

Dear APS Community,

This has been a busy week at APS starting with a **visit from Governor Whitmer**. During her visit to Alexander Elementary, she had the opportunity to talk to students about education, see Michener Drama Club perform, talk more in-depth with students and staff about educational issues, and of course, read to students as part of March is Reading Month. **Thank you to Jeff Condon** for his coordination efforts for this visit.



Governor Whitmer displaying artwork from Alexander students that was presenter to her during her visit on Monday.

Congratulations to Adrian High School Junior, **Ary Saunders**. **She is the 2019 Boys and Girls Club of Lenawee Youth of the Year**. In recognition, Ary was presented a proclamation signed by State Rep. Bronna Kahle, State Sen. Dale Zorn, and Governor Gretchen Whitmer at the Youth of the Year Breakfast on Thursday morning. Way to go Ary!



As part of March is Reading Month I wanted to thank the many visitors to our school that participated as guest readers. **Sheriff Bevier** read "The Three Little Pigs" to students at Prairie Elementary School. This is also the time of year that I bring Clifford the Big Red Dog in to read my all-time favorite children's book, "Clifford the Small Red Puppy" to kindergarten students. After donating over 1300 copies of the book to students for their home library over the year it is pretty awesome to hear kids tell me about how their older sibling has read the book to them in the past or to hear about their favorite book. **Representative Kahle** came and read to students at Lincoln Elementary this month too. Keep our kids reading parents – it makes all the difference!



Sheriff Bevier reading to students.



Superintendent Behnke reading with special guest Clifford.



I want to remind everyone that Springbrook Middle School's production of Annie is taking place this weekend. The flyer below provides details on Friday and Saturday's show which starts at 7pm at the AHS Performing Arts Center. I hope you can make it to see this great production. The show runs about 90 minutes in length.





Best of luck to our Vex Robotics Students that are competing at Siena Heights University today and to the Adrian Bluebotics Team 6150 which are competing at Ypsilanti this weekend in the First Robotics Competition.



March 27th, Mission Sports is hosting a Nutrition Workshop for parents and athletes at the Adrian High School Performance Gym (Former Lower Weight Room). Register by calling 517-759-4566 or <https://missionsportsp performance.net/maple-seminar>.

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6:30PM
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Band Camp is around the corner and coming faster than you know. For more information about ways to help the APS Music Booster support students visit: <https://bit.ly/2sW4UFR>

The Music Boosters are hosting a mattress sale in April. Walk into the Adrian High School gym on April 27th between 10am and 5pm and you'll see more than 25 beds on display. Get your new mattress and help support APS music programs!!!



Both the 7th and 8th grade Springbrook Bands performed well on Friday, March 1st at District 8 Festival. The 7th graders earned an overall 2 and the 8th graders earned an overall 1 rating. Both groups earned a 1 in sight reading. **Congrats to Mrs. Powers and her students!!**



Mrs. Holtz's kindergarten class at Prairie learned all about the state of Michigan as they celebrated it's 182nd birthday! The class learned about the state symbols and enjoyed products made in Michigan.



Have a great weekend and take a few moments to check out some of the great articles about what's happening across APS with our students and staff.

GO MAPLES!!!

Bob Behnke

Superintendent

APS in the News:

Ary Sanders Youth of the Year:

<https://www.lenconnect.com/news/20190322/boys--girls-club-recognizes-ary-sanders-as-youth-of-year>

Springbrook Students Perform Annie:

<https://www.lenconnect.com/photogallery/MI/20190321/PHOTOGALLERY/321009999/PH/1>

Lincoln performs Pirates Past Noon:

<https://www.lenconnect.com/photogallery/MI/20190313/PHOTOGALLERY/313009999/PH/1>

Governor Meets with APS students and staff:

<https://www.lenconnect.com/news/20190319/governor-meets-local-officials-at-soon-to-open-coffee-shop-students-at-elementary-school-during-visit>

Alexander Tops Food Drive Goal:

<https://www.lenconnect.com/news/20190306/alexander-tops-food-drive-goal>

Roberts to Retire after 31 years at APS:

<https://www.lenconnect.com/news/20190313/roberts-retiring-after-31-years-of-service-at-aps>

School Board Meeting Update:

<https://www.lenconnect.com/news/20190317/school-board-oks-athletic-training-contract>