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## Auburn High School P-TECH Student News

**Jonathan Roberts, P-TECH Coordinator**

It is without hesitation to say that it has been a nice change to be all in-person and free from the COVID restraints that have hindered student progress. For the Auburn High School P-TECH students, learning mechanical and electrical engineering through Cayuga Community College in order to earn their associates degree and a career in engineering had been a challenge remotely. Students are now taking advantage of face-to-face interactions with their professors and fellow college classmates.

Juniors are enjoying their first collegiate experience learning CAD in order to draw technical 2-D and 3-D conceptual designs. Students have been working in labs to create their technical drawings. The first lab consisted of recreating a plate with specifications given by the professor.

Seniors are enrolled in electrical engineering for the Fall semester. Students have been learning about circuits by creating circuit boards but need to test the viability of the circuits. Their knowledge of circuits will help aid them in future projects.

In October, all of the P-TECH students will be attending their first site field trip by touring the WestRock Paperboard Mill. Students will learn how cardboard products are made by observing engineers using software to program machines that build the products. Students will have the chance to see how many types of cardboard products are made locally.

For more information visit <https://www.ptech.org>



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Call or text 988**

Free and confidential support  
for people in distress, 24/7.



**SAMHSA: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration**  
<https://www.samhsa.gov/>

If you or someone you know needs support now, call or text 988 or chat [988lifeline.org](https://www.988lifeline.org)

988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline: <https://omh.ny.gov/omhweb/crisis/988.html>

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The New York State Office of Mental Health is excited to share the newest educational resource about 988 in New York!

The 988 Palm Cards explain what happens when 988 is contacted by call, chat, or text and includes a helpful flow chart that is easy to understand. The 988 Palm Cards also include a QR code to learn more information about 988.

The 988 Palm Cards can be viewed, downloaded, and printed at <https://omh.ny.gov/omhweb/crisis/988-cards-english.pdf>.

The PDF version of each palm card is available on the OMH 988 web page in English, Spanish, Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese, Haitian Creole, Arabic, Korean, Bengali and Russian. This resource can also be requested in any language that is not already available on the OMH 988 webpage by filling out the 988 Resource Translation Request Form.

Visit the web page regularly as it will be updated with more resources as they become available.

## Great things are happening at the Den!

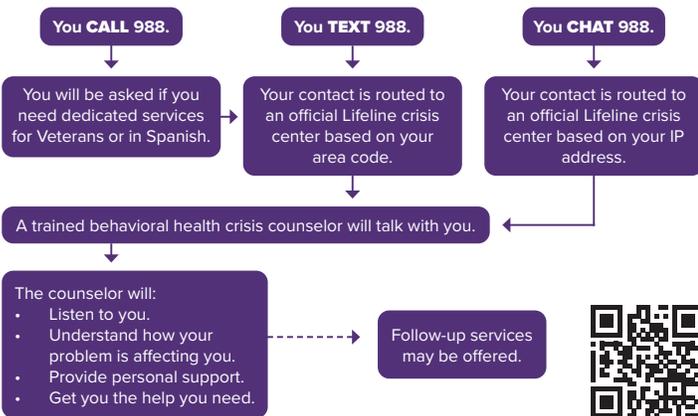


Genesee Elementary kicked off the new school year with a PBIS assembly where all students and staff gathered in the gymnasium. After reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and the Genesee Elementary Character Education pledge, sixth grade students were selected to hold up the letters P-R-I-D-E. As a school, we discussed the importance of showing our PRIDE: Productively struggling, Respect, In Control, Dedication, Empathy. In addition to showing good character, we kicked off our Awesome Attendance initiative. Students are challenged to be in school every day and miss no more than two school days in order to qualify for our first Awesome Attendance Night in November. According to Principal Sarah Passarello, "One of the most important things that our students can do is to be present in school each day. We know that when our students are in school, their opportunities for learning increase greatly." We are excited to see the many ways that our Genesee students show their PRIDE in the coming months.

**MaryClaire Pineau, Assistant Principal**



### What Happens When I Contact 988?



All events and activities are subject to change. Please check the website for the latest updates:  
[www.aecsd.education](http://www.aecsd.education)

## Herman Ave Students have Soaring Expectations

Herman Avenue celebrated our PBIS kickoff on Friday, September 9th. Mrs. Garback and Mrs. Batis reviewed the SOAR expectations and students had the opportunity to use sidewalk chalk to write or draw a picture of a character trait they would like to work on this year. Throughout the day, students also had fun when they got to go through the bounce house obstacle course. We're looking forward to watching all our students SOAR at Herman Ave. this year!

*Brianne Batis, Assistant Principal*



# Seymour Library

## FALL FESTIVAL

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15

11 AM - 2 PM

- STORYTIMES
- CRAFT ACTIVITIES
- GAMES
- HISTORIC TOURS
- FALL TREATS
- STEAM DEMONSTRATION

Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts and Mathematics

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315-252-2571 [www.seymourlibrary.org](http://www.seymourlibrary.org)



## Auburn Education Foundation News



Auburn Education Foundation supports an enriched learning environment for students of the Auburn Enlarged City School District through collaborations, gifts and grants.

The **AEF Fall Grant Applications** are due on Monday, October 17th.

## Gobble 'N Go for Education

Join us October 22<sup>nd</sup> for a fun-filled afternoon of sampling specialty food items from several downtown venues and searching for the Gobble Rocks (prizes for each one found). This restaurant crawl benefits students within the Auburn Enlarged City School District by providing funding for innovative and creative projects designed by district staff.

**Saturday, October 22, 2022**

**1:00 – 5:00pm**

**Last stop at the Knights of Columbus 4:30 - 6:00pm**

**Tickets are \$30 at:**

auburnedfoundation.org (PayPal)  
Harriet Tubman Administration Building  
Equal Rights Heritage Center, 25 South St.  
Regenerations  
Knights of Columbus

**Must show ticket or PayPal receipt to receive event wristband at either:**

Burger Theory at Holiday Inn  
Genesee Mall  
Refinery Modern Fare at Hilton Garden Inn

**See you there!**

## AEF ANNUAL APPEAL

Check out the many projects/programs directed by AECSD staff and funded by Auburn Education Foundation. These are all projects that, due to budgetary constraints, cannot be funded by the district. To date, AEF has awarded over 140 grants totaling \$330,000.

Donations to this year's appeal can be made at

**[auburnedfoundation.org](http://auburnedfoundation.org)**

## Welcome Fifth Graders to Band & Orchestra!

On Thursday evening September 15th, 5th grade families from around the district met with their band teachers Mrs. Edlind and Ms. Crissman, and their orchestra teacher Mr. Stepien to learn about the instrumental program and how to obtain their instruments. They were joined by Mike Speno from Speno's music. If your child didn't sign up but decides to give it a try, just have them let their classroom teacher know.

This is a very exciting time for beginner band students and we can't wait to see how they progress!



*Lisa Edlind, Music Teacher*

## SCHOOL TAX INFORMATION

**1st installment due:**

**October 3, 2022**

**2nd installment due:**

**December 2, 2022**

**Last day the collector will accept taxes is December 2, 2022**

**Questions about your bill?**

**Call 315-255-8836**

**or e-mail:**

**[LisaCamardo@aecsd.education](mailto:LisaCamardo@aecsd.education)**

**You can also look up your**

**bill online at:**

**[www.taxlookup.net](http://www.taxlookup.net)**

**Location to pay in person:**

**FIVE-STAR BANK**

**345 Genesee St, Auburn, NY**

**Address to mail payments:**

**AECSD Tax Collector**

**P.O. Box 241**

**Warsaw, NY 14569**

## Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Updates

- AECSD DEI consultant Bill Berry, Jr. assisted Booker T. Washington Community Center (BTW) staff to coordinate and pack backpacks with needed school supplies as the advanced preparation for the actual August 27th annual giveaway.
- Dr. Renee Burgess distributed backpacks stuffed with school supplies to adult members of the community and their children at the annual, widely popular BTW event on Saturday, August 27th. Bill Berry, Jr. also provided information regarding the September DEI “Meet and Greet” session scheduled at BTW for September 17th.
- The district’s DEI Task Force held its first monthly meeting on September 12th, where members discussed and started to frame the overall platform, structural framework, as well as overarching themes that will guide all district school buildings including the Tubman administration site in developing building specific objectives to further DEI initiatives while incorporating the NYS CR-S Framework. The DEI Strategic Action Plan is positioned for implementation at the start of the 2023-24 school year and the task force will convene monthly through June 2023.
- Dr. Burgess and Bill Berry, Jr. are working with individual school leadership to embolden student learning and awareness, such as conducting elementary book readings for several classrooms at Genesee Elementary the last week of September.
- DEI officials and AECSD administrators were involved with several community-based events such as the annual downtown “Tomato Fest”; The Seward House Museum’s “Culinary Expedition”; United Way of Cayuga County’s 2022-23 “Annual Campaign Kick-Off”; Chamber of Commerce’s “Business After Five” affair at Genesee Elementary in collaboration with AECSD, Auburn Education Foundation, and Chamber members; the Cayuga County Tourism Office’s recognition and celebration of Harriet Tubman at the new downtown business, “Melody’s”; The Tubman Boosters ribbon cutting ceremony unveiling of the Arthur Hutchinson Tubman mural on the downtown Nolan Building, the Chamber of Commerce’s annual dinner at the Emerson Park Pavilion, as well as moving forward the creation of a United Way Student community and student service organization at AHS.
- Dr. Burgess and Bill Berry, Jr. presented to the Auburn Enlarged School District Board of Education on September 27. The presentation consisted of a review of outreach, partnerships, DEI Task Force updates, and future action items.

## Anonymous Alerts® report it

report bullying or cyberbullying

help your friends

report depression

be assertive

**SEE SOMETHING DO SOMETHING**  
Submit your reports anonymously

report threats against schools

report drug or alcohol use

report strange behavior

The school district is pleased to continue our partnership with Anonymous Alerts®, the anti-bullying and safety reporting app and system. This safety communications tool is a way for our students to quickly communicate anonymously with school officials and engage in anonymous 2-way communications to share more information about incidents. Types of concerns that may be reported include, but are not limited to, bullying, harassment, drug-related issues, fighting, weapons, threats, and more. The goal of this reporting system is to help maintain a safe school climate while giving students ample opportunity to securely communicate with school administrators without fear of retribution by their peers. The system will be monitored during school days between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

To send a report online:

[www.anonymousalerts.com/  
auburnecsd](http://www.anonymousalerts.com/auburnecsd)

- Download the Anonymous Alerts® app
- Start the app, enter Activation Code: **auburnecsd**
- Send important reports to school officials
- Add a screenshot, photo or video about the incident

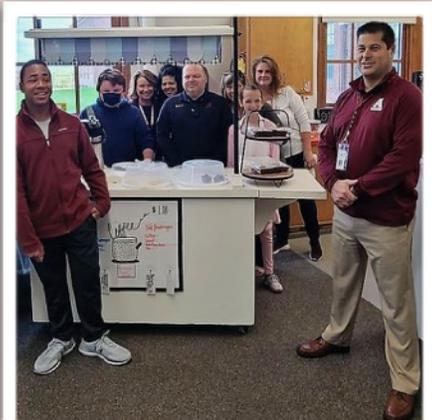


# October 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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 2	3	4	Yom Kippur Ends 5 AJHS Title One Parent Meeting 5:30pm AJHS PTO Mtg. 6:00PM Walk Your Child to School	6	7	8
 9 National Bullying Prevention Month Harvest Moon	 10 Columbus Day <b>NO SCHOOL</b>	11 Fire Prevention Week Fire Prevention Program Board of Education Mtg. AHS Library @ 7:00PM	12 PSAT Exam @ AHS 8AM	13	14 School Picture Day: Owasco Varsity Football 6:30PM vs. Whitesboro @Holland Stadium, (Homecoming Game)	15 Homecoming Dance @ AHS 7:00PM
16 Crime Prevention Month	 17 School Board Recognition Week AEF Fall Grant Applications Due	18 AJHS Mod.Sports Physicals, Boys 2:20PM	19 UNITY Day - Wear <b>Orange</b> School Picture Day: Genesee Seward AJHS Mod.Sports Physicals, Girls 2:20PM	20 Financial Aid Presentation @ AHS Auditorium 5:30PM College Night @ AHS Gym 5:30-7:30PM	21 <b>NO SCHOOL</b> Staff Development Day Varsity Football 6:00PM @ New Hartford HS End Marking Period 1	22 ACT Test 7:45AM @ AHS AEF Gobble'n & Go Restaurant Crawl (Education Fundraiser) 1:00-5:00PM
Red Ribbon Week October 23-31 (Drug Awareness)	23	24 School Picture Day: Genesee	25	26	27	28
30	Halloween 11:30AM Early Release Elementary Parent Teacher Conferences 12:30-3:30PM	 25 District Rope Jumping Contest 3:30pm @ Seward Elementary Board of Education Mtg. AHS Library @ 6:00PM	26	27	28	29 
	31			AHS Parent/Teacher Conferences 5:30-8:00PM (AHS Report Cards 10/31)		

## Welcome to the AJHS Coffee Cart!

Our coffee cart provides students hands-on learning experiences, with a focus on cooking, communication skills, and money skills. The students are being taught skills and then get the opportunity to practice these skills through the real world experience of running the coffee cart.



This type of learning is providing the students with a strong sense of purpose, self-worth, and AJHS PRIDE. We would like to thank all the staff at AJHS for supporting our cause.

*Jane Wood,*  
**AJHS Teacher**

**UNITY  
DAY  
10.19.22**

**WEAR and SHARE orange** to come together in one giant message uniting our school, community, and nation for kindness, acceptance, and inclusion to visibly show that we believe no child should ever experience bullying.

**Make it orange and make it end!**



## Talk to your teen about **VAPING**

Click below to read the  
**US Surgeon General's  
Tip Sheet for Parents:**



[https://e-cigarettes.surgeongeneral.gov/documents/SGR\\_ECig\\_ParentTipSheet\\_508.pdf](https://e-cigarettes.surgeongeneral.gov/documents/SGR_ECig_ParentTipSheet_508.pdf)



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## #FixAndFundIt

The Advocacy Ad Hoc Committee has put this website together as a way to get information out to the community regarding the Foundation Aid issues affecting the district.

For more information please visit:

[fixandfundit.org](http://fixandfundit.org)



### 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.

### 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](http://www.criminaljustice.ny.gov/nsor/index.htm) whereby you can search for Level 2 and Level 3 sex offenders.



### Keep Your Child on Track With Schoolwork

**Supporting Children's Learning:** Children who are struggling with schoolwork can become frustrated and look for ways to avoid going to school and participating in school. Our goal is to provide them with the support they need so they feel good about learning and good about themselves. Parents and teachers need to work together to help children succeed in school and feel connected. Find out more at:

[www.everystudentpresent.org/parents](http://www.everystudentpresent.org/parents)

Check out #EveryStudentPresentAECSD on social media.



Tuesday, October 11th - Pajama Day! Wear your pajamas to school  
Wednesday, October 12th - Decades Day! Dress from another Time  
Thursday, October 13th - Country (Jr) & Country Club (Sr) Day  
Friday, October 14th - GAME ON! Homecoming T- Shirt, Big Senior Class Picture,  
Pep Rally in the Gym, AHS vs. Whitesboro, 6:30PM @ Holland Stadium  
Saturday, October 15th - Homecoming Dance:  
@ 7:00-10:00PM in the AHS Gym, DJ Hump, and Photo Booth

The **Auburn Athletics Calendar** for all sports can be accessed on our website at:

<https://aecsd.education/districtpage.cfm?pageid=1941>



Also on **Schedule Galaxy** which will soon be called Aktivite.



## Enhanced STAR Exemption for Senior Citizens

Senior property owners who already have a Basic STAR Exemption on their primary residence may be eligible for the Enhanced STAR Exemption when they are 65. You should apply when you are 64 so that, if you qualify, you may receive the exemption beginning the year that you turn 65. Auburn city residents should contact the Assessor's Office at City Hall on South Street (255-4125). Other Auburn (Aurelius, Throop, Owasco, Sennett, Fleming) and Cayuga County residents should contact their local assessor's office. The deadline for applications for Auburn city residents is February 1. Other Auburn and Cayuga County residents should check with their local assessor.

The Enhanced STAR program for senior citizens provides eligible seniors an exemption from school property taxes for owner-occupied, primary residences. To be eligible for this exemption, a property owner must be 65 years of age or older on December 31, 2022, with income not exceeding \$92,000.

STAR provides qualifying households with up to a \$74,900 exemption on the full value of their property. Qualifying residents owning a home with a full value of \$100,000 would recognize an estimated tax savings of \$1,181 from the Enhanced STAR for the tax year in which they qualify.

For more information and to check the latest updates go to the NYS STAR Program website: <https://www.tax.ny.gov/star/>



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