

## **Abingdon – Avon High School Principal’s Report**

### **January 8, 2020 Board Meeting**

The students of the month for December were selected based on the character trait, Honesty. They were Sydney Emerick, Micah Rodeffer, Tyler DeJaynes, Lakin Robinson.

There were eleven by-law amendments voted on by Illinois High Schools. Ten of them passed. The four that pertain to us are:

- **Proposal 11 (passed 489-149-62):** Eliminates a required annual determination of classification which therefore permits the two-year classification cycle.
- **Proposal 14 (passed 428-246-25):** Moves the start and ending dates for the IHSA spring baseball and softball seasons (practices and contests) a week later.
- **Proposal 15 (passed 374-241-87):** Removes the by-law directing the IHSA to implement a football scheduling system for regular-season varsity games, impacting the current ability for schools to schedule games AND qualify for the playoffs as it is currently administered.
- **Proposal 25 (passed 470-215-16):** Permits schools an opportunity to appeal a player ejection when the player was ejected as a result of the misapplication of a playing rule by an official.

The T.W.I.S.T.E.R. Program, aka, the 21st Century Community Learning Center program, held a Family Evergreen Event on December 11th. Students and their families had the opportunity to make Christmas wreaths, swags, and grave pillows. The tutoring portion of the program continues to be a great addition to the school with many students taking advantage of the opportunity for extra help.

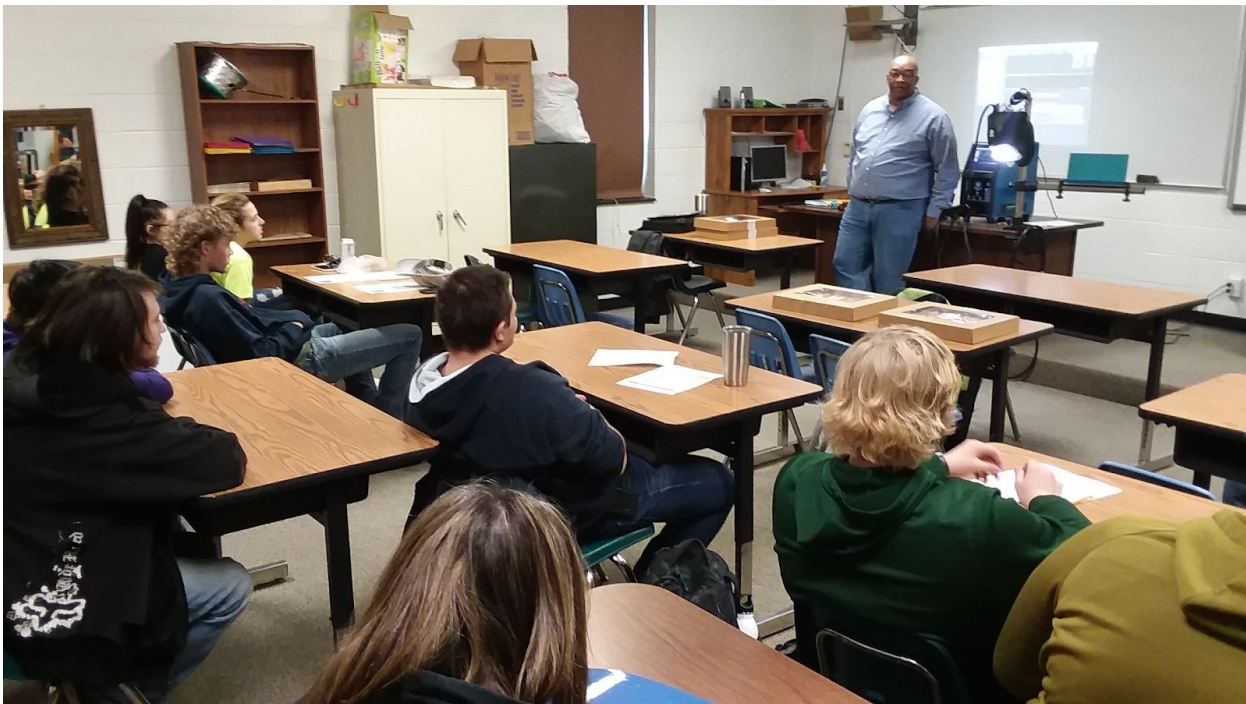
The second round of Map Testing took place at the high school during the week of December 9th. We will conduct the third round in March.

The AAHS band and choir performed their winter concert on the afternoon of Sunday December 15th. The concert was preceded by a lasagna dinner in the cafeteria. Both were well attended.

We held Career Days on Friday December 6th and Friday December 20th. Speakers for the 6th were from the BNSF Railroad. They were Susan Sickles, Steve Jones and Philip Day. 12 students attended the session.



Speakers on the 20th were from Caterpillar and John Deere. From Caterpillar were Mike Bradshaw and Ryan Sandoval. From John Deere were Randy Cooper and James Hotchkiss. John Deere provided a welding simulator that the students enjoyed trying to weld on. 10 students attended the session.



### **Scheduling**

Student course requests will begin later this month. Mrs. Nagel will begin meeting with students individually to ensure their course selections best align with their future ambitions. We will use the same model as last year for freshman orientation. It was very successful and very well attended.

### **Winter Sports**

The boys basketball team finished the Macomb-Western Holiday Tournament with a record of 3-1, taking third place. Senior, Ryan Adolphson, was selected as an All-Tournament Team member for the third year in a row.

The boys basketball team's current record is 10-4.

The girls basketball team won the play-in consolation championship at the Beardstown Lady Tiger Classic and finished with a record of 3-1

The girls basketball team's current record is 10-6.

The Boys and Girls bowling teams have had busy seasons. The boys placed first in the Rock Island meet, they placed sixth in Geneseo, 11th in Freeport, 9th in Dixon, 13th in Springfield, they also placed first in the West Central meet. The girls placed at the Mt.Morris and Springfield tournaments, they won the meet against West Central, they also placed at the Moline and Geneseo tournaments.

### **Upcoming Dates:**

Great Western Shootout - January 25

Boys Bowling Regional- January 18

Great Western Shootout- January 25

Girls Bowling Regional- February 8

Girls Basketball Regional- Week of February 10

Boys Basketball Regional- Week of February 24

Baseball/Softball Practice Begins- March 2

High School Musical - March 13, 14, & 15

Freshman Orientation- TBA