



# AMPS

## Be Safe, Be Happy, Learn A Lot

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Have a Wonderful Thanksgiving Everyone!



### ACADEMIC ALLEY

October 17th-21st was Digital Citizenship Week. Students learned about the importance of passwords, what information they can and cannot share online, to always ask an adult for help if they are unsure or want to go to a new site and the importance of balancing technology and playtime.

Technology is used in the classroom in multiple ways throughout the day. Laptops can be used for students to practice basic number facts, while teachers work with small groups on new math concepts. Students can use laptops for reading leveled text or listening to books while teachers work with small groups. They can be used for quick and fun assessments so teachers know if students have gained new knowledge or if they need to reteach a skill or concept. They can be used for research, quick and immediate feedback, to go on a virtual field trip or to make a video of a student reading something they've written. The possibilities are endless.

Just like with any subject, there are some things you can do to help your child be successful:

- 1- Make sure your child brings their laptop to school everyday if it is requested by the teacher. It is difficult for a child when there is a lesson on the laptop and they do not have theirs.
- 2- Practice logging on with your child. This is not an automatic process for young children. Logging on with automaticity allows more time for instruction.
- 3- Make sure laptops are charged nightly.
- 4- Keep headsets, that fit your child, in the front pocket of the laptop case, so your child can work on differentiated work when needed.
- 5- Turn the laptop on at home once a week so students don't have to wait for updates to occur.

This link will help you learn more about the [Computer Literacy and Digital Fluency Standards](#).

### November Calendar

7-Thanksgiving Food Drive Begins

8- Election Day -  
*No Student Attendance*

10—In school celebration for Grade 1 and 2 students who participated in the Summer Reading Program

11- Veteran's Day  
*School Closed*

15, 16, 17—Grade 1 Trips to Brookhaven National Laboratory (additional information to be sent)

16- Picture Make Up day

22—15 minute Early Dismissal—Please be at your bus stops 15 minutes earlier than usual.

23, 24 & 25  
Thanksgiving Break  
*School Closed*

### General Information

#### OUTDOOR RECESS AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Please be sure to dress your children in **weather appropriate clothing**. We will go outside everyday as long as there is no precipitation and the temperature is approximately above 32 degrees. Wind and dampness are also factors. Please send your children to school in sneakers or flat rubber soled shoes for safety reasons.

#### CELEBRATIONS

Birthdays are celebrated here at school in the classroom. Please do not send anything in with your child. Each teacher has their own way of recognizing this special day. Birthdays are also announced over the loud speaker to the whole school. Older siblings, may not attend celebrations during their school hours. Younger siblings requiring childcare may attend if other arrangements cannot be made.

#### LABEL STUDENT CLOTHING

Please label everything, so we can return lost items when they are found.

