

Skyline High School

Family Update 5/13/21

Skyline Family,

Our second week of in-person, hybrid learning has continued to reinvigorate our Skyline Eagles and staff alike. Each day we gain more comfort and continue to build towards the full, in-person experience we have planned for the 2021-22 school year. Thank you for entrusting your children to the Skyline team. Have a great weekend, Skyline!

Your proud principal,
Cory McElmeel
Skyline High School

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The Week of 5/17 and Beyond Schedule

Beginning 5/3, the schedule will be as follows:

Cohort 1 (Student with Last Names A-K) - Attends In-Person Monday & Tuesday

Cohort 2 (Students with Last Names L-Z) - Attends In-Person Thursday & Friday

Start	End	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:20	9:25	In-Person (Cohort 1)/Remote Block 1	In-Person(Cohort 1)/Remote Block 2	Continue Asynchronous Wednesday Schedule	In-Person(Cohort 2)/Remote Block 1	In-Person(Cohort 2)/Remote Block 2
9:35	10:40	In-Person(Cohort 1)/Remote Block 3	In-Person(Cohort 1)/Remote Block 4		In-Person(Cohort 2)/Remote Block 3	In-Person(Cohort 2)/Remote Block 4
10:50	11:55	In-Person(Cohort 1)/Remote Block 5	In-Person(Cohort 1)/Remote Block 6		In-Person(Cohort 2)/Remote Block 5	In-Person(Cohort 2)/Remote Block 6
11:55	12:45	Travel/Busing/ Lunch	Travel/Busing/ Lunch		Travel/Busing/ Lunch	Travel/Busing/ Lunch
12:45	1:25	Remote Advisory	Office Hours		Office Hours	Remote Advisory
1:30	2:00	Remote Block 1	Remote Block 2		Remote Block 1	Remote Block 2
2:05	2:35	Remote Block 3	Remote Block 4		Remote Block 3	Remote Block 4
2:40	3:10	Remote Block 5	Remote Block 6		Remote Block 5	Remote Block 6
3:20	4:20	Remote 7th Period	Remote 7th Period		Remote 7th Period	Remote 7th Period

Big Picture View of the Month Ahead

Linked [HERE](#)

AAPS Summer School

Please see our AAPS Summer School webpage ([HERE](#)) for our summer school credit-recovery, grade-improvement, enrichment and credit-acceleration offerings. Our programs will be hosted through Pioneer High School, A2 Virtual, our AAPS Summer Music Program and our Community Resource Course option. Please see the webpage above for more information on each program, including registration.

SAT Make-Up Testing, 11th Grade

Students that did not test on our original SAT School Day have the opportunity to make up the test on Tuesday, May 18th. Please complete the survey if your student plans to take the test. The survey must be completed by Monday, May 10th in order to reserve a seat for the test on May 18th. If your student receives accommodations he/she will be testing over the course of two days.

[SAT Makeup Testing Survey](#)

Course Selections for 2021-2022 School Year

Counselors held assemblies for each grade level to walk them through the course selection process and share important information about selecting courses for the 2021-2022 school year. A detailed email with video recordings of the assemblies will come to you Friday, 5/14 after we complete the rising 9th grade assembly.

Please encourage your child to work with their teachers and counselors over the next few weeks to ensure that they are selecting the appropriate classes for next year based on their interests, skills and post-secondary plans. ***All course requests are due in the PowerSchool portal by 3:00pm Fri. 5/21.***

Here are the course selection sheets for each grade level for your reference:

Current 11th graders- [12th Grade Course Selection Sheet](#)

Current 10th graders- [11th Grade Course Selection Sheet](#)

Current 9th graders- [10th Grade Course Selection Sheet](#)

[Directions for portal entry](#) for all grades

Counselors will be available for assistance M/W/F next week from 11:55am-12:45pm, T/Th from 12:45pm-1:15pm at <http://bit.ly/counselorhelp21>

Announcements

Did you miss this week's PTSO meeting? - Principal's Presentation [HERE](#)

The Skyline PTSO is an awesome group of parents that serve to help enhance the learning community at Skyline High School. This past week we met for our last PTSO General Membership meeting of the 20-21 school year where we elected our next year's board, approved some grant dollars to support our students, and received an update from Principal McElmeel.

If you weren't able to join us this time for all the fun, our Principal's Update presentation is linked [HERE](#).

****We regret to inform you that there was a technical error with the Zoom recording this week. As a result, please look at the presentation above if you were unable to be with us.****

LAST CHANCE - ORDER YOUR 2020-2021 YEARBOOK

Even in a pandemic, the incredible Skyline yearbook staff has worked hard to create an amazing yearbook documenting this unique school year. The deadline to order a yearbook is May 21, so please be sure to [order your yearbook here](#).

FREE COVID-19 TESTING for ALL AAPS Staff, Families, AAPS Contractors and the community

Saturday, May 15, 22 and June 5 – 12:00 – 3:00pm at Huron High School

Enter off Huron Parkway

We encourage all AAPS staff and families to be tested prior to the return to school or if you have already returned.

Any age can be tested but minors will need to be registered by their parent or guardian.

Results in 1 – 2 days via email. Saliva PCR testing

Please register – Select Huron High School

Register [HERE](#)

SAT Information

As part of summer school programming, we are offering a remote "SAT PREP FOR ALL" program to the students in the Class of 2022 and Class of 2023. The purpose of this program is to:

- help students create and link Khan Academy and College Board accounts and gain facility with their SAT prep resources, features and platforms;
- improve their SAT math, reading and analytical and test taking skills; and
- provide tips on topics such as submitting college essays and applying for scholarships.

The program will be housed in Schoology and will consist of weekly assignments, webinars and office hours. Students will work on the assignments they chose at their own pace and leisure. The dates of the program are June 30th-July 12th.

In order to participate, students must **REGISTER HERE** by the deadline, which is Wednesday, June 2nd.

If you have additional questions, please email Dr. Allen at allena@a2schools.org or speak directly with your school counselor.

Thank you!

SAT Makeup

Thank you for taking the time to reserve a seat for the SAT makeup date: Tuesday, May 18th. All testing will begin at 8:30 am, please plan to arrive at Skyline no later than 8:20 am. All students participating in the standard test will report to the Auxiliary Gym, please enter the building at the student entrance. Students are responsible for providing their own transportation home following the test. A snack and lunch to go will be provided on test day. If you are a student testing with accommodations please plan on testing Tuesday, May 18th and Wednesday, May 19th. All testing will begin at 8:30 am. All students testing with accommodations will receive a school messenger on Monday notifying you of your testing location.

Senior Updates

Help the District Recognize the Class of 2021

The Ann Arbor Public Schools are going to celebrate the graduates online and are asking graduating seniors to share 10-second videos answering one of the following questions: What will you remember most from being in the AAPS? What reflections do you have on your unusual senior year? Who was your most memorable teacher, and why? What message do you have for your classmates? Additionally, families can share a photo with the student's name, school, and a few words about future plans that we will post on the district's social media accounts. Send videos and photos to communications@a2schools.org.

Senior Meeting during Sky12 on Fri 4/30/2021

This is the Slide Deck that was used in the senior class meeting is linked [HERE](#)

Senior Exam Schedule

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Monday, May 24th	1st Block Class	3rd Block Class	5th Block Exam	7th Block Exam
Tuesday, May 25th	2nd Block Class	4th Block Exam	6th Block Exam	
Wednesday, May 26th	Asynchronous			
Thursday, May 27th	1st Block Exam	3rd Block Exam		
Friday, May 28th Seniors Last Day	2nd Block Exam			

Yard Signs for the Class of 2021

Skyline Seniors in the Class of 2021 should have received their yard sign. If you have not received your yard sign please reach out to Beth Patten: pattene@aaps.k12.mi.us.

Calling all Seniors

We would like to promote our Skyline Senior Class of 2021 on Instagram!!!

Please send the information below via DM to @a2skylineclassof2021 or email Ms. Bezeau at bezeaua@aaps.k12.m.us.

Please include:

- Your name
- Photo/Senior picture
- Plans after high school (college, gap year, military, trade school, etc)
- If you are going to college, please tell us the college name and your major/minor
- Any extra info you want to include

We must receive your information by the end of the day Friday, May 21st!!

Curriculum Night Recordings

Here's the [program](#) with the linked videos for Curriculum Night.

AP Testing - ACTION REQUIRED

Please read this carefully so you/your student will be prepared for:

- AP digital exams scheduled from May 18 - June 11
- AP in-person exams will be held at Pioneer on June 4 for Chinese, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Latin, Spanish and Music Theory.

AP Digital Exams Schedule from May 18 - June 11

Please follow the steps below to ensure your success with taking any of the AP Digital Exams from May 18 - June 11. The schedule for those exams is listed [HERE](#).

- I. **Do now: Log into the 2021 Digital AP Exams app on your AAPS Chromebook**
 - A. Using your AAPS district issued Chromebook, open the 2021 Digital AP Exams app already installed on your device. If you need directions, please [CLICK HERE](#).
 - B. Log into your account using your College Board username and password to confirm the set up on your computer.
 - C. Confirm your exam dates and times listed on the website.
 - D. If you are having trouble logging in, please call the Student & Family Help Desk at 734-997-1222.
 - E. Complete the practice problems for the exam(s) you are signed up for. Once you are logged in the 2021 Digital AP Exams app, click "Practice" and go to the Active Practice tab to view the practice available for the exams you're registered to take.
- II. **3 days before each exam you are taking:**
 - A. Log into the 2021 Digital AP Exams app to set up the exam you are registered for and to confirm some personal information
 - B. Note: **You must complete exam setup for every digital AP Exam you take**, and it's critical that you complete this step before test day.
- III. **Check-in 30 minutes prior to your exam start time**
 - A. Log into the 2021 Digital AP Exams app
 - B. You'll review some privacy policies, type a security statement, and get ready to test.
 - C. It's important that you check in on time. **You won't be able to check in once your exam starts.**

Update on AP In-Person Exams on June 4

The following exams will be held in-person at Pioneer High School on June 4: Chinese, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Latin, Spanish and Music Theory. All AAPS students registered for those exams will report to Pioneer High School 45 minutes BEFORE the start of their exam time period listed [HERE](#).

More information will be shared in the near future.

If you have questions, please email your teacher or Kevin Karr (karrk@aaps.k12.mi.us)

Student School Safety Protocol ALL Families MUST Follow

Parents/guardians are responsible for reviewing and completing the Daily Student Pre-Screening for COVID-19 Symptoms **each day** that their child will attend school in person or an athletic event. It is greatly important that the pre screening process be completed accurately and with a high level of integrity and commitment to the health of our broader community. Transmission rates in our community have recently increased. If you or your child is showing symptoms, please stay home.

HELP KEEP YOUR STUDENT'S SCHOOL HEALTHY AND SAFE FOR ALL,
STAY HOME IF YOU ARE ILL!

[Link to School Safety Practices - CLICK HERE](#)

[Daily Student Pre-Screening for COVID-19 Symptoms - CLICK HERE](#)

- Families, consider printing this and posting it to your refrigerator!

[When Should A Child Stay Home From School? - CLICK HERE](#)

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Meals during In School Hybrid Learning

For the rest of this school year families will not be charged for breakfast or lunch. All families interested in receiving free meals must register for the program. The Meal Magic system only allows meal ordering 7 days (one week) at a time.

If your student is attending In-Person/Hybrid learning you will need to pre-order your student(s) lunch. The pre-order window will open 7 calendar days prior to the day of service. When we return to the hybrid model there will be extra food available for both breakfast and lunch. Families will need to order student lunches using the [AAPS Online Student Lunch Ordering](#) system. Questions? Contact AAPS Food Service at 734-994-2265.

Student Parking Passes

Students are **not required** to have a parking pass for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year.

This Week in Athletics

Date	Team	Opponent	Time	H/A
5/17/2021	Boys JV Baseball	Monroe High School	4:00 PM	H
5/17/2021	Boys Varsity Baseball	Monroe High School	4:00 PM	A
5/17/2021	Girls JV Softball	Monroe High School	4:00 PM	H
5/17/2021	Girls Varsity Softball	Monroe High School	4:00 PM	A
5/17/2021	Boys and Girls Waterpolo	Holt / East Lansing Co-op	5:00 PM	H
5/17/2021	Girls Lacrosse	Farmington Hills Mercy	6:00 PM	A
5/18/2021	Girls JV Soccer	Pioneer High School	5:30 PM	H
5/18/2021	Girls Varsity Soccer	Pioneer High School	7:00 PM	H
5/18/2021	Boys Varsity Lacrosse	Clarkston High School	7:00 PM	A
5/19/2021	Boys & Girls JV Track	Lincoln Invitational	3:30 PM	A
5/19/2021	Girls Varsity Softball	Adrian High School	4:00 PM	A
5/19/2021	Boys JV Baseball	Monroe High School	4:30 PM	A
5/19/2021	Boys Varsity Baseball	Monroe High School	4:30 PM	H
5/20/2021	Girls Varsity Tennis	Regionals at Pioneer High School	9:00 AM	A
5/20/2021	Girls Varsity Waterpolo	Regionals at Home	4:00 PM	H
5/20/2021	Girls Varsity Lacrosse	MHSAA Regional First round	5:30 PM	H
5/21/2021	Girls Varsity Softball	Dexter High School	4:00 PM	A
5/21/2021	Boys Varsity Lacrosse	MHSAA Regional at Pioneer	5:00 PM	A
5/22/2021	Girls Varsity Waterpolo	Regionals at Home	8:00 AM	H
5/22/2021	Boys JV Baseball	Grosse Ile High School	11:00 AM	A
5/22/2021	Boys Varsity Baseball	Grosse Ile High School	11:00 AM	H

Skyline FALL 2021 Varsity Pom Tryouts:

Wednesday, May 26th and Thursday, May 27th from 5:00-7:00 pm in the Skyline Aux. Gym. BOTH tryout dates are required. Please wear a black top, black bottoms, hair pulled back, sneakers, and an earloop mask. There will be a health questionnaire to fill out before trying out. Previous dance and cheer experience preferred but not required. Bring your Skyline school spirit and desire to

support athletics and the Skyline community! If you have any questions, please email Coach Meredith at skylinepompon@gmail.com Go Eagles!

Athletics Update

As the Spring season winds down we get closer to State and National Tournaments. Rapid Antigen Testing will continue to take place throughout the Spring season, new per the MHDSS, those athletes that have received both vaccine shots 14 days prior to no longer have to take the RAT tests at Skyline. Proof of the vaccine needs to be shared with Athletic Director Bob Wellman.

We want to reinforce the importance of consistently following all COVID-19 mitigation strategies; consistent use of face coverings, maintaining social distance, hand sanitization, etc. Any athlete experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 - even mild symptoms - should consider a self-quarantine. If your athlete is experiencing any symptoms, please consider getting a COVID-19 test. The WCHD has information about testing locations [here](#).

AAPS will continue to allow 2 spectators per athlete at home events, we will be requesting a list from each program as well as our opponents for those to enter our facilities on game days. We will not be charging spectators but will have expectations of them to follow social distancing expectations and being masked at all times.

Spring Coaches contact information

Boys Baseball, contact Coach Jon Evans coachjonevans@gmail.com

Boys JV Baseball, contact Coach Tommy Adams CoachAdamsSkyline@gmail.com

Boys Crew, contact Lindsay Davis-Brady Lidb987@gmail.com

Girls Crew coach, contact Kit Bennett, kit.d.bennett@gmail.com

Boys Varsity Golf, contact Coach Ashley Mantha manthaa@aaps.k12.mi.us

Boys JV Golf, contact Coach Melissa Schmidt schmidtm2@aaps.k12.mi.us

Boys Varsity Lacrosse, contact Coach Greg Normand gnormand7@att.net

Girls Varsity Lacrosse, contact Catie Holmes skylineglax@gmail.com

Girls Varsity Soccer, contact coach Chris Morgan morganc@aaps.k12.m.us

Girls JV Soccer, contact coach Sam Keller keller.l.samuel@gmail.com

Girls Varsity Softball, contact Coach Martha Stange stangem@aaps.k12.mi.us

Girls JV Softball, contact Coach Kathleen Dennis krdennis4@gmail.com

Girls Varsity Tennis, contact Coach Brittany Ray rayb@aaps.k12.mi.us

Girls JV Tennis, contact Coach Eric Strugis easturgis86@gmail.com

Boys Track, contact Coach Mike Lyall lyallm@aaps.k12.mi.us

Girls Track, contact Coach Serena Kessler kessler@s@aaps.k12.mi.us

Boys Waterpolo, contact Coach Ashley Hower ashleynhower@gmail.com

Girls Waterpolo, contact Coach Rebecca Godek godek@aaps.k12.mi.us

Counselor Connection

- **Introducing our interim counselor Ms. Tolson:** For those students on Ms. Dedbukaj's caseload (Last names I-MI, Grades 10-12), we are thrilled to have Ms. Tolson here to help for the remainder of the school year. She can be reached at tolsone_sub@aaps.k12.mi.us or 734-994-7721.

- **How To Have Difficult Conversations:** Need to have a hard conversation with a parent or trusted adult? Come to this free virtual interactive conversation on how to have these interactions and how they impact you. Wednesday, May 19th at 7:00. More information can be found [here](#).

- Ann Arbor Area Community Foundation's Youth Council, a group of 25 high school students living in Washtenaw County who are invested in philanthropy and making a greater impact in the community. The Youth Council has recently opened our application and is looking for new members to join the group beginning in the fall of 2021. Our goal is to have representation from across the county from each of the various high schools.

In order to reach potential applicants, we are hoping you may be able to help us spread the word about this opportunity to the youth that you work with. Would you be willing to do one of the following:

- Promote the Youth Council application in the School Newsletter or via email to families
- Highlight the Youth Council application on Social Media platforms like Instagram or Facebook

The Youth Council application will be open through August 29th and can be [found here](#).

Skyline Family Reminders

Skyline Student/Family Guidebook

Click [HERE](#)

Skyline Academic Calendar

Click [HERE](#)

Google Doc Notification Tutorial Linked [HERE](#)

Student Attendance Reporting

Parents please call the attendance line and report/excuse student absences anytime your student will not be attending the entire class. Emailing the teacher will not suffice to excuse your student. Students are expected to fully participate in class each day. To ensure student success in reaching the learning targets, we need your support to make sure students are present daily and on time for class. We understand some absences are unavoidable. However, given the structure of the program, missing a week or several days will make it difficult for a student.

****It's is not necessary to report absences on fully-asynchronous school days****

Skyline Attendance Line: 734-994-7842

Resources for Students & Families

Click this [Link](#) for the following resources:

- Academic Resources for Families
- Food Distribution
- AAPS Technology Distribution & Assistance
- Schoology and Powerschool Parent Information
- Social Emotional & Mental Health Supports
- Other Resources for Families in Need

Eagle Pride

Congratulations Skywell Club

As part of a statewide effort to improve physical activity opportunities during remote learning, the University of Michigan School of Kinesiology contracted with the SkyWell Club at Skyline High School to prepare 52 one-minute videos for high school students. The project began in November 2020 and will be completed this academic year.

With coordination from 5 Healthy Towns Foundation and supporting videos from students at Chelsea, Manchester and Stockbridge high schools, students created a variety of stretching, flexibility, and cardio conditioning videos that teens can use without a gym or workout equipment. Videos from the project, called **60 Seconds with SkyWell**, can be accessed on Skyline's Health and Medicine YouTube channel, and soon on Vimeo. <http://bit.ly/2LDEGCp>

Proceeds from the project, paid through a grant from InPact@Home, gave the SkyWell Club student members pause. They decided through a vote to donate part of the monies to two local organizations who are working in the community to support students and families.

On May 12, 2021, a \$2000 donation was given to each organization and presented by senior Skyline students Alison Marshall, Evelyn Carroll, and sophomore Nina Taleb Bendiab. Read full article [HERE](#).

Go Eagles!