

AISN'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Wednesday, October 7th, 2020

Dates to Remember:

Wednesday, October 14th: Parent Support Group Meeting - 5:00 PM (Online - Ms. Meghan's Zoom Room)

Thursday, October 15th: Return to Face-to Face Learning - 8:00 AM

Thursday, October 15th: PSAT Administration - Grades 8-11 (during school hours)

Wednesday, October 21st: Board Meeting - 5:00 PM (Online - Ms. MaryAnn's Zoom Room)

Thursday and Friday October 29, 30: AISN Holiday; No School

AISN's RE-ACCREDITATION VISIT

The Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools (MSA) is a worldwide leader in accreditation and school improvement. For over 125 years, this agency has been helping school leaders establish and reach their goals, develop strategic plans, promote staff development and advance student achievement. AISN has been accredited by MSA for 24 years, with its last accreditation taking place in 2014. Institutions accredited by MSA are re-accredited every 7 years to ensure that they are meeting high academic and professional standards by undergoing rigorous self-assessment and evaluation of experienced professionals. A 4-member MSA team virtually visited AISN this week as part of our current re-accreditation process. They met with faculty, staff, students, parents, and board members. Upon completion of their report, results and recommendations will be shared with the AISN community.



New at AISN: DEAP - Drop Everything And Play! As a way to liven up the school week for our middle and high school students, we have implemented DEAP activities - opportunities during the school day for students to relax and participate in various activities, including athletics, arts, music, and more. Students never know when DEAP is coming or what special event it will be! This past week, students and staff participated in a dodgeball tournament. Pictured here is Mr. Alex paying his dues for losing a game!

Library with Ms. May in K-1! Students in K-1 have library class twice a week when they have the opportunity to check out books from the school library. Additionally, Ms. May reinforces important literary concepts to continue instilling a love of reading in our students! Here, she engages with students in person as well as online!



Upcoming PSAT Administration! AISN will be administering the PSAT/NMSQT for 10th and 11th graders and the PSAT 8/9 to 8th and 9th graders on Thursday, October 15th during school hours during school hours. These series of College Board assessments are an opportunity for students to practice for the SAT - a globally available test accepted by all U.S. and many international colleges and universities.

Parent Support Group Meeting Reminder! Do you want to have a chance to meet with other AISN parents for an opportunity to discuss important issues related to school or family-life? All AISN parents are invited to attend the monthly Parent Support Group Meeting via Zoom in Ms. Meghan's room. Our next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 14th at 5:00 PM. Topics will include face-to-face learning and healthy eating suggestions for snacks and lunch at school! As always, if you have discussion topic suggestions, feel free to contact Ms. Meghan at meghan@aisnmauritania.com.



**MEETING
NOTICE!**

The Board of Directors will hold its annual Association Meeting via Zoom on Wednesday, October 21st at 5:00 PM. The agenda will be distributed on October 14th, and all members of the Association are encouraged to attend. **The Board will also hold elections for Board members at that time.** Each parent will receive a voting ballot in their Wednesday folder on October 14th. The ballots will need to be returned

to AISN by October 21st. Biographies of our candidates will be included with the October 14th newsletter. If you are interested in running for the Board, please contact MaryAnn at director@aisnmauritania.com before October 12th.