



School News

H I G H L A N D L A K E S S C H O O L

Deer Valley Unified School District

November 2021
MAIN # 623-376-4300
ATTENDANCE # 623-376-4390

Mark Anderson, Principal
Danielle Ware, Assistant Principal

From the Principal, Mark Anderson...

The first quarter has ended, the weather is turning cool and the kids are very excited to know that the holiday season will soon be here. We continue to see tremendous successes happening each day around Highland Lakes, whether it is in academic performance, or students demonstrating strong character development. This is a time to give thanks and appreciate all that we have and all that we can give back.

We cannot think of a better way to celebrate November, the “month of gratitude” than by extending a warm thank you to our PTSO. They work tirelessly supporting our community through fundraisers, supporting classrooms, and providing our teachers a delicious lunch during parent/teacher conferences, among many other things! They are currently running our annual “Bearathon” with amazing success!

Take time to reflect on the many things for which you are thankful and enjoy time with family. They are truly the most precious things in our complicated lives.

Thank you and have a great holiday month!



UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS

NOVEMBER



8-21

- > Online Book Fair
- > <https://www.scholastic.com/bf/>



11

- > **NO SCHOOL VETERAN'S DAY**



15

- > Boulder Creek Future Freshman Night



16

- > Mountain Ridge Future Freshman Night



17

- > **BEARATHON**
- > Deer Valley Future Freshman Night



19

- > 2PM PLC Early Release



22-26

- > **NO SCHOOL THANKSGIVING BREAK**

DECEMBER



1

- > 6:30 pm Choir Concert



2

- > BEAR BUCK STORE
- > 6:30 pm Orchestra Concert



3

- > 2pm PLC Early Release



8

- > 4pm Red Robin Take Out Night



9

- > 6:30 pm Band Concert



10

- > 9:30 PTSO General Meeting



17

- > 12:05 Half day



20-4

- > **NO SCHOOL WINTERBREAK**



DEER VALLEY
Unified School District

Click here to access the:
2021-2022 Instructional Calendar

CLUBS

CLUB	SPONSOR	OPEN TO	ROOM	DAY	TIME
UKELELE CLUB	MRS. SCHRADE	4TH-8TH GRADE	404	MONDAY	3:40-4:30
KINDNESS AMBASSADORS	MRS. SCHRADE	3RD -8TH GRADE	404	TUESDAY	3:40-4:30
DUNGEONS & DRAGONS	MRS. UNTHANK	6TH-8TH	TBD	TUESDAY	3:45-4:30
CARDS FOR KINDNESS	MRS. SINDELAR	4TH - 6TH	513	TUESDAY	3:30-4:15
TEXTILES CLUB	MS. LANTRY	7-TH-8TH GRADE	209	TUESDAY	3:30-4:30
GARDEN CLUB	MRS. CRABTREE & MRS. UNTHANK	2-8TH GRADE	GARDEN	WEDNESDAY	8:00 AM
RECYCLING CLUB	MRS. SCHRADE	4TH-8TH GRADE	404	FRIDAY	7:50 AM
214	MR. DUNN	6TH-8TH	307	FRIDAY	8-8:30 AM
ANIME	MS. NICK	7TH-8TH	217	WEDNESDAY	3:35 -4:30
NJHS	MRS. SMITH	8TH GRADE	CONTACT MRS. SMITH	WEDNESDAY	CONTACT MRS. SMITH
STUDENT COUNCIL	MRS. COLEMAN AND MRS. GIRNIUS	7TH-8TH	LIBRARY	THURSDAY	8:00 AM

Is your club missing? [Click here](#) to let us know your club info to be listed in the newsletter and HLS website.

DVUSD FUTURE FRESHMAN NIGHTS



Boulder Creek High School

Monday, November 15, 2021

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

*Campus Open House and Information for CTE, Dual Enrollment, AP, and Gifted
Come meet coaches and club sponsors and tour the campus*

Teachers, coaches and club sponsors available during the event

40404 North Gavilan Peak Parkway

Anthem, AZ 85086

623-445-8600

[BCHS Website](#)

[Top 5 Highlights](#)



Mountain Ridge High School

Tuesday, November 16, 2021

Last Names A-L

5:30-6:15 Orientation in Auditorium

6:30-7:15 Campus Open House

Last Names M-Z

5:30-6:15 Campus Open House

6:30-7:15 Orientation in Auditorium

Information on CTE, Dual Enrollment, AP, and Gifted, & Athletics during event

22800 North 67th Avenue

Glendale, AZ 85310

623-376-3000

[MRHS Website](#)

[Top 5 Highlights](#)



Aspire, Deer Valley's Online Academy

Tuesday, November 16, 2021

5:00-5:30 Overall Welcome and presentation in the DVUSD Governing Board Room

5:30 - 6:30 pm Visit tables for each content area and meet the teachers.

20402 North 15th Avenue

Phoenix, AZ 85027

602-467-5759

[Aspire Website](#)



Deer Valley High School

Wednesday, November 17, 2021

Last Names A-L

5:15pm Presentation in Auditorium

Last Names M-Z

6:30pm Presentation in Auditorium

Meet-The-Coaches Night during event

18424 North 51st Avenue

Glendale, AZ 85308

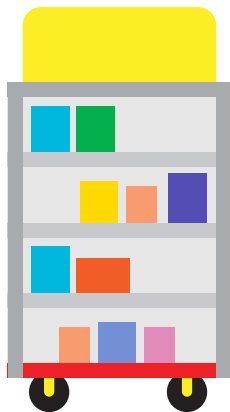
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[DVHS Website](#)

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BOOK FAIRS

SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL & SHOP OUR
ONLINE FAIR



NOVEMBER 8TH - 21ST

Over **5,000 PRODUCTS** including Book Fair exclusives, new releases, value packs, and more.

All orders ship home. **FREE** shipping on book-only orders over \$25*



Your school earns 25% in **REWARDS** during the Fair and 2% year-round



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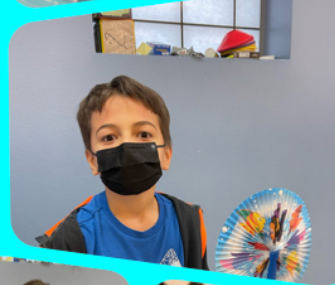
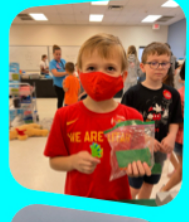
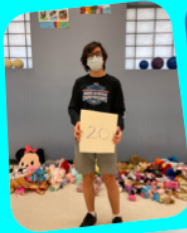
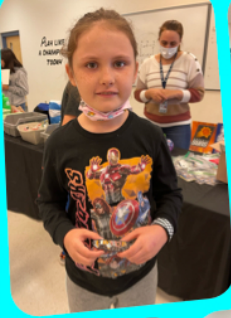
Visit our Book Fair homepage:

[HTTPS://WWW.SCHOLASTIC.COM/BF/HIGHLANDLAKESBEARS](https://www.scholastic.com/bf/highlandlakesbears)

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First Bear Buck Store of the Year





Peter Piper Pizza Costume Party



Fourth grade students in Ms. Yahner's class are showcased working on their chalk Leaf Designs artwork. Through the use of leaf templates, black glue, and chalk pastels, students create gorgeous fall leaf art. Warm colors are used within the leaves, and cool colors in the surrounding background. Each artist used the pastel technique to create a colorful play on leaf shapes in nature.

Mrs. Malone's Kindergarten



FALL PARTY

ATTENDANCE BASICS



CALL ALL PART AND FULL DAY ABSENCES IN ANYTIME 24/7

623-376-4390

TELL US WHO YOU ARE

Is this Mom or Dad?

TELL US WHO YOUR STUDENT IS

Your students last name helps us find them in the system, please pronounce and spell the last name if possible.

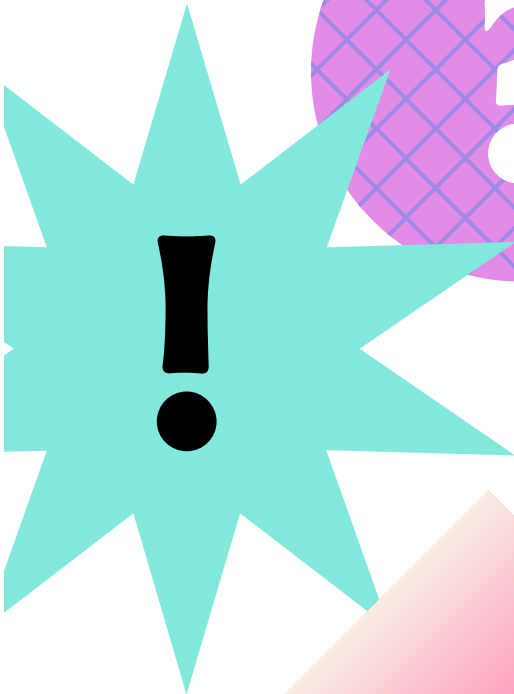
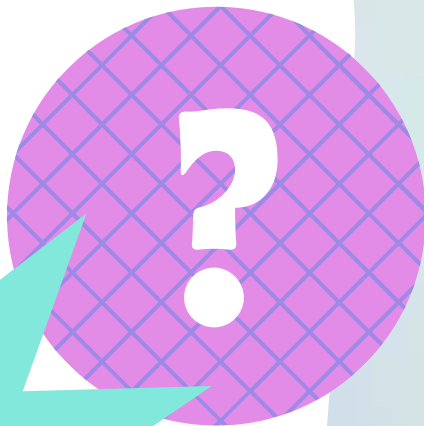
TELL US WHY YOUR STUDENT IS ABSENT

This info doesn't have to be specific, we just need to know if it's a sick absence or a personal absence.

GOT COVID?

Please let us know if the absence is due to COVID, both positive tests and close contact. This also needs to be reported to our nurse at 623.376.4310 and on the district website at:

www.dvusd.org/covidreporting



What Happens on "PLC" Early Release Days?

We are currently in the 3rd year of our Early Release Friday calendar at DVUSD.

The early release schedule allows for job embedded time for our teachers to:

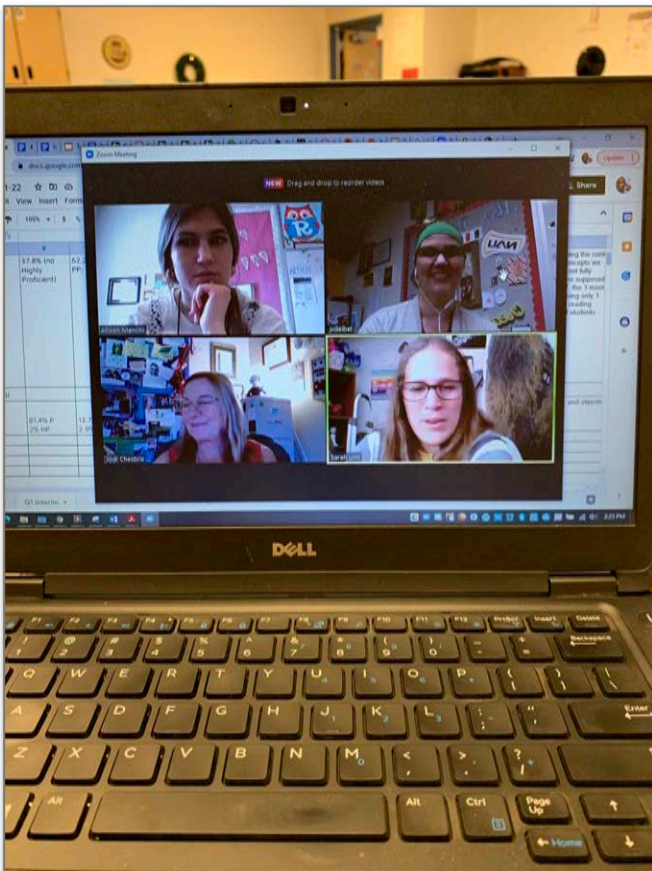
- Collaborate,
- Analyze data
- Identify standards,
- Identify skills
- Identify students who are in need of reteaching, enrichment, or adjustment in pacing of instruction.

At Highland Lakes, our Kindergarten through 6th grade teams meet with their grade level as well as other teachers from Greenbrier and Park Meadows. Additionally, our 7th and 8th grade teachers meet both as content level teams and collaboratively with other middle school teachers from Sierra Verde, West Wing, and Stetson Hills to complete work for early release PLC Fridays.

Finally, Highland Lakes' Renaissance teachers meet with content area and or grade level teams on campus as well as with Renaissance teachers from Canyon Springs.

This time is crucial for our teachers to be able to plan, adjust, and prepare to meet the needs of our students. DVUSD was recently named one of only a very select few Model PLC Districts in the nation. We are very proud of our accomplishments and are grateful for this time to focus on student learning and growth.

Below are some pictures from some of those sessions, check back each month for updates on what's happening on PLC Friday's at HLS!



HIGHLAND LAKES SCHOOL

KINDNESS AMBASSADORS



Here are the Kindness Ambassadors with the candy they collected for children in need. Thank you for your support of these great students doing great things for the community around us. There is no way to accomplish these goals without the support of all of you! :)

Mrs. Schrade delivered one box to the Phoenix Children's Project and the other box to the Ronald McDonald House.



Teacher Leader Engineering Network

The Teacher Leader Engineer Network (TaLENT Project) is a collaborative teacher fellowship through Rice University, through a grant from NSF (National Science Foundation).

The TaLENT Project group consisted of 15 teachers from across the U.S. (5 Elementary, 5 Middle School and 5 High School). Our very own **Mr. Currier** was one of the elementary teachers. TaLENT meetings centered on improving engineering instruction in K-12 schools and resulted in the creation of a guidebook for teaching engineering at each level.

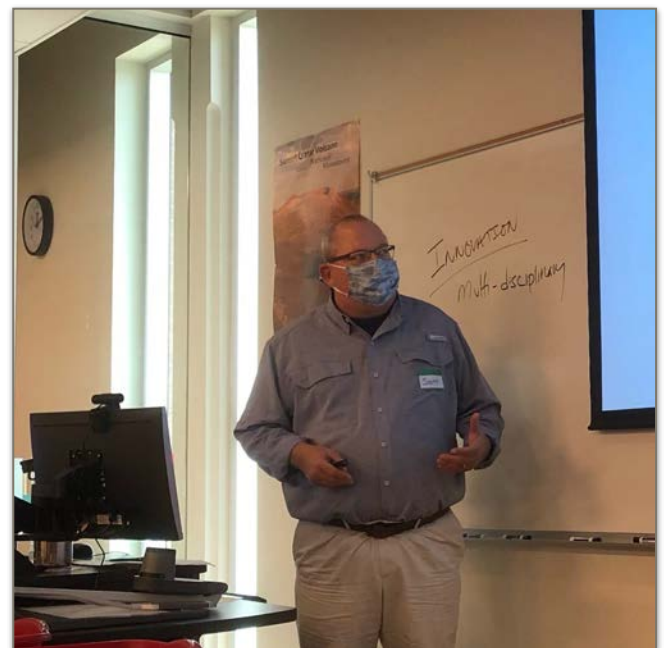
Mr. Currier brought this knowledge and experience back to Highland Lakes where six of our teachers are working on a book study project that will help incorporate engineering practices into science lessons.

The criteria in the book have parallels to our newly implemented Science Standards. Our 3rd,4th,5th,6th Renaissance and 4th & 5th departmentalized Science Teachers are all participating in a once a month focus and lesson group to get this knowledge into the classroom.

Lesson Meetings include:

- Focusing on criteria from TaLENT Guidebook
- Criteria include: Brainstorming; Communication; Risk-Taking Environment; Student-Centered Problem Solving; Teamwork
- Teachers meet at least once a month and focus lessons around one of the criteria.

Thank you **Mr. Currier** for all you do for our students, staff and SCIENCE!



A *Fresh* Way To Support Your School



In-N-Out® Spirit Night

Tuesday, November 16, 2021

4PM to 8PM

In-N-Out Burger

8285 W. Bell Rd., Peoria

**20% of your purchase will go back to
Highland Lakes School PTSO**

Bring a fundraiser flyer
or show a picture of this poster at the event.



In-N-Out Burger does not include the purchases paid for with promotional certificates; nor the purchases of gift cards or merchandise as qualifying towards the fundraiser. Proceeds are based on pre-tax purchase amounts. Flyers may not be passed out at the restaurant during the event. Flyer is only valid at the specified In-N-Out Burger location during the date and time range specified on the flyer and agreed upon by In-N-Out Burger.

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The HLS Recycling Club is collecting plastic bags for the NextTrex School Recycling Challenge

Bring all your bags to the collection box in the front office **now through April 2021**

Schools across the country are competing against other schools to collect the most plastic bags.

The Grand Prize is a Trex Bench!



GANDY DONATIONS WANTED!

Got too much candy? We are collecting donations to use at the Bear Buck Store and for the Bearathon. Leave your donations in the front office.



HLS NEEDS YOU!

**JOIN OUR TEAM OF AMAZING
CROSSING GUARDS**

1-2 HOURS A DAY
HOLIDAYS AND WEEKENDS OFF

Call 623.376.4300
<https://careers.dvusd.org/>





HIGHLAND LAKES WINTER CHOIR
CONCERT

Under the Stars

Wednesday, December 1st

Students Arrive by 6:15

Concert Starts at 6:30

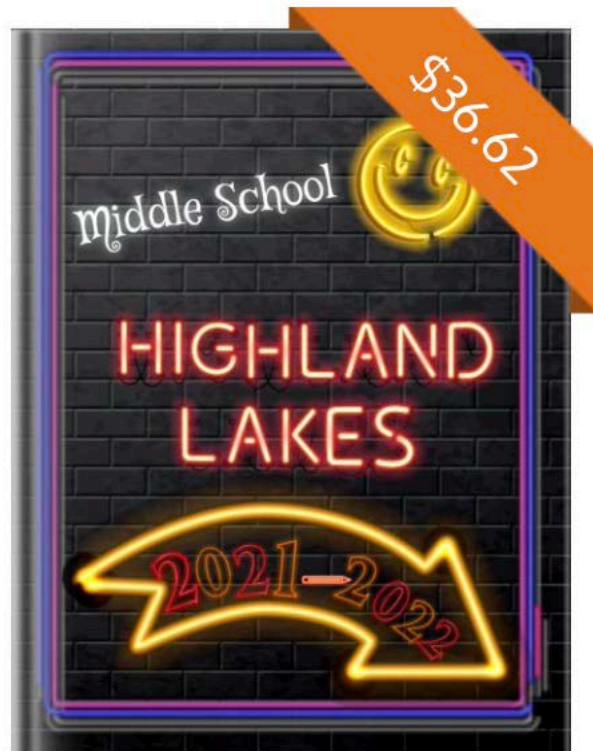
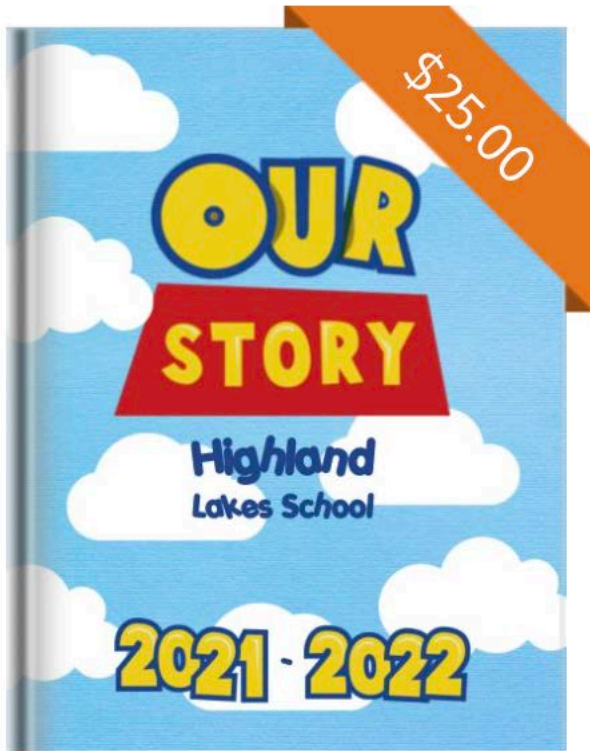
This concert will be held outdoors.

Attire: Performing Arts Shirts, Black Pants,
and Black Shoes

More information coming soon



HAVE YOU BOUGHT YOUR 2021-2022 YEARBOOK YET?



Customize Your 2 Free Pages

- Add photos from your computer, Facebook, Instagram, Google Drive & more.
- Answer fun Memory Questions to help remember the year.
- The 2 Custom Pages are FREE and are printed ONLY in your book. Want more pages? Each additional 2 pages is just \$0.99.

To Purchase & Customize Your Yearbook

Must be a parent or student 13 years or older.

1 Go to <http://dvusd.org/hl-yearbook>

K-6 Price: \$25.00

7-8 Price: \$36.62

*Does not include sales tax, if applicable

Deadline: Mar 26

TreeRing



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our website to find out more
information about each company
<http://highlandlakesptso.com>
BEARATHON NOVEMBER 17th



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MIDWESTERN UNIVERSITY
Tomorrow's Healthcare Team

From Nurse Kristina

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has recently approved the COVID-19 vaccine for emergency use for students aged 5-11.

Go to this webpage to find a location offering vaccinations:

<https://www.azdhs.gov/covid19/vaccines/index.php#find-vaccines>

COVID-19 testing continues on Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays from 11 a.m.- 2 p.m. at the District Office. Visit <https://www.dvUSD.org/covidtesting> for further details.

Authorized For	Pfizer-BioNTech	Moderna	J&J / Janssen
4 years and under	No	No	No
5-11 years old	Yes	No	No
12-17 years old	Yes	No	No
18 years and older	Yes	Yes	Yes

If your child shows any signs of illness or symptoms of COVID-19, he/she should not go to school.

According to the Maricopa County Department of Public Health, COVID-19 symptoms include: Fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, gastrointestinal symptoms (stomach ache, diarrhea, nausea, or vomiting)



Please keep the following websites bookmarked for future reference:

www.dvUSD.org/covidreporting

dvUSD.org/safetyplan

www.dvUSD.org/symptoms



NEWS

GO HERE FOR THE FULL SCHEDULES:

<https://www.dvUSD.org/Page/79061>

7th Grade Basketball Home Games

*Games Start at 4:30 pm

Monday, November 29th DS @HL
Monday, December 6th HS @HL
Wednesday, January 5th DV@HL
Wednesday, January 12th ST @HL

Playoff round - Tuesday, January 25th
Championships- Thursday, January 27th at
Desert Sky

8th Grade Basketball Home Games

*Games Start at 4:30 pm

Wednesday, December 1st DV @ HL
Wednesday, December 8th ST @ HL
Wednesday, December 15th DS @HL
Monday, January 10th HD @ HL

Playoff Rond - Wednesday, January 26th
Championships - Saturday, January 29th at
Mountain Ridge HS

WRESTLING

12/13/21 @ Highland Lakes vs Desert Sky & Hillcrest

12/16/21 @ Deer Valley Middle School vs Deer Valley Middle

1/6/22 @ Highland Lakes vs Deer Valley Middle & Hillcrest

1/13/22 @ Hillcrest vs Desert Sky & Hillcrest

Conference Championship 1/22/22 @ Desert Sky vs Hillcrest, Deer Valley Middle, Desert Sky, and Sonoran Trails



<https://www.facebook.com/HLSathletics>

*Schedules subject to change

Updates online at: [dvUSD.org/Page/79061](https://www.dvUSD.org/Page/79061)

**EVENT
ADMISSION**
Adults \$4

Family Pass (10 punches) \$30
DVUSD Employees (with ID) FREE
DVUSD Students (with ID) FREE



SCHOOL BREAKFAST AND LUNCH PROGRAM INFORMATION



MEALS ARE FREE TO ALL STUDENTS FOR 21-22 SY

Children need healthy meals to learn. Deer Valley Unified School District will be offering healthy meals to all students at **no cost every school day in School Year 2021-2022**. Your child(ren) can receive a free breakfast and lunch every school day regardless of your household's income. Funding for this benefit is provided by the U.S Department of Agriculture.

We are committed to offering nutritious and convenient meals. Our cafeterias offer a variety of entrée options daily, one of which is always vegetarian. School lunches offer five meal components daily (fruit, vegetable, grain, protein, and milk). Although students are encouraged to take all five, they need to choose at least three of the five components, one of which needs to be a fruit or vegetable.

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS



We promote everyday protective measures. Every cafeteria manager is a certified Food Safety Manager and our department follows a HACCP-based food safety program.



Cleanliness is important to us. We continually wash and disinfect our hands and equipment.



Tables and surfaces are thoroughly cleaned and sanitized between use.



We provide touchless checkout and have eliminated all self-serve food and beverage bars and stations.

NUTRITIONAL QUALITY

Federal nutrition regulations require school meals meet specific standards. School meals include:



A wide variety of fruits and vegetables



All grains are 50% or more whole grain



Fat-free or 1% milk



Foods free from trans fats and low in sodium, total fat, and saturated fat

DID YOU KNOW....



We support American agriculture by following the Buy American provision in the service of nutritious meals to our children.



We use local farm-raised ingredients such as fresh milk and produce when possible.



We always offer at least one vegetarian entrée every day. Vegetarian entrées are denoted by a carrot symbol on the menu.



Menu options containing pork are denoted by a pig symbol on the menu.

MEAL APPLICATIONS AND RELATED BENEFITS



Although meals are free this year, families are encouraged to submit a meal application because certification may be used for other programs, such as P-EBT, funding for your school, reduced registration fees for academic tests, discounted rates for internet service, and more!



Free and reduced-price meal applications are distributed to students during the first week of school and can also be found online at www.EZMealApp.com or www.dvUSD.org/mealassistance.



Students who were eligible for benefits last year are eligible for the same benefits the **first 30 days** of the new school year.



All students must submit a new application no later than **September 14, 2021** to continue meal certification and related benefits, if eligible.



Find more at www.dvUSD.org/mealassistance, or by contacting our office at (623) 445-5166.

Curbside Meals for Online Learners



Curbside multi-day meal packs are available for virtual learners and other children not attending a DVUSD school in person.



Meal bundles are available at select locations via an on-line, pre-ordering system. Check www.dvUSD.org/food for locations and ordering information.



Each meal pack will include breakfast and lunch for 5 days. Some meals will require additional preparation at home.

SNACKS & INDIVIDUAL PORTIONS



Although each student may receive one FREE breakfast and lunch per day, there are charges for individual portions (including milk), as well as snack items.



All snack and beverage items sold in the cafeteria are required to meet national Smart Snack Standards.



A la carte items vary by school. Please contact your cafeteria manager with questions.



Parents may contact their student's cafeteria manager any time to place restrictions on a student's ability to purchase snacks.



Restrictions can be made in several different ways including: setting daily spending limits, allowing snacks on certain days only, or blocking all snack sales.



A la carte purchases are not permitted when a student's meal account has a negative balance.

MENUS HAVE GONE DIGITAL

Download the MY SCHOOL MENUS App and experience the interactive approach to menus. To view from your desktop, visit www.dvUSD.org/nutrition or the menu button on your school's website.



Look up nutritional information



View allergens and filter out foods



View menu items for dietary preference information.



Menus are easy to print from any desktop computer.

TO DOWNLOAD:

Scan here or search 'My School Menus'



MORE INFORMATION

For more information on Food & Nutrition programs and services go to www.dvUSD.org/nutrition.

You may also contact your school cafeteria manager directly. Contact information may be found on the DVUSD Nutrition website.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

MEAL ACCOUNT TRANSACTIONS AND PAYMENT OPTIONS

When a student is enrolled in school they are given an ID number from the school's front office that they will keep throughout their time at DVUSD. This is also their meal account number. In the secondary schools, this number or the bar code on their student ID, will be used for a la carte transactions or to make a deposit on their meal accounts. In elementary schools, cafeteria personnel will use the number to access student accounts for transactions.

Parents can add money to a student's account in three different ways:



Cash: With cash in the cafeteria.



Check: Students may bring a check to the cafeteria. Checks should include their student ID and phone number.



Online: Payments can be made at www.EZSchoolPay.com using Visa, MasterCard, or Discover card for a small transaction fee. Parents can also use EZSchoolPay to view student spending and set up low balance reminders **at no cost**.

MEAL ACCOUNT BALANCES, PAYMENTS AND REFUNDS

- ◆ Both positive and negative account balances carry with your student from year to year and school to school.
- ◆ With meals FREE to all students, now is a great time to pay down your student's meal account.
- ◆ À la carte purchases are not permitted when the account has a negative balance.
- ◆ Graduating or withdrawing student account balances can be transferred to younger siblings, donated to assist students in need, or refunded.
- ◆ Refund requests for graduating seniors and those not returning to DVUSD, must be submitted by June 30 of each school year. Requests should be submitted to DV.Lunch@dvUSD.org. Student name & ID#, parent/guardian name and mailing address should be included in request.

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.

OPEN ENROLLMENT

Details and FAQ: <http://dvusd.org/openenrollment>

To Apply: <http://openenrollment.dvusd.org/application>



PEST CONTROL

Pest control spraying will occur once a month.

2022 TAX CREDITS

The maximum tax credit for 2021 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>

Athletes

If you are planning on participating in any sport this year, you must complete the eligibility requirements as detailed on our website <https://registermyathlete.com>

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

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.

Parents please be considerate of our families that live close to school and respect our neighbors when picking up and dropping off students.



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 your vehicle unattended along the curb at any time. Remember, our main focus is to keep all of our students safe.



It's against the law to park in the handicap spots (even for a second) without a handicap parking permit. Please keep these spots open for families that need them.

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: [Danielle Ware](#)

Nurse: [Kristina Koan](#)

7-8 Counselor: [Kathryn Coleman](#)

K-6 Counselor: [Ashley Boortz](#)

Main Phone #: (623)376-4300

Attendance: (623)376-4390

Fax: (623)376-4380

Address: 19000 N. 63rd Ave., Glendale, AZ 85308

Start Time = 8:45AM

	Regular Release	PLC Fridays	Half Day
Kinder	3:15	1:45	12:50
1st - 6th	3:25	1:55	12:00
7-8th	3:30	2:00	12:05

Office Hours = 8:00AM-4:00PM

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

The Deer Valley Unified School District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, disability, age, or religion in its programs and activities.





2021-2022 Instructional Calendar

JULY						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

July 5 - Independence Day Observed
Offices Closed

AUGUST						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28

Aug. 2 - First Day for Students
Aug. 6, 13, 20, 27 - Early Release - 90 min

SEPTEMBER						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

Sep. 6-7 - Labor Day Recess - No School
Sep. 3, 17, 24 - Early Release - 90 min

OCTOBER						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
					1	2
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17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

Oct. 11-12 - Fall Break Days
Oct. 1, 8, 29 - Early Release - 90 min
Oct. 21-22 - K-12 P/T Conferences - Half Day

NOVEMBER						
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14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

Nov. 11 - Veterans Day Observed
Nov. 22-26 - Thanksgiving Recess
Nov. 5 & 19 - Early Release - 90 min

DECEMBER						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

Dec. 3 & 10 - Early Release - 90 min
Dec. 16 - HS Half Day
Dec. 17 - K-12 Half Day
Dec 20-31 - Winter Break

JANUARY						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29

Jan. 3 - Staff Development Day (full release)
Jan. 14, 21, 28 - Early Release - 90 min
Jan 17 - Martin Luther King - No School

FEBRUARY						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28					

Feb. 4 & 11, 25 - Early Release - 90 min
Feb. 17-18-K-8 only P/T Conf. - Half Day
Feb. 21 - President's Day - No School

MARCH						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
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13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

Mar. 4, 11, 25 - Early Release - 90 min
Mar. 14-18 - Spring Break

APRIL						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

April 15 - Spring Break Day
***No Early Release Days during State testing (testing ends on Apr. 22)
Apr. 1, 29 - Early Release - 90 min

MAY						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

May 6 & 13 - Early Release Days-90 min
May 19 - Last day for students Half Day
May 20 - Last day for teachers
May 30 - Memorial Day - Offices Closed

JUNE						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

	First Day of School
	Early Release Days - 90 min
	1/2 Day Release - See campus web pages for release times
	1/2 Day Release - Parent Teacher Conferences
	Last Day of School
	Graduation Dates
	No School - Federal Holiday or Break

Graduation Dates
May 16, 2022 - SDOHS, DVHS, BCHS - Times TBD
early release for SDOHS, DVHS and BCHS

May 17, 2022 - MRHS and BGHS - Times TBD
early release for MRHS and BGHS

Grading Periods	
1st Quarter.....	Oct. 8, 2021 (48)
2nd Quarter.....	Dec. 17, 2021 (42)
3rd Quarter.....	Mar. 11, 2022 (47)
4th Quarter.....	May 19, 2022(43)

Teacher Contract Days.....	186
Student Contact Days.....	180
40th Day.....	Sep. 28, 2021
100th Day.....	Jan. 18, 2022

Early Release (90 min) PLC / PD Days	
1st Semester	2nd Semester
Aug. 6	Jan. 14
Aug. 13	Jan. 21
Aug. 20	Jan. 28
Aug. 27	Feb. 4
Sept. 3	Feb. 11
Sept. 17	Feb. 25
Sept. 24	Mar. 4
Oct. 1	Mar. 11
Oct. 8	Mar. 25
Oct. 29	Apr. 1
Nov. 5	Apr. 29
Nov. 19	May 6
Dec. 3	May 13
Dec. 10	

* No Early Release Days during State testing - through April 22nd

No School - Federal Holiday or Break Days	
Sept. 6-7	Labor Day Recess
Oct. 11-12	Fall Break
Nov. 11	Veterans Day
Nov. 22 - 26	Thanksgiving Recess
Dec. 20 - Jan 3	Winter Break
Jan. 17	ML King Jr. Day
Feb. 21	President's Day
Mar. 14 - 18	Spring Break
Apr. 15	Spring Break Day

Student last day - May 19
Teachers last day - May 20

1st semester = 90 days
2nd semester = 90 days