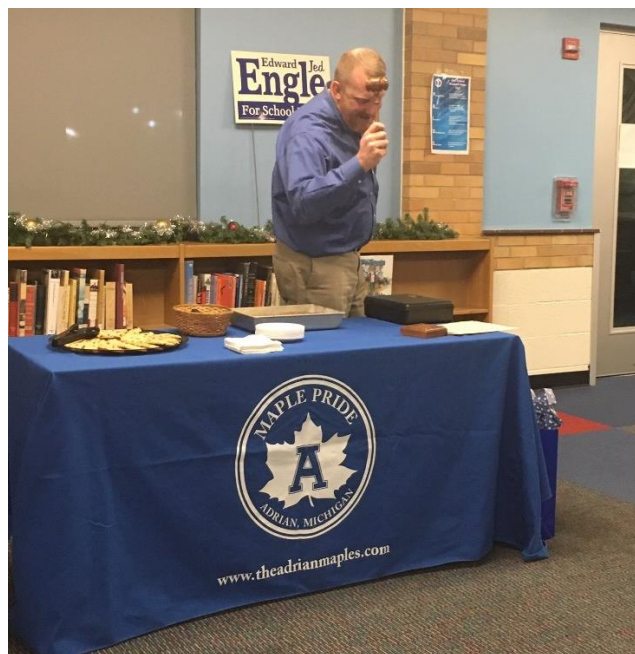


Dear APS Community,

A big thank you to our community for voting Adrian Public Schools as the Best Public School in Lenawee County. Results for the community choice awards for Lenawee were announced recently. This marks the second year in the row that our community showed their enthusiasm and support for APS. Thank you for your confidence and support!!!



Monday night marked the end of Jed Engle's School Board Term. Serving since May of 2007, and most recently acting as Board President, Jed serves as a great community example of a service minded Adrian Alumni that is dedicated to seeing APS students succeed. While not on the School Board after Dec 31st, continue to look for Jed at any AHS sporting event serving the role as announcer. Below is a picture of President Engle swinging the gavel for the last time Monday night.



Last week's First Friday in downtown Adrian was a great opportunity for the entire community to come out and celebrate the holiday season. As part of the Comstock Park Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony, many buildings and programs participated to help decorate and create a festive setting. Take a stroll and find one of the many APS trees in the park.



Students across the district are highlighting their performance skills using the winter and the holiday season as the perfect theme. This week Springbrook and Adrian High School Choir Students performed to a full house. Springbrook choir students pictured below.



Adrian High School Choir Students, Alumni, and Community Members performing Handel's Hallelujah Chorus.

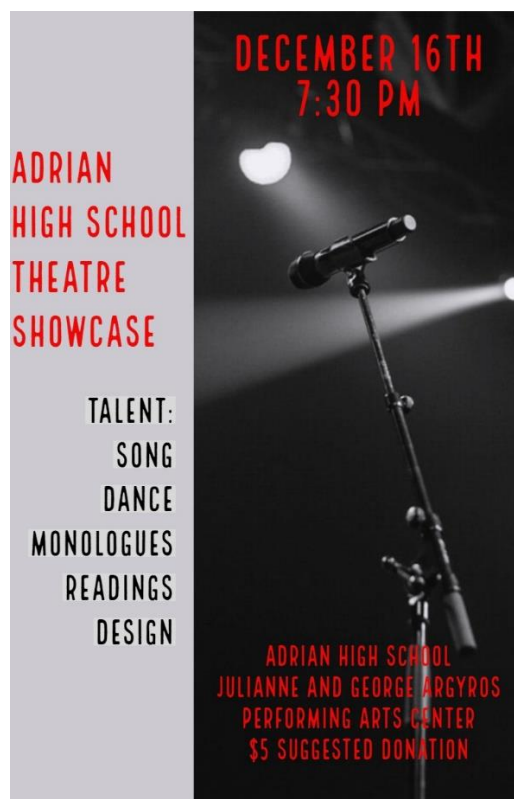


**Upcoming Concerts:**

**Springbrook Band and Orchestra – Monday, December 17 7:00pm**

**AHS Band and Orchestra – Tuesday, December 18 7:30pm**

**Theatre Showcase – December 16 7:30pm**





Students from Michener Elementary were special guest performers at Meijer recently. Students from the Young 5s Classroom and the Honor's Choir Program lead by Teacher Michelle Force spread holiday cheer to shoppers.





Adrian High School Seniors celebrated earlier this fall a successful season and sent off their seniors with Maple Pride and positive recognition.





Students at Lincoln Elementary also highlighted Maple Pride through Determination of their Kids Helping Kids Program by students selling crafts. All money raised was donated to Bixby Hospital to help kids in our community with mobility issues.



Have a great weekend and enjoy the last week of school for this year. Below are articles of APS in the news which highlight the great work our students and staff do each day.

Go Maples!!!

Bob Behnke – Superintendent

APS in the News:

Girls and Boys Win Home Basketball Opener:

<https://www.lenconnect.com/sports/20181208/adrian-boys-basketball-wins-kellys-debut>

<https://www.lenconnect.com/sports/20181206/prep-sports-adrian-girls-basketball-wins-opener>

Jed Engle completes 11 years of Service to APS:

<https://www.lenconnect.com/news/20181213/engle-gavels-his-last-school-board-meeting>

Springbrook Checkers Tournament:

<https://www.lenconnect.com/news/20181207/students-engage-in-checkers-tournament>

Help for Homeless Students:

<https://www.lenconnect.com/news/20181204/collection-drive-for-homeless-adrian-students>

Jenny Engle to serve as Foundation Director:

<http://www.wlen.com/2018/11/24/jenny-engle-named-new-asef-director/>

Students supporting local Food Pantry:

<https://www.lenconnect.com/news/20181202/aps-students-collect-canned-goods-to-help-local-food-pantry>