



# AMS Eagle News



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Dear Amsterdam Families:

Summer has really flown by and now it is time for "Back to School" preparations and excitement for the 2023-2024 school year! I hope that the summer months were filled with special moments with your family and friends! As we start to shift gears toward a new school year, it is important to note that our **first day of school for students is Wednesday, September 6, 2023**. The entire staff of AMS can not wait to see their smiling faces on the first day!

The month of August has been a whirlwind of activity at AMS as we prepare to welcome our students back for another fantastic year. If you have driven past AMS lately, you will see that our parent drop off area has been paved. No more muddy shoes in the morning!

Everyone at Amsterdam Elementary School has been excitedly preparing for the start of the school year. We can not wait to see the students' faces as they walk into their new classrooms on the first day!

Below are a few reminders of some important dates that are just around the corner. **Teacher assignments will be posted on the Genesis Parent Portal on Thursday, August 24, 2023 at 4:00 PM.** If you have not had an opportunity yet, please review the grade level supply lists that are posted on our school [website](#).

## Amsterdam School and Home Association

The Amsterdam School and Home Association, ASHA, plays a vital role in supporting our students and staff throughout the year. Be on the lookout for information from ASHA regarding membership, meeting dates and upcoming events. The ASHA co-Presidents are Jessica Franciscus and Kelly Gadol and they can be reached at [ashapresidents@gmail.com](mailto:ashapresidents@gmail.com) should you have any questions.

Please join me in welcoming the newest members to our AMS staff:

- Ms. Krynicki - Grade 4 (*Leave replacement for Mrs. Kurtz*)
- Ms. Schumann - School Counselor (*Leave replacement for Mrs. Guastella*)
- Ms. Kritou - Speech
- Mrs. Pampani - Student Ambassador
- Mrs. Grieco - Student Ambassador

I am also pleased to announce the following staff changes at Amsterdam Elementary School for the 2023/2024 school year:

- Ms. Abrams - Grade 3
- Ms. Markowski - Grade 4
- Mrs. Hebert - Instructions Aide
- Mrs. Bossio - K AM / CAP
- Mrs. Baydar - K AM / K PM
- Mrs. Bratus - Grade 3
- Mrs. Skobo - Grade 3  
(*Leave replacement for Mrs. Bernstein*)

In the coming days, I will be sending home more detailed information regarding school hours, parent drop-off and pick-up procedures, as well as other pertinent information to kick-off the school year.

The teachers and I are looking forward to a truly memorable year at Amsterdam School. We look forward to the first day of school when all of our school friends are under the big red roof! Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns. Here is to another amazing year at AMS!

Warmest regards,  
Mrs. Michele Fisher



## Important Dates at AMS

### Chalk the Walk Event at AMS

Tuesday, August 22, 2023

4:00 PM - 5:00 PM



Connect with fellow AMS friends outside the main entrance  
Be sure to bring your "bucket" of sidewalk chalk!

### Class Placements Viewable In the Genesis Parent Portal



Thursday, August 24, 2023

At 4:00 PM



### New Family Night Students in Grades 1-4



Monday, August 28, 2023

Starting at 5:00 PM



New Family Night for new students & families in grades 1-4

### Kindergarten Orientation and Back to School Night



Thursday, August 31, 2023

Starting at 5:00 PM



All kindergarten students and parents are invited to attend the AMS Kindergarten Open House to learn all about Kindergarten, visit their classrooms, and learn about AMS.



### Amsterdam Open House

Tuesday, September 5, 2023

8:00 AM - 8:30 AM



Take a "peek" at your classroom & say hello to your teacher!



### AMS FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

Wednesday, September 6, 2023



### Back To School Night Grades 1 & 2

Monday, September 11, 2023



### Back To School Night Grades 3 & 4

Tuesday, September 12, 2023



More information to follow.



### AMS School Picture Day

Monday, September 18, 2023

