



September 2018

Allen T. Allison
Elementary

Principal, Toni Hartung
Asst. Principal, Jennifer Marchese

“United in Pursuing Excellence”

Open House Thursday, September 13th

5:00

You may sign Mrs. Wright's Wall for \$2.00

Purple Notes

For the safety of the students, please always use “Purple Notes” when bus, pick-up, or early dismissal changes must be made for your child. Dismissal changes cannot be made over the phone. You may always request additional “Purple Notes” by indicating on the bottom of a Purple Note form.

Thank you!



Attendance



WELCOME ATA'S NEW STAFF MEMBERS

Mrs. Allen	Mrs. Dunn
Mrs. McMahan	Mr. Flowers
Miss Campbell	Mrs. Goodman
Miss Thomas	Mr. Heacock
Mrs. Barker	

*Each day your child is absent, please call the school before 8:30 am at 304-387-1915 (**Press 7 for attendance**) to report your child's absence. State the date of the absence, the student's name, his/her grade level, and the reason for the absence. Refer to the handbook for more information regarding absences.

*A letter from the Truancy Officer and school may be mailed in the event of 3 or more unexcused absences. Once 5 unexcused absences or tardies may occur, a legal notice is sent and possible Juvenile Mediation or referral to DHHR may become necessary. To avoid any of the above letters, please be sure to provide all doctor's excuses and/or call the school to report your child's absences and arrive to school on time.

Wait! What??

No agenda books this year!

Since ATA follows a “No Homework” policy with the exception of nightly reading of Read and Respond, we have eliminated agenda books. Teachers will update you via Class Dojo every night letting you know what was completed in class each day. They will provide important information and Class Stories. Please be sure to sign up for Class Dojo. Ask your child's teacher or principal if you need help signing up.

Communication Folder

Please get in a habit of helping your child remember to hand you his/her folder every night. Read and Responds and notes to the teacher should be placed in the **RETURN TO SCHOOL** side. Newsletters and completed papers will be placed in the **KEEP AT HOME** side and should be removed nightly.

September is Childhood Cancer Awareness Month \$1.00 to Wear a Hat Friday, Sept. 21st

"Having a child with cancer is one of the most painful and difficult situations a family can face. One in 285 children will be diagnosed with cancer by the time they turn 20. Despite this, less than 4% of the federal government's total funding for cancer research is dedicated to childhood cancers each year." *ALSF 2017*

Last year, the students, families, staff, and community of Allison Elementary School assisted in raising funds to donate to Alex's Lemonade Stand. The **\$400** donation went directly to find new cures as well as family service programs to improve the quality of life of children with cancer and their families.

Let's continue to work together to help so many children and families by donating \$1.00 and wearing a hat **Friday, September 21st**.

Dates to Remember

Sept. 3rd No School - LABOR DAY
Sept 4th/5th Pre-Kindergarten's First Day of School
Sept. 5th Support Wounded Warrior Project \$1.00 donation
Sept. 13th OPEN HOUSE 5:00, PTA Meeting 6:00
Sept. 20th Summer Reading Challenge Field Trip for 1st-4th students who completed the challenge and turned in by 8/31
Sept. 21st Donate \$1.00, Wear a Hat for Childhood Cancer
Sept. 25th and 26th Picture Day (More info to come)

Reminders

- Please come to the school before 2:00 if a bus change must be made.
- Any legal documents or court papers must be on file in the office if there may be a need for these items.
- Due to allergies and medical purposes, edible treats such as candy, cookies, cupcakes, drinks etc. are not permitted to school for parties/birthdays.

Remind Codes

When sending a text message:

In the 'To' box, type the following number:

304-224-2867

In the message box, type the following code:

Pre-K	@allison24
Kindergarten	@allison23
1st	@allison22
2nd	@allison21
3rd	@pantherata
4th	@allison19

Support Wounded Warrior Project

ATA is joining NME, OGMS, and OGHS in showing American Pride by wearing Red, White, and Blue September 5th. Students and staff are asked to donate \$1.00 to support our veterans and their families. This charity is being sponsored by OGHS soccer teams.