

# February

2009

## ALEDO COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #201

- January 31 Varsity LTC Tournament, There, TBA (January 31 – February 7)  
February 2 V/JV HS Girls Basketball, Alwood, Here, 6:00 p.m. Pep Band to perform. Senior Night.  
JH Boys Basketball, 8<sup>th</sup> Graders, IESA Regional Tourn., TBA, TBA  
JH Girls Basketball, Westmer, There, 5:30 p.m.  
Market Day Pick Up at Apollo, 7:15-8:15 p.m.  
3 JH Boys Basketball, 8<sup>th</sup> Graders, IESA Regional Tourn., TBA, TBA  
JH Wrestling, Orion, There, 5:00 p.m.  
4 V/JV HS Girls Basketball, United, There, 6:00 p.m.  
JH Girls Basketball, United, There, 5:30 p.m.  
Circa 21 workshop for HS Chorus  
5 Half-Day School Improvement Planning, Early Dismissals: 11:30 @ HS & JH and 11:40 @  
Apollo  
Athletic Booster Meeting at HS, 7:00 p.m.  
V/JV HS Girls Basketball, Rockridge, There, 6:00 p.m.  
7 Varsity HS Wrestling, IHSA Regional, TBA, TBA  
AHS Winter Formal in high school gym, 8:00-11:00 p.m.  
9 Board of Education Meeting, Unit Office, 6:30 p.m.  
AAA Pest Control to spray buildings early prior to students' arrivals.  
Varsity HS Girls Basketball, IHSA Regional, TBA, TBA  
JH Girls Basketball, Rockridge, There, 6:00 p.m.  
Aledo High School Blood Drive  
10 V/JV HS Boys Basketball, Princeville, Here, 6:00 p.m. Pep Band performs.  
JH Wrestling, Rockridge, Here, 5:30 p.m.  
11 JH Girls Basketball, Monmouth-Roseville, Here, 5:30 p.m.  
Pint-Sized Heroes Blood Drive, Apollo gym, 2:00-7:00 p.m.  
12 Student Attendance Day on Lincoln's Birthday  
JH Wrestling, Monmouth-Roseville, Here, 5:30 p.m.  
13 V/JV HS Boys Basketball, Annawan, There, 6:00 p.m.  
Varsity HS Wrestling, IHSA Sectional, TBA, TBA  
JH Dance in the Commons, 7:00-8:45 p.m.  
14 V/JV HS Boys Basketball, Elmwood, There, 6:00 p.m.  
16 NO SCHOOL – President's Day  
Varsity HS Girls Basketball, IHSA Sectional, TBA, TBA  
17 V/JV HS Boys Basketball, Alwood, There, 6:00 p.m.  
JH Girls Basketball, Sherrard, Here, 5:30 p.m.  
JH Wrestling, Sherrard, There, 5:30 p.m.  
PTO Meeting at Apollo LRC, 6:30 p.m.  
18 JH Girls Basketball, Orion, There, 5:00 p.m.  
19 JH Wrestling, Orion, Here, 5:30 p.m.  
Mercer County Spelling Bee in the JH Music Room, 6:30 p.m.  
20 V/JV HS Boys Basketball, United, Here, 6:00 p.m. Pep Band performs.  
Varsity HS Wrestling, State Finals, TBA, TBA  
21 JH Wrestling, Canton Tournament, There, 9:30 a.m.  
23 V/JV HS Boys Basketball, IHSA Regional, There, TBA  
Varsity HS Girls Basketball, IHSA Super Sectional, TBA, TBA  
24 Varsity HS Wrestling, IHSA Team Sectionals, TBA, TBA  
JH Girls Basketball, Knoxville, There, 5:30 p.m.  
25 JH Girls Basketball, Rockridge, Here, 6:00 p.m.  
26 Preschool Screening at Aledo Methodist Church, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (See article in  
bulletin for more information.)  
Music Theory Class Play ("Leaving Iowa") in high school auditorium, 7:00 p.m.  
27 Varsity HS Girls Basketball, IHSA State Finals, TBA, TBA  
28 Varsity HS Wrestling, IHSA Team Finals, TBA, TBA  
JH Wrestling, IESA Regional, TBA, TBA

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| March | 2  | JH Girls Basketball, Monmouth-Roseville, There, 5:30 p.m.  |
|       | 3  | Varsity HS Boys Basketball, IHSA Sectional, There, TBA   |
|       | 4  | JH Girls Basketball, Sherrard, There, 5:30 p.m.  |
|       | 7  | JH Girls Basketball, Westmer, Here, 10:00 a.m.<br>JH Wrestling, IESA Sectional, TBA, TBA<br>IHSA Solo/Ensemble Contest at Rock Island High School  |
|       | 9  | JH Girls Basketball, Orion, Here, 5:30 p.m.  |
|       | 10 | Varsity HS Boys Basketball, IHSA Super Sectional, There, TBA   |
|       | 11 | JH Girls Basketball, Knoxville, Here, 5:30 p.m.  |
|       | 13 | Varsity HS Boys Basketball, IHSA State Finals, There, TBA<br>JH Girls Basketball, PLC Tournament, Here, TBA<br>JH Wrestling, IESA Finals, TBA, TBA |

### MAGAZINE SALES

Aledo High School will be having its 32nd annual magazine sale/renewal. This is the primary fundraiser for the yearbook, prom, and all classes. All magazine orders/renewals are through QSP. Orders are guaranteed 100% by the company. Please help Aledo High School students with your orders. You can go to QSP.com and enter the School Code #425001297 to place an order year round. If you have any questions, contact Aledo High School at 582-2223.

### EMERGENCY WEATHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

If school is to be cancelled or delayed because of weather conditions or other emergencies, the announcement will be made with the following news media:

#### Radio Stations

WRMJ 102.3

KUUL 101.3

WLLR 101FM

WAAG 1400 AM

WPXR/WKBF 1270 AM

#### Television Stations

KWQC Channel 6

KLJB Channel 18

Note: Morning cancellations or delays will be called in about 6:00 a.m. Afternoon adjustments will be called in by 10:30 a.m. Immediate emergency situations will be phoned in as soon as possible.

### SCHOOL BUS CAUTION

As the buses are transporting our students to and from school, particular caution should be given. Buses need to make wide turns so we need to allow for this and give them room to do so. When buses are leaving or picking up students at the schools, cars should maintain their distance until the buses depart. The bus drivers are trying to do their job by getting the children to and from school in a safe manner. Buses normally run on a time schedule every day so if need be, parents that are dropping off or picking up students should get to the schools either before or after the bus drop off or pick up. Cooperation between all drivers will ensure safe transportation for our students.

### REMINDER TO PARENTS

If your child is absent from school, please call the school office prior to the opening of school. Their telephone numbers are: Apollo (582-5350), Aledo Jr. High (582-2441), and Aledo High School (582-2223). This will assist the schools in knowing that all students arrived at school safely.

### S.M.I.L.L.E

Someone, Making, an Impression, Lasting, an Eternity

The Mercer County Family Crisis Center is currently looking for male and female high school Juniors and Seniors to volunteer a little bit of time to be a mentor with elementary age students in our S.M.I.L.L.E. program. Becoming a S.M.I.L.L.E. mentor requires organizing and helping with special group activities such as bowling, holiday parties, flying kites, etc. We would really like as many volunteers as possible. It's fun, very self rewarding, plus community service looks GREAT on scholarship and college applications! To volunteer or if you have any questions, please call Brenda Dunn, Children's Advocate, at the Mercer County Family Crisis Center, 582-SAFE (582-7233).

## THE TOOTHMOBILE IS COMING

“The Toothmobile” (Mercer County Health Department’s mobile dental clinic) will be offering preventative dental care for children in the Aledo School District on March 26, 2009. The clinic is available to all children regardless of income. “The Toothmobile” provides exams, sealants and cleanings. They do not fill cavities or remove teeth. A referral may be made for further treatments if tooth decay is present. **THIS EXAM FULFILLS THE STATE LAW REQUIRING ALL K, 2<sup>ND</sup>, AND 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS TO HAVE A MANDATED DENTAL EXAM.** If you have any questions about cost, contact Becky Hyett at Apollo (582-5350) or Jennifer Anderson at the Health Department (582-3759). Forms are available at all 3 school buildings or contact Becky Hyett at Apollo (582-5350 Extension 4).

## ATTENTION PARENTS OF STUDENTS IN KINDERGARTEN, SECOND, & SIXTH GRADES

All students entering kindergarten, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> grades must have a dental exam. The exam must be completed by a dentist prior to May 15, 2009 of this school year. The dental examination form must be completed by the dentist and returned to the school before May 20, 2009. School nurse Becky Hyett has sent a letter and the proper dental form home with students who need the dental exam. Please take this form with you to the dentist’s office so that it can be completed and the student can return it to the school nurse at Apollo. If you have any questions, please call school nurse Becky Hyett at 582-5350 (extension 4). Thank you for your cooperation.

## PRESCHOOL SCREENING FOR CHILDREN 3 TO 5 YEARS OLD

As in the past years, the State of Illinois is requiring all school districts to screen for potential problems in hearing, vision, and muscular and emotional development of preschool children. All children must be tested who will be three years old by February 26, 2009, including those children entering kindergarten in the fall.

The purpose of the screening is to enable early childhood problems to be corrected before the child enters school. Even though a child was screened last year, parents are urged to have him/her screened each year because during the formative years children change from year to year. There is no charge for his screening. If a student has already been tested this year at preschool, a screening appointment is not necessary.

Screening for the Aledo School District will be Thursday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, at the Aledo United Methodist Church, 301 North College Avenue, Aledo, IL. In order to save time and confusion, please call the district unit office at 582-2238 to make an appointment for your child. The time slots on Thursday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, are four to five children every 45 minutes starting at 9:00 a.m., 9:45 a.m., 10:30 a.m., and 11:15 a.m. The screeners will take an hour lunch break and resume at 1:00 p.m., 1:45 p.m., and the last set of appointments will be at 2:30 p.m. Also, when making your appointment, it will be necessary to make arrangements to pick up the registration form prior to the screening date if you have not already received the form.

## KINDERGARTEN PRE-REGISTRATION FOR THE 2009/10 SCHOOL YEAR

Pre-registration for the prospective 2009/10 kindergarten students in the Aledo School District will be held on February 26<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Aledo United Methodist Church during preschool screening. No appointments are necessary to pre-register for kindergarten. Prospective kindergarten students must be **FIVE YEARS OLD BY SEPTEMBER 1, 2009**. The actual kindergarten roundup is March 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in the Apollo gym.

There are no fees or physical examinations due at this time. These will be due at the fall registration period which will be announced at a later date. The screening does not take the place of the physical examination required of all students entering kindergarten.

Preschool screening is performed on an appointment-only basis. If you would like your preschool-aged child (3+ years old) screened, please call the unit office at 582-2238 for an appointment. While your child is being screened, you can pre-register him/her for kindergarten this fall if he/she will be **FIVE BY SEPTEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>**.

## MUSIC THEORY CLASS TO PRESENT PLAY “LEAVING IOWA”

On Thursday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, the AHS Music Theory Class will be performing the play “Leaving Iowa”. The performance will start at 7:00 p.m. “Leaving Iowa” is a hilarious sentimental comedy about family and family vacations. It is guaranteed to have you laughing and remembering the childhood vacations you tried to forget. The spark behind “Leaving Iowa” comes from being the children of parents from the now dubbed “Greatest Generation”. Admission for this performance will be \$5 for adults and \$3 for students. AHS has not done a play in many years so we hope to see you there!