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Two Auburn Teachers Accepted into the NYS Master Teacher Program



Aaron Williams, Div Patel and Prin Furst

In October, New York State accepted 275 master teachers into the New York State Master Teacher Program, and two Auburn teachers, Matthew Drastal and Prin Furst, were among those selected.

The New York State Master Teacher Program (NYSMTP) began in 2013 as a way to identify and support teachers who teach STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) subjects. Teachers who are chosen to be a part of the program are considered to be innovators and leaders in STEM education.

Drastal is a technology teacher at Auburn Junior High School, and Furst teaches Enriched Regents Chemistry and AP Chemistry at Auburn High School. The two will join several other master teachers in the Auburn school district – Judith Coye and Patrick Crawford who are currently in the program, as well as Master Teacher Emeriti, Kathleen Austin and Janet Scheffler.

As part of the NYSMTP, master teachers receive stipends each year for four years to use toward professional development and peer mentoring. They must participate in a minimum of 50 professional development hours each year.

"I applied to the program to enhance my teaching abilities," said Furst. "My quest to become a master teacher has increased my effectiveness as a teacher and has enhanced student learning experiences in my classes.



Matthew Drastal

I am looking forward to collaborating with the many excellent master teachers in our state, receiving high quality training, and being able to bring back ideas and methods to share with my Auburn colleagues."

Drastal shares Furst's eagerness to collaborate with other master teachers through the program.

"I spent 22 years in corporate life before teaching," Drastal said. "I have worked locally and internationally and have an idea of how to be successful and competitive in today's world. Being a master teacher will allow me to share my knowledge, as well as learn new points of view from others who have had different life experiences."

The Auburn Enlarged City School District is honored to have several of its teachers accepted into such a prestigious program.

"Prin and Matt are true professionals; they are constantly going above and beyond to work with students outside of regular school hours," said Auburn Enlarged City School District Superintendent, Jeff Pirozzolo. "Their acceptance into the master teacher program is well deserved."

To read a Question & Answer session with Furst and Drastal, visit the News section on the district website, www.aecsd.education.

For more information on the New York State Master Teacher Program, visit www.suny.edu/masterteacher

by Jessica Luisi, Public Information Specialist



NOTICE OF REFERENDUM VOTE

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT VOTE

Tuesday, January 8, 2019 7:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Voting will be held at two polling places for all Auburn Enlarged City School District Residents



Seward Elementary School 52 Metcalf Drive Auburn, New York 13021

Casey Park Elementary School 101 Pulaski Street Auburn, New York

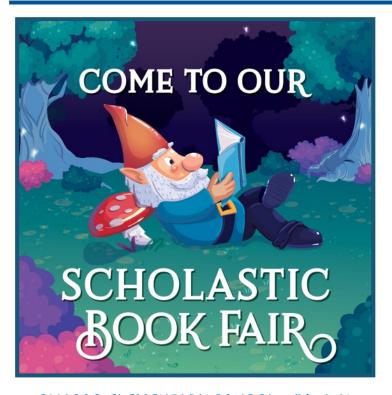
Scope of the project includes priority one items from the Facilities Plan identified by their connection to the health and safety, security, preservation, code requirements as well as infrastructure and building systems that are at the end of their expected lifespan. Priority one items also include various code-required upgrades identified by the Facilities Plan.

Additional categories of reconstruction projects at the sites include: lighting, plumbing, windows and doors, heating and ventilation projects, flooring, building infrastructure including masonry and concrete work and other miscellaneous upgrades.

Auburn High School Announces the Class of 2019 Valedictorian and Salutatorian

Congratulations to **Zachary Moore** and **Matthew Bergan** for earning the distinction of Valedictorian and Salutatorian for Auburn High School's Class of 2019. Zachary, Valedictorian, is a member of several clubs and activities including the National Honor Society, SADD Club, Z-Club and the Varsity Tennis Team. Matthew, Salutatorian, is also a member of several clubs including the National Honor Society, FBLA, Varsity Club and the Varsity Baseball Team. We are very proud of their commitment to excellence in their academic and extracurricular activities. Congratulations, Zachary and Matthew!





OWASCO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL will be holding their Fall Book Fair on November 26-30th during school hours. For more information contact Victoria Calarco, School Librarian, Owasco Elementary School. At AUBURN JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL the fall Scholastic Book Fair will continue through November 2nd during school hours. You can also shop online at:

www.scholastic.com/bf/auburnjhslibrary until November 6th. On Thursday, November 1st the book fair will be open from 5:30-8:00PM during Parent Teacher Conferences. For more information contact Marcella Didio, School Librarian, Auburn Junior High School.

GENESEE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL will be holding a Scholastic Book Fair during school hours November 14th-16th for students, as well as an evening Book Fair and Innovation Lab activities on November 15th from 5:00 -7:00 pm (open to the public). Everyone is welcome to shop our online Book Fair between November 1st and 21st at: www.scholastic.com/bf/genesee

All proceeds from the Book Fair go toward allowing every student to select a free book at our March Book Fair! For more information contact Anne Mlod, School Librarian, Genesee Elementary School.



Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA)

Students who are applying to colleges, please be aware that procedures for the confidentiality of student records within the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA) have recently changed. FERPA permits school officials to disclose all education records, including disciplinary records, to another institution at which the student seeks or intends to enroll. This now also applies to post-secondary institutions (colleges), upon request.



Genesee's First Lego League Robotics Team has been meeting before school to get ready for the competition being held at BOCES on Sunday, November 11th from 9 am to 3 pm. Teams from Casey Park and Seward will also be representing Auburn at the competition, which includes teams from throughout the BOCES area. Teams must design, build and program a robot as well as investigate a real-world problem and develop a solution. This year's theme is "Into Orbit" with a focus on space. The public is invited to attend the competition. More information can be found at https://www.firstinspires.org.

Pictured: Coach Erik Winks, Elizabeth Hughes, Guinnessa Grimes, Connor Winks, Jonathan Young, Meghan Winks, Jacob Morrell, Ethan Secor, Alexander Roblee and Coach Bridget Winks. (Missing are Aiden Hodson and Willow Waldron).



AHS MUSIC STUDENT SELECTED AS ONE OF STATE'S BEST



Congratulations to **Aaron Baim** who has been selected to participate in The New York State School Music Association (NYSSMA) Conference All State Mixed Chorus! Aaron was selected from the best vocalists among all of the students in New York State. Students attend festivals around the state with a prepared solo ranging from levels I through VI with VI being the most difficult. A

Level VI is required to be considered for All-State, and Aaron received a perfect score!

We are very proud of him as he is the first vocalist from Auburn to be selected in many years. Aaron is a senior at Auburn High School.

Congratulations Aaron!

Submitted by Steve Gamba, Music Teacher



Annual Seward Jump Rope Contest! 1st and 2nd place finishers moving on to the district competition on Wednesday, October 24th. L-R: Maggie Hill, Owen Gasper, Gavin Gauthier, Cal Maher, Giano Ruscio, Charlie DeRosa, Aiden Weaver, Makenna Komenecky, Matthew Smith and Gianna Gagliardi.



Owasco
Elementary
School held a
Walk-A-Thon
Fundraiser on
Friday, October
12th.

Congratulations to Mrs. Murphy's second grade class who raised the most money for the Walk-a-thon. Prize was to silly string the principal, Mrs. Adams-Snell.



SCHOOL TAX INFORMATION

2nd installment due: December 5, 2018

Last day the collector will accept taxes is:
December 5, 2018

Questions about your bill? Call 315-255-8806 or e-mail:

Sandra Van Giesen@aecsd.education

You can also look up your bill online at:

www.taxlookup.net

NEW YORK STATE SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY:

You can go online to find out if any sexual offenders live near you. The New York State Sex Offender Registry is available at www.criminaljustice.ny.gov/nsor/index.htm whereby you can search for Level 2 and Level 3 sex offenders.



Please consider attending our District Parent Council (DPC) meetings this year.

Who can attend: Parents, guardians, community members, teachers, staff, all district stakeholders

What is its purpose: Discuss school district topics, ask questions, hear from Superintendent of Schools, Jeff Pirozzolo

Where: Harriet Tubman Administrative Building, 78

Thornton Avenue

When: 1st Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. **November Topics:** Social Media / Cyberbullying

Please Help Support the 2019 Senior Class!



Grand Prize \$1,000 Cash!





- Drawing is on Tuesday, November 20th right after school
- Need not be present to win
- Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20
- Available in Mrs. Casaletta's Room E215 or through interoffice mail

To report Child Abuse call the Statewide Toll Free Telephone Number:

1-800-342-3720 or visit:

http://ocfs.ny.gov/main/cps/

The New York State Office of Children and Family Services





Prevent & Report Child Abuse

Do You Suspect Abuse or Maltreatment?

Report it Now!

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If you are deaf or hard of hearing, call TDD/TTY at

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If you believe that a child is in immediate danger, call 911 or your local police department.

¿Es usted sospecha abuso o maltrato?

Reportarlo Ahora!

Llame a nuestro nivel estatal Número de Teléfono:

1-800-342-3720

Si usted es sordo o tiene problemas auditivos, llame al TDD / TTY al

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<u>o</u> tener su llamada proveedor de sistema de retransmisión de vídeo

1-800-342-3720

Si usted cree que un niño está en **peligro inmediato**, llame **al 911** o al departamento de policía local.

November 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
AWAY? PELIEVE Yourself	October 2018 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	STOP -Wishing- START -Doing-	December 2018 S M T W T F S	Winter Tryouts: Modified Boys Basketball AHS Winter Sports Physicals, Boys 2:00PM Genesee PTP Mtg. 6:00PM AJHS Title 1 Mtg. 5:00PM Parent Teacher Conferences AJHS 5:30-8:00PM	HS Report Cards AHS Winter Sports Physicals, Girls 2:00PM	SAT Exam AHS 7:45AM Hall of Fame Induction Dinner, Springside 6PM
Daylight Saving Time	School Picture Retake Day @ AHS & AJHS Winter Tryouts: JV/V Sports District Parent Council Mtg.	6	AJHS PTO Mtg. 6:00PM	National STEM/STEAM Day Seward Community Cafe 5:00-7:00PM OPT Meeting Owasco	Owasco Veteran's Day Assembly	10
Ends	6:30PM @ Tubman	Election Day	1.1	6:30PM Library	K-8 Marking Period 1 Ends	17
Veterans Day For updated events please check the online calendar at our new website: www.aecsd.education	Veterans Day Observed NO SCHOOL	Board of Education Mtg. AHS Library @ 7:00PM	Casey Park CPTO Meeting 5:30PM	America Recycles Day	CCMEA All County @ Union Springs Junior High Report Cards	CCMEA All County @ Union Springs
18 Gettysburg Address Ánniversary National Family Week	Herman PTO Mtg. 4:30PM Owasco OPT Meeting 6:30PM	20 REFORT RADO Elementary Report Cards	21	Thanksgiving Day NO SCHOOL	No school	24 Grātēful
National Native American Heritage Month	26	27	28 School Picture Retake Day Casey Park, Herman, Owasco AHS Fall Choral Classic @ AHS 7PM	School Picture Retake Day Genesee AHS Drama Club Show 7PM @ Aubum Pub.Theater	Seward Circus Day 5:30-6:30PM Midway 7:00PM Performance AHS Drama Club Show 7PM @ Auburn Pub.Theater	NOW.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS!



Missing just a few days of school a month can hurt a child's math and reading skills or even their chance of graduating. Please help us reduce chronic absence.
Find out more at:

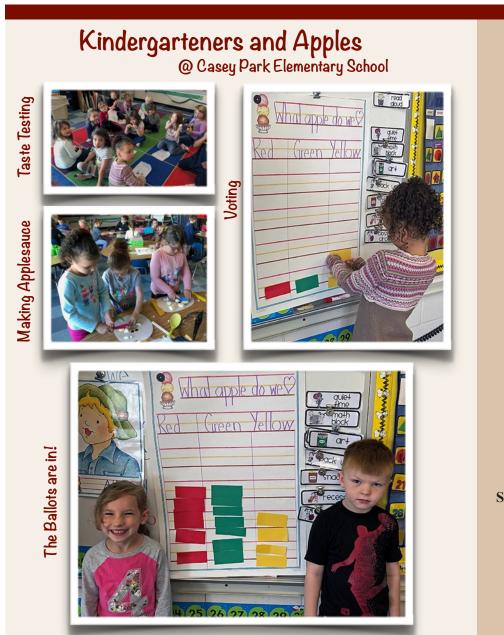
www.everystudentpresent.org/parents

Check out
#EveryStudentPresentAECSD
on social media.



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