

AMITYVILLE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

THE RISING TIDE

SUCCESS FOR ALL SEPTEMBER 2008

SCHOOL IS YOUR GATEWAY TO THE FUTURE

Intelligence plus character—that is the goal of education.

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Make school a top priority.

Nothing is more important to YOUR future than YOUR education!



School rules are really just life rules.

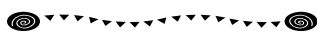
When YOU have a job, for example, you are expected to be there every day, on time.

YOU are expected to dress appropriately and to be courteous to the people YOU work with.

You are also expected to give YOUR best effort every day.



Good attendance will not guarantee YOU good grades. YOU are, however, pretty much guaranteed bad grades if YOU have poor attendance.



In school, as in life, when YOU make good choices and decisions,

YOU reap the rewards.

PRINCIPAL'S WELCOME - BY DR. ANDREWS

It always gives me great pleasure to welcome ALL of our students back to AMHS for another school year filled with hard-work, fun, personal growth, and new possibilities!

One of our major focuses this year is Character Education. We believe that strong values, including trust, caring, kindness, fair-

ness, and communication will help all of our students be successful at AMHS and beyond.

Please encourage your daughter or son to GET INVOLVED at AMHS. We offer a large number of after-school activities that will enable your children to grow as individuals.

There is no doubt that the 2008-2009 school year will bring great things for our students and we look forward to celebrating each success.

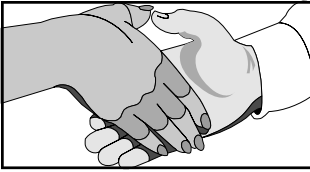
WARRIOR PRIDE LIVES!

Dr. Andrews

IMPORTANT DATES:

- *September 3rd - FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL*
- *September 8th - Senior Make-Up Photos*
- *September 11th-12th - Grades 9-11 Photos*
- *September 18th - COLLEGE Application Night - 7pm - Library*
- *September 25th - BACK-TO-SCHOOL-NIGHT - 7pm*
- *September 30th & October 1st - SCHOOL CLOSED*
- *October 3rd - Progress Report Period Ends*
- *October 9th - SCHOOL CLOSED*
- *October 13th - SCHOOL CLOSED - Columbus Day*
- *October 15th - PSAT EXAM for ALL Juniors*
- *October 15th - Freshmen Awareness Day @ Amityville Beach - 8am - 2:30pm*
- *October 18th - HOMECOMING PARADE @ 11:30am, Football Game @ 2pm*
- *October 21st - 23rd - Newsday Marching Band Festival @ Hofstra University*
- *October 30th - DISTRICT WIDE COLLEGE FAIR @ AMHS, 7pm - 9pm*

BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT - SEPTEMBER 25TH



TOGETHER we can work to ensure that your child meets with success

On September 25th, we will be hosting our Back-To-School Night. This is a wonderful way for you to meet your child's teachers. You will find out what they expect (and learn that, yes, they do assign homework).

Here are some helpful tips:

- ⇒ Make sure you attend.
- ⇒ Introduce yourself.
- ⇒ Take notes to share with your child.

⇒ If you need more information, ask for a conference to discuss your child's progress and his/her individual needs.

We encourage you to put this date in your calendar. Knowing your child's teachers will help you better understand what is required to be successful at AMHS.

Please join us!

BACK-TO-SCHOOL NIGHT
SEPTEMBER 25TH
@ 7PM
MARK YOUR CALENDARS!



HOMEWORK... AT LEAST 12 HOURS A WEEK

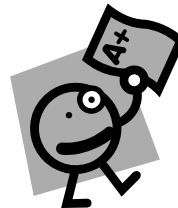
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~ SCOTT ANDREWS

To reach your goals you must be spending at least 12 hours a week on homework. In the 21st century a college education is essential to opening up the doors of your future.

Education is something that no one can take away from you. The more education you have, the more opportunities you will have in your

future. The more opportunities you have, the more successful and happy you will be in your life.



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Welcome Back!

HOMECOMING WEEKEND

SAVE THE DATE!

WARRIOR HOMECOMING
OCTOBER 18TH - SATURDAY

PARADE BEGINS: 11:30 AM

FOOTBALL GAME: 2:00 PM

Please join us for a fun-filled day in support of ALL Amityville students!



MIKEY DUKES - KIWANIS FUNDRAISER A SUCCESS



Mikey, Mrs. Powell, & Mrs. Kretz...The Annual Kiwanis/Outback BBQ at the Amityville Beach

Thanks to the generous support of the Kiwanis Club of Amityville and the Amityville Community, Mikey has been presented with a donation that will help him realize his post-secondary goals. We wish to recognize this special partnership between the Kiwanis Club, the Outback Restaurant of Lindenhurst and AMHS. Together all things are possible!

Mikey will be attending Suffolk County Community College this Fall.

Mikey has been an inspiration to all of us. His courage, determination, optimism, and smile has warmed each of our hearts.

We will miss Mikey greatly!

A GREAT BIG THANK YOU TO THE KIWANIS CLUB OF AMITYVILLE & THE OUTBACK RESTAURANT OF LINDENHURST FOR ALL OF THEIR SUPPORT!

TIPS FOR PARENTS/GUARDIANS

The most accurate predictor of a student's achievement in school is not income or social status, but the extent to which that student's family is able to:

⇒ Create a home environment that encourages learning

⇒ Communicate high, yet reasonable, expectations for their children's achievement and future careers; and

⇒ Become involved in their children's education at school and in the community.

National PTA, National Standards for Parent/Family Involvement Programs

Please contact us if you have any questions or concerns regarding your child's education.

We can all be reached at:

Main Office: 631-598-6550

Guidance Office: 631-598-6555



"Create a home environment that encourages learning."

~ PTA

READING FOR COMPREHENSION

- Use a post-it note or an index card and write down the important main ideas and vocabulary.
- This will help you review what you have read.
- Stop and re-read ideas that you do not understand.
- Think of where else you might find more information about the same topic. "I bet there would be something in my history book about this, too."

THE MORE YOU READ, THE MORE YOU KNOW.

SAT PREPARATION

IT IS NEVER TOO SOON TO START.

AMHS provides each student with a personal Account for the on-line website:

www.METHODTESTPREP.com

Please visit the Guidance website to secure your account or see your Guidance Counselor when school begins.

AMITYVILLE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL
ADMINISTRATION

Scott J. Andrews, Psy.D.	Principal
Peter Hutchison	Assistant Principal
Steven Lindenfeld	Assistant Principal
Patti Hausfeld	Director of Guidance

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WE'RE ON THE WEB!

WWW.AMITYVILLE.K12.NY.US

PLEASE VISIT US!



WARRIOR PRIDE

WELCOME OUR NEW STAFF TO AMHS

Please join us in welcoming
our New Teachers & Staff!



English Department

Lisa Cicchetti

Sage Mann

Kelly O'Hagan

ESL Department

Rebekah Dillahunt

Guidance

Andrew Akapnitis

Health & Physical Education

George Karafantis

Music Department

Brian Wishin

Reading Department

Catherine Wells

Science Department

Deborah Charles

Social Studies Department

Dawn Levine

Special Education Department

Christopher Diot

Directors - Grades 6 - 12

Fine Arts

Fran Fernandez

Mathematics

Claude Irwin

PE/Health/Athletics

Tony Cerullo

Science

Michael Fusaro

Social Studies

Jon Klomp



IPOD & ELECTRONIC SAFETY - MAKE WISE CHOICES

- Avoid carrying your iPod to and from school. Leave your electronic devices at home. Schools are targeted areas for theft.
- If you choose to bring an electronic device to school, keep it turned off and out of sight.
- Do not leave it in an unsecured school locker.
- AMHS is not responsible for stolen electronic devices.

*These principles apply to all digital audio players, PDAs and cell phones
or any small electronic device that you want to protect.*