

Artwork by Alexandra Segura-Nunez, Grade 9, Avon Grove High School



Layla Al-Badri, Grade 10, Avon Grove High School

# **AUGUST 2021**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17 Teacher In-Service No School for Students	18 Teacher In-Service No School for Students	19 Teacher In-Service No School for Students	20	21
22	<b>23</b> First Day of School for Students	24	25	School Board Meeting 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.	27	28
29	30	31		Edie Bell Grade 3, AGIS		



Zoey Vennard, Grade 1, Penn London Elementary School

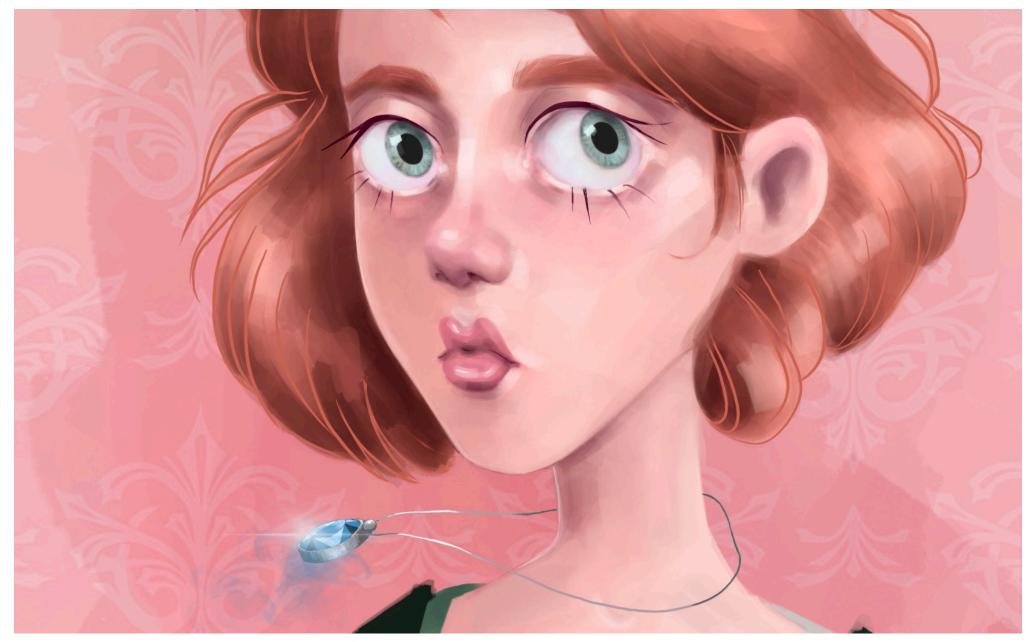
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	Alejandro Ocampo-Gonzalez Grade 10, AGHS		1	2	3	4
5	<b>6</b> Labor Day All Schools & Offices Closed	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16 Teacher In-Service No School for Students	17	18
19	20	21	22	School Board Meeting 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		



Aiden Kempista, Grade 12, Avon Grove High School

# OCTOBER 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			Ariana Horne, Grade 5, AGIS		1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	<b>11</b> Columbus Day	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31 Halloween				School Board Meeting 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.		



Madeline Guido, Grade 12, Avon Grove High School

# NOVEMBER 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	<b>2</b> Election Day Teacher In-Service/ No School for Students	3	4	5	6
<b>7</b> Daylight Saving Time Ends	8	9	10	<b>11</b> Veterans Day	12	13
14	15	16	17	School Board Meeting 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.	19	20
21	<b>22</b> Teacher In-Service No School/Conferences	23 Teacher In-Service No School/Conferences	24 All Schools Closed	25 Thanksgiving All Schools & Offices Closed Thanksgiving Recess	26 All Schools & Offices Closed	27
28 Hanukkah Begins	29	30			Bailey Clark, Grade 10, AGHS	



Ruby Queen, Grade 9, Avon Grove High School

# DECEMBER 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	Aubrey Koch, Grade 5, AGIS		1	School Board Organization Meeting 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.	3	<b>4</b> Country Christmas Event
5	<b>6</b> Hanukkah Ends	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23 Early Dismissal	24 Christmas Eve All Schools & Offices Closed Winter Recess	<b>25</b> Christmas
26	27 All Schools & Offices Closed	28 All Schools Closed	29 All Schools Closed	30 All Schools Closed	New Year's Eve All Schools & Offices Closed	
Winter Recess						



Brooklyn Masters, Grade K, Penn London Elementary School

# JANUARY 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			Graydon Hallman, Grade 6, AGIS			<b>1</b> New Year's Day
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17  Martin Luther King Jr. Day All Schools & Offices Closed	18 Teacher In-Service No School for Students	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					



Brooklyn Cooper, Grade 2, Penn London Elementary School

# FEBRUARY 2022

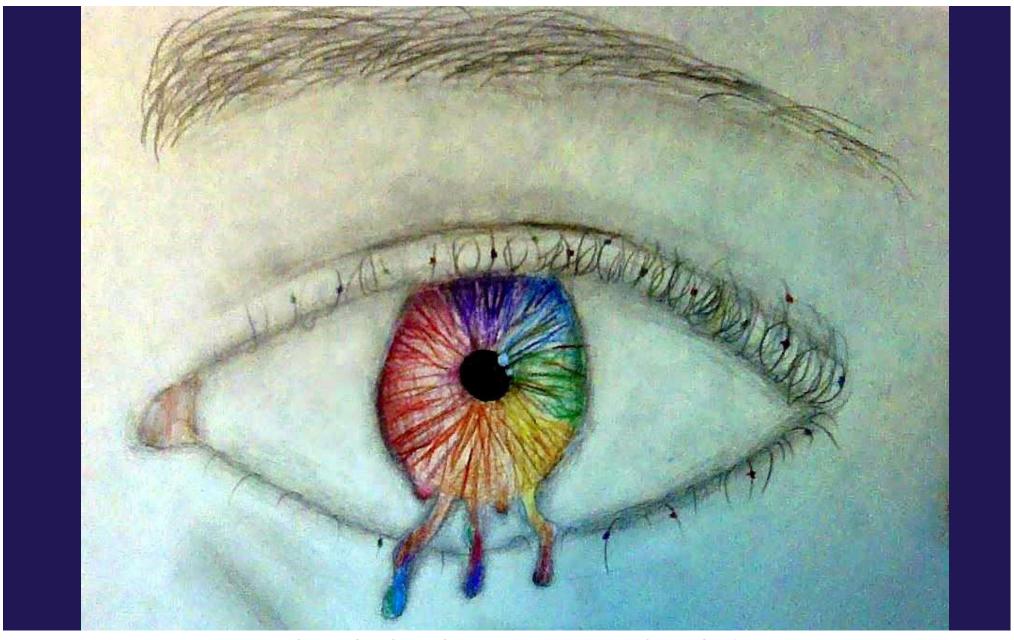
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		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	<b>14</b> Valentine's Day	15	16	17	18	19
20	21 Presidents' Day All Schools & Offices Closed	22	23	24	25	26
27	28		XXX XXX	Adriana Palmieri, Grade 2, PLES		



Emma Moss, Grade 10, Avon Grove High School

# **MARCH 2022**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2 K-8 Teacher In-Service No School K-8/Conferences	3 K-8 Teacher In-Service No School K-8/Conferences	Teacher In-Service No School for Students (K-12)	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
<b>13</b> Daylight Saving Time Begins	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	Ryan Boggetta, Grade 9, AGHS	



Rubina Ashcraft, Grade 6, Avon Grove Intermediate School

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		Jessica Harper, Grade 11, AGHS			1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14 All Schools Closed Spring	Good Friday All Schools & Offices Closed  Recess	16
<b>17</b> Easter	18 Teacher In-Service No School for Students	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30



Helike Milestone, Grade 9, Avon Grove High School

# MAY 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
<b>8</b> Mother's Day	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27 Last Day of School Early Dismissal	28
29	30  Memorial Day All Schools & Offices Closed	31 Summer Recess Begins  School Cancellation/ Make-Up Day 1			Angelina McGrath, Grade 10, AGHS	



Dylan Kutsuflakis, Grade K, Penn London Elementary School

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	Nathan Eroh, Grade 3, AGIS		1	2 School Cancellation Make-Up Days	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
			School Cancellation Make-Up Days	· •		
12	13	<b>14</b> Flag Day	15	16	17	18
<b>19</b> Father's Day Juneteenth	20	21	22	23	24	25
			School Cancellation Make-Up Days			
26	27	28	29	30		



Melinda Mondragon-Garduno, Grade 12, Avon Grove High School

JULY 2022 | NEW

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			Madeleine McShane, Grade 3, AGIS		1	2
3	4 Independence Day All Schools & Offices Closed	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						



Charlotte Higginson, Grade 11, Avon Grove High School

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	Sophia Smith, Grade 5, AGIS		



#### **Administrative Office**

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# **Emergency Closings**

Serious weather conditions or other emergencies may make it necessary to close schools, delay the opening of school or dismiss students at an earlier time. In those cases, announcements will be made to families via phone call and email, posted to the public on the District's website (www.avongrove.org) and reported to the local news channels.

#### **Local News Channels and Websites**

3 - CBS3 - philadelphia.cbslocal.com
 6 - 6ABC - 6abc.com
 8 - WGAL - www.wgal.com
 10 - NBC10 - www.nbcphiladelphia.com
 29 - FOX 29 - www.fox29.com
 57 - CW 57 - cwphilly.cbslocal.com

#### Cancelation/Make-Up Days

For the **first three days** that we need to close schools, AGSD will have traditional "snow days" with make-up days added to the end of the school calendar. If we need to close schools for additional days, AGSD will implement **five flexible instruction days (FIDs)** with remote, online learning. For any additional school closures, make-up days will again be added to the end of the calendar.

Make-up days will be used in the following order: May 31, June 1, 2, (five FIDs), June 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 20, 21, 22, 23 and 24.

Note: Time missed due to a one or two-hour delayed opening or an early dismissal due to inclement weather (or other emergency) is not required to be made up.



Avon Grove's Board of School Directors consists of nine members, three from each region (see map at right), who are elected to a four-year term of office. Board members serve without compensation and have the primary task of formulating and evaluating all policies necessary for the operation of the school district.

School Board meetings are generally scheduled on the fourth Thursday of each month; however, occasionally there are exceptions. For an up-to-date calendar of Board and committee meetings, visit www.avongrove.org.

Most Board meetings are held in the Avon Grove Intermediate School Audion. Regular business meetings are advertised in the legal section of the local newspapers, as required by law.

Residents of Avon Grove School District may bring matters of concern to the attention of the Board through correspondence sent to Dr. Wendi Lee Kraft, Board Secretary, c/o Avon Grove School District, 375 South Jennersville Road, West Grove, PA 19390. Residents may also address the Board during the time set aside for public comment at the regular business meetings.

Board workshops and committee meetings addressing special issues are also scheduled throughout the year. These meetings are advertised on the District website, in local newspapers and posted in District buildings.

#### Region 1

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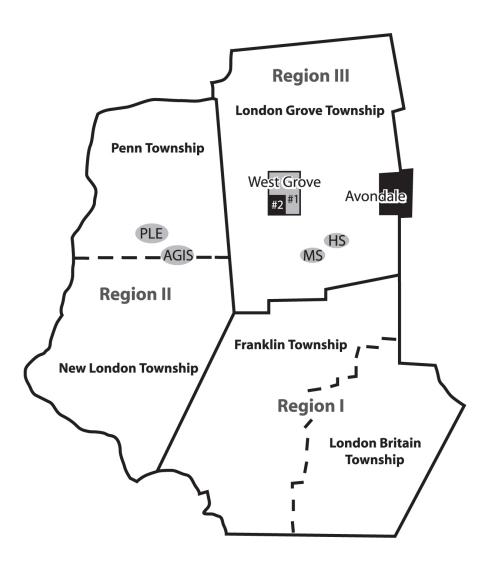
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The nine elected officials of the Board of School Directors represent three regions that serve seven municipalities and townships. Residents of Franklin Township and London Britain Township comprise Region I. Region II is comprised of Penn Township, New London Township and Voting District #1 of West Grove Borough. London Grove Township, Avondale Borough and Voting District #2 of West Grove Borough comprise Region III.



#### Medical Information from the School Nurse

Emergency Information - Keep all phone numbers (home, work and cell) current with the school nurse at each building. This information is important for providing safe health care and for contacting parents (or designated emergency contact) when questions or concerns arise. Updated medical information via InfoSnap is required for all students at the beginning of each school year.

**Medication Policy** - For student safety, a comprehensive medication administration policy is in effect. A complete copy of Policy 210 may be obtained through the school nurse or viewed on the District's website. Visit www.avongrove.org and click on the School Board Policies link to learn more.

#### Highlights from AGSD's Medication Administration Policy

- All medications (prescription and over-the-counter) must be in their original
  containers and clearly labeled with student name and instructions for administering.
  Note: This policy excludes prescription and over-the-counter medication that
  is illegal under federal and/or state law, even when prescribed by a health care
  provider.
- Only medications (both prescription and over-the-counter) prescribed by a health care provider and accompanied by written instructions from that provider will be administered during school hours. Written consent from the parent or guardian is also required.
- Every effort should be made to give all doses of medication at home.
- If medication is to be administered during school hours, then a parent/guardian must bring the medication to the school nurse immediately upon arrival to school.
- Medication orders need to be renewed by both health care provider and a parent/ guardian at the beginning of each school year.
- Medications that are no longer prescribed to the student and/or expired medications will not be accepted or administered.

**Immunizations** - Pennsylvania state law requires the immunizations listed here. Students who do not have these immunizations will not be allowed to attend school.

#### Students Entering School for the First Time:

- 4 doses of tetanus, diphtheria and acellular pertussis (1 dose on or after fourth birthday)\*
- 4 doses of polio (fourth dose on or after the fourth birthday and at least six months after previous dose given)\*\*
- 2 doses of measles, mumps, rubella \*\*\*
- 3 doses of hepatitis B
- 2 doses of varicella (chickenpox) or evidence of immunity
- \* Usually given as DTP or DTaP or, if medically advisable, DT or Td
- \*\* A fourth dose is not necessary if the third dose was administered at age four years or older and at least six months after the previous dose
- \*\*\* Usually given as MMR

#### Students Entering Grade 7:

- 1 dose of tetanus, diphtheria and acellular pertussis (Tdap) on the first day of seventh grade
- 1 dose of meningococcal conjugate vaccine (MCV) on the first day of seventh grade

#### Students Entering Grade 12:

1 dose of meningococcal conjugate vaccine (MCV) on the first day of twelfth grade; if one dose was given at 16 years of age or older, that shall count as the twelfth grade dose

If your child is exempt from immunizations, he/she may be removed from school during an outbreak.

### Attendance Policy (Board Policy 204)

Note: Attendance Policy changes are in effect starting July 1, 2017. We encourage you to read the updated policy and the Truancy Prevention Law Summary located on our website (www.avongrove.org/departments/pupil-services/school-social-work-truancy).

Good attendance is essential for success at school. Every effort should be made to be in school each day that it is in session. The following are the only reasons that a student will be excused from school: illness, death in the immediate family, religious holidays, health care appointments, educational family trips, urgent family reasons and court appearances.

A signed excuse note from a parent/guardian must be turned in to school within three school days of the student's return. The note should include the student's name, the date(s) of and the reason for the absence.

If your child will miss school for a planned trip, a note to the principal requesting permission to be absent from school must be sent for approval at least one week in advance; otherwise, it will be an unexcused absence. The school district reserves the right to limit the number/duration of trips for which excused absences may be given.

# School Visitations (Board Policy 907)

- Parents are encouraged to visit the schools
- Please call in advance to schedule visits and to set up appointments with teachers to discuss specific issues
- Upon entering the school building, report to the building office immediately and show a valid, state-issued ID to obtain a vistor's badge

### **Nondiscrimination Policy**

The Avon Grove School District is an equal opportunity education institution and will not discriminate in its educational programs, activities or employment practices based on race, color, religion, national origin, age, sex, ancestry, sexual orientation, handicap/disability, union membership, creed, gender, pregnancy, marital status or other legally protected classification. Announcement of this policy is in accordance with state and federal laws, including Title VI, Title IX and Section 504. All inquiries should be made to Dr. Wendi Lee Kraft, Director of Personnel, Avon Grove School District, 375 South Jennersville Road, West Grove, PA 19390, (610) 869-2441.

# Maintenance of Records Concerning Students with Disabilites

Notices of Recommended Educational Placement, IEPs, Permissions to Evaluate/ Reevaluate and Evaluation Reports will be maintained for a period of two years beyond the date on which the student attains age twenty-one, after which the District will no longer consider the records to be educationally relevant. Test papers, progress monitoring data and work samples will be maintained through the conclusions of the school year during which they are collected, after which the District will no longer consider them to be educationally relevant. Discipline logs and notes, other than those concering acts of violence or drug and alcohol offenses, will be maintained until such time as the student transitions from one school building within the District to another, after which the District will no longer consider them to be educationally relevant. All test protocols and raw data from evaluations conducted to determine eligibility for special education and as part of reevaluations thereafter will be maintained for a period of ten business days after the distribution of the Evaluation Report, after which the District will no longer consider them to be educationally relevant. The District may destroy any record that it has designated as no longer educationally relevant at any time, and it must destroy such records when requested to do so, in writing, by the parent/guardian of the student or by the student if age 18 or older. For futher information regarding the maintenance of student records, refer to the AGSD Education Records Policy 216 at www.avongrove.org.

#### Avon Grove School District Childfind

If you believe that your child may be in need of a special education program, an evaluation process to assess your child's needs is available at no cost to families residing within the District. A special education program often involves adapting materials and modifying instruction to better meet your child's specific learning needs.

If you request these services, your child may receive an evaluation from a team of experts trained in assessing children. This team will determine if your child has a disability and if so, is in need of special education programming. You are an important member of your child's evaluation team.

If you are interested in finding out more about the special education process, please speak with your child's principal. For additional information, please contact the Office of Special Education, located at Avon Grove's District Office, 375 South Jennersville Road, West Grove, PA 19390, (610) 869-2441.

# Use of Video/Audio Surveillance (Board Policy #816)

At the direction of the District's Law Enforcement Unit, video surveillance system placement may be used to monitor activity in hallways, common areas, cafeterias, gymnasiums, parking lots and grounds, but not inside bathrooms and changing areas. Video and/or audio surveillance may be placed on District-owned or contracted buses. Signs or placards will be prominantly displayed in various locations wherever video and/or audio surveillance is being conducted. All video and/or audio records shall be maintained solely and exclusively by the Law Enforcement Unit and shall be subject to policies of the District.

The use of video and/or audio surveillance cameras and equipment by the District shall in no way place any duty on the District to regularly monitor live images and/or video and/or audio surveillance records, and it shall not place on the District any additional duty in regard to providing a safe facility. For additional information on how such records may be used in disciplinary or criminal proceedings, please refer to Policy #816.



Isabella Perso, Grade 9, Avon Grove High School



# **AGHS Interscholastic Sports**

#### Fall Sports

Cheerleading (Sideline), Boys Cross Country, Girls Cross Country, Field Hockey, Football, Boys Golf, Girls Golf, Boys Soccer, Girls Soccer, Girls Tennis and Girls Volleyball

#### Winter Sports

Boys Basketball, Girls Basketball, Cheerleading (Competitive Spirit), Boys Ice Hockey (club), Girls Ice Hockey (club), Indoor Track & Field, Swimming & Diving and Wrestling

#### **Spring Sports**

Baseball, Boys Lacrosse, Girls Lacrosse, Softball, Track & Field, Boys Tennis and Boys Volleyball

# **AGHS Student Organizations/Clubs**

-Academic Competition -ACTO (All Cultures

Together Overcome)

-AG Cancer Society

-AGYEA (AG Youth

Education Association)

-AMC Math Club

(American Mathematics

Competition)

-Animal Aide -Art Society

-AG Pride Leadership

Academy

-Black Student Union

-Computer Science Honor -SADD (Students Against Robotics Society

-ENACT (Envioronmental

Action)

-Esports -Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA)

-FCA (Fellowship of Christian Athletes)

-German Club

-Hack Club

-Humanitarian Club

-Intramural Weightlifting

-Italian Club -Leo Club

-Model United Nations

-Musical

-National Honor Society

-Newspaper

-Performing Arts Club

-Plav

-Rainbow Club

-Robotics

Destructive Decisions)

-Sewing Club -Ski Club

-Stage Crew -Student Council

-Tri-M -TV Studio -Yearbook

# **AGHS Music Programs**

Chamber Ensemble Concert Band Concert Choir Golden Chorale Indoor Color Guard Indoor Percussion

Marching Band Men's Choir Pep Band Small Ensemble Wind Ensemble Women's Choir

### **FSEMS Interscholastic Sports**

#### Fall Sports

Jazz Band

Cheerleading (Sideline), Boys Cross Country, Girls Cross Country, Field Hockey, Football, Boys Soccer, Girls Soccer and Girls Volleyball

#### Winter Sports

Cheerleading (Competitive Spirit), Boys Basketball, Girls Basketball and Wrestling

#### Spring Sports

Baseball, Boys Lacrosse, Girls Lacrosse, Softball and Track & Field

# **FSEMS Student Organizations/Clubs**

Color Guard Crossing Boundaries Environthon Math Counts Reading Buddies Reading Olympics

Shakespeare Club Spelling Bee Spring Play Student Council Talent Show TV Studio Yearbook

### **FSEMS Music Programs**

Avon Grove Singers Gold Band Honors Band Jazz Band

Science Fair

Middle School Choir Orchestra Red Band

Seasonal sports schedules are posted on the website and available upon request from the Avon Grove High School or Fred S. Engle Middle School main offices. Please check the high school and middle school websites for updates regarding sports, activities and special events.



Finley Boyle, Grade 2, Penn London Elementary School

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