
ANGEVINE MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Bobcat Newsletter

From the Principal

Dear Angevine Parent Community,

On behalf of all staff we sincerely thank all parents who provided dinner for teachers during conferences. The food was delicious and very much appreciated by staff. A special thank you to Janice Moore for coordinating the parent effort!

We had a very successful Back to School Night and our Parent Teacher conferences were also very well attended. Each parent received a copy of the Colorado Growth Model and the performance of their student on CSAP or The Colorado State Assessment Program. The Growth Model illustrates if a student is “at grade level.” A student who is *proficient* is performing satisfactorily as per the grade level the student is presently enrolled in. A student who is only *partially proficient* or *unsatisfactory* is identified as “below grade level.” The purpose of sharing the growth model with parents and students is to provide a frame of reference for students so they are aware of their grade level status. The growth of individual students is compared to the growth of all students in the state, who all start at the same proficiency level. The graph also illustrates the growth or improvement needed for a student to reach grade level status. Students who are already advanced can determine the necessary growth for remaining as advanced. The value of this information is to provide growth of a student over several years in reading, writing and math. If you couldn’t attend the parent conferences, you can pick up a copy of your student’s growth performance in the counseling office. You can also view this information on the BVSD web site.

Our School Accountability Committee met on September 21st to finalize Angevine’s School Improvement Plan or SIP. We have identified three goals for the 2010 – 2011 school year. In the area of Achievement we are focusing on improving reading and writing achievement growth scores for all students. Our focus in Equity will be to close the achievement gap for students in math. Our school Climate Goal will be to continue improving our positive behavior support processes and to quantify how well students demonstrate ROAR (Respect, Opportunity, Achievement and Responsibility) behaviors. Over the past two years we have made significant gains in our school climate efforts. Five parents participated in our SAC or School Accountability Committee meeting on the 21st. Parents can participate in the process by attending our next meeting on November 16th at 4 pm in the library. During these meetings our SAC Team will review the SIP Progress Reports before they are turned in to the district.

In Partnership with Community,

Mike Medina



Parent Portal

View your students grade's from home

Angevine Middle School encourages parents to use the parent portal, a feature on the Infinite Campus student information site. The Parent Portal allows parents to access their student's information from any computer, including grades, and attendance. Research indicates increased parent involvement in their student's education leads to better attendance and grades. Please see the registrar or anyone in the front office for information on how to use this valuable tool.

AMS Parent List Serve: Stay Informed

A list serve is a useful tool for keeping up to date with school events and news. School staff, periodically send out news, reminders and information about activities and events at Angevine. Your email address is not shared and no one will be able to contact you. To subscribe to this service, go to <http://content.bvsd.org/list/listSubscribe.asp>; type in your e-mail address and your name. Click on the box marked. "Angevine MS Parents." Click on subscribe. You will receive an e-mail confirmation – which you must respond to - to complete the process.

From the Attendance Office

Parents – Please call the attendance line (720-561-7102) if your child is going to be absent from school for any reason!

Please send a note with your child when he/she has to leave school during the day for an appointment or any other reason. Tell your child to deliver the note to the attendance desk in the morning. She/he will receive a pass to leave the classroom at the necessary time and they will meet you in the main office. This procedure will ensure less interruptions during class time. You MUST come into the office to sign your student in or out of school.

Clubs Schedule

Monday		
Home Ec. Club	Room 403/404	3:50–5:00 PM
Science Olympiad	Room 506	8:00–8:30 AM
Photography Club	Room 304	3:45-4:45 PM
Tuesday		
Yearbook	Art Room	8:00–8:30 AM
Jazz Band	Band room	7:30–8:30 AM
Composting Club	Office Conference Room	3:45–4:30 PM
Wednesday		
AVID Homework Help	Library	3:45–4:30 PM
Thursday		
AVID Homework Help	Library	3:45–4:30 PM
Bobcat Chess Club	Room 603	3:45–4:45 PM
Jazz Band	Band room	7:30–8:30 AM
Nat'l Geography Bee/Geography Club	Room 607	3:50–4:50 PM
Friday		
Student Council	Library	8:00–8:30 AM

Win a party with your club

- ❖ **Adopt a bulletin board in the school hall with your teacher/moderator's approval.**
- ❖ **Decorate the bulletin board to inform others about your club and why it rocks! Be creative!**
- ❖ **Every club who participates will receive a treat but the club who shows the most creativity and style will win a party in the new student center!!!**
- ❖ **Deadline for finished bulletin boards is October 29th.**
- ❖ **Please notify Patty Vertun (artpattyv@comcast.net) if your club is participating.**



Roar Corner

Thank you to the following businesses for their generous donations to our PBS store:

Little Caesars Pizza

Bob L. Burger Rec. Center

Lafayette McDonalds

Crawdaddy Toys

Angevine PTA

Athletics News

Bobcat Football Schedule:

Thursday, Sept. 30 th	So. Hills	Away	
Wednesday, Oct. 6 th	Platt	Home	
Wednesday, Oct 13 th	Manhattan	Home	
Wednesday, Oct 20 th	Louisville	Home	(Parent Appreciation Game)

Come out and support our AMS Bobcat Football team. All games begin at 4:00 PM.

Flag Football Registration:

6th and 7th coed Flag Football begins Friday, September 24th. Complete a green Intramural form located on the wall across from the main office. Turn in the completed form and \$45 registration fee to Michele Peel in the main office.

8th Grade Girls Basketball Registration:

8th grade girls basketball begins Tuesday, September 28th. Complete a yellow Interscholastic form located on the wall across from the main office. Turn in the completed form and \$85 registration fee to Michele Peel in the main office. A current physical (within one year) will be required to participate.

8th Grade Boys Basketball Registration:

8th grade boys basketball begins November 4th. Complete a yellow Interscholastic form located on the wall across from the main office. Turn in the completed form and \$85 registration fee to Michele Peel in the main office. A current physical (within one year) will be required to participate.

Second Sport Registration Form:

For student athletes that are participating in their second *Interscholastic* sport there is a new one page form that can be completed in place of the yellow Interscholastic form. This white form is located on the wall across from the main office. For example, if your 8th grade girl participated in Interscholastic soccer and wants to sign up for Interscholastic basketball you only need to complete the one page white form. Contact Michele Peel for more information at 720-561-7106 or Michele.peel@bvsvd.org.



Student Resource Cupboard

AMS is in the process of setting up a Student Resource Cupboard that will house student supplies needed for classroom and academic success. Supplies include: Pens and Pencils, Notebook Paper, Notebooks, Erasers, Rulers, Pencil Pouches, Graph Paper, Markers, Colored Pencils, Locks, Glue Sticks, Scissors, Folders

We are currently accepting donations of any of the above items to help stock our shelves. Donations may be dropped off in the main office. Please contact Michele Peel for more information at 720-561-7106 or michele.peel@bvsd.org.

Attention Students

- The 8th Grade Panoramic Picture will be taken on Wednesday, October 6th @ 2:00 PM. Remember - this is the ONLY time an 8th Grade Class Picture will be taken for the rest of your life, so DON'T MISS OUT!
- Applications for Student Council Officer Elections are due Friday, October 8th.
- Please turn in your design ideas for the **T-Shirt Design Contest** by Monday, October 11th to the main office.

ICAP Accounts and Orientation

6th graders will be introduced to *Individual Career and Academic Plans* this year in computer classes, referred to as "ICAPs." They will be working with their counselor in class to create student accounts and ICAP portfolios. Please look for information that will come home in computer class so you can explore your student's portfolios with them. If you have questions please contact Anna Gamble by email at anna.e.gamble@bvsd.org.

Emergency Contact Forms

Emergency contact forms are the school's first resource for contacting parents/guardians in an emergency situation. It is very important that this form be completed with as much information as possible. Please turn in all emergency forms to the health room at your earliest convenience if you have not already done so. It is also important to **contact the school with any emergency contact information changes such as home, cell and work phone numbers.**

Homework Help



When: Every Wednesday & Thursday. 3:45-4:30

Where: Library

Who: Anyone who wants a quiet place to do homework or who want to be able to ask teachers questions about their homework.

Before School

When: Every day 8:00-8:30 (9:00-9:30 on late start days)

Where: Cafeteria (breakfast can be purchased)

Who: Anyone

Free Drop-in Homework help

The Lafayette Public Library (on Baseline and Hwy 287) offers **free** drop-in homework help, computers, and snacks for students in grades 3-12.

When: Monday-Thursday from 3:00-6:30pm.

Transportation is available to Angevine students. Angevine School Bus Route #304 leaves AMS at 3:47pm to the public library.

What is Period Zero?

YMCA of Boulder Valley in collaboration with Angevine provides a fun, supervised, **FREE** alternative for those students who must arrive at school early on "Late Start Wednesday's". These activities include:

- Soccer
- Basketball
- Football
- Board Games,
- Art

If you would like your student to participate in Period Zero please pick up a waiver from the front office. **If students are not participating in Period Zero or Breakfast club they should not arrive at school before 9:30.**



Teacher Wish List

Boxes of Tissues--Paper Towels---Food Coloring---
Ping Pong balls (for Jules Mullison)
Lysol Spray--Disinfecting Wipes--Bottles of Water
(for Health Room)



Angevine Media Center News

Over the past month, the Angevine Media Center has featured five Newbery Honor books to be considered by our Bobcat readers. The first was "Dragon's Gate", a novel about a young Chinese boy's harrowing struggle to survive as a worker on the great transcontinental railroad being built through the Sierra Nevada Mountains in the late 1860's. The book was written by the award winning author, Laurence Yep. The second was "Pecos Bill", an amusing set of folk tales about the famous Pecos Bill, who invented the modern world of ranching. This book was written by John Cloyd Bowman who also wrote down folk tales about the legend of the North, Paul Bunyan. The third was "George Washington, Leader of the People", a biography focusing on the early life of our first president written by Clara Ingram Judson. The fourth was "The Graveyard Book", a chilling tale of the supernatural focusing on a boy's survival in an old graveyard protected by the spirits of the place by Neil Gaiman who also wrote the book, "Coraline". And the fifth book was "When You Reach Me" by Rebecca Stead. It is a story of coming of age of a young girl mixed with the strange science of time travel. For descriptions of these books, go to the Angevine Web Site and look under parents - media center - media news.

Students Use of the Media Center

Over the past month, Angevine students have used the Media Center's Writing Lab computers to determine the difficulty of a book by its Lexile number in Ms. Weir's class. They found biographies of famous people they could use as examples in Mr. Correll's class. They read books from the Media Center to challenge their reading skills in Mrs. Ramirez's ESL classes. They learned about the organization and rules of the Media Center in Mr. Romero's, Mrs. Rose's, Mrs. McGraw's, Mr. Correll's, Mrs. Brown's and Mrs. Omori-Jones's language arts and reading classes. They used the Internet in the Media Center to find out about the lives of important people in Ms. Cech's Leadership class. In Ms. Tappert's reading class, they read a challenging novel about censorship. In Mrs. Jones's Food Facts and Fun, they used the Media Center's computers to order sewing kits. In Mrs. Vanwisse's French classes, they used the Media Center's to study French grammar and test themselves on their skills.

Thank you to all the parents that made donations to the school during parent/teacher conferences. We have raised over \$ 8,000 so far. **Our goal is to raise \$30,000.** With your donations we recently paid for all of our 6th graders to go to the YMCA. If you haven't had an opportunity to contribute to support AMS you can write a check for \$200, \$100, \$50 \$25 or any other amount you are comfortable with. Once again we sincerely appreciate your contributions. **Please be assured that all the money contributed will go directly to supporting student learning at Angevine.** If you have not had an opportunity to help us reach our goal and would like to donate, you can send donations to Angevine Middle School or bring your tax-deductible donations to Patty Gillespie, Principal's Secretary.

Angevine Fundraising

Parents who wish to send donations to Angevine Middle School may send or bring tax-deductible donations to Patty Gillespie, Principal's Secretary. Some of our needs include: improvement of technology, science equipment and materials, calculators for Math, Music, Band, Sports equipment, benches for outside and more. We greatly appreciate your support and assistance!!!

PARENT DONATION FORM

Donor's Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Amount _____

Please return to: Angevine Middle School, 1150 South Boulder Road, Lafayette, Colorado 80026



Talented and Gifted (TAG) Program Update

Guest Author

All A.M.S. students who are currently in an advanced language arts or reading class and all students who are TAG-identified in Language Arts were invited to participate in a workshop with guest author Phillip Jones on Friday September 24. We invited Jones to return to A.M.S. for the second year to share his personal story of how he became a professional writer and to discuss the specific work involved in bringing an idea all the way through to publication, with a particular focus on revision. Students asked specific questions about both his work and their own writing. Their questions included the following: *How do you know when you've got just the right amount of detail in your story? When your story's getting really long, how do you get to the end? How do you revise a story that you think is already perfect? How do you create a great character?*

Advanced Learning Plans

Sheri and Madeline have been hard at work collaborating with students, their families, and our A.M.S. colleagues to support our TAG students. Most importantly, we've been meeting with grade-level groups of TAG students during 2-E sessions on Tuesday and Thursday mornings to introduce or review the secondary school model of the Advanced Learning Plan (ALP). Each TAG student's ALP will set forth an **academic goal** in one of the child's areas of **strength** and an **affective goal** in one of the child's areas of **need**, for example, to enhance skills in *organization, interpersonal relationships, stress management, self-advocacy, or academic engagement and motivation*. The academic goal will be to complete an exploratory project within the context of one of the student's current classes. Each student will choose their project in collaboration with their teachers and Sheri and Madeline. They will share and celebrate their work at our annual **Showcase of the Minds** event in late April. At our 2-E meetings, students have had the opportunity to view models of work completed by last year's TAG students for the Showcase. Additionally, Sheri meets with grade-level teams and content-area teams every other Wednesday morning to discuss the needs and progress of specific TAG students, to share instructional strategies, and to exchange ideas for creating and executing meaningful, standards-based, and challenging lessons.

Applied Math at the University of Colorado at Boulder

Sheri has been working with the Applied Math department at CU-Boulder to arrange for our students who are TAG-identified in math or in visual-spatial reasoning to visit their math labs later this fall for the purpose of engaging students in some of the many fascinating ways that math can be applied in the world. We'd really like for students to gain a better understanding of why math is so important and of how much fun it can be.

Sheri (sheri.tappert@bvsd.org) and Madeline (madeline.brockish@bvsd.org) invite you to contact them directly if you have any questions or would like to discuss your child's learning needs.

Community Connections: A Student Resource Guide

BVSD's Community Opportunities for Youth Directory now has a new name: Community Connections: A Student Resource Guide. The guide can be found at www.bvsd.org/guide. This annual BVSD publication is filled with youth-oriented activities and services offered by individuals and organizations in the community. Categories include tutoring, athletics, health & support services and the arts. Paper copies can be found at schools beginning in mid-September. You can also request a copy in English or Spanish from Marla Riley at 720-561-5250, marla.riley@bvsd.org.

Conexiones en la comunidad: Una guía de recursos para estudiantes

El directorio de la Comunidad de Oportunidades para los Jóvenes de BVSD tiene un nuevo nombre: Conexiones en la Comunidad: Una guía de recursos para estudiantes. La guía se puede encontrar en www.bvsd.org/guide. Esta publicación anual de BVSD está llena de deportes, salud y servicios de actividades orientadas a la juventud y servicios ofrecidos por individuos y organizaciones en la comunidad. Las categorías incluyen tutorías, apoyo y las artes. Las copias en papel se puede encontrar en las escuelas a partir de mediados de septiembre. También puede solicitar una copia en Inglés o en español contactando a Marla Riley al 720-561-5250, marla.riley@bvsd.org.

Shopping Card Program



Help Angevine PTA earn money for our school simply by shopping at King Soopers! You can support Angevine without adding any extra expenses to your budget. AMS earns a 5% rebate on all of your purchases.

Here's what to do:

- ❖ Purchase a King Soopers \$5.00 gift card from AMS front office.
- ❖ Load your card with any amount up to \$500.00 at your local King Soopers register. Use a credit card, check or cash to pay.
- ❖ Shop with your card and then reload it with more funds at your convenience. You can even purchase gas with your gift card.
- ❖ Don't throw your card away! Keep reloading it and using it!



Parent Teacher Association (PTA)

Volunteering Opportunities at Angevine

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR: This position oversees the coordination of volunteers for PTA functions. We have a huge list of volunteers. You would need to work via e-mail and/or phone to recruit those folks to coordinate activities. Type up master volunteer list from registration (already done for 2010-11)

Student Directory: September for October distribution. Need to compile forms from registration into a format for distribution.

Parent/ Teacher Conference Staff Dinners: September and March: Coordinate with parents who have volunteered to bring meals for teachers on evenings of conferences for 3 days. Coordination may be done from home via e-mail/phone.

Staff Appreciation Week: (May): Coordinate the week with events: last year we had a breakfast for them, we ordered a lunch for them (PTA funded) we had massage therapists come in for an afternoon and donate their time, everyday a PTA member put little treats in their mailboxes. We "auctioned" off some specialty items and we asked parents to donate either \$ or gift cards in the amount of \$10.00 and each staff member got one! A lot of these can be split between lots of parents to conquer and divide!

Impact on education basket: (4 hours in May) Each school in the district puts together a basket of goodies to be auctioned off at the Impact on Education fundraiser. PTA provides the funding for the basket, you just get to be creative and put it together!

Greeter: (All year) Greet each morning at the main entrance from 8:15 until 9:00. This will help to provide less commotion in the main office and help to direct students, parents or visitors where to go. Pick a day that works for you!

Public Relations: (All year) Help promote Angevine's students, activities and accomplishments in the community! Approximately 2 hours a week, can be done from home. Should have access to a computer.

Parent Mentors: (All year) Contact new parents to welcome them to Angevine and answer questions. 2 hours a month!

Jazz Band Parent Representative: (All year) Support Mr. Travis. Create the jazz band bulletin board, it's 90% completed. Take pictures at concerts and post on bulletin board and e-mail for newsletter.

Orchestra Parent Representative: Support throughout the year. Create the orchestra bulletin board, 90% completed. Take pictures at concerts and post on bulletin board and e-mail for newsletter.

Lunch Room : Parent Support is needed for 1-2 hours daily to assist monitoring of the salad bar, cleaning fruit, and general duties.

Volunteers are an integral part of Angevine Middle School. We look forward to your support. We have a variety of volunteer opportunities from which you can select your preference. When you work with your student's school, you display your support to students and staff. Please let us know if you are able to help artpattyv@comcast.net or 303-926-7400.

The Angevine PTA is excited to offer the Reflections Art Program this year. Reflections is a National PTA sponsored art contest. Students create original works of art and writing. The theme this year is *"Together We Can...!"* The Angevine PTA will accept entries in the areas of **Visual Arts, Photography, and Literature**. Entries will be due **October 27**. Rules for the contest can be picked up from Mrs. Tappert, Ms. Jones (Art), and in the main office. The Art department will host open studio times for students to work on their projects. Those dates are **October 6, 12, and 21** from **4:00 – 5:00 pm** in the art room. Entries are due in the library between **3:40 – 4:30** on Wednesday, **October 27**. A reception for student artists and parents will be in the library on Wednesday, **November 3, 5:00 – 6:00 pm**.



Internet Safety

Do you know what your teen is up to on the Internet?

Do you know what they can do with their I-touch, I-pod and cell phones?

Learn how to work with your teens in an informed way about their online activities to keep them safe and to keep their experiences positive. Bring your teens and yourselves to this program presented by Jennifer Hanson Korb, Instructional Technology Specialist, BVSD and Police Officer Wendy.

When: Wednesday, October 6th, 2010

Where: AMS Library

Time: 6pm-8pm

Hosted by: AMS PTA



Angevine Middle School Bell Schedule 2010-11

OCTOBER CALENDAR

All Wednesdays are late start

6th 8th Grade panoramic picture day

6th Parent Information Night 6-8PM at the library

14th Orchestra Concert 7PM at Angevine MS

25th District Honor Choir Concert 7PM at LMS

For more detailed information of upcoming events and dates please go to the school's website at <http://bvsd.org/schools/angevine> You will also find the schedule for your students PE days under Parent Information.

6th Grade

	Monday/Friday
1	8:40 - 9:35
2	9:40 - 10:30
	LUNCH 10:35 - 11:05
3	11:10 - 12:00
4	12:05 - 12:55
5	1:00 - 1:50
6	1:55 - 2:45
7	2:50 - 3:40

	Tuesday/Thursday
1	8:40 9:30
2	9:35-10:20
2E	10:25-10:55
	LUNCH 11:00-11:30
3	11:35-12:20
4	12:25-1:10
5	1:15-2:00
6	2:05-2:50
7	2:55-3:40

	Late-start Wednesday
	9:45 - 10:30
	10:35 - 11:15
	LUNCH 11:20 - 11:50
	11:55 - 12:35
	12:40 - 1:20
	1:25 - 2:05
	2:10 - 2:50
	2:55 - 3:40

7th Grade

	Monday/Friday
1	8:40 - 9:35
2	9:40 - 10:30
3	10:35 - 11:25
	LUNCH 11:30 - 12:00
4	12:05 - 12:55
5	1:00 - 1:50
6	1:55 - 2:45
7	2:50 - 3:40

	Tuesday/Thursday
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	11:20 - 12:00
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	12:40 - 1:20
	1:25 - 2:05
	2:10 - 2:50
	2:55 - 3:40

8th Grade

	Monday/Friday
1	8:40 - 9:35
2	9:40 - 10:30
3	10:35 - 11:25
4	11:30 - 12:20
	LUNCH 12:25 - 12:55
5	1:00 - 1:50
6	1:55 - 2:45
7	2:50 - 3:40

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