June 4, 2021

Dear AASD Families,

By the time this message gets delivered, the 20-21 school year will be officially finished! We wish our students and families a safe and fun summer! Read more below about enrichment activities that are available in our area. We look forward to welcoming everyone back on September 1 for the 2021-22 school year!



Summer School Mitigation Strategies

Effective Monday, June 7, 2021, the AASD is recommending but not requiring face masks while inside school buildings or on school transportation for AASD staff and students. We will continue to use the following mitigation strategies:

- Social distancing/podding
- Hand sanitizer stations
- Encouraging staying home when ill
- Contact tracing with quarantine periods for siblings/household members
- Disinfecting protocols
- Upgraded filters in air handlers and increase in frequency of air circulation from outside

We have encouraged summer school teachers to take students outdoors for classes when they can and to use time during class to take bathroom breaks to limit crowding during class transitions. We will also work to utilize spaces with windows in them to allow for ventilation/airflow during summer school. Bathrooms and common spaces will continue to be disinfected regularly.

Please remind your students that practicing social distancing/adhering to pods as much as possible is still essential so that we can continue to prevent transmission. Siblings/household members of a positive case will continue to be quarantined for 10 days (from the last date of contact.) Staff and students who have been near the COVID-positive person will not be quarantined, however, a notification will be sent to all involved encouraging them to monitor closely for any symptoms.

Families will still be expected to screen students for symptoms of COVID-19 daily prior to coming to summer school, using the <u>Student Illness and Screening Guide</u>. Students with symptoms of COVID-19 should stay home from school and families should contact their school.

The AASD expects to follow a similar approach with our masking and other mitigation strategies for the 2021-2022 school year. We will continue to monitor internal and external data, as well as recommendations from the CDC, and guidance from our local and state health departments.

COVID-19 Vaccinations Available at Appleton Public Library

The Appleton Public Health Department (APHD) will continue COVID-19 vaccinations at the Appleton Public Library (225 N. Oneida Street) after the Fox Cities COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic ended on May 27. Eligible individuals can book appointments <u>online</u> or by calling the APHD at 920-832-6499. The APHD clinic will offer both the Pfizer vaccine, which is approved for those 12 years and older, and the one-dose Johnson & Johnson vaccine.

First-dose Pfizer or Johnson & Johnson appointments can be made for the following dates and times:

- June 8, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.
- June 9, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.
- June 22, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.
- July 20, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.
- August 4, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Second-dose Pfizer appointments will be scheduled at the time of check-in for at least 3 weeks or 21 days out.

Summer Enrichment Opportunities

As you look ahead to the summer months, we want to share local, community opportunities for students. These community opportunities for students typically have included art and music camps, youth athletics, cultural events, enriching programs, and more. <u>Check out this page at any time for a current list of opportunities</u>.

Our Birth-Five Outreach team is also hosting summer programming planned for families with children birth to age 5, including in-person Fun in the Sun playgroups at local parks. Learn more <u>here</u> or follow them on <u>Facebook</u>.

The Appleton Public Library has something for everyone—including infants, toddlers, kids, teens, and adults. Participants can sign up through Beanstack to log their reading and earn virtual badges and in some cases, prizes (depending on their age group). They also have several summer programs happening throughout the months of June, July, and August including Take n Create Packs for Teens. Sign up and learn more <u>here</u>.

The Boys and Girls Clubs of the Fox Valley will be offering programming after summer school each day at the following locations: Columbus/ABS, Foster, Badger, Highlands, Madison, and Kaleidoscope Academy. Summer school programming will take place June 14 through July 9 with no programming occurring on Friday, July 2, or Monday, July 5. A snack will be provided daily. Now accepting applications. Learn more <u>here</u>.

The YMCA of the Fox Cities' Summer Extended Day Learning Program runs from 11:30 AM-5:30 PM daily during the four weeks of summer school. Children must be enrolled in summer school to attend. They offer weekly field trips, open swim at the Y, and hands-on learning, and a wide variety of fun summer activities. Their other summer programming consists of day camps that focus on arts and crafts, STEAM activities, sports, cooking, and outdoor games. The sports, arts, and STEAM camps are week to week camps so families can sign up based on their child's interest, each week has different themes or sports. The day camps housed at Camp Shioc, Ferber, and Janet Berry run all summer long, but families can pick and choose which days they would like to attend. Learn more here or call (920) 882-3680.

Big Brothers Big Sisters has a few ways to get involved: Community-Based mentoring and School-Based mentoring. Learn more <u>here</u>.

Summer Food Program

Our free Summer Food Program will run on Wednesdays from June 16 - July 7, 2021. Any and all families will be eligible to pick up weekly meal packs that will contain 7 days of breakfasts and lunches. Families can visit Wilson Middle or East High School from 3:30 - 5:00 p.m. on the scheduled pick-up days. There is no need to sign up or reserve meals. Learn more.

REMINDERS:

Community Input/Feedback on the Request to Rename Lincoln Elementary School

Following <u>Board Policy 940</u> the Board is requesting feedback on the request to rename Lincoln Elementary School. The process for gathering further community input/feedback on the request to rename Lincoln Elementary School was approved by the Board of Education on May 24, 2021. We encourage our community to share their input with the Board through a survey that opens at 8:00 AM on May 28 and closes at 4:00 PM on June 18, 2021. Only AASD residents will be allowed to provide input/feedback. <u>Read more here.</u>

Required Annual Registration

Our 2021-2022 required annual registration is now available via the Infinite Campus Parent Portal. This annual process is done to confirm and/or update your student's information. <u>Learn more.</u>

As a courtesy to our community, we want to share that Imagine Fox Cities, an inclusive, community-wide initiative created to be intentional about shaping the future of the Fox Cities, is asking for feedback from people of all walks of life in the Fox Cities. Individuals are encouraged to share how they're personally feeling now, and to look ahead to the next five years, related to physical and mental health, finances, life purpose and fulfillment, and emotional and social support. Imagine Fox Cities asks people to contribute their voices by taking the anonymous online survey by **June 30, 2021** (extended timeline). The survey is on Imagine Fox Cities' <u>website</u> in multiple languages.

Did you miss a Family Message? Find them all here.