



Auburn Drive High School Principal's Message

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Happy Holidays and a very Joyous New Year from Ms. Johns & Mrs. Lohnes!



Since our last newsletter, students at Auburn Drive High have been busy participating in various University and College tours. It is great to witness the enthusiasm as well as speak to the students about their long term plans. For some, it is ongoing conversations, while others are sure of what they want to do. Whatever the path they choose, our administrators, staff, guidance counsellors and school personnel are here to support the next steps. If your son or daughter will be graduating in June of 2020, please encourage them to begin to construct their letters for scholarships/ bursaries etc. There is a board in Student Services that is constantly being updated with the latest news. You can also check the Auburn website where you will find lots of information and links.

On November 8th we held our Remembrance Day ceremony. This was organized by Ms. Kennedy and her team and consisted of talent for our drama class students, live music, and power point presentations. A very moving experience. Ms. Kennedy, thank you again for an excellent assembly.

Congratulations to our boys and girls hockey teams who won the Auburn Hockey Classic.

Auburn was also busy in November with Mascot Showdown, where we raised

over \$8000 for Phoenix House. This year was the 10th anniversary of Mascot Showdown and to date we have raised over \$32,000!

Other great things that happened at Auburn High School in November and December were : Digital Oral History for Reconciliation (DOHR) project, our Africentric Cohort students participated in a two week curriculum development and restorative piece. Staff and students were also involved in several spirit week activities. Staff and students participated in our annual holiday concert, art showcase, parent teacher meetings, School Advisory Meeting (SAC) and fundraisers for our sister school in Ghana, West Africa. *Auburn is selling calendars for \$10 to raise funds for our school in Ghana. For more information on how to purchase a calendar, please contact the main office.

Auburn's Green team was very active in raising funds for our tree initiative.

Grad photos were done in early December. Retakes will be in February. All grade 12 students must have their picture taken with our photographer in order to be in the yearbook and on the school composite. Yearbooks are on sale for \$60. You can purchase one in person at the school or online. Deadline to purchase a yearbook is March 6, 2020.

Our Breakfast Program continues to run every Tuesday and Thursday. We love to see our students take advantage of this great program; by enjoying a healthy breakfast and/or volunteering their time to help the community. Our teachers took part in Culturally Relevant Pedagogy during their recent PD.

Exams will begin January 23 for virtual school, with classroom exams beginning the week of January 27th. Our Assessment day is January 31st. Second semester will begin February 3rd. Our SAC meets regularly throughout the year. Dawn Torrealba is our chairperson this year. Notices of meetings are placed on the website. The next meeting will take place on March 2, 2020 at 6pm.

In an event of school closure due to inclement weather please check the HRCE website, twitter account or cancellation information line 902-464-4636. There also could be a delayed opening to the school day. Delayed starts are considered when it is not safe to open schools at the regularly scheduled time but when it is predicted that conditions will improve within 2 hours. Delayed openings may also be considered when a physical plant is experiencing an issue (power, water) and additional time is required to prepare the facility for opening.

Please enjoy your break and see you on January 6, 2020.

Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy Kwanzaa.

Karen Hudson
Principal



Important Dates...

December 20th	Last day before break
January 6th	Classes begin
January 27th	Exam Week
January 31st	Assessment day (no classes)
February 3rd	Second semester begins
February 17th	Africville Day (no classes)

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Staff and students at Auburn High School would like to welcome Gloria Dove to our Learning Centre. Mrs. Dove has accepted a term position and will be with us until April.

WARMEST WELCOME, MRS. DOVE!

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Youth Health Centre...

The Youth Health Centre is now open at Auburn High School! Find it on the 3rd floor at the top of the stairs. Drop in to say hello to our new Coordinator, Jodie, and learn a bit more of what the Centre has to offer you and how it can support your well-being. Stay tuned for fun, health focused projects in the new year.

A VERY MERRY WELCOME, JODIE!



The Green Team, Student Council &

Mr. Bush's food lab...

Auburn's Green Team has partnered with Auburn's Student Council to take up Mr. Beast's YouTube challenge to have the world commit to plant 20,000,000 trees by Jan 2020. He is working with the Arbor Day foundation who has promised to plant trees around the world for every dollar donated.

We would like to plant one tree for everyone at Auburn 914!

The students have been fundraising by holding bake sales, recycling beverage containers, and selling gift cards to plant trees for friends and family.

Auburn has an account set up at Karen's Recycling: Auburn Tree Team

To date we have raised \$534.00 to plant trees! Our goal is \$914; one for every person at Auburn.

***Auburn Tree Team account at Karen recycling will remain open until Jan 9 so please drop off your Holiday beverage containers.

Thank you for your continuing support. Together we are making the world a little greener!



Did you know...

Auburn hosts international students from many countries around the world. Here are some ways to say Happy Holidays from a few of these places:

Frohe Feiertage! - German

Buone Feste! - Italian

Jia Ri Yu Kual! - Mandarin

Boas Festas! - Portuguese

Matlu Bayramlar! - Turkish

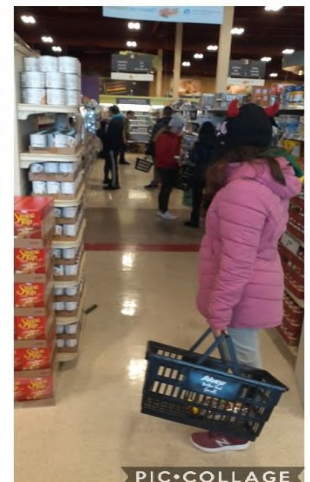
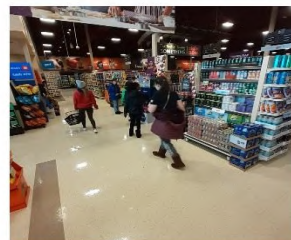


Aubcon 7 is going strong. The date is May 30, 2020 and the preparations are well underway. Watch for upcoming dates for more games nights!

Happening in the Learning Centre...



The Learning Centre students did a great job during their grocery store field trip! With help from Mr. Johnson, Ms. Hollohan and Mrs. Faloon, they worked in teams to navigate to the grocery store, locate items, then purchase items for their recipes. They used decision making skills to decide on cost effective items as well as estimating skills during money interactions. The students had lots of fun baking their recipes in teams as a follow up to their grocery store trip. They made lots of delicious and festive treats for everyone to enjoy!



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Mrs. Ferguson...

Music for a Winter's Night 2019

Our music program entertained a large crowd on Thursday December 5th, and what a night it was! Students performed a wide variety of selections to the delight of friends and family. Congratulations on a concert well performed, everyone! (Photography by Ms. Hudson)



Entrepreneurship Fair 2019

After many years, Auburn is offering an entrepreneurship class to our creative and enterprising students. Entrepreneurs boost economic growth by introducing innovative technologies, products, and services. Increased competition from entrepreneurs challenges existing firms to become more competitive and they provide new job opportunities in the short and long term for our community. We are hoping to develop these skills and provide a foundation for such economic growth in Nova Scotia through this program.

With that in mind, we held our Entrepreneurship Fair in November - we hope you had a chance to check out their products at Parent Teacher. Businesses opened last period the day before for a number of classes where some booths sold out of product!

Looking forward to our next fair in 2020 al-



*****Make sure to check the ADHS website for updates on scholarships, bursaries, important deadlines, upcoming university and college visits and a whole lot more!**

Order your transcripts online or at the student service desk. Pick ups are Tuesdays and Thursdays.

SOCIOLOGY 12 CULTURAL AMAZING RACE

Cultural Amazing Race



Each term, Sociology 12 holds a Cultural Amazing Race, where teams compete for 1st place after researching an unfamiliar culture. They learn about norms, values, beliefs, way of living,

marriage customs and more, then they challenge the other teams in a competition relevant to the culture they explored. This year we learned about the Kombai, Mayans, Igbo, Saami, Samoan and Bonda cultures from all corners of our earth! Points were awarded during the research phase for team unity + collaboration, as well as during presentations where they earned points for asking questions of the researchers and finally, winners of the challenges.

This year the winning team was the RED team: Nylita Grant, Bria LaRose, Drew Poirier, Emily Lewis and Noah Boutilier

Congratulations to all participants, it was a hard-won battle!



MERRY CHRISTMAS

Happy  Holidays!