



# Antioch Community High School

1133 Main Street Antioch, Illinois 60002

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Dear Sequoit Students and Families:

I hope that this letter finds you enjoying the summer and that time spent over the past weeks, since the end of school, has been productive and positive. In early April, I interviewed to be the next Principal of Antioch Community High School and walked away on that Wednesday night knowing that I could certainly make ACHS my next home. Through the process, I was able to meet parents, students, teachers and staff and felt that Antioch is a special place where everyone is so very proud of being a part of ACHS.

I enjoyed high school so much that I never left. I have been working in a high school for the past 28 years and enjoy it more than when I first started. While I have many goals for this year and beyond, a primary goal is to foster an environment where students look back on the 4 years spent here and feel like it was one of the best times of their lives. We will do this by offering challenging and exciting classes, a wide variety of clubs, activities and athletics. I promise to explore every opportunity for students to make some sort of connection and develop a sense of belonging to this school community and I encourage all to become involved in areas of interest that we have to offer.

Since March 13th of 2020, school has looked a bit different along the way. We have inched our way closer back to pre-pandemic modes of operation and I remain very optimistic that this year will offer a more "normal" experience for students.

We will continue to offer an off-campus lunch option for those juniors and seniors that qualify. Some forms that are being mailed to you are: a Release of Information to the Military Opt-Out form (junior and seniors only); the Fee Waiver form (if applicable), and Calendar of Events. We strongly encourage you to read through these materials and contact us with any questions you may have. **Student schedules will be released by August 15, via Infinite Campus.**

I am really excited for this year and many years to come at ACHS. I hope that you share in this excitement and will join in the fun that we will have in the Land of Sequoits this year!

Sincerely,

Michael Berrie  
Principal, Antioch Community High School



# Antioch Community High School

Marni Polakow  
Athletic Director

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Activities Director

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Administrative Assistant

Mary Soto  
Administrative Assistant

## FALL 2022 ATHLETIC INFORMATION

### ALL FALL SPORTS START: MONDAY, AUGUST 8, 2022

**Fall Sport Offerings:** Cheerleading, Boys and Girls Cross Country, Dance, Field Hockey, Football, Boys and Girls Golf, Boys Soccer, Girls Tennis, and Girls Volleyball.

**Find tryout/practice times on the Athletic webpage.**

**Athletic Registration:** Athletes will not be allowed to try out or practice until a parent/guardian has completed the online registration through rSchool.

Go to <https://d117-ar.rschooldtoday.com/> and select athletic registration for Antioch Community. All parents registering a student-athlete for sports must be aware that the registration process does not reach its full completion until school registration & residency check have been completed and a **current physical that covers the athlete through their entire season** has been turned-in to the ACHS main office. Additionally, sophomores, juniors and seniors **must have passed a total of five classes** the previous spring and summer sessions and have **NO OUTSTANDING PAST FEES OF ANY KIND**, unless a payment plan has been developed and agreed upon.

The **freshman physical form** with immunization record (required of all freshman), the **IHSA sports physical form** (required of all sophomore, junior and senior athletes) are available as part of the athletic registration process or in the main office. Original physicals must be on file at ACHS. Freshmen should make a copy of their school physical to bring into the main office. Physicals submitted from the middle school may not be easily accessed until the school year begins, which could result in a delay in athletic participation.

**MANDATORY Athlete/Parent/Coaches Meeting:** On **Tuesday, August 9, 2022**, there will be an Athletic Informational night starting promptly at 7:00 pm in the District 117 Field House. All parents, athletes and coaches from **ALL sports (fall, winter and spring seasons)** are asked to be in attendance. Following the informational meeting, fall sports will hold specific parent meetings at various locations throughout the school.

**2022-2023 Athletic Fees:** Community High School District #117 has an athletic participation fee of \$150 per sport with a cap of \$300 for individuals and a \$450 cap for families. Fall athletic fees are due by September 9, 2022. The Athletic Fee form is available on the Athletic website and should accompany all payments. Athletic fees may be paid in the main office or through the Vanco Portal once rosters are set. Athletic fee payments will not be processed through the online registration program.

**Fall Sports Pictures:** Fall sports pictures will be taken on Thursday, August 25, starting at 3:30 pm. Pictures will be available online to order.



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Dear Class of 2026 students and families --

Welcome to the *Sequoit* family! We believe that 'Once a Sequoit, Always a Sequoit!' and we're excited for you to begin your journey at Antioch Community High School.

## ***Freshman Orientation -- Thursday, August 11, 2022***

Bus service is provided for Freshmen Orientation for all students who receive bus transportation during the school year and is a great opportunity for students to familiarize themselves with their stop, driver, and anticipated travel time for their bus transportation during the school year. Bus routes for the 2022-2023 school year will be posted to the school website by the week of Orientation. Students are also welcome to walk or be dropped off at the Athletic Entrance on the east side of the building.

### Agenda:

7:45 - 8:00am --	Check-in at the ACHS Auditorium Entrance
8:00 - 8:15am --	Welcome: Mr. Michael Berrie, ACHS Principal
8:15 - 10:15am --	Rotation activities outlined below
10:15 - 10:30am --	Auditorium, closing announcements
10:30am --	Dismissal (busses depart ACHS shortly after)

Sequoit Welcome Student Leaders will help freshmen navigate a rotation of activities including:

- Freshmen welcome from principal
- Activities and athletics introductions
- Class schedule and Chromebook pick-up
- Chromebook orientation -- Google Classroom, Gmail, Infinite Campus
- Building tour
- Student ID photographs
- Q&A with current students

*Bringing a small bag or backpack to carry materials and a water bottle is strongly encouraged. District 117 Chromebooks will be issued to all freshmen who have not already received one. ACHS will be open August 11th from 12 to 3:30pm, August 12th from 8am to noon, and August 17th from 12 to 3:30pm for students who would like to walk their schedule. Lockers are available to students upon request.*

## ***Freshman Only First Day of School -- Wednesday, August 17, 2022***

To help transition our incoming freshmen students, we have made the first attendance day of the 2022-2023 school year a half-day for **Freshman ONLY, on Wednesday, August 17, 2022**. This day will allow your student(s) to walk through their schedule, meet their teachers, and learn about their classes and resources available for them at Antioch Community High School. Busses will pick-up at standard assigned times and school will begin at the standard 8:00am time. Early dismissal will be at 11:30am with bus service.

***Freshman Parent Night – Thursday, August 11, 2022***

We also hope you can attend a Freshman Parent Night event for parents and guardians of freshman students on Thursday, August 11 from **6:30 to 7:30pm** in the ACHS Auditorium. This program is an opportunity for families to learn about ACHS and the opportunities and supports available to families and students.

Please contact Scott Leverentz in Student Services at 847-838-7767 or [scott.leverentz@chsd117.org](mailto:scott.leverentz@chsd117.org) with any questions.

Thank you and welcome to ACHS!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Scott Leverentz". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "S" at the beginning.

Scott Leverentz  
Assistant Principal, Student Services  
[scott.leverentz@chsd117.org](mailto:scott.leverentz@chsd117.org)  
847-838-7767

**2022-2023 Antioch Community High School  
TENTATIVE Calendar Dates & Important Information as of July 2022**

**AUGUST**

- 8 All Fall Sports Begin
- 9 All sports Info Night- **7pm-Fieldhouse**
- 11 Freshman/New Student Orient day
- 17 Freshman 1<sup>st</sup> day-Half Day**
- 17 Freshman Parent Orientation Night-**6:30pm**
- 18 1<sup>st</sup> Day of School-ALL Students**
- 19 Sequoit Celebration
- 29-31 Underclass Portraits
- 25 Back to School Night
- 25 Parent University
- 29 Star Testing Week

**SEPTEMBER**

- 5 No School- Labor Day
- 16 Homecoming Pep Rally
- 22 HC Parade/Pep Rally
- 23 HC Football Game
- 24 HC Dance
- TBD College Planning Night
- 29 Semester 1 Checkpoint 1

**OCTOBER**

- 4 FAFSA
- 5 Non Attendance Day
- 6 Parent/Teacher Conf. (5:00-9:00pm)
- 7 Parent/Teacher Conf. (7:30-11:30am)
- 7 No school-Non-attendance day
- 10 Holiday-Non-attendance day
- 12 PSAT/NMSQT Testing
- 24 Blood Drive Kick-Off
- 27 Blood Drive

**NOVEMBER**

- 3 Semester 1 Checkpoint 2
- 8 Non-attendance day
- 11 Veterans Assembly
- 23 Early Release
- 24-25 No School -Thanksgiving

**DECEMBER**

- 19-21 Final Exams
- 21 End of Semester 1
- 22 Winter Break Begins

**JANUARY**

- 9 Classes Resume (LATE START)
- 12 Open House-Class 2027
- 13 Institute Day-Non-attendance day
- 16 Holiday-Non-attendance day
- 17 & 19 Freshman Course Selection Nights

**BUS ROUTES**

ALL bus information will be available on-line at [www.chsd117.org](http://www.chsd117.org). Click on the Antioch HS, and go to the top of the ACHS webpage. Bus routes are located under students and Parents. Routes can change due to additions, so please check periodically. For all other questions regarding bus schedules, please contact Durham Bus Company directly at 847-838-5198

***Freshman Orientation -August 11 from 8:00 to 10:30 am (check-in will begin at 7:45).*** Bus transportation will be provided and attendance is *strongly* encouraged for all freshmen. Details will be mailed separately.

***New Student Orientation Day - August 11 from 12:00-1:00.*** Transportation needs to be arranged independently. Sophomores, juniors and seniors new to ACHS are invited to attend.

**The Medical Compliance Deadline for 2022-2023 is the first day of School;  
August 17 for Grade 9, and August 18 for Grades 10-12.**

**Medical Compliance Deadline for the 2022-2023 School Year:**

**Freshman** must have a completed physical exam on the State of Illinois Certificate of Child Health Examination form, dated within 12 months from the 1<sup>st</sup> day of school. This is the only acceptable form. All required immunizations must be up-to-date and properly documented. *All required documents need to be turned in by the first day of school, August 17.* In addition to the above requirements, incoming 9th graders must also provide documentation of a current dental exam. The dental exam documentation must be dated between November 2021 and the due date of May 15, 2023.

**Seniors 12<sup>th</sup> Grade requirement:** meningococcal (MCV4) vaccine (2 doses [2<sup>nd</sup> dose after the 16<sup>th</sup> birthday], or 1 dose after the 16<sup>th</sup> birthday).



## Bell Schedules

### **Regular Bell Schedule**

Period 0	7:05	7:55
Period 1	8:00	8:50
Period 2	8:55	9:45
Period 3	9:50	10:40
Period 4 A	10:45	11:10
Period 4 B	11:10	11:35
Period 5 A	11:40	12:05
Period 5 B	12:05	12:30
Period 6 A	12:35	1:00
Period 6 B	1:00	1:25
Period 7	1:30	2:20
Period 8	2:25	3:15

### **Late Start Schedule**

Period 0	No Zero Hour	
Period 1	9:20	10:00
Period 2	10:05	10:45
Period 3	10:50	11:30
Period 4 A	11:35	11:55
Period 4 B	11:55	12:15
Period 5 A	12:20	12:40
Period 5 B	12:40	1:00
Period 6 A	1:05	1:25
Period 6 B	1:25	1:45
Period 7	1:50	2:30
Period 8	2:35	3:15

**\*Yearbooks will be distributed on Tuesday, August 2, from 12:00-3:00, in the Main Vestibule\***

### **Board of Education Meetings-6:30 p.m.**

July 21- ACHS  
August 18-LCHS  
September 15-ACHS  
October 20-LCHS  
November 16-ACHS  
December 1-LCHS

January 19-ACHS  
February 16-LCHS  
March 2-ACHS  
March 16-LCHS  
April 20-ACHS  
May 18-LCHS  
June 15-ACHS



# Community High School District 117

## Fee Waiver Application

School year 2022-2023



**\*WAIVERS CANNOT BE PROCESSED WITHOUT PROPER DOCUMENTATION  
and A COMPLETED APPLICATION FOR FREE/REDUCED FEES\***

Name of Student \_\_\_\_\_ Year of Graduation \_\_\_\_\_

**Please place an "X" next to the reason for this Waiver request.**

☐ **Currently receiving aid under the SNAP or TANF Benefit Program**

- **Attach a current copy of the SNAP or TANF benefits letter (all pages must be included).**
- **Please DO NOT include LINK cards or State Health/Medical benefits as neither are acceptable forms of documentation.**

☐ **Free/Reduced Lunch Waiver based on income**

Attach documentation which supports your income

- **Acceptable documentation:** A copy of the front sheet of your income tax return  
Copies of two current pay stubs for all working household members
- **You must also include** - unemployment benefits letter, court documentation of child support or alimony, etc.

☐ **There have been unusual circumstances such as extraordinary medical expenses, fire, flood, storm damage, or other emergency situations. \*Attach an explanation along with copies of the applicable bills in support of this claim.**

**My signature signifies that the above and attached information is, to the best of my knowledge, complete and true.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent/Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Complete the enclosed application and return to the appropriate school.  
Please contact the Fees Secretary for questions:**

**Antioch Community High School  
1133 Main St. Antioch, IL 60002  
Vicky Rundle (847) 838-7620**

**Lakes Community High School  
1600 Eagle Way Lake Villa, IL 60046  
Gina Bedessem (847) 838-7122**

*Serving the communities of Antioch, Lake Villa, Lindenhurst, and Old Mill Creek*  
Community High School District 117, being a community of learners with a vision of excellence, is committed to providing an educational experience that encourages all learners to develop to their fullest potential, to engage in lifelong learning, and to be responsible members of society.

**APPLICATION FOR FEE WAIVER —Complete One Application Per Household Per School****1. All Household Members (Attach another sheet of paper if necessary.)**

NAMES OF ALL HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS First, Middle Initial, Last		School Name	Grade	SNAP OR TANF CASE NUMBER ONLY - Include all pages of your benefits approval letter										Check if Foster Child*

\* A foster child is the legal responsibility of a welfare agency or court.

**2. Homeless, Migrant, Runaway, or Head Start (Categorically eligible)**

Homeless	Migrant	Runaway	Head Start	Signature of Your School Homeless Liaison, Migrant Coordinator, or Head Start Director	Date
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**3. Total Household Gross Income (before deductions) You must tell us how much and how often.**

NAMES A. (LIST ALL HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS WITH INCOME)	GROSS INCOME AND HOW OFTEN IT WAS RECEIVED (Example: \$100/month; \$100 /twice a month; \$100/every other week; \$100/week)							
	B. Earnings From Work (Before Deductions)		C. Welfare, Child Support, Alimony		D. Pensions, Retirement, Social Security		E. Worker's Comp., Unemployment, SSI, etc. (All other income)	
	Amount	How often?	Amount	How often?	Amount	How often?	Amount	How often?
i.	\$		\$		\$		\$	
ii.	\$		\$		\$		\$	
iii.	\$		\$		\$		\$	
iv.	\$		\$		\$		\$	
v.	\$		\$		\$		\$	

**4. Signature and Social Security Number (Adult must sign)**

An adult household member must sign the application. The adult signing the form must also list the last four digits of his or her social security number or mark the I do not have a social security number box.

X X X - XX - \_\_\_\_\_  
Social Security Number

\_\_\_ I do not have a social security number

I certify (promise) all information on this application is true and all income is reported. I understand the school will get Federal funds based on the information I give. I understand school officials may verify (check) the information. I understand if I purposely give false information, my children may lose meal benefits and I may be prosecuted.

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Name of Adult Household Member \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Adult Household Member \_\_\_\_\_

**5. Contact Information (Optional)**

Work Telephone Number (Include Area Code) \_\_\_\_\_ Home Telephone Number (Include Area Code) \_\_\_\_\_ Home Address (Number, Street, City, State, Zip Code) \_\_\_\_\_

**6. Children's Racial and Ethnic Identities (Optional)**

Mark one ethnic identity:

\_\_\_ Hispanic/Latino  
\_\_\_ Not Hispanic/Latino

Mark one or more racial identities:

\_\_\_ Asian \_\_\_ Black or African American \_\_\_ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific  
\_\_\_ Islander White \_\_\_ American Indian or Alaska Native



**Dear Parent/Guardian:**

District 117 does not participate in the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and does not get reimbursement from the State of Illinois. District 117 does follow the Federal guidelines for household eligibility (see below). District 117 does not receive notice of households that have qualified through the State. District 117 covers all registration fees, school athletic fees and homestyle lunch fees for qualified families that have applied and been approved.

**District 117 does NOT accept Medical/Medicaid as proof of coverage.**

**District 117 does NOT accept LINK cards as proof of SNAP benefits.**

**Applications need to be submitted every year to be processed.**

<b>Income Eligibility Guidelines Effective from July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023</b>					
<b>Free/Reduced-Price</b>					
<b>Household Size</b>	<b>Annual</b>	<b>Monthly</b>	<b>Twice Per Month</b>	<b>Every Two Weeks</b>	<b>Weekly</b>
1	25,142	2,096	1,048	967	484
2	33,874	2,823	1,412	1,303	652
3	42,606	3,551	1,776	1,639	820
4	51,338	4,279	2,140	1,975	988
5	60,070	5,006	2,503	2,311	1,156
6	68,802	5,734	2,867	2,647	1,324
7	77,534	6,462	3,231	2,983	1,492
8	86,266	7,189	3,595	3,318	1,659
For each additional family member add	8,732	728	364	336	168

**Privacy Act Statement: This explains how we will use the information you give us.** The Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act requires the information on this application. You do not have to give the information, but if you do not, we cannot approve your child for free or reduced price meals. You must include the last four digits of the social security number of the adult household member who signs the application. The last four digits of the social security number is not required when you apply on behalf of a foster child or you list a Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) case number or other FDPIR identifier for your child or when you indicate that the adult household member signing the application does not have a social security number. We will use your information to determine if your child is eligible for free or reduced price meals, and for administration and enforcement of the lunch and breakfast programs. We MAY share your eligibility information with education, health, and nutrition programs to help them evaluate, fund, or determine benefits for their programs, auditors for program reviews, and law enforcement officials to help them look into violations of program rules.

In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g. Braille, large print, audiotope, American Sign Language, etc.), should contact the Agency (State or local) where they applied for benefits. Individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English. To file a program complaint of discrimination, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, (AD-3027) found online at: [http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint\\_filing\\_cust.html](http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html), and at any USDA office, or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by: (1) mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; (2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or (3) email: [program.intake@usda.gov](mailto:program.intake@usda.gov). This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTION

1. **DO I NEED TO FILL OUT AN APPLICATION FOR EACH CHILD?** **No.** Complete the application to apply for free or reduced price meals. *Use one Household Eligibility Application* for all students in your household per district. We cannot approve an application that is not complete, so be sure to fill out all required information. Return the completed application to the school.
2. **WHO CAN GET FREE MEALS?** All children in households receiving benefits from Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) and/or are foster children that are under the legal responsibility of a foster care agency or court are eligible for free meals regardless of your income. Also, your children can get free meals if your household's gross income is within the free limits on the Federal Income Eligibility Guidelines. Children who meet the definition of homeless, runaway, or migrant also qualify for free meals.
3. **A MEMBER OF MY HOUSEHOLD RECEIVED SNAP OR TANF BENEFITS. THE GRADE SCHOOL SENT A LETTER STATING THAT MY CHILD IS AUTOMATICALLY APPROVED FOR FREE MEALS BASED ON DIRECT CERTIFICATION. DO I NEED TO DO ANYTHING MORE TO ENSURE THAT MY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT RECEIVES FREE MEALS?** **YES.** Complete the application to apply for free or reduced price meals. Use one Household Eligibility Application for all students in your household per district. We cannot approve an application that is not complete, so be sure to fill out all required information. Return the completed application to the school.
4. **HOW DO I KNOW IF MY CHILDREN QUALIFY AS HOMELESS, MIGRANT, OR RUNAWAY?** Do the members of your household lack a permanent address? Are you staying together in a shelter, hotel, or other temporary housing arrangement? Are any children living with you who have chosen to leave their prior family or household? If you believe children in your household meet these descriptions and haven't been told your children will get free meals, please contact your school.
5. **MY CHILD'S APPLICATION WAS APPROVED LAST YEAR. DO I NEED TO FILL OUT ANOTHER ONE?** **Yes.** Your child's application is only good for that school year and for the first few days of this school year. You must send in a new application unless the school told you that your child is eligible for the new school year.
6. **I GET WIC. CAN MY CHILD(REN) GET FREE MEALS?** Children in households participating in WIC may be eligible for free meals. Please fill out the enclosed application and include the proper documentation as stated in the cover letter.
7. **WILL THE INFORMATION I GIVE BE CHECKED?** **Yes.** We may also ask you to send written proof.
8. **IF I DON'T QUALIFY NOW, MAY I APPLY LATER?** **Yes,** you may apply at any time during the school year. For example, children with a parent or guardian who becomes unemployed may become eligible for free meals if the household income drops below the income limit.
9. **WHAT IF I DISAGREE WITH THE SCHOOL'S DECISION ABOUT MY APPLICATION?** You should contact your school's fees secretary for a complete understanding.
10. **MAY I APPLY IF SOMEONE IN MY HOUSEHOLD IS NOT A U.S. CITIZEN?** **Yes.** You or your child(ren) do not have to be U.S. citizens to qualify for free or reduced price meals.
11. **WHO SHOULD I INCLUDE AS MEMBERS OF MY HOUSEHOLD?** You must include all people living in your household, related or not (such as grandparents, other relatives, or friends) who share income and expenses. You must include yourself and all children living with you. If you live with other people who are economically independent (for example, people who you do not support, who do not share income with you or your children, and who pay a prorated share of expenses), do not include them.
12. **WHAT IF MY INCOME IS NOT ALWAYS THE SAME?** List the annual gross income and you must include the first page of your income tax return. If you have lost a job or had your hours or wages reduced, use your current income and include your two most recent paystubs or unemployment records.
13. **WHAT IF SOME HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS HAVE NO INCOME TO REPORT?** Whenever this happens, please write a 0 in the field. Please be careful when leaving income fields blank, this could delay the approval process.
14. **WE ARE IN THE MILITARY. DO WE REPORT OUR INCOME DIFFERENTLY?** If you are on active duty, you must provide a dependent ID card for each student. All other military must complete the application process in full.
15. **MY FAMILY NEEDS MORE HELP. ARE THERE OTHER PROGRAMS WE MIGHT APPLY FOR?** To find out how to apply for SNAP, TANF or other assistance benefits, contact your local Department of Human Services office or call (800) 843-6154 (voice) or (800) 447-6404 (TTY).