



Amherst Regional High School PARENT CENTER

About The ARHS Parent Center

The ARHS parent/ guardian organization is “The Parent Center”. This year we have organized parent coffees with the principal, welcomed families new to the District, created “The Parent News” website/ blog, and raised funds to make mini-grants to teachers and support the teacher appreciation luncheon. Let’s keep this going. Please join us!

The ARHS Scoop for Parents

As a parent, are you wondering how to keep abreast of all that’s happening at your teen’s high school? Do you need reminders of important ARHS dates? Do you wonder if you are aware of all the different programs available? Did you know there was an email newsletter just for ARHS parents?

Well, your worries are over! The ARHS Parent Center publishes an email Parent Newsletter with all the scoop delivered right to your desktop each week!

Subscribe to the ARHS Parent News

<http://www.arhsparentcenter.org/>

Please Join Us for A Parent Center Coffee

*April 3, Friday 12-1 pm in room 13, “Brown Bag Lunch” with Principal Mark Jackson & Activities Coordinator Shari Balzano. Bring your questions about community service opportunities, summer programs and senior year options.

*May 28, Thursday 7-8 pm in room 13, “Evening Coffee” with Principal Mark Jackson.

Stop & Shop Fundraiser Raises Over \$10,000!

Thanks to all who signed up their Stop & Shop cards. As of the end of February we have raised over \$10,000 for ARHS. If you have yet to sign up your Stop & Shop card please contact Arnie Alper at lobofamo@hotmail.com



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Parent Center Awards Grants to Teachers and Staff

The Parent Center was overwhelmed by terrific grant proposals and has awarded \$2,000 to high school teachers and staff. Thank you to the many teachers who showed their enthusiasm and commitment by taking the time to apply and to the many parents who contributed to the Parent Center. The following are being funded this year: motor kits for physics classes, software for chemistry tutorials, a small in-class library for English language learners, sheet pans for foods classes, supplies for clothing classes, DVDs for a music class at the South Amherst Campus, computer flash drives for students with no internet service at home, a TELRAD sight for a telescope, subsidies for the school newspaper, The Graphic; the literary magazine, The Minks; a math field trip for students unable to afford it; entry fees for an art competition; contribution towards commission of The Emily Dickinson Suite for Wind Ensemble, and workbooks for a therapeutic intervention group.

School Committee Election Coming Up

There will be a town-wide election on Tuesday 3/31. Two seats on the School Committee are up for grabs between three candidates. The School Committee creates the policies and budgets for all of our Amherst schools. It's important that parents get to know these candidates and get out and vote!

Here are the candidate's websites:

Irv Rhodes <http://www.irvrhodesforschoolcommittee.org/>

Steve Rivkin <http://www.home.comcast.net/~s.rivkin/>

Meg Rosa <http://meganrosa.blogspot.com/>

Parent Center Executive Committee 2008/2009

Adrienne Levine
Kate Troast
Cynthia Gensheimer
Brian Lynn

Interested in being on the Parent Center Executive Committee in 2009-2010?
Please contact us at ktroast@comcast.net or 549-5729