# ABSAF Fall 2020 Sports, Clubs and Activities Update

### **GOLF**



The golf season has started at ABRHS! Keith Campbell coaches the co-ed team throughout the fall, leading students through practices and meets. Every day, members play nine holes to prepare for competition. Practices are held at Quail Ridge in Acton.

The golf team has two matches per week against another school, one at home and one away. Recently, the AB team won against Newton South High School 87-80.

The season will end for the year after October, so cheer the team on as they face Concord-Carlisle and Lincoln-Sudbury in the coming weeks!



### **PROSCENIUM CIRCUS**

The musical is looking a lot different this year! While there will not be a traditional fall musical, Proscenium Circus spent the summer writing an original musical. The actors are hard at work rehearsing and filming footage of their performances, which the dedicated crew technicians will edit into a final show. The musical follows the story of the trio Sam, Harper, and Peyton, in a world where test scores determine your entire life after high school. As the three best friends begin their junior year, there are only four tests left to improve their Life Rank. They find themselves in very different places as Sam's rank is sinking, Harper is struggling to stay above Average, and Peyton continues to excel.

In the meantime, Online Encores will bring the theatre experience to you. Proscenium Circus' memorable 2017 performance of *Beauty and the Beast* will be streaming on November 7th at 7:00pm and November 8th at 4pm. Their magical 2016 performance of *Mary Poppins* will be streaming on December 5th at 7:00pm and December 6th at 4:00pm. Virtual tickets are just \$10 per show for the entire family. Visit <a href="https://www.abdrama.org">www.abdrama.org</a> for more information.



### SPEECH & DEBATE



2019/20 Speech & Debate Team

The Speech and Debate team has started off the year strong at AB! Many students have already participated in various tournaments, placing at nationals like the Yale and University of Kentucky Invitationals. Most meets this year will be virtual.

Every year, participating members spend weeks preparing for local and national high school competitions, focusing on current events or philosophical approaches. Speech students might also explore oratorical skills and story-telling in many different events like extemporaneous speaking or duo interpretation. Debate is in three formats: Lincoln-Douglas, Public Forum, and Congress. Ms. Hennessey leads Speech and Debate members throughout the season, ending in the spring with the State Tournament, at which ABRHS won Sweepstakes this past year!

### **FIELD HOCKEY**

At the time of this writing, the AB field hockey team is undefeated so far this season, having won their games against Newton South and Westford Academy. AB has been dominant, scoring a total of twenty-eight goals and only giving up one. Ten games will be played this year, all against DCL teams. The girls will be facing strong competition from longtime rivals Concord-Carlisle and Lincoln-Sudbury. The team is also looking forward to the DCL championship game towards the end of the season.



### **THANK YOU!**



Many thanks to community members for coming out to support ABSAF through our September Mums Sale; we are so grateful for your generosity!

A big shout out, also, to Middlesex Saviings Bank for their recent donation. Thank you!!!

We are so appreciative of these contributions, which play a vital role in supporting student sports, activities and clubs.

### **ULTIMATE FRISBEE**



Every Tuesday and Thursday AB Renegade practices at NARA park, preparing for the competition season in the Spring. Cheryl Ryan coaches the team, with help from Ms. Vanasse.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, members are especially excited to play again, even with social distancing and masks. In a typical practice, students warm up, practice throwing and catching, have drills on specific techniques (such as cutting, marking, and forcing) and hold scrimmages.

Starting with just 5 students last year, the team has grown exponentially and is now more than 20 members strong. AB Renegade Ultimate is a diverse group of players who value hard work and inclusivity. Anyone can join, no matter their skill level or experience.

### **ABSAF NEWS**

# Surprise your Family and Friends while supporting Acton Boxborough Student Activities Fund (ABSAF)!

### HOLIDAY TREATS from GINGERBREAD CONSTRUCTION Co.

Make your holiday entertaining (or gifting) a little easier this Thanksgiving while supporting ABSAF! This year we are excited to be selling delicious muffin loaves from the Gingerbread Construction Co., a local, family-owned business located in Wakefield, MA. These products do not use preservatives or shelf stabilizers.

We have 7 varieties to choose from:

\*Apple Crumb

\*Blueberry

\*Carrot

\*Coffee Cake

\*Gingerbread

\*Chocolate Chip

\*Iced Pumpkin

Please visit **absaf.org** to place your order by **Monday**, **Nov 16th**We will have a contact-less pick up on **Saturday**, **Nov 21st**(Time and Location TBD)

Price: \$14

All proceeds help to fund Acton Boxborough student activities

Thank you for your support!
And Happy Holidays from ABSAF!!!

## **SAVE THE DATE**

Nov 7 & 8	PC's Beauty & the Beast streaming online
Nov 11	Girls Varsity Field Hockey Semifinals Girls and Boys Varsity Soccer Semifinals
Nov 14	Girls & Boys Varsity Cross Country DCL Meet Girls Varsity Field Hockey Finals Girls and Boys Varsity Soccer Finals
Dec 5 & 6	PC's <i>Mary Poppins</i> streaming online