly (9:45am)

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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