

APOLLO HIGH SCHOOL
WEEKLY NEWSLETTER
FEBRUARY 20, 2026

WELCOME!

Welcome to Apollo High School. We are glad you are here!

Each week we put out the weekly newsletter for Eagle families to stay up to date on the things that are going on at 2280 Tamarack Road. We will have a weekly letter from the Principal, District & School Information and Upcoming Events, Club/Team Highlights, Student Highlights and more!

WHAT YOU WILL FIND....

- LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL
- ALIVE AT 25
- FOOD PANTRIES
- CAP/GOWN PICKUP
- ALTERNATE SCHEDULES
- STUDENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS
- WEEKLY CALENDAR
- AND MORE!

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PRINCIPAL'S LETTER

Good Afternoon Apollo,

I hope everyone has had a great week and that you have had the opportunity to get out and enjoy some of the sunshine and milder weather we have experienced this week! The sun is coming up a bit earlier and staying out a bit longer each day and I am 100% on Team Spring so I say bring it on!

We are quickly barrelling towards the end of the third nine weeks and we ask that you continue to be involved in your student's work at school. Please remind your students to keep plugging away and working to reach their goals! If there is something additional that we can do to help support you in this work, please do not hesitate to reach out to us! We are all Apollo and we are ALL in this together!

Next week will be the conclusion of Kindness Month. All month we have been celebrating acts of kindness on our campus and I want to reiterate how proud I am that Apollo has embraced the idea of intentional kindness and going out of your way to help others. Kindness, patience, empathy, and understanding seem to be in short supply in today's world, and it is my hope that a month of being intentionally kind helps us to be more kind all year long!

This week Guidance Counselors met with 9th-11th grade students to discuss scheduling for the 2026-2027 school year. Please speak with your student about what their schedule may look like for next year and feel free to reach out to our Guidance Department with any questions that you may have about the scheduling process for next year.

A reminder about school attendance: Per DCPS policy, students have 3 days to turn in parent and/or doctor notes for absences before they become unexcused. After three days from the missed day of school,, schools may no longer accept doctor notes or parent call-ins for that specific absence. Also, after the three day period, schools are not to change the status of an absence without a significant extenuating circumstance. Once a calendar month is over, attendance is locked and schools cannot change absences for any reason beyond the three day policy. At the high school level, attendance can impact a student's status as it pertains to Kentucky's No Pass/No Drive Law. Attendance can also impact a student's ability to use Exam Exemptions and we all know how much students value those!. Please make sure that if your student is out, you let us know and follow DCPS policy to make sure a qualifying absence is excused.

I want to take a moment to recognize a loss the Eagle Family experienced this week. Earlier this week, School Resource Officer Jason Goddard passed away. Officer Goddard was a regular fixture on our campus each day and he will be missed. Please keep the friends and family of Officer Jason Goddard in your prayers and thoughts. Apollo's Guidance Counselors and support staff from DCPS have been on Campus this week to support any student or adult that wanted to talk about this loss.

Best wishes to our Boys' and Girls' Basketball teams as they travel to Webster County tonight for a varsity only matchup! We also want to wish our Boys' Wrestling team good luck as they will compete in Regionals this weekend in Henderson!

I hope you have a great weekend and as always, Go Eagles!

Respectfully,

Mr. Bob W. Dych

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THE APOLLO HIGH SCHOOL WEBSITE IS A GREAT SOURCE OF INFORMATION?

The website has a ton of information on it but is also the quickest way to see any updates. On the home page, you can see “LIVE Feed” and “NEWS”. These are usally accompanied by a graphic to catch your attention but also has the update that you may be looking for. Also to the right of the page, you will see the different events going on.

You can find your child(s) Teacher email along with other Faculty/Staff members. Clubs/Teams have pages with their activities and so much more.

If there is something you would like to see more of on the page, please contact Ms. Misty Berry at misty.berry@daviess.kyschools.us. We want to make this page a one stop shop for parents/guardians and community members.

February Food Pantries

Owensboro KY

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 9-12 Help Office 9-12 First Christian 9-3 Third Baptist Church 10-2 crossroads (seniors)	8:30-12:30 & 1:30-3:30 Salvation Army 9-11 Bellevue 9-12 Help Office 9-12 First Christian 9-2 Baptist Center 10-2 Crossroads 11-1 Our Lady of Lourdes	9-10 Eaton Memorial 9-11 & 1-3 Bellevue 9-11 Our Lady of Lourdes 9-12 First Christian 9-2 Baptist Center 9-3 Third Baptist Church	8:30-12:30 & 1:30-3:30 Salvation Army 9-12 Help Office 9-12 First Christian 9-12 Apollo Heights Baptist Church 9-2 Baptist Center 10-2 Crossroads (Seniors) 6-7 The Local Antidote	8am Amazing Grace 10-2 Crossroads 9-12 Help Office	11am Woodlawn 9-12 Baptist Center
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Yearbook

2025-2026 Sales

APOLLO HIGH SCHOOL



Cost and Dates

$50 UNTIL AUGUST 31

$55 FROM SEPT. 1 TO NOV. 14

$60 FROM NOV. 15 TO JUNE 30

Scan Me

Order at Jostens through the QR code.



COURSE NOTIFICATION

Students needing to fulfill their Graduated Driver Licensing requirement can register for a free class by going to www.kentuckysafedriver.com and clicking on the Graduated Driver Licensing link or by calling 502-699-2295 to register for a class that will be held on:

Thursday, March 19th at **Daviess County High School** from 4:30 pm to 8:30 pm

SENIOR STUFF

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR AHS SENIORS & FAMILIES

REPRESENTING Jostens SINCE 1954

SAKEL CAMPUSSERVICES

Cap/Gown and Tankard delivery is Friday, February 27th. Please make plans to pick up your senior items between 11:30 - 12:45.

If items are not paid in full, you will need to take care of that before the items can be picked up.

Graduation announcements/invitations will NOT be handed out at this time. We have to have a set graduation date to print the personalized stuff.

APOLLO
TRACK & FIELD
WANTS YOU
ON OUR TEAM!



TRACK & FIELD

MANDATORY PARENT MEETING

February 24, 2026
5:30 PM - AHS CAFETERIA

THIS MEETING WILL NOT LAST LONG, BUT WILL HAVE LOTS OF VERY IMPORTANT INFORMATION

FOR MORE QUESTIONS, EMAIL:
KRIS.CRAWFORD@DAVIESS.KYSCHOOLS.US

Do you know a **JUNIOR** or **SENIOR** girl who would like to attend Prom, but is worried about the cost?



can help!

For more information, contact:

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Apollo High
270.852.7100
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Ms. Crowell's American Women's History class decorated doors for Black History Month. Below are a few of the doors that were decorated to celebrate various women and their contributions to history.















FELLOW CHRISTIAN ATHLETES F.C.A.

Last week during Club Day, FCA invited Brad and Marilyn Rhoads from the community to speak to boys and girls about healthy relationships and dating since it was also the week of Valentine's Day. Brad and Marilyn are the creators of Grace Marriage. FCA meets Friday mornings at 7:40 in the Big gym and once a month for Club Day.









Orchestra Students and Mrs. Holly Smith took a recruitment tour at West Louisville, Audubon, and Sorgho Elementary Schools to encourage the younger students to get involved in music.











Apollo High School
Student/Faculty Blood Drive

Monday, February 23rd &
Tuesday, February 24th , 2026
8:30 AM to 2:30 PM
Auxiliary Gym

Donor Guidelines: All donors must be at least 17 years old (or 16 with parental consent), weigh at least 115 pounds, donors must check medications with center staff, donors should have eaten a good meal prior to donation, and must allow 56 days between donations. . Consent forms can be downloaded at www.wkrbc.org *Please bring a list of medications and a photo ID .*

"Homegrown" T-shirt to each blood donor &
Dance Blue Fundraiser.
Please scan the QR Code to sign up

Western Kentucky
Regional Blood Center

3015 Old Hartford Road, Owensboro KY (270)-684-9296

CLICK THIS LINK TO SIGN-UP

WATERSTEP SHOE DONATION

Apollo's Student Y is collecting shoes for a great cause! All donated shoes will go towards funding WaterStep's mission to providing safe, clean water.

DUE: MARCH 13TH

TURN INTO MS. CROWELL IN 929

WE'RE LOOKING FOR:

Any and all types of shoes, regardless of their condition, as long as they are free from mold/mildew.

WHY SHOES?:

Shoes serve another purpose besides providing WaterStep with funds for water purification, such as providing affordable footwear, protecting landfills, and initiating sustainable water projects.

WHAT DOES WATERSTEP DO WITH THE SHOES?:

WaterStep has an exporter that buys the shoes. Their exporter takes these shoes into some of the same developing countries that they do water purification projects and sells them to local vendors instead of giving them away. Because of this, they are contributing to microenterprise ventures that benefit the economy. This business model helps to provide funds for WaterStep, the exporter, and those small business owners in developing countries.







CAMP ERIN

HOSPICE OF WESTERN KENTUCKY
PART OF THE ELUNA NETWORK

Who: Children and teens (age 6-17)
What: Largest national bereavement program for youth grieving the death of a loved one.
When: July 31st - August 2nd 2026
Where: Gasper River Youth Camp & Retreat Center (2695 Jackson Bridge Rd, Bowling Green, KY 42101)

Objectives:

- Normalize the grief process through bereavement education and support.
- Decrease the camper's sense of isolation felt while grieving.
- Provide a framework for campers to process their grief in healthy ways.
- Build a toolbox of coping skills and resources that campers can use during and after camp.
- Allow campers the opportunity to remember, honor, and memorialize those who have died.
- Have fun!

It is:

- ***FREE!!!***
- 3 days 2 nights (Friday afternoon/evening-drop off, Full Saturday, Sunday morning noon'ish pick-up)
- Largely outdoors
- Transportation from Owensboro will be an option

It is NOT:

- A licensed health care provider and does not provide counseling, psychological, psychiatric or other health care services to camp participants.

For more information, contact Caleb Potter with Hospice of Western Kentucky

Phone: 270.316.9112
Email: cpotter@hospiceofwky.org



There is still time to sign up and join almost 30 of you fellow Eagle Family members on a trip of a lifetime! We are heading out to London, Paris, and Barcelona in June 2027 and would love for you to join us. You can click on the flyer link to see the trip page and read more about it.

Please email amanda.crowell@daviess.kyschools.us if you have any questions.

Share Your Voice!

YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH PODCAST SURVEY



TO TAKE THE SURVEY

SCAN THE QR CODE

Are you a teen or young adult (ages 14 to 25)?

We're exploring a youth-led mental health podcast and want your input!

- What topics matter to you?
- What would you actually listen to?
- Would you like to get involved in podcast creation?

Direct link to the survey:

https://tinyurl.com/YouthPodcastSurveyGR

RIAC

Regional Interagency Council

Green River Region

See Owensboro Through Your Eyes!



AGES 14-21

CALLING ALL YOUTH IN OWENSBORO!

Join our **Photovoice Project** and share what life is like in our **community** through **your photos** and **your voice.**

- **Learn photography skills**
- Work with a team of other youth
- **Help make a difference** in Owensboro

SCAN TO GET DETAILS AND SIGN UP!

Help build a space where **Owensboro youth** feel **they belong.**

New Beginnings

QUESTIONS?
Contact **Ronda Howard** at
ronda@nbowensboro.org
or 270-926-7278

WE HOPE THE DCPS PORTRAIT OF A LEARNER BECOMES A WAY OF LIFE FOR OUR STUDENTS.

PLEASE PARTNER WITH US AS WE KICK OFF OUR FIRST PORTRAIT OF A LEARNER COMPETENCY:

RESPECTFUL



VALUING OTHERS' PERSPECTIVES

Actively seeking, genuinely considering, and respectfully acknowledging others idea, opinions, and view points, even when they differ from one's own. It involves recognizing that different perspectives may lead to better decisions and outcomes.



DEMONSTRATING DEPENDABILITY

Being reliable, trustworthy, and consistent in actions, commitments, and performance. This includes showing up on time, following through on tasks, and meeting expectations and deadlines.



ACTING WITH INTEGRITY

Consistently sticking to a strong moral and ethical code. This involves honesty, transparency, doing the right thing even when it's difficult or unpopular, and aligning actions with stated values and principles.



TAKING OWNERSHIP OF ONE'S ACTIONS

Fully accepting responsibilty for the outcomes - positive or negative - that result from one's decisions, behaviors, and efforts. It involves acknowledging mistakes, avoiding blame, and actively seeking solutions and improvements.

DCPS @HOME APOLLO SCHEDULE

MONDAY, TUESDAY, FRIDAY

20 MINUTE PERIODS

1st Period	8:45 - 9:05
2nd Period	9:10 - 9:30
3rd Period	9:35 - 9:55
4th Period	10:00 - 10:20
Break	10:20 - 10:40
5th Period	10:40 - 11:00
6th Period	11:05 - 11:25
7th Period	11:30 - 11:50
8th Period	11:55 - 12:15
Lunch	12:15 - 1:15

TEACHERS & STAFF WILL REMAIN AVAILABLE VIA EMAIL OR OTHER DCPS MEANS OF COMMUNICATION FROM 1:15 - 3:00

DCPS @HOME APOLLO SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY

35 MINUTE PERIODS

1st / 2nd	8:45 - 9:20
3rd / 4th	9:25 - 10:00
Break	10:00 - 10:15
5th / 6th	10:15 - 10:50
7th / 8th	10:55 - 11:30
Lunch	11:30 - 12:30

TEACHERS & STAFF WILL REMAIN AVAILABLE VIA EMAIL OR OTHER DCPS MEANS OF COMMUNICATION FROM 12:30 - 3:00

1 Hour Delay Schedule

Monday, Tuesday, Friday

1st Period	9:10 - 9:50	
2nd Period	9:55 - 10:31	
3rd Period	10:36 - 11:12	
4th Period	11:17 - 12:27	
	1st Lunch	11:17 - 11:47
	2nd Lunch	11:57 - 12:27
5th Period	12:32- 1:08	
6th Period	1:13 - 1:49	
7th Period	1:54 - 2:30	
8th Period	2:35 - 3:15	

1 Hour Delay Schedule

Wednesday, Thursday

1st / 2nd	9:10 - 10:25	
3rd / 4th	10:30 - 12:05	
	1st Lunch	10:30 - 11:00
	2nd Lunch	11:35 - 12:05
5th / 6th	12:10 - 1:20	
HR/PG	1:25 - 1:55	
7th / 8th	2:00 - 3:15	

2 Hour Delay

MONDAY, TUESDAY, FRIDAY

1st Period	10:10 - 10:41	
2nd Period	10:46 - 11:14	
3rd Period	11:19 - 11:47	
4th Period	11:52 - 1:02	
	1st Lunch	11:52 - 12:22
	2nd Lunch	12:32 - 1:02
5th Period	1:07 - 1:35	
6th Period	1:40 - 2:08	
7th Period	2:13 - 2:41	
8th Period	2:46 - 3:15	

2 Hour Delay

WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY

1st / 2nd	10:10 - 11:08	
3rd / 4th	11:13 - 12:40	
	1st Lunch	11:13 - 11:43
	2nd Lunch	12:10 - 12:40
5th / 6th	12:45 - 1:39	
HR/PG	1:44 - 2:14	
7th / 8th	2:19 - 3:15	

KEEP OUR CAMPUS CLEAN



DISPOSE OF TRASH PROPERLY

9TH ANNUAL TRAILBLAZER DINNER

PRESENTED BY OCTC

Independence Bank

MEMBER FDIC

THURSDAY
FEBRUARY 26, 2026



WITH SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER

ARIANA RODRIGUEZ

MISS KENTUCKY 2025

SCAN THE QR CODE TO RSVP TODAY!

bit.ly/octc-trailblazer2026

For questions please contact
octc.alumni@kctcs.edu or
270-686-4663

EVENT CHECK-IN & OCTC PROGRAM FAIR @ 4:30 PM

MAIN EVENT & MEAL @ 5:30 PM

BLANDFORD LECTURE HALL, HUMANITIES BLDG. OCTC MAIN CAMPUS

OCTC is an equal opportunity employer and education institution.

Weekly Calendar

Apollo High School



February 22 – March 1

Morning Hall Duty 7:50 - 8:05	
Back ParkingLot	Julian, K
Dome	Riddell
Connector (Entrance)	Lyons
Connector (300's)	Dilback
Common Area	Phelan
Common Area	Cabrera
900's Landing	Brown, T
Cafeteria	Mann
Cafeteria	McCarthy

Morning Bus Duty 7:30 - 8:05	
Bus Drop Off	Crowell
Car Rider Line	Yashack
Connector (Entrance)	Rush

Afternoon Bus Duty 3:15 - 3:50	
Attendance Lobby	Howard
Dome	Mann
Bus Pick-Up (Outside)	Vandiver
Car Rider	Blemker

Sunday, February 22:

- **NO EVENTS ON THE CALENDAR**

Monday, February 23: Afternoon Activity

BE KIND JEAN DAY

DC-KEA JEAN DAY

- DanceBlue Blood Drive - Aux - 8-2
- G BB AHS vs OCHS @ DCHS - 6:00
- G BB DCHS vs OHS @ DCHS - 7:30

Tuesday, February 24: 8 Period Day

- DanceBlue Blood Drive - Aux - 8-2
- Trk/Fld Parent Mtg - Café - 5:30
- B BB District @ DCHS - DCHS vs OHS - 7:00

Wednesday, February 25: 1, 3, 5, HR, 7

Built By 2280 - GREEN DAY

- HR - Student Scheduling - 1:14
- Lead Teacher Mtg - Rm 811 - 3:30
- B BB AHS vs OCHS @ DCHS - 7:00

Thursday, February 26: 2, 4, 6, PG, 8

#weareApollo Jean Day

- B Wrestling @ State - Lexington - 9:00
- G BB District Championship @ DCHS - 7:00

Friday, February 27: 8 Period Day

- Leadership Team Mtg - FOCR - 9:05
- B Wrestling @ State - Lexington - 9:00
- Cap/Gown Pick-up - Connector - 11:30 - 12:45
- B BB District Championship @ DCHS - 7:00

Saturday, February 28:

- JROTC Drill Comp - 7:30 - 3:30

Sunday, March 1:

- **NO EVENTS ON THE CALENDAR**