

## Allegany-Limestone Middle-High School

April 12, 2021

## Gator MHS Families!

Whether you were vacationing out of town or enjoying the beautiful weather this past week in our hometown, I truly hope that you were somehow able to enjoy a break. We now return for what I have always viewed as the homestretch!

Throughout the next several weeks, I'll post updated information for you concerning the ending of our year for grades 6-12. These communications may be lengthy, but you'll have an idea as to what is going on in the entire A-L Middle-High School, or just view to use the information that's important for you and your family.

## Here we go!

- We begin our 4<sup>th</sup> and last quarter of the school year on Monday, April 19<sup>th</sup>.
- Reminder that we begin our Wednesday instruction <u>NEXT</u> Wednesday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, for Track A and C students.
   (The following week, Tracks B and C attend.) The schedule for Wednesdays can be found by clicking on the link on the ALCS website.
- All of our 6<sup>th</sup> graders who would like to return may do so beginning <u>next</u> Monday, April 19. We will no longer be offering Tracks A and B to our 6<sup>th</sup> graders. Information was mailed home before vacation.
- At this time, we do NOT have plans to return all grades 7-12. We have read the recently updated 3-foot guidelines, but we are not able to accommodate all of the requirements for safe attendance of our students (transportation, lunch, hallways). This, though, is always subject to change.
- This Tuesday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, at 3 pm is the deadline for all current sophomores and juniors to notify Mrs. Robin Kozlowski at Ext. 2177 or in Student Services of their interest in attending Drivers Education during the summer and to receive a lottery ticket. Information was mailed home before vacation.
- Reminder! Want to order a yearbook? MS yearbook deadline is today, Monday, April 12<sup>th</sup>. The HS yearbook deadline is Friday, April 16<sup>th</sup>. Links to purchase either or both yearbooks can be found on the ALCS website.
- All 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> graders will be taking a ONE day, multiple-choice ELA state exam (computer -based) on Thursday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, or Friday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>. [Make-up day will be Monday, April 26<sup>th</sup>.) Teachers will be communicating with students concerning the exam. This is a "NO pressure; just give your best effort exam" and will provide the state and our district with a small data point to assess our instruction during this crazy time.
- The NYS math assessment (one day, multiple-choice, paper-based) will take place on May 6<sup>th</sup> and May 7<sup>th</sup>.
- Information on the Science 8 exam to come.
- We will be planning an Academics Award Ceremony even though it will look drastically different from past years. Info. to come.
- PROM! Yes! We are having one (at this point!) The date? Saturday, June 19<sup>th</sup>. Mrs. D. Christopher and Mrs. M. Wymer have been working with an incredible PROM committee to bring this idea to life. Information for juniors and seniors will soon be announced. The time is a bit funky, 7 to 10 pm, because THERE IS A SENIOR TRIP!
- Mandatory online Junior Class meeting at 2:45 next Monday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, through Teams. Check *Announcements* in Teams for details.

- Four Regents exams will be given at the end of the school year. More information to come, and Mrs. Kinnaird,
  Director of Instruction, has also produced a narrated PowerPoint on assessments. Link can be found on the
  ALCS website.
- The end of the year calendar MAY be adjusted with additional instructional days added because of the elimination of some Regents days. Information to come as soon as we have it!
- BOCES summer school will be online again this summer. Unfortunately, we do have students who have done very little this year, even though the majority of our students have met with success during this difficult time. I'm hoping that all of our students kick into a high gear to end this school year, and then we leave it behind as we hopefully enter a more normal Fall 2021.

## Seniors:

- Senior Trip to Cedar Point. Class leaves at 5 am on Sunday on June 20<sup>th</sup>.
- Many clubs are joining with our JCC Leadership Engagement class to whip up a little something special for our seniors: "Spoil the Seniors"-Monday, May 3 Friday, May 14, 2021 a service project/ fundraiser coordinated by the JCC Leadership Class to show support for the Class of 2021. Funds raised will be used to buy small gift/ gifts for all members of the ALMHS Class of 2021. More info. will be included in the Gator Communicator.
- There WILL be a senior parade. Date and time TBD.
- Graduation: Tentatively for Saturday, June 26<sup>th</sup>. At this point, we're planning for an outdoor ceremony that includes the entire class being together; therefore, the date is tentative. Time to be determined. We'll provide details as soon as we are able to do so!

Add in our athletics and community service projects, and we're ready to embrace a jam-packed ending to the school year! I'll continue to keep you updated, and if you have any questions, please give us a call.

With hope,

Kimberly Moore, ALMHS Principal