

AGRHS Parent Bulletin, September 2022

Annual General Assembly of Parents: All parents are invited to attend our Annual General Assembly that will take place in person on Thursday, September 22nd in the AGRHS Auditorium. The evening will begin at **6:30 p.m.** in the auditorium. There are four seats open for Parent Representatives on the Governing Board this year. This is a wonderful opportunity for parents to play a role in the education of our students. As a Parent Representative on the Governing board, you represent Alexander Galt Regional High School parents in decisions and recommendations as outlined in the Education Act. Parent Representatives are elected to serve a 2-year term. Governing Board meetings are held monthly in the Library or virtually (TBD).



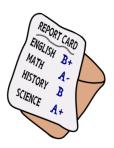
The General Assembly of parents also elects, from the Parent Representatives on Governing Board, a Central Parents' Committee Representative. This is a very important position as it provides the parents from each school a voice at the Central Board level. The Central Parents' Committee is composed of 1 parent representative from each school and meets monthly in Magog. This representative reports back to the Governing Board.

The establishment of the Alexander Galt PPO will also be requested at the General Assembly. The PPO is a vital group of dedicated parents ready to support and to assist in the education and growth of our students. The PPO offers valuable support in assisting with school activities and representing parent views. The PPO is always looking for new members and all parents are welcome. The PPO meets monthly in the MAPs Conference Room (Door 17) or virtually (TBD).

Following the General Assembly, parents will have the opportunity to meet with teachers during "Meet the Teacher". Please remember that this evening is to provide an overview of the program and class procedures and routines. If you have specific concerns regarding your child, please communicate with your child's teacher such that a phone call or a meeting can be arranged at a mutually convenient time. Teachers are organized by department in the cafeteria (2nd floor Central Block).



<u>Parent Portal</u>: A reminder that all important school communications are provided digitally. Critical information such as your child's timetable, school fees, attendance records, report card and interim communications, etc... are all accessible via the <u>Mozaik portal</u>. Instructions to guide setting up and accessing the portal are detailed in the link provided. It is important to know that ensuring your Mozaik access is set up and has been utilized at least once this year ensures that you will receive all important emails as well. Parents are strongly encouraged to visit the portal frequently.



End of Terms & Reporting Periods: This year sees a return to three terms. Term 1 concludes on November 2nd, Term 2 on January 27th, and Term 3 on June 23rd. Three formal report cards will be available on the portal on November 14th, February 8th, and in early July. Two informal communications will be provided - 1 in October and 1 in April.

<u>Code of Conduct</u>: Parents are asked to review the school's Code of Conduct with their child. The following video was shared as a virtual assembly with students during Block 4 on September 9th: <u>AGRHS Expectations - Virtual Assembly</u> Please familiarize yourself with this information as it explains the reporting process for <u>Bullying and Violence</u> incidents, as well as the school's expectations with regard to the <u>Code of Conduct</u>.

<u>Open Campus</u>: As explained in the Code of Conduct and the video link above, AGRHS, like most secondary schools, is an Open Campus. The expectation is that cycle 1 students will remain on campus, and a note from the parent is required for cycle 1 students to leave campus with a designated adult during the school day. When it becomes known that Cycle 1 students have left campus (apart from authorized and supervised school activities) it will be treated as a disciplinary infraction.



Cycle 2 and WOTP students are permitted to leave campus, provided they return to class on time and prepared to learn. It is important that as the parent/guardian, you make your expectations clear to your child regarding remaining on campus or leaving. Students whose behaviour is not in compliance with municipal/provincial laws or the school code of conduct are accountable to the authorities, whether they be the police, fire department, and/or the school. Students facing consequences for inappropriate behaviour off campus will lose freedoms and see restrictions or conditions imposed.

It is our clear expectation that our students will always be good ambassadors of the school, conducting themselves in such a way that all are viewed as good citizens and good neighbours.

Dates to Remember: September 22

September 23 October 3 October 10 October 14 November 15-18 General Assembly & Meet the Teacher PD Day - No school for Students PD Day - No school for Students Thanksgiving Holiday - School Closed PD Day - No school for Students PD Days - No school for Students

