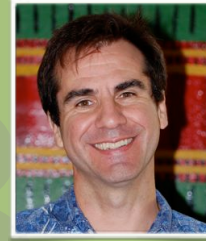




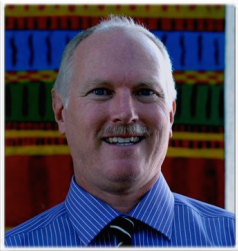
Newsletter



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## Energy Abounds As We Journey Ahead

### From the Director



Dear AISB Community,

Harnessing the energy that AISB students bring with them on the first day of school could magically carry us through the whole school year of activities. This is actually what happens with our students, the positive energy of new and returning students lights up our faculty and staff, and fuels their batteries for another academic year.

More than the positive energy our students bring with them is the drive that our faculty and staff have demonstrated in preparation for their arrival. Even though this preparation started last year, during the past ten days AISB's faculty and staff have participated in and facilitated workshops geared to get the best out of our students. Our new school-wide writing initiative, the 6 Traits writing program, is now set for implementation. We have a solid technology support team led by a new technology coordinator, and faculty learned the ins and outs of our new Ed-Admin administrative software and how to set up a framework for electronic communication with parents and students. This year we are also focusing on improvements in our after-school activities program, the development of a learning support program, and the completion of our self-study re-accreditation process using the Excellence By Design protocol.

Much energy has been focused on the new Sotuba school site this summer as our planned move in December is becoming a reality. From a distance it may not seem that we will be starting up classes in January on a brand new campus, but all indications are that we will be there. It is bitter sweet feeling knowing that this year will be our last year on our current campus, a cozy place with many positive memories to our community.

One emphasis as we transition to our new location will be to bring with us the positive sense of community and belonging that we have. At the same time we are also celebrating a record number of students enrolled at AISB. There are already more than 190 students registered to attend classes this year.

There is much to celebrate at AISB, please stop by and join us in celebrating your child's growth and development yet to come. I look forward to seeing all of you on both campuses this year.

Sincerely,

David G. Henry,  
Director

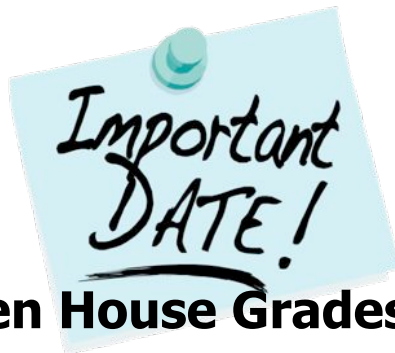
## Open House for ELC PARENTS

This Wednesday 25th  
5:00pm



## Upcoming Events

Aug. 25	Open House for Pre-K and K Parents, 5:00pm
Aug. 26	First Day of School, PK-3, PK-4 and Kindergarten (ELC)
Sep. 1	Open House for Grades 6-12
Sep. 8	Open House for Grades 1-5
Sep. 10	End of Ramadan Holiday



## Open House Grades 6 - 12

**Wednesday September 1**

**6pm sharp**

### New End of School Day Times This Year:

Starting this August school will finish at a different time. Monday through Thursday classes will finish at 2:25pm for Elementary (2:30pm for Secondary).

On Friday all classes will finish at 1:30pm to allow for accreditation, curriculum and faculty meetings.

## A Welcome from the Secondary Principal....

I would like to welcome those families returning to AISB and those new to our AISB secondary school community!

The secondary school will continue to provide excellent educational instruction and give educational and extra-curricular opportunities for your children and I am very excited to help facilitate this. The secondary school has a wonderful staff that will provide an excellent education for your children and through continued support at home, will allow your child(ren) to be as successful as possible.

This year, as always, parents will have multiple opportunities to get involved in the secondary school. AISB practices an open door policy regarding parents and this will continue. The school will continue to have bi-quarterly newsletters with news concerning the entire campus. There are also additional communication tools at your disposal to communicate to parents and allow information from the secondary school to be even more accessible:

1. Principal's Blog – The blog will have weekly updates on what is going on in both the middle school (grades 6-8) and the high school (grades 9-12). The Principal's Blog can be found on the AISB webpage.
2. Principal's coffee – Once each quarter I will host a morning coffee / tea for parents with students in the secondary school. A range of themes will be discussed and an open question - and - answer forum for items that have surfaced.

If you have any questions, concerns, or comments please feel free to contact me either by phone or email. You may also check out the Principal's Blog on the AISB website: [www.aisbmali.org](http://www.aisbmali.org)

Again, welcome to AISB and let's have a fantastic year!

Sincerely,

Randy Neen, Secondary School Principal