



Albany Options School
Greater Albany Public
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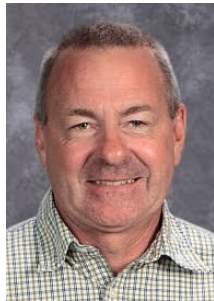
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AOS Newsletter

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A Word from the Principal



AOS has had an incredible month. We had students volunteering out in the

community, some amazing stories in the newspaper about the great things going on at AOS, new programs and opportunities developing, and so much more.

I would like to thank all of our parents and guardians who attended Conferences. Many of our parents and guardians were able to visit us, which shows me that our families care about our students and are invested in their success.

Last month we completed our first six-week grading period. Students, as always, impressed us with their high grades, commitment to their

academic goals, and class awards.

I would like to encourage everyone to keep pushing themselves. As the holidays approach and the weather gets colder, it is easy to lose motivation. Push yourselves to come to school and continue to do amazing work. It will be worth it!

At the end of this month we will complete the first trimester, which means we will be one-third of the way done with the school year. I always encourage students to look at their transcript

No School:
Monday, November 12th
Thursday, November 22nd
Friday November 23rd
Friday, November 30th
December 24-January 4th

lights of your senior year. Please make sure you are here that day as it is a graduation requirement in order to get your Career Education credits. Mrs. Harryman will be holding regular senior class meet-

ings this month in preparation for the events.

If you are attending the Veteran's Day Parade on

Saturday, November 10th, be sure to cheer for the Southpaw's Float featuring Albany Options School, South Albany, and West Albany students!

On behalf of the staff at Albany Options School, I would like to wish all of our students and families a wonderful Thanksgiving. I am grateful to work at AOS every day and to be surrounded by such amazing students and supportive families. Remember to take some time to think about what you are thankful for this season.

and make sure they are on track to meet their educational goals.

Seniors, the Youth Job Fair is coming up, which is one of the high-



November 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 
4 Daylight Savings Time Ends 	5	6	7 Early Release <i>Ophelia's Place</i> Girls Group 11:20	8 ASVAB Test at AOS	9	10
11 Veteran's Day 	12 NO SCHOOL: Veteran's Day Observed	13	14 Early Release Classified Appreciation Day <i>Ophelia's Place</i>	15	16	17
18	19	20	21 Early Release AOS FAMILY THANKSGIVING DINNER!	22 NO SCHOOL: Thanksgiving Day	23 NO SCHOOL	24 
25 	26	27	28 Early Release <i>Ophelia's Place</i>	29 Last day of trimester	30 NO SCHOOL: Grading Day	December 1

December 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2 	3 First Day of Trimester 2	4	5 Early Release <i>Ophelia's Place</i>	6	7	8
9	10	11 Youth Job Fair—mandatory for seniors	12 Early Release <i>Ophelia's Place</i>	13	14	15
16	17	18	19 Early Release <i>Ophelia's Place</i>	20	21	22
23	24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas	26	27	28	29
30	31 New Year's Eve	January 1 New Years	2	3	4	5 

No School

Winter Break

Important Information

SENIOR REQUIREMENTS

All seniors are required to attend the LBCC Job Fair on December 11th.

To attend you must have three resumes completed as well as three job applications.

Students in the Innovative High School program as well as the Choices programs will work with Mrs. Harryman to complete the assignments.

Students who do not attend this event will have alternative assignments to complete.

This is a state requirement for graduation.

SOCIAL MEDIA:

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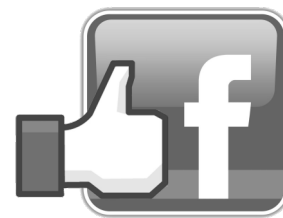
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Have a job?

Students can earn Co-Operative Work Experience elective credits for having a job. See Mrs. Harryman if you have questions. You could earn as much as 2.0 elective credits for work you're already doing!

GED Completers

Congratulations to the following students who earned their GED:

Jesse Vieting

Gabe Howard

Anthony Johnson

Jacob Wohlers



Graduates

Congratulations to the following students who met the requirements for the high school diploma:

Emily Pool

Maxwell Shelton

Sage Floyd

Alaina Fosdick

Jayden Stewart



Pic of the Month



The Latino Club hosted Dia de los Muertos (Day of the Dead) for the whole school on Wednesday, October 31st during lunch.

AOS in the News

Be sure to check out our school website to see the latest articles about AOS. You can find our archived newsletters, articles, and much more at: aos.albany.k12.or.us/.

If you have not seen it yet, go read the article about Ms. Fitzpatrick and the amazing work she is doing in our GED program.

<https://aos.albany.k12.or.us/announcements/aos-in-the-news/>

Newsletter in Spanish

Para obtener la versión en español, por favor de ir a nuestra página de internet.

<https://aos.albany.k12.or.us/announcements/newsletter/>

O visite nuestro facebook.

www.facebook.com/albanyoptions



Giving to AOS

Giving to AOS is easier than ever!

You can now go online to:

<https://albanytblite.lblesd.k12.or.us/>

and select Albany Options School, the amount you are wanting to donate, and even leave a memo if you are donating for a specific event, purpose, or fund (e.g. AOS Thanksgiving dinner, student fund, prom, Service Learning, etc.). You will receive a receipt for tax purposes too!

Latino Club Visits Cultural Centers and Art Center

On Friday, November 2nd, Mr. Diaz and Ms. Fitzpatrick took a group of nine students from the Latino Club, Latinos Unidos, on a field trip to visit three different Cultural Centers on the Oregon State University campus.

In addition, the students visited the Corvallis Art Center for the Desfile de Calavera. The students



collectively created a skeleton and a series of small "sugar" skulls during their visit.

The Latino Club also hosted a Dia de los Muertos (Day of the Dead) celebration for the whole school on Wednesday, October 31st, where they served traditional beverages and treats.

Several students from the



club also volunteered at the Albany Public Library Dia de los Muertos celebration event.

Rotary Club Recognizes Student

On Monday, November 5th, Ernie Berbridge was recognized by the Greater Albany Rotary Club for overcoming obstacles.

Ernie was nominated by the staff for coming to AOS and turning



his life around. Ernie came to AOS credit deficient and with a low GPA, and within the first grading period made it on to the Honor Roll with a 3.5 GPA. This last grading period he earned a 4.0!



Ernie is also in the Leadership class, regularly earns academic awards, has high attendance, and volunteers out in the community.

We are very proud of Ernie and the recognition he received today.

Students Break Ground at AOS



On Friday, November 2nd, a group of AOS students began their construction project on school grounds.

The student participating in this project will be involved in pouring 3,247 square feet of concrete out back, which will include a half basketball court, and a covered area for outdoor seating and the Horticulture program.

The students are also going to build a 15x15 foot wooden shed out back next to the Horticulture shed.

This project is being overseen by our Bilingual Liaison, Gabe Diaz, and with the support of David Jazmin

and his business.

Students will be able to earn credit by participating in this program as well as gain valuable career and technical experience.



AOS Celebrates Halloween



Students Recognized by School Board

On Monday, November 5th, students from across the district were recognized by the district and the School Board for their high scores on the Smarter Balanced exam.

The Academic All-Stars event was held at South Albany High School and were presented with their awards from AOS principal, John Hunter.

Elias Utt was recognized for having the highest score in mathematics.



Alain Fosdick was recognized for having the highest score in English Language Arts as well as in Science.

The students took the exam last Spring and were the highest scores amongst the whole AOS Junior class.

Congratulations to both students on their achievements!

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AOS encourages students and families to take advantage of the many resources our community has to offer. Below is a list of services and organizations available throughout Linn County that are available to the public.

- **Family Connections:** The people to call for child care, parenting information, family activities and more.....(541)917-4899 or 1-800-845-1363
- **Comcast Internet Essentials:** Affordable internet may be available for families with a child receiving free school lunches.....1-855-846-8376
- **Oregon Health Plan (OHP):** Provides health insurance to qualified citizens, includes dental services.....1-800-359-9517
- **Families and Agencies Coming Together (FACT):** Community resources for families with children in the Albany School District541-924-3720
- **Jackson Street Youth Shelter, Cornerstone Youth Outreach Center:** Overnight and drop-in resources for youth in Albany, Corvallis.....541-207-2958
- **FISH Clothes Closet:** Free clothing available; must bring name with current address. 1880 Hill St. SE. Albany.....928-4460
- **Call 211** for free and confidential information regarding help with food, housing, employment, health care, counseling and more.

****For more community resources please visit the Albany Option School webpage:**
www.albany.k12.or.us/AOS/

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