



KEEPING UP WITH PEELY

Celebrating 40 Years of Supporting Our Students



Register for iRun by Feb. 24th to get a T-shirt!

Event T-shirts aren't guaranteed to be available the day of the event!

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Peely's Odds & Ends Room Open for Shopping - Feb. 20th

For GAPS PreK-5th Grade Teachers - Free!

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Students at Takena want to thank the APSF for the Classroom Grant that helped their Library get more books!

"This February, spread love everywhere you go."

As we head into the month of February, I am reminded what an amazing community and group of donors we have that love and support the Albany Public Schools Foundation. Your generosity and dedication empower us to provide essential programs and resources for our students, fostering a nurturing and thriving educational environment.

We are excited to announce our [2025 scholarships](#) will open on **February 14th** and close on March 14th. We have over 140 scholarships that any graduating senior from one of our three high schools can apply for. If you know a high school senior, please let them know to mark their calendar for February 14th.

In addition to scholarships, we are thrilled to announce the upcoming [iRun for Kids on March 15th](#). This event is a fantastic opportunity to support our schools and the Albany Public Schools Foundation. Participants can choose to walk or run the 5K route or, for those looking for a longer challenge, the 10-mile route is ideal. The courses will take you through scenic neighborhoods, charming country roads, and vibrant downtown Albany, culminating at the West Albany High School stadium. For the youngest runners, we have the Little Leprechaun Dash designed for K-2 children, featuring local mascots to add to the fun and excitement. Mark your calendars and come and join us in this spirited community event.

On April 12th, iSwim for Kids will be held at the Albany Community Pool. We are excited to announce that we are expanding our "Sponsor a Student" program to include one more school for a total of 4 schools. This sponsorship is only \$40.00 and allows students from low-income schools to participate in iSwim for Kids without the need to collect pledges.

If you are a business and would like to sponsor a student, we have a [sponsorship level for \\$100.00](#). This would allow two students to swim, and you will also receive free advertising. Please [contact us](#) to help us get more students in the pool.

We are also excited to share some fantastic news from [Peely's Teacher Supply House](#). Starting in February at the semester break, **Peely's will be expanding to include Pre-K through 5th grade**. This wonderful program allows GAPS teachers to order classroom supplies at no cost. If you would like to donate supplies, please visit our website for a list of items we need or check out our Amazon wish list for easy donating.

We are deeply grateful for the ongoing support from our community. Your contributions make a tangible difference in the lives of our students and help us build a brighter future for all. Together, we can continue to create an environment where every student can thrive and reach their full potential.

Take care-



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ALBANY PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOUNDATION

5K iRUN FOR KIDS 10 MILE

LITTLE LEPRECHAUN DASH



SATURDAY, MARCH 15, 2025
WEST ALBANY HIGH SCHOOL TRACK

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REGISTER NOW AT
ALBANYPSF.ORG

Register by February 24th, 2025 to get a T-Shirt! (Please note that Little Leprechaun Dash does not get a T-shirt) T-shirts are not guaranteed to be available for purchase the day of.

Event	Student Price	Adult Price
Little Leprechaun Dash (K-2nd Grade)	\$10	
5K	\$15	\$45
10 Mile	\$15	\$60

Help a GAPS school win \$500!

The school with the most participation will win a cash prize of \$500! During registration, mark which school you want your participation to count towards!

THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS!

Want to Sponsor iRun? Email marketing@albanypsf.org



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ODDS AND Ends ROOM

Open for Shopping!

GAPS Pre-K-5th Grade Teachers



Thursday, February 20th



3:30-5:30pm



APSF Office (2953 Clover Ridge Rd. NE. Room #10, Albany 97322)

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Come shop our Odds & Ends Room at Peely's Teacher Supply House! (FREE!)

Thursday, February 20th | 3:30-5:30pm | APSF Office (2953 Clover Ridge Rd. NE. Room #10, Albany 97322)

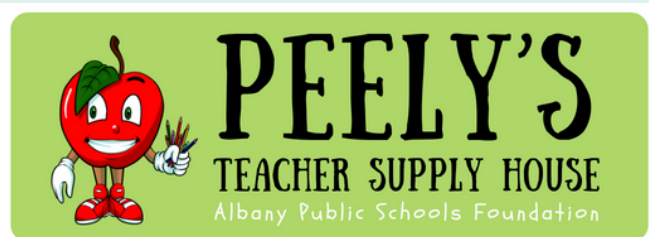
Open to Pre-K – 5th Grade Teachers in the Greater Albany Public Schools District (School ID Required)

This room contains items NOT found listed online for Peely's Teacher Supply House!

You never know what you'll find in this room... there might be a whiteboard, a box of envelopes, a box of odd crayons that we wouldn't normally buy, or maybe even some classroom decorations!

- We currently have a (decently large) supply of children's books that were donated to us. Ranging from picture books to middle school age.


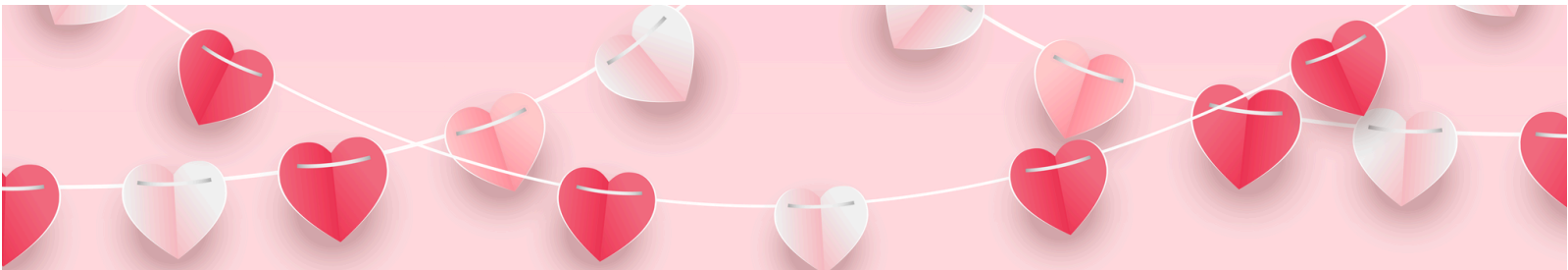
This is a special event for Peely's that will become more regularly offered as we grow. We will now be offering Odds & Ends Shopping once per semester. Odds & Ends Shopping will not count against your once per semester Peely's Supply orders. These items are first come, first served.



Now Open to Pre-K through 5th Grade Teachers!

GAPS teachers for Pre-K through 5th grade can now register to shop for free at Peely's Teacher Supply House! Be sure to use your GAPS email address so we can verify your status. Teachers can order online once per semester. If you have questions or need more information, email peely@albanypsf.org.

[LEARN MORE](#)



Donate in the Name of Your Valentine!

Donate to the Albany Public Schools Foundation in the name of your special someone, and we'll send them a card with a meaningful message!

YOUR DONATION COULD HELP SUPPORT:

Big Impact Grants | Classroom Grants | Enrichment Grants |
Peely's Teacher Supply House | Scholarships for Graduating Seniors |
Sources of Strength | Student Assistance Program | Water Awareness

[DONATE TODAY](#)



Honor your favorite GAPS Staff with **GAPS HONOR ROLL**



Give your favorite Greater Albany Public Schools teacher or staff member a pat on the back by making a donation to the Albany Public Schools Foundation in their name! With your donation of \$15 or more, they will receive a special certificate of appreciation to let them know how much they're loved!

You can thank ANY GAPS staff member!

Thank a teacher, bus driver, principal, office staff, janitor, kitchen staff, counselor, librarian, nurse, teacher's aid, or any other special staff member who's made an impact on you!

(Please note that the staff member must be currently employed with GAPS)



[Learn More and Donate on our Website](#)





2025 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS OPEN

FEBRUARY 14TH -
MARCH 14TH

WHO CAN APPLY?

- Open to ALL Graduating GAPS Seniors, Regardless of GPA
- ANY Accredited College, University or Trade School, or Major!
- One application works for over 100 scholarships

Winners Notified in May/June



SCAN HERE TO BEGIN!



 Learn More
albanypsf.org/what-we-do/scholarships/

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[Click Here to Learn More](#)

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**ALBANY
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BILINGUAL SCHOLARSHIP INFO NIGHT

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH
5:30-6:30PM**

SOUTH ALBANY HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY

All GAPS Seniors and Parents Welcome to Attend!
West, South & AOS

Presentation will be given in both English and Spanish

APSF Scholarship Applications Open February 14 - March 14

- Learn how to apply
- Learn how the selection process works
- Have your questions answered

Questions?

English: Andrea Recek, APSF | 541-979-2773 ext. 3 | programs@albanypsf.org

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APRIL 12TH, 2025

ALBANY COMMUNITY POOL

8am-11:45am

REGISTER YOUR STUDENT TODAY
WITH THIS QR CODE!

Or go to www.albanypsf.org



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T-SHIRT!

EARN FUN PRIZES FOR YOUR CLASSROOM AND SCHOOL!



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Upcoming Events

Feb. 14th	Scholarship Applications Open
Feb. 17th	APSF Office Closed - Presidents' Day
Feb. 18th	Bilingual Scholarship Info Night 5:30-6:30pm - SAHS Library
Feb. 20th	Peely's Odds & Ends Room Shopping 3:30-5:30pm - APSF Office Open to PreK-5th Grade GAPS Teachers
Feb. 24th	iRun T-shirt Registration Deadline



[View our full calendar](#)

Save the Date

March 15th, 2025	iRun for Kids WAHS Track, Races start 9am Visit Our Website for Details
April 12th, 2025	iSwim for Kids Albany Community Pool Registration now open! Visit our website for more info



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