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# Welcome Back Bridgers!

## BRIDGER NEWS

By: Eden DeMuth

Our AAHS Newspaper Club is excited to return for the 2025-2026 school year! We're back for an even better year of keeping you up-to-date with our school, community, and country's news. Let's give a huge welcome to this year's Newspaper Class Officers: President - Joseph Leseiko / Vice President - Evan Francis / Editor - Eden DeMuth / Treasurer - Vincent Wright / Secretary - Colten Wetzel. We are always welcoming new members to the newspaper club. To join, come down to Mrs. Williams in room 229 during an activity period. We hope to see you soon!



## NEW YEAR SAME RULES

By: Carter Mason

Ambridge High School has recently joined a growing number of schools implementing enhanced security protocols, including mandatory clear book bags and metal detectors. These changes are part of a broader effort to prioritize student safety in an evolving educational landscape.

The decision to introduce clear book bags was made to increase the visibility of contents, allowing staff to quickly assess and ensure no prohibited items are brought onto school grounds. Supplementing this, metal detectors have been installed at key entry points, providing an additional layer of security by detecting metallic objects that could pose a threat. These measures aim to deter potential incidents and create a safer learning environment for everyone.

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## How to Actually Get Involved (without it being awkward)

By: Caylin Fedora

Let's be real: going straight home after school every day gets boring fast. The best way to make high school fun is to get involved in something—sports, clubs, whatever. But if you're not sure where to start, here are some easy tips:

### 1. Just Show Up

Most clubs don't make you sign your life away. You can literally walk into a meeting, sit down, and see if you vibe with it. Worst case? You never go back. Best case? You just found your people.

### 2. Talk to Coaches or Captains

Even if the season's already started, ask! A lot of teams still need managers, practice players, or late joiners. Coaches love when people show interest.

### 3. Don't Try to Do Everything

Joining five clubs, two sports, and a musical sounds fun until you realize you have zero free time. Start with one or two things you're actually excited about and go from there.

### 4. Bring a Friend

Everything is less scary with a buddy. Plus, if you both join something new, you'll already know someone there.

### 5. Try Something Totally Random

Never kicked a soccer ball in your life? Join intramurals. Can't draw, but love anime? Go to art club anyway. High school is literally the time to try stuff without looking weird.

## AMBRIDGE TENNIS

By: Emma Pinchot & Lila Catalano

The Girls' Tennis Team Seniors are Lainee Summers, Abby Smith, Lana Holcomb, Sammy Waschalk, and McKayla Lebeck. The team has won against many schools like Moon, Riverside, Keystone Oaks, and more!

Abby Smith placed 1st in Singles against multiple schools, and she placed fourth in the section singles tournament out of 14 players, which is the best an Ambridge player has done in years!

Charlotte Hill & Lana Holcomb have doubles wins against Moon & Hopewell.

Sammy Waschak & Alyssa Kinkade doubles win against Hopewell.

Alyssa Walker & Alyssa Kinkade doubles win against Keystone Oaks.



McKayla Lebeck had a 3rd singles win against Hopewell.

Maren Uvodich had a 2nd singles win against Hopewell.

Congratulations! Ambridge is PROUD!

## AMBRIDGE GOLF

By: Emma Pinchot & Lila Catalano

The 2025–2026 Ambridge sports began with varsity and JV boys' and girls' golf teams. Despite a challenging season, these players have become better golfers. Varsity, coached by Mr. Yanessa, is led by senior Colten Hisiro, a 2024 sectional qualifier, with support from senior Ryan Lambert and several underclassmen. JV, coached by Mr. Dugan, features juniors Aaden and Colin Meadows, along with a strong group of sophomores and freshmen. All players are working hard to improve and stay competitive.

The girls' golf team coached by Mr. Knopsnyder and Mr. Rinker consists of seniors Ariel Schooley, Aubrey Phillips,



Lizzie Hoge, and Jaylynn Campbell. The final official player of the girls' team is Freshman Emma Pinchot. They occasionally had Halle Pruszenski and Eden Demuth participate in a few matches. These girls are working hard to become better golfers, and they are always looking for new players.

A Day of Remembrance: Reflecting on 9/11

By: Joe Leseiko

Twenty-four years ago, our nation was forever changed by the horrific events of September 11, 2001. On this day, we pause to remember the nearly 3,000 innocent lives lost in the attacks on the World Trade Center, the Pentagon, and in the fields of Pennsylvania. We honor the courage and sacrifice of the first responders, everyday citizens, and countless others who rushed to help in the face of unimaginable tragedy.



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Charlie Kirk Assassination

By: Evan Francis

On September 10, 2025, Charlie Kirk was speaking at Utah Valley University in Orem, Utah. He was part of his “American Comeback Tour.” Around 3,000 people were in the crowd.

During the event, a gunshot was heard and Kirk fell to the ground. He was taken to the hospital but later passed away. Police said the shot came from a nearby rooftop.

The suspect, Tyler James Robinson, 22, was arrested on September 12. Police say he was found through camera footage, DNA, and online messages. Robinson is charged with aggravated murder. Officials may seek the death penalty.

The shooting led to strong reactions across the country. Leaders from both parties condemned the attack. The incident started new talks about free speech, safety at events, and rising political violence.


"The American Dream is **ALIVE**.

If you work hard, stay disciplined, and never give up, you can achieve anything."

-**CHARLIE KIRK**

New Bridger Faces

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By: Evan Francis

Ambridge Area High School has a new guidance counselor for 11th and 12th grade students, Mrs. Banks. She comes to Ambridge with experience as a counselor at Quaker Valley High School.

Mrs. Banks went to several colleges. She started at CCAC studying accounting, then attended Robert Morris University for business management, and finished at Slippery Rock University for school counseling. Before becoming a counselor, she planned to be a lawyer and even served in the Army as a paralegal for five years.

When asked about her first thoughts of Ambridge, she said she heard about the school's bad reputation but does not believe it. She said, “There are kids who want to succeed and there are kids who will succeed.”

In high school, Mrs. Banks played track and did throwing events like shot put and discus. In her free time, she enjoys working on a farm, spending time with her family and dog, and loves horses.

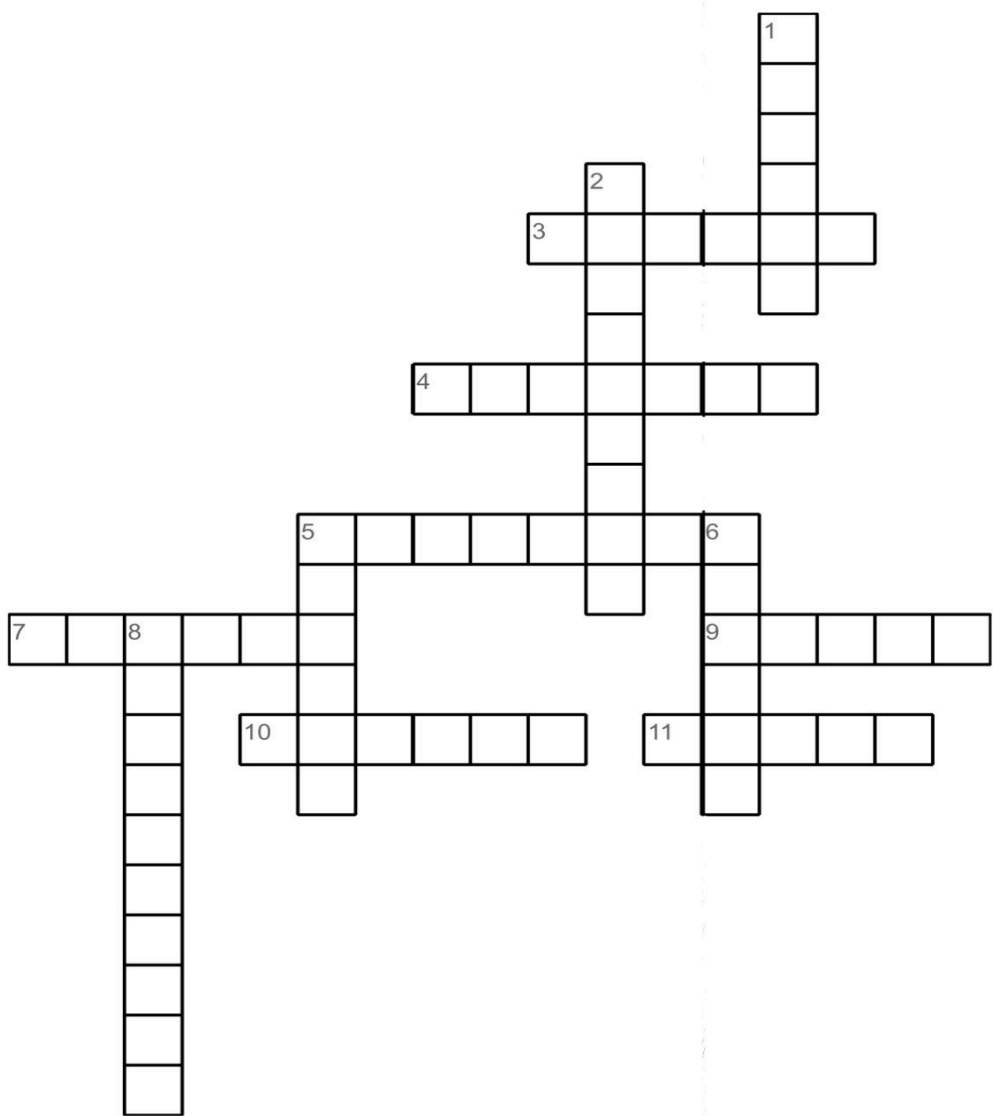
Her advice to students about life after high school is simple: find your own version of success and stick with your plan. She said, “Don’t do something just because it’s cool, follow your heart.”

Mrs. Banks enjoys working with students because every day is different. She meets students where they are and gives support depending on what each student needs. Some students need more guidance, some need less, and she adjusts to help them succeed academically and personally.



# BACK-TO-SCHOOL CROSSWORD PUZZLE

By: John Seifer



### Across

- 3 To get rid of what you wrote
- 4 Educates kids, runs a classroom
- 5 Fall sport played on Friday nights
- 7 Where you go to learn
- 9 Something to write on
- 10 Something to write with, erasable
- 11 Where you live




### Down

- 1 Fall sport played on week nights
- 2 Person in charge of school
- 5 To organize your papers
- 6 A device issued from a school
- 8 A school dance

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