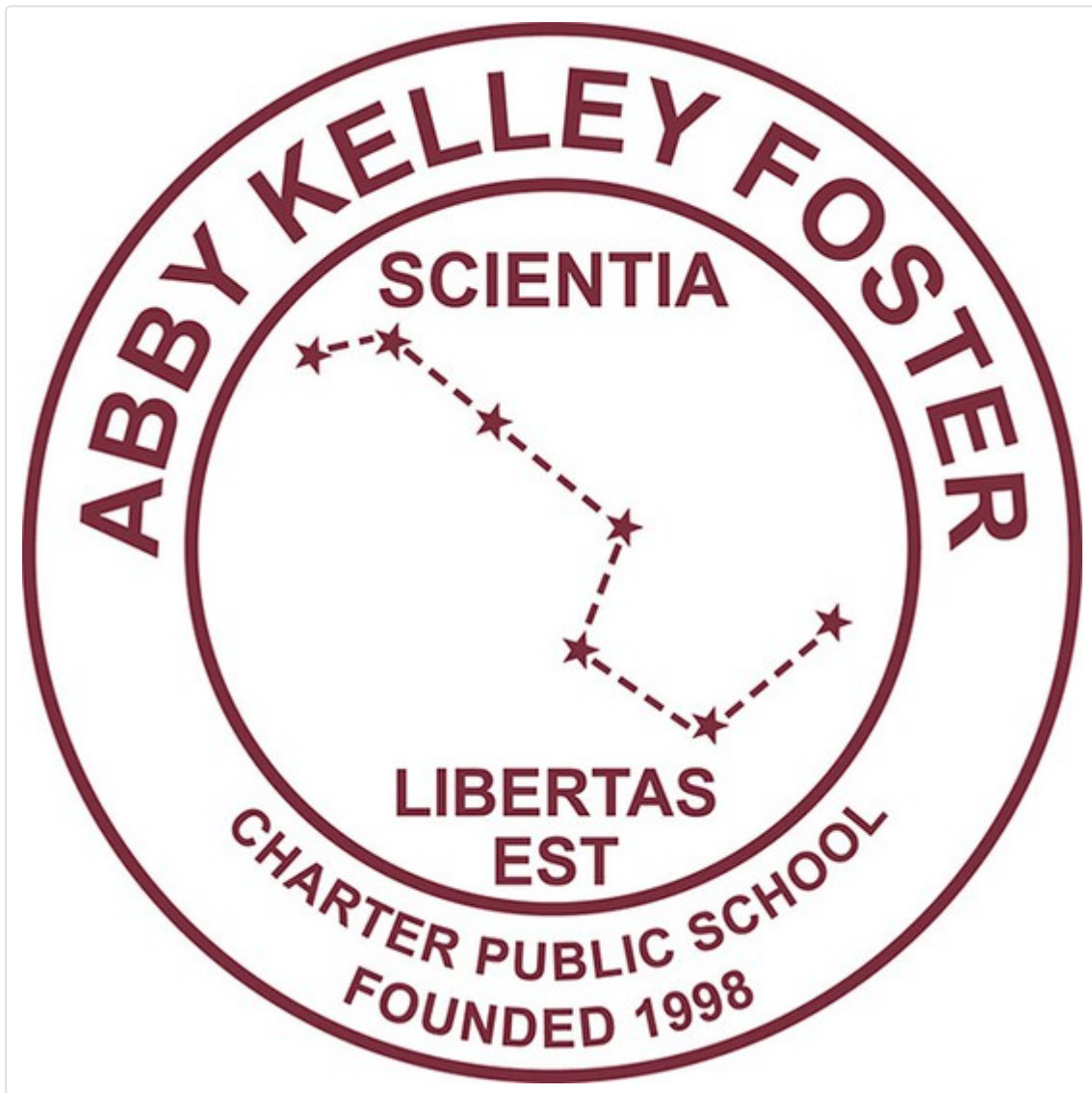


# Principal's Update

March 10, 2023



Hi Everyone,

## **HIGH SCHOOL UPDATE:**

I want to take this opportunity to say how excited I am to assume the role of Acting Principal for the remainder of the school year. I look forward to working with our staff and students in this new role and taking AKF High School into our next chapter. Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions or concerns you may have.

Mr. Kerr

### **MCAS Dates:**

- Here are the dates for MCAS in March. Please make sure your student is in school on these particular dates as the MCAS test is a state requirement.
  - o 3/28-3/29 - 10th ELA
  - o 4/11-4/12 - 8 ELA
  - o 5/2-5/3 - 8 Math
  - o 5/16 - 5/17 - 10th Math and 8th Science
  - o 6/6-6/7 - HS Bio (9th Grade)

### **Updates to School Calendar previously changed this year.**

- Wednesday, March 22 is a 1/2 day of school for Staff Professional Development
- Wednesday, March 29 is a full day of school due to state required MCAS testing.

### **Class of 2023 (Seniors)**

- Planning is underway for all Senior Events. Seniors have been notified of the date changes for their quarter grades to close as they get out of school earlier than other students. Information will be coming soon about dates for Graduation, Prom, Class Trip, Exams, Last day of classes and a few other things.
- Please make sure you are speaking with your senior about their grades, attendance and finishing the year strong.
- They also need to stay on track with their attendance. Any student who misses more than 7 days of classes that they have for the semester or more than 14 days for classes they have for the year will lose credit.
- There is no guarantee of Credit Recovery or Attendance Buy Back happening before graduation.
- Any senior who does not meet academic and/or attendance requirements will not walk at graduation.
- The Class Advisor is Mrs. McDonald. Any questions about Dues or Community Service, please contact her directly. [rmcdonald@akfcs.org](mailto:rmcdonald@akfcs.org)

### **Athletics**

- Spring Sports registrations are now available. Students have received multiple emails from Mr. Morse, our Athletic Director. Student physicals must be up to date in order for students to try out for all sports.
- Spring sports tryouts will begin on March 20th.

### **MassHealth Information**

“Families with MassHealth Need to Renew Coverage: Families with MassHealth need to renew their coverage this year in order to maintain coverage. Coverage protections put in place during the pandemic will end soon, and MassHealth will return to standard annual eligibility renewal processes. Please help inform MassHealth families that they need to take the following steps:

- Update contact information – make sure MassHealth has their most up-to-date address, phone number, and email so that they do not miss important information and notices about what else is needed.

· Report household changes to make sure MassHealth knows about any changes in their household, like a new job, address, changes to income, disability status, or pregnancy. More information is available on the [MassHealth's Redetermination website](#), and school leaders can help spread the word with this [Redetermination flyer](#), [poster](#), and [toolkit](#)."

Have a great weekend! #GoBears

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