Deer Valley Unified School District

HLS School News

HIGHLAND LAKES SCHOOL

August , 2016
MAIN # 623-376-4300
ATTENDANCE # 623-376-4390

Mark Anderson, Principal
Wendy Doucet, Assistant Principal

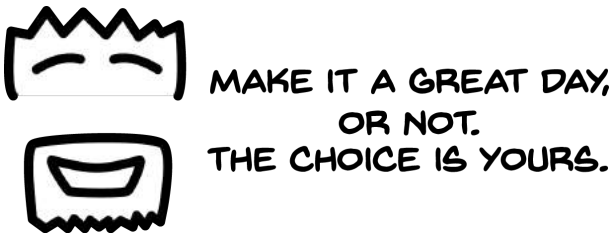
Welcome to the 2016-17 school year! I know that this year will be especially good for the students at Highland Lakes. The beginning of the school year is always an exciting time. Kindergarten students and their parents are anxious about the new adventure that they are about to begin, and returning students are wondering about what changes the new school year will bring for them. Teachers are planning exciting lessons for their students and are looking forward to helping your child succeed. We are working very hard to make certain that our students are developing strong academic, social, and emotional skills.

There is a new energy this year that seems to be contagious. Along with the new energy, we have also added the following staff members to the Highland Lakes School family:

Jennifer Hayden, Kindergarten
Danielle Stevenson, 1st Grade
John Marano, 6th Grade
Allison Mastroddi, Art
Sajan Mathew, 7th Social Studies
Lance Tobias, Maintenance Day Staff
Kourtney Molitor, World Cultures Exploratory
Anna Coker, Special Education Teacher

Each teacher brings their own energy and expertise to our campus and I truly believe they are all excellent additions to our staff. The new teachers in partnership with our returning staff will continue to offer your children the high quality of academics you have grown to expect from the HL's educational community.

We are looking forward to an amazing 2016-2017 school Year!



Mark Anderson
Principal, Highland Lakes School

Highland Lakes School
Mission Statement

Preparing today's learners to become tomorrow's leaders through technology, inquiry, common core standards and global citizenship.

Principal: Mark Anderson
Assistant Principal: Wendy Doucet
Nurse: Karen Hurst
Counselor:Kathryn Coleman

Main Phone #: (623)376-4300
Attendance: (623)376-4390
Fax: (623)376-4380
Address: 19000 N. 63rd Ave., Glendale, AZ 85308
Start Time = 8:45
End Time = 3:30
Early Release = 12:05
Office Hours = 8:00-4:00
Mascot: Bears
Colors: Blue & Green

Contact Site for Information Regarding Student Pick up:
Highland Lakes School - 623-376-4300
District Office - 623-445-5000
In case of emergency involving student evacuation, the following site has been designated as a relocation site.

Evacuation Location: Deer Valley High School
18424 N 51st Ave, Glendale, AZ 85308

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HIGHLAND LAKES School

Building Bearific Behavior

Highland Lakes will be working on a different set of skills each week, throughout the school year. Please encourage your students to participate and model the behavior each week.

Skills will be part of the morning announcements!
For the month of August:

Week of August 10th– **Make it a great day or not; the choice is yours!**

Week of August 15th – **5 feet rule: Make eye-contact and greet anyone within 5 feet of you!**

Week of August 22nd – **Offer to hold the door open for someone else**

Week of August 29th– **Always be honest. Admit if you have done something wrong.**

Mrs. Doucet's Word of the Day

Wed. 8/10 VIVACIOUS – lively and energetic

Thurs. 8/11 MICROSCOPIC – too small to be seen with just your eyes

Fri. 8/12 – FLAUNT – to show off

Mon. 8/15 GARRULOUS – excessively talkative about trivial matters

Tues. 8/16 TENACIOUS – not giving up

Wed. 8/17 OVERT – done or shown openly; plainly or readily apparent

Thurs. 8/18 SURREAL – having the quality of a dream; unreal

Fri. 8/19 AUDACIOUS – showing a willingness to take risks

Mon. 8/22 DISCERN – perceive or recognize something

Tues. 8/23 AMICABLE – having a spirit of friendliness; without disagreement

Wed. 8/24 ACCOLADE – an expression of praise or admiration

Thurs. 8/25 EMPATHY – understanding and being sensitive to experiences of others

Fri. 8/26 CONGRUENT – in agreement or harmony

Mon. 8/29 NUANCE – a subtle difference in meaning, expression, or sound

Tues. 8/30 RUMINATE – think deeply about something

Wed. 8/31 RUMINATE – think deeply about something

Thurs. 9/1 HYPERBOLE – exaggerated statements to make a point

Fri. 9/2 PROTAGONIST – the lead character or a major character

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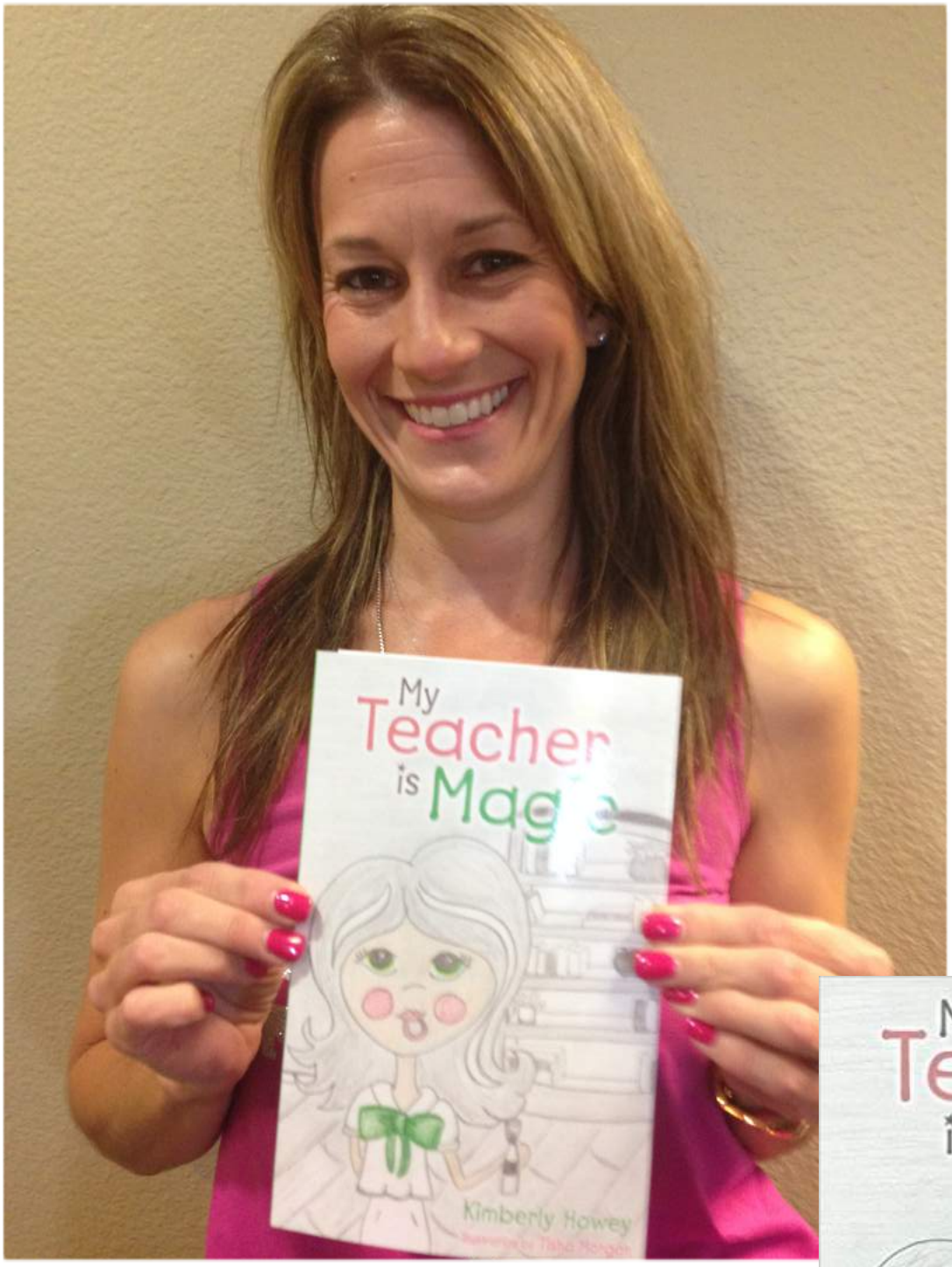
School Nurse Of the Year

Congratulations to our Nurse Karen for winning the "School Nurse of the Year Award"

This summer **Scott Currier** was selected to be one of eight teachers in a Research Experience for Teachers (RET) program with the Center of Bio-mediated and Bio-inspired Geotechnics (CBBG) at Arizona State University. The concept of CBBG is managing soil by using nature and natural processes as a guide.

The RET program was five weeks long. The five weeks consisted of daily participation in a research lab, seminars from industry scientists and engineers, and collaboration amongst peers developing CBBG research-based curriculum to bring back to the classroom. **Mr. Currier** worked on the project of soil reinforcement with plant fibers.

Mr. Currier plans to implement developed lessons into the 4th grade Science curriculum, share lessons and concepts with his peers, and create an after school STEM program with an emphasis in Geotechnics.



Congratulations to our First Grade teacher Mrs. Howey who has published her first book.

Her book is available for purchase on Amazon.

Highland Lakes School will be continuing an after-school Homework Lab for students. The purpose of the Homework Lab is to provide a supervised environment for students to work on assignments. One or two teachers will be present to assist students with various subjects. Some National Junior Honor Society students may also be assisting. Registration takes place every quarter throughout the school year.

Who can participate?	Highland Lakes K-8 Students
Where will it be held?	Highland Lakes room 310
When will the lab be held?	Mondays and Thursdays starting 8/22/15
What time will it be held?	3:30 - 4:30 p.m.
What is the cost?	One day per week: $30.00 per quarter Two days per week: $60.00 per quarter

Checks should be made out to Highland Lakes School.

From the Music Department…….

The Highland Lakes Music Department has gotten off to a great start as ensembles have begun rehearsing. We will be hosting an Instrument Rental Night on Wednesday, August 24th, at 6 pm in the Band Room (403). At this event, students and parents can ask questions about our music programs as well as find information about renting an instrument. We hope to see you there!

From the Art Department…

Welcome our new Art teacher Mrs. Mastroddi!

Hello! My name is Allison Mastroddi and this is my first year teaching art at Highland Lakes School! This is my fourth year teaching art in Deer Valley and before that I was an art teacher in the Pendergast School District.

I have always had a love of art and attended Iowa State University to pursue my degree in Fine Arts and my master's degree in Art Education. My favorite art medium is ceramics, but love to make art out of all types of materials! I love doing a variety of projects throughout the year with students in hopes to include everyone's favorite media!

I am looking for parent help all year long to upload student work to our online art gallery, Artsonia. I am also always looking for donations and recyclables to use in class. To see a full list go to my website: http://www.dvusd.org/hl-mastroddi

From Deer Valley Community Education

The Deer Valley Community Education Division is the recipient of scholarship funds providing an opportunity for qualified families to enroll their child in our quality preschool program. At this time, scholarships are available for the 2016-2017 school year. To obtain an application, go to www.azftfscholarships.org/parents-families. Your application must be submitted to DVUSD District Office located at 20402 N. 15th Ave. Phoenix, AZ 85027, and is on a first come, first served basis, along with your preschool registration. For more information contact Beth Harvill at 623-445-4923.

Please share this information with anyone you know who may have children ages 3 to 4 years old.
The following schools have scholarships available:

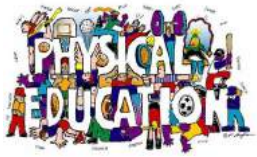
- Arrowhead
- Boulder Creek HS
- Greenbrier
- Sandra Day O'Connor HS

We follow the 2016 Federal Poverty Income Level

2016 Federal Poverty Levels (FPL) supplied by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services							
Family Size	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
200% of FPL	$32,040	$40,320	$48,600	$56,880	$65,160	$73,460	$81,780

*Add additional $8,320 for each person

From your PE Teachers…



Welcome back, Bears! A reminder from your Elementary Physical Education department... Please remember to wear your athletic shoes and loose clothing appropriate for movement on your PE days. Stay tuned for morning fitness start dates.

Make good choices with your food and exercise, or not! The choice is yours!! :)

From the Athletics Department…

Visit and like the Highland Lakes Athletics Department Facebook Page to keep up with the latest information:

https://www.facebook.com/HLSathletics

Also if you are planning on participating in ANY sport this year, the 2016-2017 Athletic Handbook, required documents and forms, and Athletic Fees documents can be found on the HLS homepage: Athletics http://www.dvusd.org/domain/817

PTSO
Highland Lakes School

NEWS

Who is Nate and why does he get a reserved parking spot?

Meet Nate. Nate is in the 4th Grade and is part of our Highland Lakes Family. He has an infectious laugh. And loves when students and adults greet him to say 'hello'. He loves music, playing on his iPad and being with his Mom, Dad, and Sister. Just like the rest of us, he has good days and bad days. Unlike the rest of us, he can't hop out of the car, wave "bye" and run into school. Every day, Nate's Mom or Dad lift him in and out of his chair, carry him to the car, buckle him in, and load up his chair. This takes extra time and presents safety concerns in the pickup line. So, because Highland Lakes takes care of our family, we created a reserved spot for Nate. We thought it was a good idea, and we hope you agree!

Welcome back! We are looking forward to another year of giving back to the teachers and staff who care for our children each day. We hope you will join us, and we invite you to our Open House.

OPEN HOUSE

Friday, August 19th
9:00 AM
Front Office
Conference Room

We want to meet YOU! Stop by after drop off to meet the PTSO and learn more about what we do. All are welcome, there will be a DVD for little ones.

Can't make it? We have an amazing, informative website, check it out at highlandlakesptso.com. Follow us on Facebook to get up to date information about what's happening on campus or contact us anytime at highlandlakesptso@gmail.com.

Earn Money for HLS Every Time You Shop

Enroll in Fry's Community Rewards to support HLS! You'll earn money every time you shop and use your Card…it's that easy. Plus, it's free to join and you'll continue earning fuel points at the same time. If you are already enrolled, check your account as you have to re-enroll for HLS each year!

https://www.frysfood.com/topic/new-community-rewards-program

Enroll Now

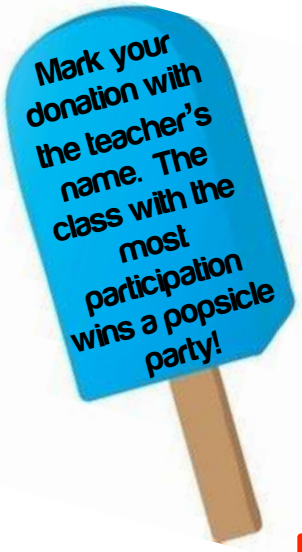
amazonsmile

You shop. Amazon gives.

http://smile.amazon.com/ch/46-3467094

PTSO ANNUAL DRINK DRIVE

Help us collect drinks to use for concession sales and events for the whole school year.



Drop your drinks

AT THE FRONT OFFICE

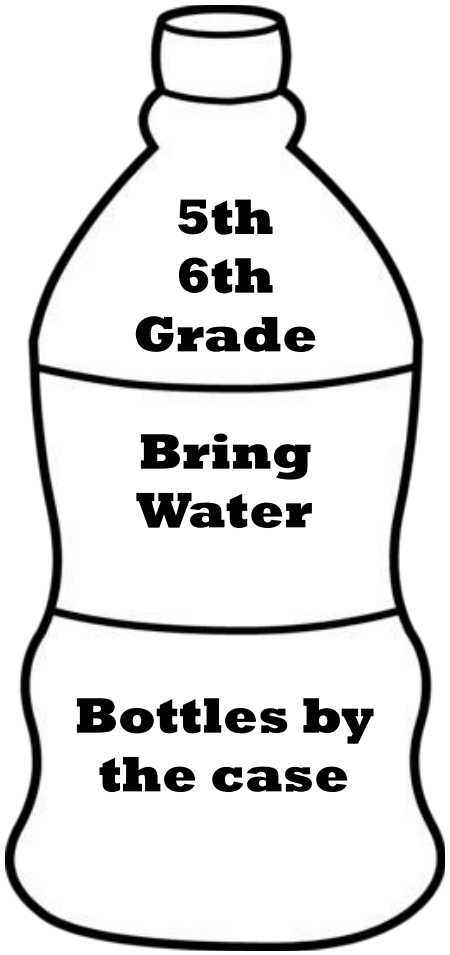
Anytime between August 29th and Sept 9th

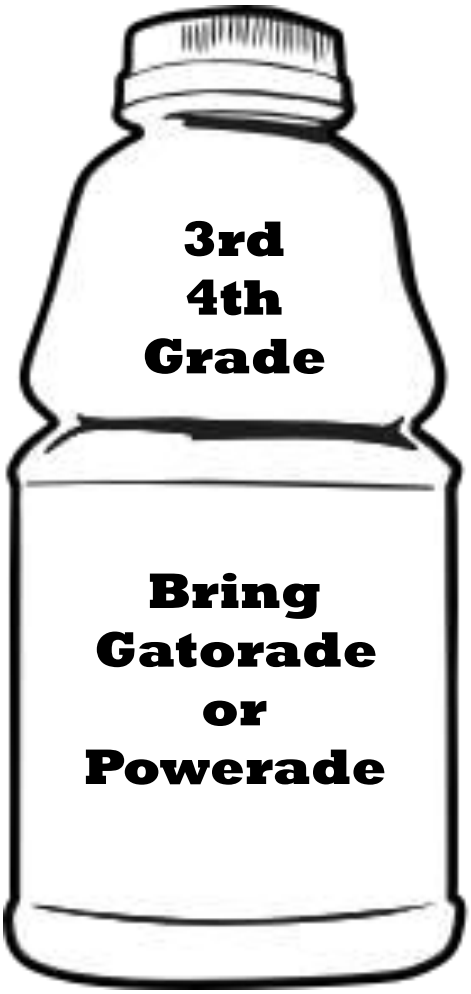
OR

AT THE CURB!

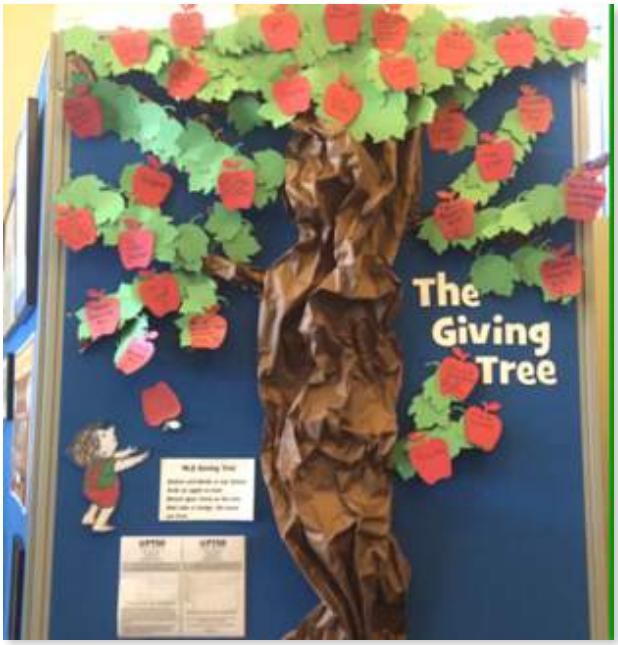
Volunteers will be at the blue line curb ready to take your donation on

Friday September 2nd and Friday September 9th





Middle School: Your choice-Bring Soda, Gatorade, or Water



"One man's trash is another man's treasure."

Stop by the front office and pick up an apple from our giving tree. Items range from craft supplies to furniture and electronics and do not have to be new.

Donations are tax deductible and forms are at the tree to serve as your receipt.

Peter Piper Pizza Flyers will go home with each student the week of the event. Show your flyer or a picture of the flyer on your phone so they know you are with HLS.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

MAY	EVENT
AUGUST 10TH	FIRST DAY OF THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR
AUG 15TH	CROSS COUNTRY PRACTICE STARTS
AUG 15TH &16TH	3:30 -5:15 PM 8TH GRADE VOLLEYBALL TRYOUTS
AUG 17TH & 18TH	3:30-5:15 PM 7TH GRADE VOLLEYBALL TRYOUTS
AUGUST 16TH	3:30 PM VOLUNTEER TRAINING IN THE LIBRARY
AUGUST 19TH	9AM PTSO OPEN HOUSE
AUGUST 19TH	12:05 EARLY RELEASE
AUGUST 24TH	6PM-7PM INSTRUMENT RENTAL NIGHT ROOM 403
AUG 29TH-SEPT 9	DRINK DRIVE
SEPT 2ND	8:30-8:45 AM DRINK DRIVE CURB SIDE DROP OFF
SEPT 5TH	LABOR DAY NO SCHOOL
SEPT 9TH	8:30-8:45 AM DRINK DRIVE CURB SIDE DROP OFF
SEPT 9TH	12:05 EARLY RELEASE
SEPTEMBER 20TH	4-9PM PETER PIPER PIZZA FAMILY NIGHT
SEPTEMBER 21ST	MEAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATIONS DUE TO THE CAFETERIA
SEPT 30TH	FALL BREAK NO SCHOOL
OCT 3RD	FALL BREAK NO SCHOOL
OCT 5TH	FALL PICTURE DAY
	CHECK THE END OF THE NEWSLETTER FOR AN UPDATED COPY OF THE 2015-16 AND THE 2016-2017 DISTRICT CALENDAR

FROM THE NURSE:

The World We live In
by our Nurse Karen

We don't answer our phones if it's an unknown number
because we think telemarketing calls are a bummer.
No one's worth talking to if we didn't program their name.
They can always leave a message that we'll check just the same.

But maybe it's the school nurse and something has occurred.
Maybe Billy, Bobby or Sue's eyes are now blurred.
Or even worse, maybe something more serious has happened.
Maybe Billy, Bobby or Sue's toe just got flattened.

There's a chance your child is in my office bawling
so please program your phone so you see I am calling.
It's so easy to be your child's hero --
just program "School Nurse" as 623-376-431zero.

FOOD ALLERGIES

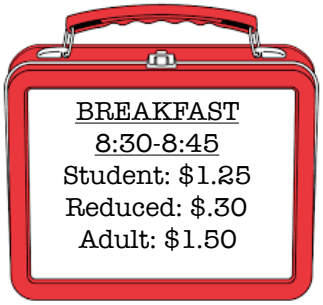
Letters will be sent home with elementary students who have a classmate with food allergies explaining the specific food that is a concern. Signs indicating the foods that are not allowed in a classroom will be posted on the respective classroom doors.

Allergies to peanuts and other nuts and nut products are the most worrisome. Steps have been taken to provide all students with food allergies with a safe environment including a table in the cafeteria that is designated as "nut-restricted." This table will be cleaned after each lunch with a solution and sponge designated for this table only. Any child **without** nuts or nut products can sit at this table. If your child sits at this table with one of these products, he/she will be asked to move to another table. If you have a child who has a food allergy and you want to ensure that your child sits at a restricted table, please contact the nurse.

Currently we have a total of 80 students with some type of food allergy. Elementary students are the most likely to bring a snack to eat in the classroom, however, we are also concerned about the many 7th and 8th graders with food allergies. An overall awareness is in order.

We trust that you understand how deeply important it is to respect and adhere to these guidelines. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call me, Karen Hurst, RN, at 623-376-4310.

HUNGRY BEAR CAFÉ NEWS



ALA-CART SNACK PERMISSION IS NO LONGER REQUIRED!

All students will now automatically be allowed to purchase snack items. A signed parent permission slip is no longer required.

If you do not want your student to purchase snack items, such as cookies, ice cream or chips, please contact Patsy Favela, our cafeteria manager.

Patsy Favela
patsy.favela!dvusd.org
623-376-4314

If your student was on the free and reduced program last year you have the first 30 days of school to reapply. All 15-16 school year applications will expire on September 21, 2016

Applications for free and reduced priced meals will be available to all enrolled students in DVUSD. The application will be available at the following locations:

- HLS main office or cafeteria during regular school year
- Online at ezmealapp.com
- Distributed to all students during the first week of school. Please return all paperwork directly to the cafeteria manager.

Student Account

You can credit your child's account by check, cash, or at EZSCHOOLPAY.com ($2 fee). Checks or cash can be dropped in the front office box. Please include the student name and their ID number on the check and envelope.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
A la carte Snacks at Lunch - Based on parent feedback we have provided a list of a la carte snack items on our website. Visit www.DVUSD.org and click the white chef hat to view a list of snacks available, prices, and learn about setting limits on your student's account.		10 Popcorn Chicken with a Graham Cracker Fresh Cucumber Coins Assorted Fruit	11 Breakfast for Lunch: Cinnamon Pancakes Breakfast Sausage Lunch Punch Fresh Sliced Red Peppers Assorted Fruit	12 Cheeseburger Baked Tater Tots Fresh Broccoli Spears Frozen Fruit Friday
15 Hand Tossed Pizza Fresh Carrot Sticks with a Ranch Cup Assorted Fruit	16 NEW! Asian Glazed Chicken Bites with Brown Rice Steamed Broccoli Assorted Fruit *Fresh Baked Cookie*	17 Crunchy Chicken Tacos Refried Beans Assorted Fruit	18 Spaghetti and Meat Sauce with Garlic Toast Garden Peas Assorted Fruit	19 EARLY RELEASE Brunch Bag: Krave Cereal Yogurt and String Cheese Lunch Punch Frozen Fruit Friday
22 Hand Tossed Pizza Broccoli Salad Assorted Fruit	23 Chicken Nuggets with a Graham Cracker Baked Sweet Potato Fries Assorted Fruit	24 Macaroni and Cheese with Garlic Toast Steamed Green Beans Assorted Fruit	25 Beef Teriyaki Dippers with "Fried" Rice Mixed Peas and Corn Assorted Fruit	26 BBQ Rib Sandwich Ranch Beans Frozen Fruit Friday
29 Hand Tossed Pizza Italian Herb Garbanzo Beans Assorted Fruit	30 Orange Chicken with Brown Rice Steamed Sunshine Carrots Assorted Fruit	31 Beef Soft Tacos Refried Beans Assorted Fruit	*All students who qualify for the free and reduced price meals are eligible for **both breakfast AND lunch** for free or at a reduced price during the entire school year. Applications for the Meal Assistance program are distributed to all students in the first week of school and can also be found at the following locations:	

For nutrition, snack lists, this months menu, and other cafe news and policies go to dvusd.org and click on the chef hat icon.

HLS CARES!

The Highland Lakes National Junior Honor Society is collecting soda tabs that will be donated to the Ronald McDonald House. The project will continue throughout the entire school year. Please save your soda tabs at home and/or at your place of business and periodically send them to school with your student. They may be turned in to your child's teacher or to the front office. We are sure we can make a difference in a family's life! Thank you for your support!

SWIFT CHARITIES

Deer Valley Unified School District has partnered with Swift Charities for Children to help raise money for children's charities and our schools. DVUSD schools have a Swift Charities for Children clothing collection box on campus (located in the far South end of the Middle School parking lot). Swift Charities for Children has offered to take all clothing donations made by our students and turn them into cash for children's charities and our school. So next time you clean out your closets, remember to bring all of your donations down to the collection box at school.

www.BTFE.com

BOXTOPS for Education

Last year we earned over $1600 for our school simply by cutting out BoxTops! Thank you for your support.

Our first Box Tops collection deadline is Friday, October 14, 2016. Please start collecting as many as possible because the class that has the most will enjoy a delicious ice cream party!

Collection bags will go home later in August, but feel free to submit them in your own bag with your student's name and teacher name.

Our contest deadlines for the rest of the year will be:
Friday, February 10,2017
Friday, May 5, 2017

For each deadline an ice cream party will be awarded.
Thank you.

Clothes Closet at Vista Peak

FREE student run program providing clothing to our community.

The Clothing Closet provides clean, quality clothing at NO FEE to members of our Deer Valley Family. Our extensive collection provides options for men, women, and children.

We also collect clothing year round! All sizes, gently used, clean or new. Men's, Women's Children's (all ages), coats, gloves, scarves. We will deliver and pick up for Free to any of our Deer Valley school locations.

We believe that much-needed clothing can make a difference for our families in need.

Please Contact Josie Bardsley with any questions
19825 N. 15th Avenue Phoenix, AZ 85027
623.445.3925 | josie.bardsley@dvusd.org

SIGNING OUT

To ensure that our academic time is respected, we are asking that parents do not sign out their children between 3:15 and 3:30. Fifteen minutes a day, added up over a month represents almost a full day of classes missed.

RESERVED PARKING

The car pool parking spots are reserved for those registered with the TRP program. The other reserved spots were won at school events. Please use courtesy and do not park in those spots.

When signing out your student, *please be sure and bring photo ID into the office with you.*

NO PARKING

There is no parking or waiting on 63rd Avenue from Union Hills to Utopia. If you park or wait on 63rd Avenue, tickets will be issued.

Transportation will no longer allow us to write emergency bus passes for students that do not normally ride a bus. If you have an emergency situation that requires your student to go home with another student that rides a bus, you must call transportation directly at 602-467-5096.

PARKING LOTS

Please remember that our parking lots get very hectic in the morning and afternoon. Please do not leave you vehicle unattended along the curb at any time. Remember, our main focus is to keep all of our students safe.

VISITOR

Parents must sign in at the front office before entering campus at any time. This includes before school.

VISITING

Parents are encouraged to visit the school. All visitors to the school must report to the school office upon arrival including **before and after school**. Picture ID is required. You must sign in and receive a visitor's badge. For those who wish to visit a classroom during the school day, it is expected that the teacher and the principal be contacted in advance to arrange a day and time for such visit to avoid any conflicts with the school schedule.

CLASSROOM PARTIES

The procedure to not allow pre-school children on the school campus for parties has been in place for some years.

Whether pre-school children or siblings attend class parties is a school decision until a district-wide procedure is developed. Highland Lakes does not allow pre-school children or siblings to attend class parties.

SCHOOL FUNCTION

A 'School Function' is defined as being an activity to which all parents are invited. Location of the function is anywhere on or off your campus. If all parents are invited to the special event, siblings are also allowed to attend school special events (concerts, spelling bees, plays, kindergarten end of year graduations, etc.). The siblings must be under the direct supervision of a parent/ guardian during their visit to the school campus.

PARENTS & SIBLINGS ON CAMPUS

- Parents who walk their children to the classroom before school must sign-in in
- Parents may eat lunch with their children in the cafeteria after signing in.
- Pre-school children may accompany parents to lunch in the cafeteria.
- Parents are not allowed on the playground.

VOLUNTEERING

Parents who volunteer on a regular or reoccurring basis will need to attend a basic volunteer training. Trainings last approximately 30 minutes and you will receive all necessary volunteer materials.

Overnight field trip chaperones must be fingerprinted. You MUST attend a training PRIOR to being fingerprinted. Fingerprints take 8 weeks for results to be returned to us; allow plenty of time for this to be done.

You can visit http://www.dvusd.org/Page/30647 to check the district wide training schedule.

HLS will have training in the library on:
August 16th - 3:30 PM
October 21 - 9:00 am
December 12 - 3:30 pm
February 2 - 5:30 pm

Pre-school children or siblings of current students shall not accompany parents while the parent is serving as a volunteer on the school campus. Please refer the Volunteer Handbook.

Text Message Alerts

If you are not receiving text message alerts from the district office and would like to, just text the letter "Y" to 68453

CHILD FIND

Child Find requirements under state and federal law are that all individuals with disabilities from birth through age 21 be identified, located, and evaluated for early intervention or Special Education services. If you know of someone who may qualify for these services, please encourage them to call their local school at 623-376-4301 or the district at 623-445-5000!

POWER SCHOOL

You can access your student's grades and attendance records at any time through Powerschool. Bring your picture ID to the front office to pick up your password.

PEST CONTROL

Monthly pest control spraying in the kitchen will be the 1st Tuesday of every month at 4:30 p.m.

OPEN ENROLLMENT

Details and FAQ:
dvusd.org/openenrollment

To Apply:
openenrollment.dvusd.org/application

2016 TAX CREDITS

The maximum tax credit for 2016 for filing married joint is $400 and for filing single or head of household is $200. To learn about how your tax credit can be used and to submit online go to http://dvusd.org/taxcredit

CUTS Program: (Court Unified Truancy Suppression)

To encourage and improve school attendance, Deer Valley Unified School District has implemented a truancy program in partnership with Maricopa County Juvenile Court. Highland Lakes will be tracking attendance very closely. Your child is expected to be at school every day, unless there is an excused reason not to be. A student that is absent more than ten percent (18 days) of the required number of school days per year is considered to have "excessive absences" whether the absence is excused or unexcused. If a student should start a pattern of excessive absences, you will be contacted by letter or phone. The education of your child is extremely important to us. This program is another way of working with the community to ensure a quality education for all students. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the front office at 623-376-4300

School Attendance VS After School Activities

If your student is not at school during the school day, he or she may not attend after school activities. After school activities may include sports events, dances, concerts, club attendance, etc.

ATHLETES

If you are planning on participating in any sport this year, you must complete the eligibility requirements as detailed on our website www.dvusd.org/domain/817. All forms will need to be turned into the athletic coordinator prior to any tryouts for any sport at Highland Lakes School. Student athletes must also complete the online Brainbook course. Information regarding registration can be found on the district website as well. This is a district policy and every middle school is required to comply. Physical forms are available in the front office. These forms are good for the entire school year, regardless of how many sports you play. The district is also requiring that all athletes provide proof of medical insurance. Rider policies can be purchased through the district.

Due to District budget constraints, a $3.00 admission fee will now occur at all middle school sporting events. Admission fees will help cover transportation, officials, and equipment.

HOMEWORK LAB

Highland Lakes School will be instituting an after-school homework lab for students. The purpose of the homework lab is to provide a supervised environment for students to work on assignments. One or two teachers will be present to assist students with various subjects. Some National Junior Honor Society students may also be assisting. Registration takes place every quarter throughout the school year.

Homework Lab is open to ALL Highland Lakes students. We will meet in Room 310 for K-8 graders on Mondays and Thursdays from 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. The fees are $30.00 for one day a week for the entire quarter or $60.00 to participate in both days each week. Checks should be made out to Highland Lakes School. If you have questions, please contact Mrs. Snyder.

For Pre-k, preschool, before and after school enrichment classes, school age care, early childhood development and a wide range of academic and athletic programs, visit the Community Education Site at:
http://www.dvusd.org/communityed

DEER VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
2016-2017 District Instructional Calendar

JULY

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Jul. 4 - Independence Day Observed
Offices Closed
Jul. 27- 10-Month Employees

AUGUST

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Aug. 3- New Teachers
Aug. 5- Continuing Teachers
Aug. 9- 9-Month Employees
Aug. 10- First Day for Students
Aug. 19- Staff Dev. - Early Release

SEPTEMBER

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Sep. 5- Labor Day - No School
Sep. 9- Staff Dev. - Early Release
Sep. 30- Fall Break - No School

OCTOBER

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Oct. 3- Fall Break - No School
Oct. 7- Staff Dev. - Early Release
Oct. *24-*28 Parent Teacher Conferences

NOVEMBER

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Nov. 4- Staff Dev. - Early Release
Nov. 11- Veterans Day
Nov. 23-25- Thanksgiving Recess

DECEMBER

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Dec. 9- Staff Dev. - Early Release
Dec. 22-23- Early Release 9-12 (Final Exams)
Dec. 23- Early Release K-12
Dec 26-Jan. 6- Winter Break

JANUARY

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Dec. 26 -Jan. 6- Winter Break
Jan. 13- Staff Dev. - Early Release
Jan. 16- Martin Luther King - No School

FEBRUARY

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Feb. 8- Student Release Day (K-12)
Feb. *13-17 Parent Teacher Conferences
Feb. 20- Presidents Day- No School

MARCH

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Mar. 3- Staff Dev. - Early Release
Mar. 20 -24- Spring Break

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Apr. 7- Staff Dev. - Early Release
Apr.14- Spring Day - No School

MAY

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May 5- Staff Dev. - Early Release
May 16-17- Senior Final Exams
May 18- Last Day Seniors - DVHS & SDOHS
May 19- Last Day Seniors - BGHS, BCHS & MRHS
May *23- HS Final Exams - Early Release (9-11)
May 24- HS Final Exams - Early Release
Last Day Students - Early Release
May 25- Last Day 9-Month Employees
Last Day Teachers
May 29- Memorial Day- Offices Closed

JUNE

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Jun. 2- Last Day 10-Month Employees

Teacher Contract Days.....185
Student Contact Days.....180

40th Day.....Oct. 6, 2017
100th Day.....Janu. 20, 2017

Grading Periods
1st Quarter..... Oct. 14, 2016 - 45 days
2nd Quarter..... Dec. 23, 2016 - 46 days
3rd Quarter.....Mar. 17, 2017 - 47 days
4th Quarter..... May 24, 2017 - 42 days

Graduation Dates - May 19 & 22
*May 19- Early Release - DVHS & SDOHS Only
*May 22- Early Release - BGHS, BCHS & MRHS Only

Adopted 2.24.15