



THE NAVIGATOR



March 2024



UPCOMING EVENTS:

March 20	Seal of Biliteracy Exam
March 25	End of 3rd Quarter
March 29- April 5	SCHOOLS CLOSED (Spring Break)
April 27	ATA Car Show and Career Expo

A Note from the Principal

Greetings ATA Family and Friends!

Our current weather indicates that spring is in the air! Actually, the **1st day of Spring 2024 is March 19** and the last day is June 19? Although spring is in the air, there is no time to despair as the most critical time of year is upon us. Because we want all of our ATA Navigators to finish strong this school year, it is time for them to set small, attainable, end-of-the-year goals and to prepare for spring testing and graduation which will take place in the coming months.

In the meantime, I have a question for us to ponder, "Is SPRING FEVER real?" While it is debatable whether spring is your favorite season, I do believe it has its part to play on our mood and maybe even our behavior. The great Ernest Hemingway, expressed, "When spring came, even the false spring, there were no problems except where to be happiest." It is said that springtime: makes you feel positive (enhances your mood); makes you feel happier (because days are longer); promotes a more active lifestyle (which increases endorphins); increases energy levels; decreases stress levels; and improves brain clarity, memory, and creative thoughts.

As spring unfolds, take an opportunity to enjoy the warmth and beauty of spring (indoor or outdoor settings of choice) by taking a walk, riding a bike, reading good books, and/or any other hobby that will bring you joy. Having an optimistic mindset is essential for the success of all stakeholders in the homestretch of this school year. While MARCHing into Quarter 4 (March 26), Spring Break (March 29 - April 5), and the final quarter for this school year, we must continue our focus--continuous improvement. While pursuing **#theATAway**, I also choose to fully embrace having "Spring Fever!"

Sincerely,

Dr. Andrea Pridgen

Classroom Highlights



NAVIGATORS AT WORK LEARNING 21ST CENTURY SKILLS:

WHAT ARE 21ST CENTURY SKILLS? THESE 4 C'S:

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COMMUNICATION	COLLABORATION	CRITICAL THINKING	CREATIVITY
Sharing thoughts, questions, ideas & solutions	Working together to reach a goal. Putting talent, expertise, and smarts to work	Looking at problems in a new way and linking learning across subjects & disciplines	Trying new approaches to get things done equals innovation & invention



Teacher Spotlight



Shout out to Bernie Davis, our Building Construction teacher, who works hard to have students engaged and working on various projects. Currently, his students are building a shelving unit for Meri Smith's classroom. Be sure to check out other projects students can complete for your home and their prices below.

Go Navigators!!



BUILDING CONSTRUCTION

LET US HELP BUILD YOUR FUTURE...
...AS YOU HELP BUILD HORRY COUNTY



STUDENT PROJECT- PRICES



REGULAR TREADED (2X6) PICNIC TABLE
8' - \$250.00 6' - \$225.00 4' - \$200.00

FOLDING TREADED (2X) PICNIC TABLE
8' - \$300.00 6' - \$275.00 4' - \$250.00



REGULAR CORN HOLE BOARDS
UNFINISHED \$150.00 • PVC \$225.00

CAMPER SIZE CORN HOLE BOARDS
UNFINISHED \$100.00 • PVC \$150.00

MINI CORN HOLE BOARD
UNFINISHED \$75.00 • PVC \$100

BIG JENGA BLOCKS
UNFINISHED \$100.00

BIG CONNECT FOUR
UNFINISHED \$100.00 • PVC \$150.00

OVAL, SQUARE, & SCALLOP DOOR HANGERS
UNFINISHED - MDF \$15.00 • PVC \$30.00

INITIALS DOOR HANGERS
UNFINISHED - MDF SMALL \$15.00 (12" H) MEDIUM \$25.00 (18" H) LARGE \$350.00 (24" H)
PVC SMALL \$30.00 (12" H) MEDIUM \$50.00 (18" H) LARGE \$60.00 (24" H)

SMALL STOOLS
UNFINISHED \$15.00



MOBILE HOME SMALL DECKS WITH STAIRS
&
STORAGE BUILDING



***PRICES ARE DEPENDENT ON BUILDING SIZE
AND MATERIAL COST**





CONGRATULATIONS!

**ROOKIE TEACHER
OF THE YEAR**

**MS. RAVEN
INGRAM**



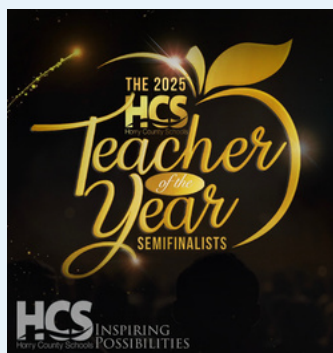
**SUPPORT STAFF OF
THE YEAR**

**MS. BARBARA
CHAMBERS**



**TOP 10
SEMIFINALIST
TEACHER OF THE
YEAR**

**MRS. KRYSTAL
MANTE**



DID YOU OBSERVE?



Academy for Technology and Academics

February 12 at 10:36 AM · 🌐

Thank you to everyone who applied for the 2024-2025 school year! We had over 600 applicants! Keep an eye on your mailboxes, letters of acceptance will be mailed out March 18, 2024. We can't wait to help you navigate your future at ATA! [#jobreadydayone](#) [#theATAway](#)



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on [Facebook](#) for the
most up-to-date
information!

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ATTENDANCE POLICY & REMINDERS

South Carolina State Policy: To receive credit for a course toward graduation requirements, high school students must pass the course with a minimum of 60 and must meet the required seat time guidelines as set by the State of South Carolina. Failures due to attendance or FA's will be counted each semester of the 23-24 school year. If you have questions about your attendance, please see an administrator.

Failure Due to Attendance Guidelines

Semester Courses: Any student over 5 unexcused absences (UNEX, UEPN) per class at the end of each semester will fail due to attendance.

Quarter Classes (Government/Economics): Any student over 2 unexcused absences (UNEX, UEPN) per class at the end of each quarter will fail due to attendance.

An FA results in a student not receiving credit regardless of a passing grade.

Attendance Recovery Opportunities

- Students may stay after school **Monday-Thursday from 2:45-4:15** to make up attendance. Sign up with Dr. Pridgen.
- Students may stay after school **Monday-Thursday from 2:45-3:30** to make up attendance during tutoring. Students will need to make sure to let the teacher know they are staying for tutoring/attendance recovery.
- Students will need to make sure they have a ride home no later than 4:30 pm as transportation is not provided.
- Students may make up attendance at their base high school if approved by the base school principal and Dr. Pridgen. See Dr. Pridgen for base school opportunities.
- Virtual opportunities are limited and must be approved by Dr. Pridgen.



NEW DATE 4/27

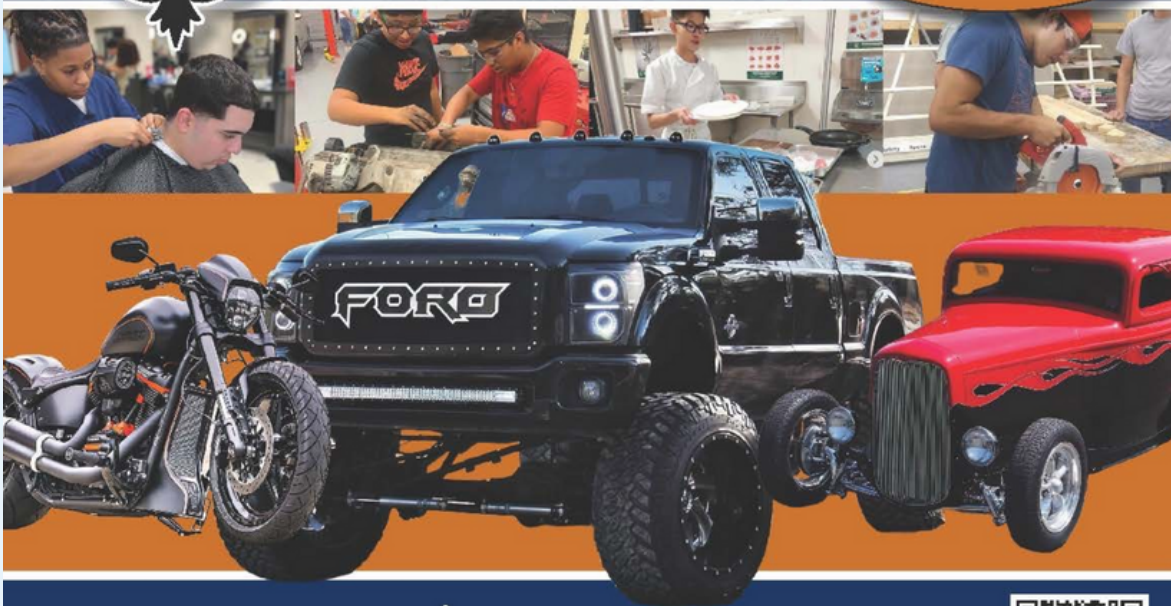
EXPO 2024

ACADEMY FOR TECHNOLOGY AND ACADEMICS



5639 US 701 NORTH
CONWAY, SC 29526

APR. 27
9:00AM - 2:00PM
CAR GATES OPEN AT 9:00AM



...IN THE PITS
RACING RADIO
POWERED BY 

CAR SHOW ENTRY IS BY DONATION ONLY

• TROPHIES •

PRIZES AND SHOW SHIRTS AVAILABLE



SCAN here to see
a listing of
Career Majors



NEW MAJOR ALERT

NEW 2024-25 - HVAC

LET US HELP BUILD YOUR FUTURE...
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you don't ever notice your oxygen until it's gone; something goes wrong with the HVAC, even for fifteen minutes, and people are ready to riot.

-TEJU COLE

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

HVAC TECHNOLOGY COURSES OFFER STUDENT'S SPECIALIZED TRAINING RELATED TO THE DESIGN, INSTALLATION, AND REPAIR OF AIR CONDITIONING SYSTEMS FOR RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL USE. THESE COURSES MAY EMPHASIZE THE THEORY AND DESIGN OF ELECTRICAL, ELECTRONIC, MECHANICAL, AND PNEUMATIC CONTROL SYSTEMS USED IN AIR CONDITIONING SYSTEMS; THEY MIGHT ALSO (OR INSTEAD) FOCUS ON PROCEDURES USED IN TROUBLESHOOTING, SERVICING, AND INSTALLING COMPONENTS OF AIR CONDITIONING SYSTEMS.

INTERESTED STUDENTS MUST APPLY FOR BUILDING CONSTRUCTION.

TWO (2) YEAR PROGRAM

OSHA-10, NCCER-Core, EPA Section 608 Technician Certification, And Career and Technical Education Consortium of States (CTECS) HVAC Technology



JOB OPPORTUNITIES

HVAC ENGINEER

STARTING @ \$58,500

HVAC SERVICE TECHNICIAN

STARTING @ \$58,000



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SENIOR CEREMONIES

CLASS OF 2024



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Come join us in celebration!

May 28, 2024	6:00 pm	Cosmetology & Esthetics
	7:30 pm	Barbering & CONNECT
May 29, 2024	6:00 pm	Nursing
	7:30 pm	Pre-Medicine
May 30, 2024	6:00 pm	Automotive Technology, Building Construction, Culinary, Digital Art & Design, & Engineering

ATA Tech. Theater
Each student may bring 4 guests.

