



Riley Keyser, AE/MS eighth grade, and Collin O'Donnell, MVHS '18, represented the Andover School District at a Student Leadership Conference in Bedford in August. The students were accompanied by Jane Slayton, AE/MS principal, and Brittney Fournier, AE/MS music teacher. The two-day School Climate and Culture Conference had workshop sessions for educators and students. The four participants found the conference very worthwhile and returned to Andover with many new ideas. Photo: Jane Slayton

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Fourteen Andover Students Start Their Proctor Journey

Wilderness Orientation starts on September 8

Scott Allenby, Proctor Academy

On September 8, fourteen Andover students will start their Proctor journey on Proctor's 42nd Wilderness Orientation. They will spend five days camping in the White Mountains with faculty members and other new students, learning about school rules, expectations, and culture.

Best of luck to this great group of Andover students as they start their Proctor journey! We can't wait to see what adventures lie ahead of you during the next four years.

- Matt Bent '19
- Hannah French '19
- Amanda Hinds '19
- Ezra Jenifer '19
- Britta Johnson '19
- Nelson Makechnie '19
- Alex Marshall '17

- Ryan Methven '19
- Jack Newton '19
- Samantha Parkman '19
- Myles Powers '19
- DJ Rankins '19
- Julia Royal '19
- Sofia Weber '19

130 New Students This Year

After a record-setting admissions year, Proctor prepares to welcome 130 new students to campus this fall for the 2015-2016 school year. Applications to Proctor have surged more than 40% over the previous five-year average, as the school's academic, athletic, art, and off-campus programs continue to set the school's educational model apart from other independent schools in New England. Learn more about Proctor's programs by visiting ProctorAcademy.org.

This year Proctor welcomes students from 19 states and 15 countries, including 24 Andover students and 90 day students overall.



Thanks to the enthusiasm and dedication of AE/MS staff, students can now enjoy healthy local produce year round. Through its "gleaning" program, Merrimack County Conservation District (MCCD) is providing the school with fresh fruits and vegetables from area farms (most recently from Two Mountain Farm in Andover) along with a flash-freeze unit. This unit allows the immediate freezing of fresh fruits and vegetables, taking only a matter of minutes. The frozen produce can then be stored for later use, especially during those long winter months.

Checking out the flash-freeze unit are MCCD local food coordinator Alyssa Lemmermann, AE/MS secretary Gail Parenteau, AE/MS principal Jane Slayton, and MCCD district manager Stacy Luke. Caption: Alyssa Lemmermann. Photo: Charlie Darling



The AE/MS staff for 2015-2016 was on hand for a group photo on August 25, the day before The First Day of School. Photo: Charlie Darling

A New School Year is Underway at AE/MS!

New students mean enrollment is on the rise

Jane Slayton, AE/MS principal

The days are getting a bit shorter, and a few recent mornings have had that cool and crisp fall feel. Another sign that fall is arriving is that the school athletes have returned and are participating in organized practices.

Two AE/MS teams began practices on August 17. Coach Amy Makechnie and her seventh and eighth grade soccer players

running along the trails with Coach Brian Reynolds.

In addition, AE/MS has four boys who have started practicing with the Merrimack Valley Middle School football team.

AE/MS doors opened wide for the first day of school on August 26. The incoming kindergarten class got a sneak preview the day before, when they attended the August 25 Kindergarten Orientation.

We have welcomed several new students as they have registered over the summer. Considering the number of new student registrations this year, the country participants have been seen

THE AE/MS EAGLE CODE

- Always be Respectful
- Everyone is Responsible
- Make Good Choices
- Safety: First, Last, and Always

Watch Out For School Buses!

Please keep our students safe! Remember these important safety rules:

Stop For School Buses!

School bus yellow caution lights come on at least 100 feet before a planned stop. Watch out for students who may cross the street before the red lights start flashing.

School bus red lights mean **traffic in both directions must stop!** **Never** pass a stopped school bus on the right!

Violations Can Be Costly

Being convicted of ignoring a school bus' flashing red lights can mean up to \$1,000 in fines and suspension of your license for 30 days.

Being convicted of passing a stopped school bus on the right can cost you up to \$1,200 and up to a 120-day suspension.

And who knows how much it will cost you in increased auto insurance premiums, and for how long!