



AMS Families,

We look forward to seeing everyone at **Parent-Teacher Conferences on Monday, October 26, and Tuesday, October 27, from 4:00–7:30 p.m.** Conferences are not scheduled, so there is no need to sign up for a time. Simply stop in whenever it works best for your family, visit with your child's teachers, ask questions, celebrate successes, and talk about how we can continue helping your student grow.

In addition to connecting with teachers, we have two special presentations planned for parents both evenings. We encourage you to take a little time to check them out!

The Reality of Substance: Know the Risks and Protect Our Community

Our School Resource Officer, Ben Gatton, will lead a presentation focused on substance awareness and prevention. This is an opportunity to learn more about the realities of substance use in our community, understand potential risks, and learn how we can work together to help keep our students safe.

Location: Middle School Gym

Monday, October 26, and Tuesday, October 27

6:30 p.m. Monday and Tuesday Night

This is an important topic for our students, families, and community. We hope you'll take advantage of the opportunity to learn, ask questions, and have a conversation that can make a difference.

Momentum Mental Toughness (MMT): Learn About the Program Your Student Is Using.

Have you heard your student mention MMT but wondered what it actually is, how it works, or what they're learning through the program? Now is your chance to find out! Teresa and Cody Alesch, the creators of MMT, will be at AMS to explain the program that all students in grades 6–8 are participating in. They'll share information about the program, answer questions, and help parents better understand what their students are experiencing and discussions that could be had at home.

Location: Middle School STEM Room

Monday, October 26, and Tuesday, October 27

Two presentation options each night: 5:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Please stop in for a presentation and Q&A session. You might even discover that your student knows more about the program than you do—and this is your chance to catch up!

Need a Few More Algona A Trash Bags? We've Got You Covered!

We will also be selling 39-gallon Algona  trash bags in the Middle School Commons during conferences for \$15 per roll, with 25 bags in each roll. These are white trash bags featuring the red Algona , so you can show your Bulldog pride while taking care of business! If you forgot to order bags during our fundraiser or just need a few extra rolls, stop by and pick some up. After all, you can never have too many trash bags... especially when they come with a little Bulldog spirit! There is a limited number of 13 gallon, 15 gallon and 55 gallon rolls as well.



A Few Final Reminders

We know family schedules can get busy, so come when you can and make the most of your time at AMS. Visit with teachers, learn more about what's happening in our school, and take advantage of these opportunities to connect with the people and programs supporting your child.

And don't worry, there's no conference schedule to keep track of, no appointment to miss, and no need to sprint through the hallways like you're late for class. Just come in, connect, and learn!

Thank you for being a part of the AMS community. Strong partnerships between home and school make a real difference, and we appreciate the time and support you give our students.

We look forward to seeing you Monday and Tuesday!

Go Bulldogs!

Mr. Rotert
Algona Middle School