

#### Hi, Stallion families!

We are thrilled to welcome our students back on campus and hope you had a wonderful winter break. We look forward to seeing you during our spring conferences, which will take place on:

- Tuesday, February 4, from 2 to 5:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, February 5, from 2 to 7 p.m.

Conferences provide us with a unique opportunity to come together as educators, families, and learners to focus on academic growth, celebrate achievements, and discuss strategies for future success. They foster open communication, build stronger relationships, and ensure we are working collaboratively toward the shared goal of student excellence.

Additionally, our book fair will be open on campus during both conference nights so don't forget to stop by and check it out!

Remember, attendance matters! Being present in class is key to learning and success. Make it a priority every day!

Isaac Hurguy Sunset Principal

# **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

JANUARY 15- EARLY RELEASE @ 1:45 p.m.

JANUARY 16- KONA ICE

JANUARY 16- START OF FUNDRAISER

JANUARY 17- SPIRIT ASSEMBLEY @ 8:30 a.m.

JANUARY 17- 100th DAY OF SCHOOL

JANUARY 20 - MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY (NO SCHOOL)

JANUARY 21- GIRLS BASKETBAL 7:30 @ CHOLLA

JANUARY 23- STUCO MEETING AFTER SCHOOL

JANUARY 23 – KONA ICE

JANUARY 30 – KONA ICE

JANUARY 30 – FAMILY BOOK CLUB @ 3:30

**FEBRUARY 3- END OF FUNDRAISER** 

FEBRUARY 4,5,6,7 – EARLY RELEASE FOR PARENT **TEACHER CONFRENCES @ 1:45** 

p.m.

FEBRUARY 1-28 BLACK HISTORY MONTH

FEBRUARY 7 - SPIRIT ASSEMBLEY @ 8:30 a.m.

FEBRUARY 12- EARLY RELEASE @ 1:45 p.m.

FEBRUARY 14-VALENTINE'S DAY

ARIZONA STATEHOOD DAY **FEBRUARY 17- PRESIDENTS DAY (NO SCHOOL)** 

### Important Phone Numbers

602-347-3300 Office

602-347-3311 Attendance Line

602-347-3310 Health Office

## **Badge Reminder**

Parents, please make sure your students have their ID badges. If they are lost, they can purchase a new

one from the office for \$2.00 (which includes ID, z-pass, pouch and lanyard).

## WESD DISTRICT PROGRAMS

Are you currently experiencing temporary living arrangements due to eviction, job loss or a traumatic event? The Washington Elementary School District offers services to families through the federal McKinney Vento Homeless Assistance Act. The act requires that children and families who are in a temporary living situation be offered services and support. Services provided can include enrollment assistance, nutrition services, clothing or school supplies, community referrals, and in some cases, transportation. If you are living in any of the following temporary circumstances: with another family or friend due to financial hardship, living in a shelter, transitional housing, in a hotel/motel, you may fit the criteria for assistance under this act. Please contact the office at 602-896-5600 to inquire further about qualifying for this program.



Join Us for Kindergarten Open House on Jan. 28

In the WESD, the joy of learning begins in kindergarten! Please join us for Kindergarten Open House on Tuesday, Jan. 28, 2025, from 5 to 7 p.m.! This will be a great opportunity for you and your child to learn about our incredible kindergarten program, meet our dedicated teachers, explore our engaging classrooms, receive important information about our KidSpace childcare program, transportation services and school meals, and so much more! If you know someone who also has a child turning five before Sept. 1, 2025, we encourage you to share this exciting opportunity with them! We look forward to meeting our future students!

Únanse a Nosotros para el 'Open House' (Puertas Abiertas) de Kindergarten el 28 de enero

¡En el WESD, la alegría de aprender comienza en el kindergarten! ¡Únanse a nosotros para el 'Open House' (Puertas Abiertas) de Kindergarten el martes 28 de enero, 2025 de 5 a 7 p.m.! Esta será una gran oportunidad para que ustedes y sus hijos aprendan sobre nuestro increíble programa de kindergarten, conozcan a nuestros maestros dedicados, exploren nuestros atractivos salones de clase, reciban información importante sobre nuestro programa de cuidado infantil 'KidSpace', servicios de transporte y comidas escolares, ¡y mucho más! Si conocen a alguien que también tiene hijos que cumplirán cinco años antes del 1 de septiembre, 2025, ¡los animamos a que compartan esta emocionante oportunidad con ellos! ¡Esperamos conocer a nuestros futuros estudiantes!



#### Site Council

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Want to be more involved at your child's school? Join site council. Get more details from the front office.

# PTO Board Shari Blanchard –President TBD –Vice President

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# **Health Office Reminder**

As a reminder, we ask parents to do a symptom check of their students before sending them to school. Please keep your student home if they have a fever or have been vomiting. Your student must be fever-free, vomit-free and diarrhea-free without medication for 24 hours before they return to school. Please call the health office with any questions at 602-347-3310.



# Reminder of Immunization Requirements, for Students 11 Years of Age or Older

Arizona School Immunization Law states that ALL STUDENTS 11 YEARS OF AGE or older (regardless of grade) must have one dose of <u>Meningococcal vaccine</u> (MV). These students are also required to have one dose of <u>Tdap vaccine</u> if five or more years have passed since their last tetanus/diphtheria vaccine dose.

Please provide updated immunizations records to the health office as soon as your student receives them.

If you have questions regarding this notice, please contact the school health office at 602-896-

# STUDENT/CHARACTER OF THE MONTH—DECEMBER

Congratulations to the following student for making STUDENT OF THE MONTH--

Andrea R., Izaiah V., Zaliyah N., Kamaiyah F., Clark G., Aaliyah O., Sienna A., Eileen G., Rose M., Isabella C., Aubree Y., Liam C., Iliana C., Hoang D. and Didi M.

Congratulations to the following students for making CHARACTER COUNTS -

Bryce W., Lejla K., Aurora C., Joseph C., Zayn A., Junior G., Isaiah N., Victor A., Faith Z., Witford B., Tristan H., Lydia H., Jacob D., Frank N., Logan C. and Jennyfer L.



#### Social Service Corner

Are you raising your grandchild or other kin? If this is not how you pictured living out this season of your life, you are not alone. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, millions of children are living with and being raised by a grandparent or other relative. If this is you, you may be feeling isolated and ill-equipped as you navigate uncharted territory. Welcoming your grandchild into the home often brings unforeseen legal/custody, financial, physical, emotional, and social challenges, and you may feel stretched to your limits and in need of support. Did you know there is a local agency that exists solely to support grandparents (and other relatives) who are raising their grandchildren? DUET provides virtual and in-person support groups in both English and Spanish, virtual and in-person educational workshops, and fun recreational grandfamily outings that allow both kids and adults in similar family situations to socialize and connect. You can visit <a href="https://www.duetaz.org">www.duetaz.org</a> or call 602-274-5022 for more information.

## Support Our Students with a Tax Credit Donation

Start the new year on a positive note by supporting our students with a tax credit donation! By making a tax credit donation, you can directly impact our students' education and reduce your state tax liability (up to \$200 filing single or \$400 filing jointly). Your donation also provides our students with opportunities to participate in field trips, and succeed in extracurricular activities by funding items such as uniform replacements, equipment, and stipends for coaches and sponsors. Donating is simple! You can either visit our school office to complete a tax credit form or make your donation online at https://bit.ly/3Ao6nZ7. We appreciate your support!

Apoyen a Nuestros Estudiantes con una Donación de Crédito Fiscal

¡Comiencen el nuevo año con una nota positiva apoyando a nuestros estudiantes con una donación de crédito fiscal! Al hacer una donación de crédito fiscal, pueden impactar directamente la educación de nuestros estudiantes y reducir su obligación tributaria estatal (hasta \$200 con una declaración individual o \$400 con una declaración conjunta). Su donación también brinda a nuestros estudiantes oportunidades para participar en excursiones escolares y tener éxito en actividades extracurriculares al financiar artículos como reemplazos de uniformes, equipos y salarios para entrenadores y patrocinadores. ¡Donar es simple! Pueden visitar la oficina de nuestra escuela para completar un formulario de crédito fiscal o hacer su donación en línea en https://bit.ly/3Ao6nZ7. ¡Apreciamos su apoyo!

\*\*Please do not drop off your student prior to 8:05 a.m. Your child's safety is our primary concern.\*\*



Please do not park in the pick-up line during drop off/pick up.

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