

Anchor Bay High School Newsletter

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ANCHOR BAY HIGH SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT

"The Anchor Bay High School students will respect themselves and others, be responsible for their actions, and have the academic, critical thinking, and social skills needed for life."

STUDENTS SIGNING OUT

When a parent or guardian gives permission for his student to leave school for emergency or medical appointments, the following must be adhered to for dismissal.:

1. If parent/guardian is picking the student up, the parent needs to come into the **counseling** office and sign the student out. No exceptions.
2. Parent/guardian can call the **counseling** office and speak to a secretary. A secretary will then call the student out of class, sign him out, and give him a pass to leave if the student has a vehicle at school.
3. Parents can write a note stating date, time, reason for student to be released, and a phone number where they can be reached. The note must be brought to the **counseling** office before school in the morning. The secretary will then call the parent to confirm the note and times indicated. **PARENTS WILL BE CALLED ON ALL NOTES.** If we are unable to get in contact with the parent to confirm note, your student will **NOT** be allowed to be released.

Once we have contacted parents and an excused pass has been written, it is the student's responsibility to come to the office to get the pass before he leaves the campus. If he leaves **without signing out in the office**, he will **NOT** be excused.

ABHS CLOSED CAMPUS POLICY

We have a closed campus policy at Anchor Bay High School which means that students **MAY NOT LEAVE** school during lunch hour. Student may not exit the cafeteria during lunch without permission since classes are in session. Students may obtain permission to use the rest room during lunch period.



PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

MONDAY, OCTOBER 12TH
5:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14TH
12:00- 2:00
5:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.

$\frac{1}{2}$ Day for Students
High School Commons

JOSTENS will be here during all conference and during all lunches on October 13 for Class Ring, senior cap and gowns and announcement orders etc

SENIORS order your cap/gowns and graduation announcements from **JOSTENS** see above.



Crafters Wanted

Anchor Bay High
School Craft Fair



Saturday, November 7, 2009
9:30 am – 3:30 pm

Set-up: Fri. November 6. 4:30 – 6:00 pm

All merchandise must be handmade!
Full Space: 12' X 10' = \$70.00 Table Rental \$10.00
Half Space: 6' x 10' = \$35.00 Table Rental \$ 5.00
Electricity \$ 5.00

Door Admission: \$2.00

Call Jan @ 586-725-8951 or e-mail her at
wilsojan@yahoo.com

Sponsored by: Anchor Bay Vocal Boosters, SADD and
Close-Up Washington. All proceeds go directly to the
student organizations listed above.

Macomb 4H Youth Conservation Council

Teens, ages 13-19, that have an interest in
learning about local environmental issues and
influencing public policy are invited to join the
Macomb 4H Youth Conservation Council (YCC). The
purpose of a youth conservation council is to give
teens the opportunity to experience a team building
process, gain leadership and life skills, accomplish
science-based research of conservation issues, and
provide the "youth voice" at city, township or
county government meetings. Participating in
and/or sponsoring environmental community service
projects is an additional aspect of the YCC. Please
contact Mary Gerstenberger at 586-469-6085, or
email gerste10@msu.edu for more information

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC NEWS

David Visnaw & Molly Dee, Co-Directors

The [Anchor Bay Band Boosters](#) are currently
selling tickets for its big fall fundraiser dinner and
auction entitled "A Musical Harvest." Proceeds will
benefit the students of the Anchor Bay Band
Program at Anchor Bay High School and Middle
Schools. Information for this wonderful event is as
follows:

- Friday, November 6th
- Zuccaro's Banquet & Catering (21 & Gratiot,
Chesterfield, MI 48047)
- Doors Open at 6:15, Dinner at 7:30

- Tickets \$45 per person, includes dinner and
open bar (21 and older, please)
- To order tickets call: (586) 725-3677
- Tickets on sale now!

Additional fundraisers this year will include
annual Entertainment Books, Fruit Sale, and the
Tastefest in February. Information regarding all
these fundraising events can be found on the website
at <http://www.anchorbaybands.org/article%20live/>.

Thank you to all the parents that have been
helping out in various roles this fall. Leading the
way in our uniform committees this year are Mrs.
Beierlein and Mrs. Carrothers for the Marching
Band uniforms, and Mrs. Jensen and Mrs. Hromek
for the Concert uniforms. Also, a special thank
you goes to Ralph Dunsmore and Tim Piepenbrok
for coordinating the marching band pit crew and
Julie Foote and Lisa Robinson for providing water
and hot chocolate at home games and
performances. Your extra efforts are crucial to
our success and we appreciate all you do!

Did you know- - College admissions officers
continue to cite participation in music as an important
factor in making admissions decisions. They claim
that music participation demonstrates time
management, creativity, expression, and open-
mindedness. (Source: Carl Hartman, "Arts May
Improve Students' Grades," The Associated Press,
October, 1999.)

Upcoming events:

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| 10/9 | Home Football Game 7:00PM
(Tars Stadium) |
| 10/13 or 14 | MSBOA Marching Band Festival Evening
(time TBA) |
| 10/23 | Home Football Game 7:00PM
(Tars Stadium) |
| 11/06 | A Musical Harvest Auction Fundraiser
6:15 PM (Zuccaro's) |
| 11/02 | Fruit Sale Begins |
| 11/18 | Marching Band Rehearsal 2:35 - 4:30 PM
(ABHS) |
| 11/27 | Grosse Pointe Parade 10:00 AM |
| 12/09 | Winter Instrumental Music Concert
7:30 PM (ABHS) |
| 12/20 | Winter Instrumental Music Concert
7:30 PM (ABHS) |

For more information, please visit our web site at
WWW.ANCHORBAYBANDS.ORG!!!



SCHOOL BUS SAFETY

What drivers should know:
School buses with overhead red and yellow lights

- ❖ When yellow lights are flashing, prepare to stop.

- ❖ Red lights are flashing, stop no closer than 20 feet from the bus.
- ❖ When red lights are turned off, proceed with caution

School buses with overhead red lights only

- ❖ Red lights are flashing and bus is moving - prepare to stop.
- ❖ Red lights are flashing and bus is stopped - stop no closer than 20 feet from the bus.
- ❖ Red lights are turned off - proceed with caution.

All school buses:

- ❖ Yellow hazard warning lights are flashing proceed with caution.

MACOMB COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Sometimes we all need a little help

Helping students be successful in college begins the very first day of classes with Macomb Community College faculty and staff volunteering at "help desks" around campus to answer questions and help students find their classrooms. The college's emphasis on success is reflected throughout the college's programs, including a series of seminars offered through the Learning Centers located in the libraries at South and Center campuses.

Both Learning Centers offer 11 Student Success Seminars that help students develop strategies and skills that will enhance their ability to succeed in college. The seminars are free, and students can earn 0.1 CEU (Continuing Education Unit).

Note-taking Skills - Learn how to get the most from your college lectures and how to adjust your note taking in a variety of lecture situations.

Test-taking Skills - Analyze the different types of tests and learn strategies for studying and pre-planning for different types of tests.

Memory Skills - Understand your basic memory skills and learn specific memory techniques and strategies.

Time Management - Learn ways to manage time, including new ways to find time to study within your busy schedule.

Learning Styles and Reading Skills - Discover

different learning styles, including your personal learning style, and learn techniques for reading college texts for increased comprehension.

Motivational and Antiprocrastination

Skills - Discover what motivates you and how to overcome procrastination.

How the Brain Learns Naturally - Discover the basic steps that the brain uses to learn new information, how to control how much you learn and when your brain can optimally learn new things.

Stress Management - Learn about your stress level and how to identify and manage stress.

Decision-making Skills - Analyze your decision-making skills and learn effective ways to make any decision, based on seven building blocks.

Critical Thinking Skills I - Discover ways to sharpen your logical thinking skills, and why faculty and employers say this is the most important skill to possess.

Critical Thinking Skills II - Recognize what inferences and implications hinder your own critical thinking.

For detailed information about each seminar, click on the Learning Center link on Macomb College's website at www.macomb.edu, or call 586.445.7400 (South Campus) or 586.286.2203 (Center Campus). Students must present their student ID when registering for Student Success Seminars.

Self-paced tutorials encourage student success

It's true that class sizes at Macomb Community College are reminiscent of a high school classroom, and that students have the opportunity to develop a rapport with their instructors. However, it is also true that the college's curriculum is more intense than what students typically encountered in high school. Not to worry. Macomb offers a wide range of support services to help students be successful.

PLATO is one of those services. An interactive software program, PLATO offers self-paced tutorials in reading, English, math, social studies, and science and is available in the Learning Centers at both South and Center Campus libraries.

According to Lois McGinley, Macomb director of Student Success Service, students who invest time and effort in the program often see good results. For example, one student who used the PLATO English tutorial improved his grade in his English class from a D to a B.

Students must contact the Learning Center staff - 586.445.7400 for South Campus and 586.286.2203

for Center Campus - to make arrangements to gain access to the PLATO system. The Learning Center can also discuss with students additional tutorial services that are available.

VARSITY JACKETS

MIC will be taking Anchor Bay jacket orders on Friday, October 30th during all lunch hours. The basic wool and leather jacket includes Anchor Bay embroidered on the back. Also included is an embroidered monogram on the front and a chenille graduation year patch on the shoulder.

The price for sizes s-xl is \$217.95

A \$100.00 deposit is required at the time of order.

If you would like your varsity letter sewn on the jacket, please bring it with you at the time of order.

MIC will donate \$10.00 to the school for every jacket ordered on this day.

Mike Capaldi
Motivation Idea Center
248-318-6401
313-458-7048-Fax

BREAKFAST AND LUNCH PREPAY

There are several ways to prepay for your student's meals. Prepayment can be made by:

- ❖ Cash or check (made payable to Anchor Bay Food Service). You may bring it in or send it with the student to school. The Food Service Kitchen Personnel will mark the appropriate credit for your student upon receipt and keep track of credit as breakfast and/or lunch are ordered.
- ❖ Internet payment available at: www.cafeprepay.com A fee will be added by Café Prepay for your transaction. Café Prepay allows parents to pay for school meals with a credit card or direct debit from their checking account.
- If paying by credit card, there is no waiting period, and the student will have credit in school account on the next school day.
- If paying by direct debit from checking account, you must allow one week for the credit to be applied to student's school account.

Please note that the above prepayments are for school breakfast and school lunch only. No snacks or ala carte purchases are made from prepayment.



STUDENT BOOK DEBTS

Please remind your student that when he/she is assigned a textbook that they return the book to the teacher who issued it to them. Students are also to sign their initials upon receipt and return of their textbooks. This will ensure that your student will not obtain a book debt at the end of the school year.

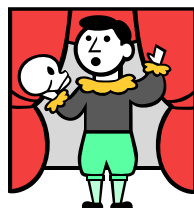
SCHOOL CLOSING

If bad weather necessitates closing school, all the major local television and radio stations will be notified including channels 2, 4, 6, 7, 50 and AM 760. Cable TV channel 6 will also broadcast information about closings. The school district also has an emergency answering machine at 725-3544. Parents are asked to listen to the radio or TV and **not to call the school office** since this will tie up phone lines that may be needed for other purposes.

BUILDING SECURITY

Student and staff safety is very important. In order to make the high school more secure, the hallway doors that lead outside will be locked at 7:30 a.m. each morning, 15 minutes after students arrive. Students will be able to leave the building, but those who arrive late or those who park in the back of the high school will need to walk around to the front. The main entrance of the building will be open. High school security staff will monitor the doors and hallways.

In addition, during lunches the north and south doors to the student parking lots will be locked. The students will be monitored by the St. Clair County Sheriff, Brett Old to prevent students from leaving campus without permission. Anchor Bay High School has a closed lunch, and students are not permitted to leave unless they have a specific appointment and parental permission.



DRAMA NEWS

Rehearsals and technical work for the fall production, *You Can't Take It With You* by Kaufman & Hart, have begun at Anchor Bay High School's Performing Arts Center. Again, please plan to come out and support the Center's creative, dedicated, and talented group! The

production will showcase the talents of approximately fifty Anchor Bay students, including the following cast members and heads of technical areas:

Jacob Beach, Tori Benedict, John Bohn, Kaite Camilleri, Shelby Connolly, Emily Clancy, Cheryl Craighton, Luke Duda, Beverly Einowski, Jason Evola, Liz Fabode Brittany Forth, Ja'Sharee Fortune, Austin Franks, Brittany Hall, Cat Jacobs, Kailee Jeffers, Shelby Labeau, Holli Legg, Brad Morgan, Cooper Nicholas, Sal Parrish, Laura Pokorski, Shelby Rosemeck, Emily Salmen, Nick Scarpelli, Suzan Schlais Krista Subic, Dani Swanson, Sydney Thurman, and Amanda Vitale

We have yet to hold our first rehearsal, so the names of many other crew members will join this list in our show program. The show will open on Thursday, November 19th, run Friday November 20th, and close Saturday, November 21st with curtain at 7:15 pm each evening. Take the opportunity to place an ad in our program, send a personal ovation, become a patron of the arts, or purchase a reserved (V.I.P.) seat; all of these are fundraisers for our program that help to ensure the continued success of our theatrical department. The deadline for the printing of our programs comes quickly, so we need the submission of all ads, patrons, and ovations as soon as possible. Please support the arts at Anchor Bay!

The forensics team is also busy preparing for the Pentathlon and Original Interpretation tournaments to be hosted by Dexter High School on Saturday December 5th.

Please contact Ms. Battice at extension 2360 for further information. We look forward to your continued support of speaking and performance at our high school!

ABHS ENTRANCE & LOT POLICY

Students and parents who are dropping off and picking up their students should use the North and South driveway entrances and proceed to the student pick-up and drop-off areas as indicated by an area marked with diagonal lines. There are four of these areas, one on each side of the building and two in the rear of the building. The front of the high school is for staff, visitors, and buses ONLY. There will be signs in front of the staff and bus parking lots to remind parents and students not to

use those driveways. Please follow this policy so that students, staff, and buses can provide a safe and timely arrival in the morning and departure in the afternoon.

Anchor Bay School District Pesticide Program Notice

In Accordance with Public Act 131, school administration must advise parents or guardians of their right to be notified prior to the application of pesticide at their child's school.

As a result of this regulation, you are being advised that a routine application of pesticide will take place the last Friday of every month in each school. These applications will take place after school hours in the cafeteria, kitchen, multi-purpose room, and kitchen storage areas. If more specific information is needed, please send a note to "Supervisor of Maintenance" indicating student's name, school, and if you wish prior notification of pesticide treatment inside and/or outside of school.

YEARBOOK

We are publishing another all- color yearbook this year. The cost of the 2010 yearbook is \$75. Yearbooks can be purchased online (if you are willing to pay by credit card) at anytime by visiting www.jostensyearbooks.com (a link is available on the ABHS homepage).

Yearbooks will be sold during all lunches every Friday until January 22. Also, orders can be placed at Parent Teacher conferences on October 12 from 5pm-7pm and October 14 from Noon-2pm and 5pm-7pm.

Please email Jen Serra (jserra@abs.misd.net) with any questions.

Senior Portrait Info

Prestige Portrait Studio is the official photographer for Anchor Bay High School. If you choose to use any other photographer, you are responsible for making sure that your portrait meets the specifications detailed in the mailing all Senior Parents received and that a CD at 300 dpi is turned in by Friday, November 13. If you have your picture taken at Prestige before November 14, your portrait will be delivered to school for you.

If you do not have your picture taken by Prestige Portraits, it is your responsibility to deliver your Senior Portrait (on CD at 300 DPI) to Jen Serra by Friday, November 13, 2009.

Yearbook Photo Specifications

1. Diecut size: 1 5/8" x 2 3/16"
2. Headsize: 1 1/8" (from top of the head to the bottom of the chin)
3. Background: Blue-Grey (no other color will be accepted)
4. Color: Color photograph
5. Pose: Traditional (no props, no cap and gown, no soft focus, etc.)

Please email Jen Serra (jserra@abs.misd.net) with any questions.

Composite Picture

If your Senior Portrait is taken by a photographer other than Prestige, **you must deliver the picture to Prestige Portraits along with a studio release and a check for \$20 before January 30, 2010.**

To properly receipt each person submitting a picture, Prestige will not accept direct shipments from other studios. Composite pictures must meet the following requirements:

1. Die cut size: 1 1/2" x 2"
2. Head size: 1" (from top of the hair to the bottom of the chin)
2. Background: Blue-Grey
3. Pose: Traditional head and shoulder pose (no props, no cap & gown, no soft focus, etc.)
4. Prestige. Do not take your photo to the high school.

Please email Jen Serra (jserra@abs.misd.net) with any questions.

PDA's (Public Displays of Affection—formally known as Parent Ads)

PDA order forms were included in the Back-to-School mailing. If you need a form, they are available in the Student Activities office and S116. **PDA forms with payment and pictures are due to the school by Tuesday, November 24, 2009. No late orders will be accepted!**

Due to volume, the ads will be offered in one-half, one-quarter, and one-eighth sizes. We do not offer full page ads. Also, you must select a layout from several pre-designed templates. The options for the designs are also available in the Student Activities office and S116.

Please email Jen Serra (jserra@abs.misd.net) with any questions.

STUDENT COUNCIL

Student Council has been very busy planning the homecoming activities upon return to school this fall. We will be holding Freshman class officer

elections soon. Thanks to the Freshmen who have showed an outstanding turnout for Student Council as have all other classes. We will hold our first student council meetings each week in September to prepare for Homecoming. Again this year in an effort to increase class spirit Student Council will be selling "**Homecoming T-Shirts**". These shirts will be sold in the Student Activities Office at lunch. Periodically throughout the year, students will be wearing their class shirts to demonstrate class spirit. We will be ordering class shirts after homecoming. See Mrs. Accivatti in the Student Activities office at lunch to purchase a Homecoming shirt. Encourage your child, if they are not a member of Student Council, to seek out his/her class representative if he/she would like to have input on class activities.

Senior All Night Party Tickets
Party is the evening of Graduation
6-6-10 - Check in time between 10 & 11 PM

Tickets On Sale Now!!!!!! \$50.00
1st Parent Meeting - 10-21-2009
Commons - ABHS -6:30 p.m.

SENIOR ALL NIGHT PARTY

Once again we need parent help. With this year's graduation on **Sunday, June 6th at NOON**, we will have to decorate quickly and have all of the decorations taken down for school on Monday morning. The first parent meeting concerning the Senior All Night Party will be on Wednesday, October 21st at 6:30 p.m. in the ABHS commons. Please try to attend. If you are unable to attend and would like to help, please call Sue Accivatti at 648-2525 ext. 2306. Also, make sure that your senior purchases his or her ticket as soon as possible so that we will be able to plan accordingly. Tickets are on sale now and can be purchased for \$50.00 from the Student Activities office from Mrs. Accivatti. The first 50 students to purchase a ticket will receive a free "All Night Party" shirt. Tickets will be on sale at the High School Open House and Parent Teacher Conferences. We will also be holding a Lottery Raffle for January, and March or May. Tickets for the January Raffle will be ready to sell in October. Please call me to sell these tickets. This is a major fundraiser for Senior All Night Party and Prom.

QUIZ BOWL

Students who are interested in Quiz Bowl and competing with other schools should see Mrs. Accivatti. We are in the process of making arrangements to compete with other schools in the MAC league and will start sometime towards the beginning of October. If we obtain a sponsor, we can compete as early as October 7th. We need an adult to help sponsor this club by practicing and accompanying students to their meets which will take place once a week from October through March. Without these helpers, we will not be able to compete. Meets are usually on Wednesday at around 3:00 and are usually finished around 5:00 to 5:30 p.m. Please call Mrs. Accivatti at 648-2525 Ext. 2306.

FROM THE FLIGHT LINE-- AIR FORCE JUNIOR ROTC NEWS

Colonel (R) Jeff Carrothers

and Master Sergeant (R) Steve Wratchford

Greetings from your award-winning Air Force Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFJROTC) program!

AFJROTC is not a military recruiting program. Our program's goal is to build better citizens, and we provide unique leadership and community service opportunities. We are not military recruiters. In fact, in recent years, approximately only 10% of our students have joined a military service. We enhance our program with engaging guest speakers, drill teams, community service activities, and trips.

Our unit is at 103 high school students and 21 middle school students so far—a great start! Over 60 of our cadets are new to Air Force Junior ROTC.

We held an Open House in our classroom on Monday, September 14th, and met with about thirty of our cadets' parents and guardians. We also held uniform nights that Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday evening. We have issued uniforms so all cadets will look their best as they march in our homecoming parade on October 2nd.

The first Saturday after school began, September 12th, Colonel Carrothers hosted over twenty cadet officers and cadet chief master sergeants at his home for a Cadet Officer Leadership Training Seminar (COLTS). This three-hour program included leadership discussions, teambuilding exercises, and team sports. The cadets had a super time. We've also supported

home football games with two color guards, and there will be many more as the varsity sports seasons pick up.

Saturday, September 19th, we took 62 cadets to a confidence course camp-out in Otisville, MI. This trip provided unique opportunities for the cadets to learn teamwork in overcoming obstacles; to safely face fears of heights through a two-story high series of suspended ropes, a zip line, and a swing; to swim and play athletics; and, to relax before a roaring campfire under the stars. This was also a great opportunity for our cadets in all grades to get to know each other better. It was a great way to start the school year!

In the next term, we will be helping set-up and run Selfridge Air National Guard Base's Retiree Affairs Day this coming weekend. We will be hosting a Civil Air Patrol guest speaker on September 29th to address underage drinking, and Colonel Carrothers will be hosting a Relationship Seminar for cadets and parents that evening. We continue planning for our drill meet on October 17th; a Selfridge ANG Base tour on October 21st; and, an American Red Cross blood drive on October 29th.

Students interested in becoming cadets should contact their guidance counselor. If you have any questions about AFJROTC, please feel free to contact us at 586-648-2500, extensions 2356 or 2357.

Already a cadet or a cadet's parent/guardian? We would like personally invite you to attend our next AFJROTC Booster Club meeting on Tuesday, October 13th, at 7:00 PM, in Room E-104 (the AFJROTC Room) at the high school. We hope to see you there. Aim high and keep looking up!

ANCHOR BAY HIGH SCHOOL

FALL BLOOD DRIVE

Thursday, October 29th, 2009

7:30 AM - 1:30 PM

Anchor Bay High School's Air Force Junior ROTC (AFJROTC) will be hosting an American Red Cross Blood Drive on Thursday, October 29th, 2009, from 7:30 AM until 1:30 PM, in the school's Auxiliary Gym. This is the first Fall blood drive for the high school, and offers an additional opportunity for eligible students and staff to save a life by donating blood. Our goal is 96 successful donations. This means that we will need about 120 potential donors to meet this goal. Please consider donating.

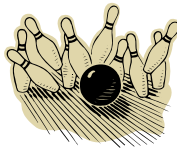
Who is eligible to donate? Donors must be over the age of 17 years old, and high school students must meet new minimum weight requirements based on their height. Non-high school students must weigh at least 110 pounds. All donors must be in good health.

Opportunities to sign-up for a donation time will be made available during lunches in the Commons. Listen to the daily announcements for specific dates for sign-ups. We are sorry, but, due to security issues, we are unable to allow non-students and staff to donate.

If you have any questions about our blood drive, or AFJROTC, please feel free to contact Colonel Carrothers or Master Sergeant Wratford at 586-648-2500, extensions 2356 or 2357.

BOWLING

Any student interested in participating in an award winning boy/girls bowling team should see Mrs. Accivatti. We should be holding Varsity and Jr. Varsity tryouts sometime in October at Salt River Lanes. Students should listen for the announcements or see Mrs. Accivatti at lunch in her office off the commons directly across from the cafeteria. Our boys have taken first place in the past, and our girls took the State Championship in 2007 and competed at the state level last year and in 2008.



KEY CLUB

The local Kiwanis Club now has a high school chapter, a Key Club, at the high school. This club works on various community service projects. Students who are interested in joining the Key Club should see Mrs. Gunst.

EQUESTRIAN

This year Anchor Bay has the help of some students and parents who are participating in Equestrian competition. The team competed in September at Goodells, St. Clair County Fairground. If your student is interested for next year, he/she should start participating now. We will publish the results in next month's newsletter. Call Sue Accivatti if interested.

PARKING PASSES

Parking passes are \$40.00 per school year. Students must be eligible each quarter of 2009-2010 to keep the pass. Remind your child that in

order to keep his parking pass valid for each quarter, he/she must meet the criteria that has been which includes passing 5 of 6 classes from the previous quarter, receiving a fair or above in citizenship from the previous quarter, and having no more than 2 unexcused absences in any class in the previous quarter. They also must have no debts and must **not have left the campus** during school hours. Students must also adhere to all driving rules and regulations in the parking lot. If your child does not meet criteria for the quarter, he/she may lose his/her parking pass and should not drive to school. Cars not approved for parking are liable to be towed at a charge of \$80.00. Parking passes are now handed out, and students should not be driving unless they have a black and white pass on their car.

***Please encourage your child to drive safely at all times and to drive slowly (speed limit is 10 MPH) on the Anchor Bay campus and to strive to maintain all of the above goals for driving on campus. *A note for parents of teen drivers - there is a web site www.parentingteendrivers.com that offers information for parents and also offers information about parent-teen driver contracts that might be interesting to view.**

STEP DANCE TEAM

We now have a sponsor and tryouts are presently being held. See Mrs. Accivatti for more information.

We also will have a **Ski Club** again this year, and we will be taking trips for skiing depending on the weather. Anyone interested, see Sue Accivatti. Also, the local **Optimist Club** would like to work with students at Anchor Bay. Anyone interested in working with students and the Optimist Club, call Sue Accivatti at 648-2525, Ext. 2306. We have had inquiries about a **Chess Club** and would like to know if there are students interested. If so, we will need a sponsor for the club.

SCHEDULE OF 1st SEMESTER EVENTS

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| October 2 | Homecoming: Game: 7:00 p.m. - vs. Utica, Ford |
| October 2 | End of 1 st Qtr Progress Report |
| October 3 | Homecoming Dance:
7:00 - 11:00 p.m. Commons |
| October 8 | Progress grades due by 8:00 a.m. |
| October 12 | Cap/gown, announcement and class ring orders during lunches and conferences |

Parent/Teacher Conferences
5:00-7:00 p.m.
 Progress Reports to Parents / 1st Marking Period

October 13 Cap/gown, announcements and class ring orders during all lunches

October 14 Cap/gown, announcements and class ring orders during conferences
Student Half Day / Dismissal at 10:19

Parent/Teacher Conference
12:00-2:00 & 5:00-7:00 p.m.

October 14 PSAT Testing - 7:15 - 10:19

October 21 Prevention Coalition - Bay Haven Zero Tolerance 2:30 p.m.

October 22 9th grade MEAP Social Studies

October 24 Honors Choir Auditions - 7 am - 4 pm Commons

October 24 ACT Test

October 29 AFJROTC Red Cross Blood Drive 7am - 2 pm

October 29 Fall Vocal Music Concert 7 pm - Auditorium

November 3 Professional Staff Development
NO SCHOOL

November 6 End of 1st Qtr Marking Period

November 7 Craft Show 9 am - 3 pm ABHS Commons

November 6 Registration Deadline ACT test / regular fee

November 17 Report Cards to students in 6th hour

November 18 Prevention Coalition - Bay Haven Zero Tolerance 2:30 p.m. Room E124

November 19, 20, 21 Fall Drama Production 7:15 p.m.

November 25-27 School closed
 Thanksgiving recess

November 30 School resumes

December 4 End of 2nd Qtr Progress Report

December 9 & 10 Winter Instrumental Music Concert 7:30 p.m. Auditorium

December 12 ACT Test

December 13 Jingle Bell Run 4:00 p.m.

December 14 Winter Vocal Music Concert

December 15 Progress Reports to students 6th hour

December 16 Coalition - Bay Haven Zero Tolerance 2:30 p.m.

Dec 21 - Jan 1 **Holiday Recess**

January 4 School resumes

January 5 Registration Deadline ACT test / regular fee

January 18 Professional Development Day
No Students in attendance-Martin Luther King Jr. Day

January 20 Prevention Coalition - Bay Haven Zero Tolerance 2:30 p.m. Room E124 Semester Exams ½ Day Dismissal at **10:45** a.m. - Periods 1-2

January 21 Semester Exams ½ Day Dismissal at **10:45** a.m. - Periods 3-4

January 22 Semester Exams ½ Day Dismissal at **10:45** a.m. - Periods 5-6
 End of First Semester

January 25 Second Semester Begins

January 26 Mid-Winter Jazz Band Concert 7:30 p.m.

February 2 Band Boosters Annual Tastefest 6 pm North Commons

February 3 Report Cards to students during all lunches

February 6 ACT Tests

February 12-15 Mid-Winter Recess

February 17 Coalition - Bay Haven Zero Tolerance 2:30 p.m. Room E-124

February 19 End of 3rd Qtr Progress Report

COUNSELING NEWS:

Financial Aid for Seniors 2009-2010

The Counseling Center will prepare materials to assist seniors in their search for scholarship funds. This information is to assist students to identify possible scholarship opportunities for which they meet the eligibility requirements.

All scholarship information received by the Counseling Center will be available for viewing on the Anchor Bay High School website www.anchorbay.misd.net. The cumulative scholarship calendar will give you the scholarships available and the application due dates. Click on scholarships under the quick links to view opportunities.

There are additional websites available under the quick links that have proven to be helpful. The www.mymajors.com site will provide the opportunity to view information about specific majors as well as criteria that could be useful in the final selection of a major. The www.fastweb.com site is a website for

researching possible scholarship opportunities. The www.weeklyscholarshipalert.org is a free resource for college-bound students and their parents. Using the financial aid quick link you will find other websites.

In addition, a scholarship notebook will be maintained in the counseling center with a listing of all current (usually by month) scholarships and appropriate due dates. A monthly calendar and scholarship information will be posted in senior English classes for your student's convenience in identifying opportunities that may be applicable to them. As these scholarship opportunities **are spread over the entire school year**, it is imperative that seniors **check application deadlines on a regular basis.**

Seniors and/or parents are advised to access websites to research additional scholarship opportunities. A list of web sites is available in the counseling center and on the high school website.

Two important items of documentation that we will need on file in the counseling office will be your senior's resume and letters of recommendation that have been requested from instructors and/or non-school sources. The personal profile should be arranged by **year** and include extracurricular activities, honors and/or awards, athletic involvement, non-school activities, community service, work experience, and achievements both in school and in the community. It is recommended that students obtain at least **three** letters of recommendation including one from a non-school source. It works **BEST** if an original of each of the above letters is kept on file in the counseling office allowing duplication as needed to complete the student's scholarship applications.

In addition, we will have the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) available to students. Remember, these forms cannot be submitted until after **January 1, 2010** but should be filed no later than **March 1, 2010** to make sure all deadlines will be met. This application may also be submitted on-line which allows for faster processing and thus information being forwarded to the college sooner

COLLEGES

Representatives from several Michigan universities will be visiting Anchor Bay High School this fall to meet with seniors. We will be posting the times and dates on the Anchor Bay web site in the high school counseling section. Interested seniors should sign up in the counseling office to meet with the representative for the school (s) of their choice.

Seniors who are applying to colleges on-line need to make sure that they print the "counselor's" page and drop it off in the counseling office in order that school records can be sent. The application is not complete until this is done.

Also, be aware of early decision/scholarship deadlines at the schools where you will be applying. We have direct links on our web site to Michigan colleges where that data is available.

COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAMS

Seniors wanting to re-take the ACT should go to the website www.actstudent.org to register. The next available test date is December 12 (deadline to register is Nov. 6, 2009)

Juniors will be taking the ACT with their class in March 2010 at the high school.

PROM

Extra!!! Please notice that Prom 2010 (for Juniors and Seniors only) has been scheduled for Saturday, May 8, 2010 at Zuccaro's Banquet and Catering, 46601 Gratiot, Chesterfield Twp., 48051. ABHS students who are underclassmen can only attend if they are the guest of a Junior or Senior. NO 8th grade or younger students may attend. All other Guests must be under the age of 21, an ABHS graduate, or an enrolled student from another Macomb County High School. Further exceptions must have approval of the administration. Guest forms must be filled out and approved two weeks prior the event and prior to purchasing ticket.

****Notice Times for 2009 Homecoming****

Powder Puff Game Results

Seniors 10, Juniors 6

Homecoming Royalty

Freshman Lady and Lord

Jenna Munson

Mark Grillo

Sophomore Duchess and Duke

Christy Burko

Lucas Schodowski

Junior Princess and Prince

Haley Hitchcock

Melvin Bailey

Top Four Senior Girls and Guys

Paige Beckett, Dayna Diebold, Catherine Jacobs, Kaylin Moore, Ethan Anderson, John Bohn, Alan Gaglio and Tyler Mann (The Homecoming Queen and King will be named from these Top Four Seniors at

Homecoming evening following the football game

Homecoming Float Building begins on

September 28th through October 1st

Homecoming Game - Friday, Oct. 2, 2009

Parade - Friday, October 2, 5:45 p.m.

around ABHS, Line up at 4:45 p.m. sharp in back of the soccer fields!

Game - 7:00 p.m. ABHS Football Field

Dance - Saturday, October 3, 2009

from 7:00 to 11:00 p.m. in the ABHS Commons.

Dress is Formal or Semi Formal

Dance Tickets were \$15.00 - Sale of tickets ended on September 30, 2009

Policy: No 8th grade or younger guests may attend.

Other guests must be under the age of 21, an ABHS graduate, or an enrolled student from another Macomb County High School. Anchor Bay students must have their guest fill out a form (obtained in the Student Activities office), have it approved by the guest's administrator, and returned to the student activities office by September 28th. Guest forms must be turned in previous to the purchase of the guest's ticket. Further exceptions must have approval of the administration. Parents are not able to chaperone unless they have a pre approved form in at Central Administration.

No tickets will be sold at the door!