



Andean High School

Parents' Preview

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Technology is only a tool in the process of education

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Principal*

I often think of a story that I heard early in my teaching career. A parent was voicing her concern to a mathematics teacher about the detrimental influence calculators were having on students. The teacher simply inquired whether or not she had arrived that day in a car or by horse and buggy. We amuse ourselves with tales such as these about the good old days and the way it used to be. However, over time I have begun to ask myself if perhaps this woman was onto something.

Throughout the history of education there have been numerous innovations hailed as a great solution to all educational problems. We have gone through overhead projectors, VHS tape players, and now we are experiencing the internet and all the technology that goes with it.

None of these tools have solved the real issue of education; I say tools as that is what they are. No more did the invention of the automobile solve transportation issues, does the use of technology solve educational issues.

To hear a historical speech from an earlier century, or listen to the complexity of Old English spoken by a scholar of the language, certainly brings to life what the teacher at one time could only provide on paper and in

description. However, when all is said and done learning requires hard work. To be able to synthesize and process information requires even greater effort. Engineers are attempting to create machinery that can function in the absence of human limbs. Despite their outstanding achievements, the ability to walk up-right is still a marvelous accomplishment that can only be achieved by the individual.

Technology has a place in the educational process. However, technology cannot replace completely the educational process. As I write this article I enjoy the assistance of the word processor. But with all of its sophistication, I need to formulate the concepts and weave them together in order to provide an understandable train of thought.

Andean has certainly moved with the technology. Edline has become an important communication tool for teachers, parents and students. Better ways to provide information that used to be only provided in the print form are being investigated. With

last month's issue of the *Preview*, we eliminated the monthly calendar in favor of the one that is accessible through the Edline home page.

While the story in the opening paragraph is humorous and its point about progress was obvious, there is also a certain point this lady was trying to make.

In the process of education the complexity of the human mind can lead the individual to connections between ideas and concepts that may not be part of technology's programming. Technology is limited by its programming; the human mind is virtually limitless. Add to this the dynamic of two people, teacher-student or student-student interacting and the results could be boundless.

Sometimes the path taken to the destination can be more important than the destination! Furthermore the encounters with people on this journey can augment the experience beyond expectation.

Research indicates that those students who take difficult and challenging courses, even when they may not perform extremely well, seem to profit from the experience when they get to college.

It is important to remember in our quest to move forward and use the tools that technology has to offer, we do not substitute its use for true learning.





2010/2011 Financial Aid Applications

Financial aid applications are available through the Andean High School website, www.andreanhs.com and click on the link labeled "Financial aid form". The form is due to PSAS by April 30, 2010. Results will be mailed out the first week of July 2010 prior to the 2010/2011 tuition billing. The information will be reported to Andean High School as well as the Diocese. If you have any questions, please contact me. Jackie Joy, Business Manager jjoy@andreanhs.com

Preview Calendar Page

There will no longer be a calendar sheet in the Preview. All information will be posted on Edline and athletic schedules can be viewed through the AHS Sports Calendar link on Edline or at www.andreanhs.com

Edline Support

Edline Reminder, Parents who have not yet activated their Edline accounts should do so. Communications sent to parents cannot be retrieved through your student's account. For assistance contact support@andreanhs.com

A Note from the Medical Room

Please make sure to call ext. 231 if your student is going to be late or absent for the day. If the student is leaving early, you must send a note explaining the reason and the time you will be picking them up.

Tuition Link At www.andreanhs.com

There is now an easier way to set up Tuition Payments on andreanhs.com. Visit www.andreanhs.com and click the Tuition Payments link. The link will take you to the E-Cashier website, click Proceed & follow the directions.

Attention Parents Email Notifications

In order to receive school announcements and email from teachers at Andean High School you must make sure you set up your email account to allow the following: sender@edline.net, notify@edline.net and email addresses from andreanhs.com

Attend Andean's College Fair!

It's never too early to start the college search process! Andean High School will be hosting a College Fair on **Thursday, March 25, 2010 from 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.**, 5959 Broadway, Merrillville. This is a great opportunity for freshmen, sophomores, juniors and parents to meet admission representatives from colleges and universities throughout the United States to learn about the various schools, admission requirements, and how to make the most out of high school. Admission representatives from over 60 colleges and universities across the country will be available for questions regarding admission topics, financial aid, college application procedures & more. We will also have representatives from over 25 careers to talk about their career choices and paths. The program is free & open to all area high school students and parents. Please enter through Door L in the rear of the building. Hope to see you there!

Career Fair

In conjunction with our Annual College Fair, Andean is offering a **Career Fair** for our students. This is the perfect opportunity to share your career path with aspiring high school students! What college/university did you go to? How did you end up in your current career? What inspired you to choose your particular career? Our Career Fair is **Thursday, March 25, 2010 from 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.** If you are interested in sharing your career story with our Andean students and students from area high schools, Please contact Dawn Wojkovich in our Admissions Office at (219) 887-5281 ex.228 or dwojkovich@andreanhs.com. Come bring your expertise to bright young minds.

Final Placement Exam

The final placement exam will be administered to prospective freshmen Saturday, March 13, 2010. The test promptly begins at 8:00 a.m. and ends approximately at 11:30 a.m. Students should plan to arrive by 7:45 a.m. at the latest. Enter the school through the main entrance door "A" at the front of the school. Students should also be picked up between 11:00 and 11:30 a.m. at the main entrance. The charge for this test is \$20.00. Please bring two #2 pencils. There is no pre-registration. This test is required for all incoming freshman planning to attend Andean High School in the near future. Any questions, please contact Dawn @ 887-5281 ext. 228 or dwojkovich@andreanhs.com.

New Uniform Policy

Parents: Please check Edline for the new Uniform Policy for the upcoming 2010-11 school year. The uniform policy information is posted on the first page at www.andreanhs.com It is also posted on Edline in the PARENT INFORMATION folder and also in the STUDENT INFORMATION folder.

GOE Exam - ISTEP – Retest

The State of Indiana has scheduled the ISTEP Retest for juniors and seniors on March 09, 10, and 11. The test will be administered each morning at 8:00 a.m. sharp on those three days. Students should bring non-academic reading materials on those test days to be used at the end of each test in the event they finish early. The ISTEP is the exit exam for all high school students. **NO MAKE-UP TESTS WILL BE GIVEN.** Sophomores will not be re-tested until next fall.

National Latin Exam

The National Latin Exam will be administered to all Latin students on Monday, March 08, 2010. Students should report to the library by 7:55am.



Note to Seniors

Parents, please remind your senior student that her/his grades this semester are important. Even if students have been admitted to a college, it is on a **CONDITIONAL** basis until the college receives the student's final transcript. Every year colleges send notices in July to students who have allowed their grades to fall this final semester, indicating they are no longer a member of the Freshman Class. **CERTAIN SCHOLARSHIPS REQUIRE STUDENTS TO MAINTAIN THEIR GPA'S.** All

students should complete the FAFSA, either on line or on paper. This paperwork is necessary for students to secure student loans for college this fall.

FAFSA

FAFSA on the Web is convenient for students to use because they can apply for financial aid from the privacy of their homes. It can accommodate an unlimited number of users, allowing students to apply from the computer lab or any Internet site with easy-to-follow screens, extensive on-line instructions, and a search engine for selecting institutional Title IV codes. It will also edit student information as it is entered ensuring better data quality and reducing rejection rates. Students can enter their Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) information online and transmit that information directly to the Central Processing System (CPS) over the Internet. **March 10th DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING THE FAFSA.**

A.C.T. April 10th Test Date – NOT At Andean High School

Registration is March 05th. Register online at www.actstudent.org.

S.A.T. May 1st Test Date-At Andean High School

Registration is March 25th. We strongly encourage all juniors to register online at www.collegeboard.com for this test.

Apprenticeship Applications for Plumbers Local 210

Applications are being accepted March 10th from 1:00 p.m. -4:00 p.m. at the Plumbers Local 210, 2901 E. 83rd Place, Merrillville, IN 46410

The University of Indianapolis

University of Indianapolis is having a College of Health Sciences Open House on Saturday, March 27, 2010 from 9:00 a.m. to noon EST). Learn about their nationally ranked Krannert School of Physical Therapy and the School of Occupational Therapy. Register online at <http://pt.uindy.edu> or <http://ot.uindy.edu>. Or contact 800-232-8634 ext. 3459. Email kdejong@uindy.edu for questions about the open house registration.

U.S. Senator Dick Lugar 9th Annual Academy Days

The days are April 18 in Fort Wayne and May 2nd in Indianapolis. Obtain information about the nomination and admission process to a United States Service Academy. www.lugar.senate.gov/services/academy or call Dawn Herring 317-226-5555

The Purdue University Women Engineers

They are sponsoring a Juniors Exploring Engineering Session at the Purdue West Lafayette Campus on Monday, April 12th. www.purdue.edu/wiep for more information.

Child Abuse Prevention

Prevent Child Abuse presents the **Breaking The Cycle 2010 Mini Conference** on Tuesday, March 30, at the Sheraton Hotel in downtown Indianapolis. Register online at www.pcaain.org

College Fairs

March 10th from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Valparaiso University – Harre Union

April 30 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. – The Salvation Army 4800 Harrison St. Gary, IN

College Open Houses - March

13 – Kettering University
19 – Vincennes University
20 – College of Mount St. Joseph
20 - University of Evansville
20 – University of Southern Indiana
21 – Benedictine University

Parents Club Meeting

The next Parents club Meeting will be Thursday, March 18, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in Andean Library. Please join our Parents Club as we discuss upcoming College/Career Fair and other related issues.

Andean Family members who are or know BP employees.

BP is again running its Fabric of America grant program. This program is set up to benefit non-profit organizations (*Andean*). Last year this grant, through the participation of numerous Andean supporters, was very beneficial to the Andean Annual Fund. If you did participate last year, thank you, and we ask that you please take the time to again facilitate the BP funds in the name of Andean. If you did not participate and are or know a BP employee please consider using this process to secure BP funding in the name of Andean.

The Fabric of America program is a very simple process that, I have been told, only takes a few moments of your time and can result in a \$300 donation to Andean High School. This is not a matching gift this is a grant from BP in your name. Any BP employee can go to the company web site, select the Fabric of America Fund section, and click on *Submit a Request*.

Class Ring Info

Mr. Kingsley, a representative from Herff Jones, will be here on March 11th and 12th during all lunch periods with information on class rings.

Senior Class Info

Mr. Kingsley, a representative from Herff Jones, will be here on March 11th and 12th during all lunch periods to take FINAL cap and gown measurements, invitation/announcement information etc.

YEARBOOK YOURBOOK

Do you want your photos in the yearbook?

So do we! You can contribute to the yearbook by uploading photos directly to the website for potential use in our book. Your pictures of field trips, sporting events, community activities and pictures of you and your friends that would otherwise be missed by our staff photographers.

· Go to: www.hjeshare.com; Enter your school code: **7005968**

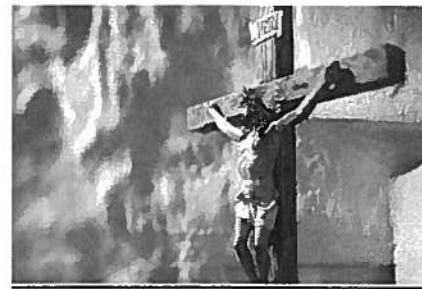
· Locate the picture (file) you want to upload. Click on the filename to select it, click "Open."

· To upload more than one file, Ctrl-click on each filename. You can upload 10 files at a time.

· Click each thumbnail to select it, and enter information about all images. This assures that the information in the yearbook is correct, if the photo is used.

· Click "Submit Image Information" when you are done.

Thank you from the yearbook staff. (Questions? Call Miss Brewer at x310 or email her at mbrewer@andeanhs.com) While we cannot guarantee that all eShared photos will be published, if you do not eShare, your great pictures cannot even be considered.



Stations of the Cross

National Spanish Honor Society will lead the "Way of the Cross"...on Wednesday, March 3rd at 2:30 pm in the Chapel AHS. ALL are welcome. Stations will be in Spanish and English.

Style Show

Don't forget about the Andean Style Show "Lights, Camera, Fashion" on Sunday, March 14, at 11:30 a.m. at the Halls of St. George in Schererville. For information and reservations, please contact Stacie Reardon @ 219-322-2402.

Face to Face

Please tune in to "Face to Face" on Lakeshore Public Radio 89.1FM on Sundays at noon and 5:00 p.m.. "Face to Face is a Sports Show with a Christian Perspective underwritten by Andean High School.

P.E. Students

Just a reminder that all Freshmen and Juniors that will be taking Physical Education during the 2010-2011 school year need to have physicals before the first day of class.



St. Joseph School
"Auction for Education"

St. Joseph School in Dyer is having a Silent Auction on Saturday, March 6 and are inviting past alumni to attend. We are so sorry that our school is closing. We are still holding our fundraisers to raise much needed money for the school. Saturday, March 6, 2010, 6 PM to 11 PM at Casa Maria Hall at St. Maria Goretti Church (500 Northgate Dr, Dyer, IN 46311). There will be Family Style Dinner and Open Bar, Live & Silent Auctions. The cost is \$40/person or \$300 for table of 8. Please come enjoy a fun evening and support our school. Donations are appreciated!

St. Joseph School
c/o Katie Schutz
430 Joliet
Dyer, IN 46311
219-865-2750
stjosephsilentauction@yahoo.com

Community Service Update

Hello! Just a reminder that updates for total community service hours turned in so far this year are updated on Edline every Friday after school. The information will show up as a grade report for your student. When I receive requests for community service needed, I will continue to email the information to parents and students. If an Andean student has worked at one of the YARC parties this school year and wants to count the hours toward their community service requirement, they must see Sr. Paul personally to pick up the verification form and then turn the form in to me. Please make sure to have the person completing the service letter to place it on the organization's letterhead and include the total number of hours worked, as well as the organizer's name and contact information. Also, make sure that they also include the student's name in the letter so that proper credit can be given! The **final deadline** to turn in community service hour verification letters and forms is **Friday, May 28, 2010 by 3 PM**. With the chill of winter currently surrounding us, I know that this deadline seems to be far off, but it will be here before we know it! Please make every effort now to make sure that I receive the proper documentation for service before the May 28 deadline. Thank you! Stacia Bolakowski (Miss "B"), ext. 269, sbolakowski@andeanhs.com

Andean Band

Are you already playing a band instrument? If so, would you be interested in joining the Andean Band? The band meets three days a week before school at 7 am to practice. The band performs two

concerts during the year & even plays at the graduation ceremony in June!! You can even "letter" in band after 2 years & receive hours toward your diploma!! So, if you are interested in being part of a FUN group please feel free to contact our band director: Mr. David Little at composer72@yahoo.com . Or, if you would like to contact one of the current band members call Avery Arnold (Junior) at 219-663-8283 or Lauren Harris (Senior) at 219-322-2343.

Target's Take Charge of Education Program

Hello Parents! So you say it's really hard to help out at Andean? Here is a way everyone (including extended family and friends) can get involved! Target Corporation has a Take Charge of Education Program. Simply by having a Target RED card and designating Andean as their eligible school, families can have up to 1% of purchases donated to Andean. Please see Target.com/tcoe or call 1-800-316-6142 for more information on how to get started. Every year Target gives back on average more than \$2000 to Andean. Join Target's Take Charge of Education and make a difference with out even thinking about it!



Senior Recognition Ads

Decussata: Andrean High School

5959 Broadway

ATTN: Marjorie Brewer

Merrillville, IN 46410

219-887-5281 x310

Our staff is now offering the opportunity to "personalize" the yearbook in a very special way with a Recognition Ad. Space is available to tell your student how proud you are! Regardless of the occasion, your ad provides a great way to recognize a student or event in a special and unique way. To reserve your space, follow these guidelines:

Prices/sizes: COLOR ads

Ads are available in the following sizes for the prices shown. All ads will appear in color.

- **1/8 page: 40.00**
- **1/4 page: 65.00**
- **1/2 page: 110.00**
- **Full page: 200.00**

Step-by-step instructions

1. Select ad size.
2. Complete the Order Form provided.
3. Create an ad layout (or have us make one for you).
4. Write text for the ad on the Order Form or attach it on a separate sheet.
5. Provide payment.
6. Deliver or mail all of the materials to yearbook staff by the deadline below.

Photo submission guidelines

Do not cut, glue or tape photos.

- Care will be taken to return photos; however, copy prints should be submitted for irreplaceable photos. The school, yearbook staff or the yearbook company do not accept responsibility for lost or damaged photos.
- Select vertical (tall) photos for vertical spaces and horizontal (wide) photos for horizontal spaces.
- Photos will be enlarged or reduced to fit the layout.
- Writing lightly in pencil, put your name, and phone number on the back of each photo.
- Again, lightly in pencil, number the back of photos to match the design you created.
- You may email jpegs to:
mbrewer@andreanhs.com
subject: recognition ads

Special considerations

- The yearbook staff reserves the right to reject photos or text or ask the customer to make changes to conform to the staff's standards.

AD ORDER FORM AND PAYMENT DEADLINE: May 7th

Recognition Ad Order Form

To reserve yearbook space please respond by 5/7/2010 by providing the following:

- a completed Order Form,
 - photo(s), and
 - text for the ad.
 - Make your check payable to:
Andrean High School
- Mail or deliver to:
Andrean High School
ATTN: Marjorie Brewer
5959 Broadway
Merrillville, IN 46410

Customer data

Student's Name

Parent/Purchaser's Name

Address/City/State/Zip

Daytime Phone

Evening Phone

Advertising Data

Circle the ad size requested:

- 1/8 page
- 1/4 page
- 1/2 page
- Full page

Number of photos enclosed: _____

Number of photos emailed: _____

Should we design the layout for you?

_____ Yes _____ No

Is this ad a surprise for the student?

_____ Yes _____ No

Neatly print ad text below (you may submit on another sheet of paper with a design for the layout):

Payment

Price of ad: _____

Total due: _____

_____ Check included

_____ Cash included

[do not mail cash]

For Staff Use Only:

Total paid: _____

Ad on page: _____

Acropolis Subscription Form

For all parents who would like to subscribe to the *Acropolis*, Andreat's nationally award winning student newspaper, please complete the following form and return it to the Main Office.

The subscription cost is \$25.00, and issues will be mailed the day of publication.

Yes, I would like to subscribe to the *Acropolis* newspaper:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Any parent who would like to advertise for a business in the *Acropolis* should contact the newspaper at extension 277.



ANDREAT HIGH SCHOOL



2009-2010 ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES CARD

This card has a \$25 value good at ALL Andreat Regular Season Athletic Home Events. It is a reusable card and will be punched at each event until all 25 spaces have been used. BUY ONE FOR YOUR STUDENTS, GRANDPARENTS, BROTHERS, SISTERS; ANYONE INTERESTED IN FOLLOWING OUR FIGHTING 59'ERS!!

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____

No. of Cards

Total

_____ x \$20 = _____

Complete this form and mail or return to: (cash or make check payable to Andreat)

Andreat High School
c/o Director of Athletics 5959 Broadway
Merrillville, IN 46410