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ABSAF Sports, Clubs & Activities Update



Congratulations to the Class of 2018!

Graduation is a time for celebration, reflection and new opportunities. Thank you graduating class of 2018 for four years of memories, adventures and accomplishments! The entire AB community wishes you a bright future full of life-long learning, happiness and success.

This year's graduation ceremony will be held on Friday, June 1 2018, 5:30pm at Leary Field. For additional info please visit <http://abrhs.abschools.org/seniors> and click on "Graduation Info Page". ABSAF would like to wish good luck to all the seniors!

"Go confidently in the direction of your dreams. Live the life you imagined."

- Henry David Thoreau

Save the Date!

Boys Varsity Volleyball 5/22

AB vs. Wayland at the
Field House, 5:15

Girls Varsity Lacrosse 5/22

AB vs. Concord-Carlisle at
Leary Field, 6:30

Boys Varsity Lacrosse 5/22

AB vs. Needham, Lower
Fields, 4:00

Girls Varsity Softball 5/25

AB vs. Norton at Elm Street
Field, 7:00

Meet the Coach!

Rob Donaldson – Head Coach of AB Girls Varsity Lacrosse Team

Most students at AB know Rob Donaldson as a teacher of economics and history, but nowadays, when he's not standing in front of the white-board, he can often be found on the AB Lower Fields running the girl's varsity lacrosse practice. Even though this is Coach Donaldson's first year with this generation of AB Lacrosse players, this is far from his first coaching gig. Donaldson started his coaching career at AB in 1992 with the freshmen basketball team. He reflects on his second year coaching when he was asked to take the reins in a whole new sport: "I, with very limited knowledge, became the girl's freshmen lacrosse coach and fell in love with the sport." Since then, Coach Donaldson has coached both boys and girls lacrosse at a variety of levels.

After stepping away from coaching for a few years then heading the girl's JV program at Lincoln-Sudbury, Donaldson has found himself back at AB coaching girl's lacrosse. As he embarks on his first season back, Coach Donaldson looks forward to getting to know the "fantastic group of athletes" that are "committed to getting better every day." Senior Captain Emma Kearney offered up the praise: "Donaldson is a great coach as well as a person who keeps it fun while making sure we continue to work hard." It looks like Coach Donaldson started off on the right foot with this group and great success is sure to follow.

ABSAF wishes Mr. Donaldson and the rest of the team the best of luck for the rest of their season!

2018 AB Girl's Varsity Lacrosse Team



AB Speech and Debate Team Success at Tournament of Champions!

For only the second year in the team's known history, AB sent students to the Tournament of Champions, hosted by the University of Kentucky in Louisville.

Seniors Gaurav Asthana and Anshul Joshi finished their HS debate careers as Octafinalists (top 16) in Gold division Public Forum Debate.

Seniors Mehak Sikka and Ceci Villasenor finished their High School debate careers with a winning preliminary round record in the Silver Division of Public Forum Debate.

AB was also represented by Juniors Dhruva Rangan and Lydia Margolien along with Sophomore Joshua Lee and Junior Andy Gu in Gold Public Forum Debate.

Music, Theatre & Band Happenings!

Proscenium Circus performed Peter & the Starcatcher to rave reviews! Congratulations to PC and it's fabulous cast and crew!



SPRING JAM!

Featuring AB's a cappella groups

A Cappella Spring Jam: Don't miss the 10th annual Spring Jam featuring ABRHS' student directed, after school A Cappella groups on Saturday, May 12th at 7:30pm. *Suno*, Boston University's Lowell's premiere Indian-fusion a cappella group will be the guest collegiate group, featuring AB Chorus alum, Lavanya Prabhakar AB '15. Tickets are just \$5 at the door.

The Annual Music Awards Banquet and Celebration is Wednesday, May 16, 2018



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ABSAF is honored to be one of 24 recipients of the \$1.2 million that Middlesex Savings Bank donated this year. ABSAF would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to Middlesex Savings Bank for the generous \$50,000 donation! This donation will greatly benefit our community and allow ABSAF to continue their mission to support extracurricular activities at the high school and junior high providing healthy outlets for AB students! #RightThereWithYou