



SchoolNews

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



Deer Valley Unified School District

January, 2018

MAIN # 623-376-4300

ATTENDANCE # 623-376-4390

Mark Anderson, Principal

Wendy Doucet, Assistant Principal

From the Principal, Mark Anderson...

I would like to thank the parents, students, and teachers of Highland Lakes for a successful first half of the 2017-2018 school year. As the New Year gets underway, I am reminded of why Highland Lakes is such a great place to learn and work towards building a community of learners. It's exciting to see all of the students bring their enthusiasm to meet the challenges and opportunities the 2018 year will bring.

Today, more than ever, we need to remember to nurture the relationships with our children to help them find success in their lives. I hope in 2018 you will continue to support the community of learners that we call Highland Lakes School.

As always, my door is always open, be sure to stop by and chat. Together we will accomplish great things. Take care of your children and yourselves and remember...keep smiling.



From the Vice Principal, Wendy Doucet...

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 January.....

Week of:

Jan. 8th – Give 100% and say “I can”, because you can!

Jan. 15th – Always clean up after yourself in the cafeteria, and all around campus

Jan. 22nd – Be kind and respectful on field trips and when leaving campus

Jan. 29th – Encourage others to do well and praise them for good performance

Mrs. Doucet's Word of the Day

Mon. 1/8 – IMPENDING – close in time; about to occur

Tues. 1/9 – JABBER – talk in a noisy, excited, or declamatory manner

Wed. 1/10 – KNOLL – a small natural hill

Thurs. 1/11 – LUMINOUS – softly bright or radiant

Fri. 1/12 – MALLEABLE – easily influenced

Mon. 1/15 – NO SCHOOL (Martin Luther King Jr. Day)

Tues. 1/16 – NARRATE – give a detailed account of

Wed. 1/17 – OBSCURE – not clearly understood or expressed

Thurs. 1/18 – PERSISTENT – stubbornly unyielding

Fri. 1/19 – RECLUSE – one who lives in solitude

Mon. 1/22 – SABOTAGE – destroy property or hinder normal operations

Tues. 1/23 – SOCIABLE – friendly and pleasant

Wed. 1/24 – WEATHER – face and withstand with courage

Thurs. 1/25 – VERSATILE – able to move freely in all directions

Fri. 1/26 – WAFT – be driven or carried along, as by the air

Mon. 1/29 – SWARM – move in large numbers

Tues. 1/30 – TERSE – brief and to the point

Wed. 1/31 – DEFIANCE – a hostile challenge

Thurs. 2/1 – GUSTO – vigorous and enthusiastic enjoyment

Fri. 2/2 - UNCANNY – surpassing the ordinary or normal

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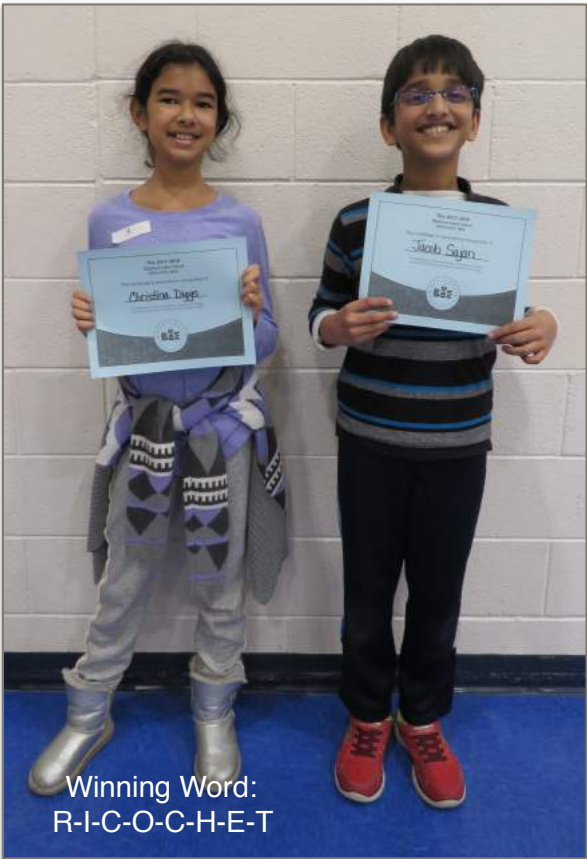




**KINDNESS
AMBASSADORS
CLUB
FIELD TRIP TO
BEN'S BELLS**

CONGRATULATIONS TO.....

**4-6 Grade
Winner:
Christina Diggs**

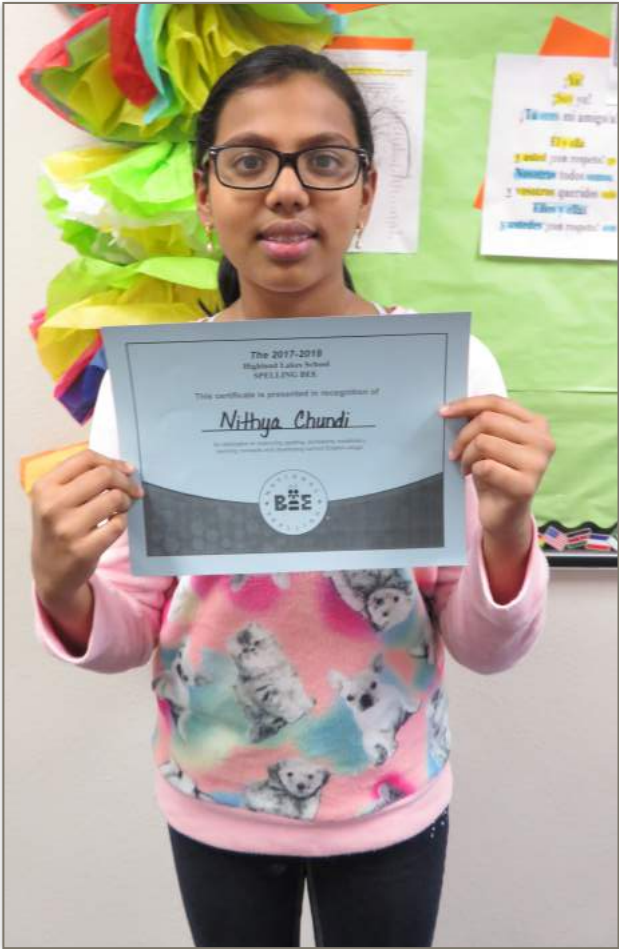


**4-6 Grade
Runner-up:
Jacob Sajan**

**7-8 Grade Winner:
Aiden Bowers**



**7-8 Grade Runner-up:
Nithya Chundi**



Congratulations to the Highland Lakes Renaissance Robotics Team!!



Our HLS Robotics teams, RenBots and Enginerds, competed at the First Lego League State competition at ASU over the weekend and **placed 9th out of 48 teams** from around the state in the robot games. Their project focused on hydrodynamics and the issue of water conservation. Their research lead them to conversations with developers and engineers who wanted to expand on several ideas that had real world application.

Thank you to everyone who supported this team and the Renaissance Robotics program, with their tax credit donations!!! It wouldn't be possible without you!!! And a very special thank you to Mr. Shoop and Mrs. Killebrew for the support and countless hours of dedication to the team!





PLEASE NOMINATE A TEACHER OF THE YEAR!!

The Deer Valley Education Foundation's Teacher of the Year Program is designed to celebrate and honor the contributions of Deer Valley School District's teachers - we want to celebrate and spotlight those exceptionally skilled and dedicated teachers who have gained the respect and admiration of students, parents, and co-workers and who have the superior ability to help students achieve.

Our District is blessed with many, many teachers who possess all these qualities. Please honor these teachers by nominating them for Teacher of the Year!

Teachers who are selected as a DVEF Teacher of the Year are honored at an award ceremony and dinner at **Arizona Broadway Theatre** on May 7th, 2018 and also receive a cash award.

Candidates must be **HAVE COMPLETED** their 5th year of teaching in the Deer Valley Unified School District in order to be considered for Teacher of the Year.

Nominations need to be returned to Marie Brennan, DVEF, District Office, or e-mailed to marie.brennan@dvusd.org by 4PM on February 8th, 2018.

Nomination form below:



Deer Valley Education Foundation 2017-2018 Teacher of the Year

Many outstanding teachers teach in the Deer Valley Unified School District.
DVEF would like to recognize them.

TEACHER NOMINATION FORM

Teacher you are nominating _____ *School* _____

Grade/Subject _____ *Years taught* _____ *Years taught in DVUSD* _____

Your Name _____ *School* _____

Position (Teacher, Parent, etc.) _____ *Ph#* _____ *e-mail* _____

(The candidate MUST HAVE COMPLETED their 5TH year of teaching in the Deer Valley Unified School District.)

Describe why you believe this teacher should be considered for Teacher of the Year. A candidate should demonstrate the following criteria: respect of peers/teamwork; creativity; be proactive; involvement in campus or district activities/programs; professionalism/pride in school and profession; positive impact on students. You can continue your nomination on an additional page(s) if necessary.

This form must be in the Deer Valley Education Foundation office at District Office by **4:00 pm on February 8th, 2018.** Nominations will be reviewed and applications sent to teachers selected.

Nominees should NOT know that they have been nominated or by whom.

Signature of nominator/s _____

Scholastic Book Fairs®



The Book Fair!

WHEN:

Friday Feb 9th and Mon Feb 12th Preview days

HOURS:

Shopping Days

Tues 13th 8:30 am - 4:00 pm

Wed 14th 8:30 am - 4:00 pm

Thurs 15th 8:30 am - 7:00 pm

Volunteers are needed for set up, break down and to help during the sale. Volunteers earn a merchandise coupon!

Sign up to help at:

<http://www.highlandlakesptso.com/volunteer-spot.html>

Most students will have an opportunity to preview the Book Fair so keep an eye out for their wish lists.

Proceeds from our book fair allows us to continue to keep our library stocked with current and exciting reading materials.

THE 2018 HLS TALENT SHOW IS COMING THIS APRIL

Details are being worked out now, anyone interested in participating should start working on their acts!!

Highland Lake PTSO presents

DADDY DAUGHTER DANCE 2018

Friday, February 9th 6-8pm
in the Highland Lakes GYM

Dads, take your sweetheart to dance the night away
and give her sweet-tooth a treat.

COST:

\$10 a couple prepaid

\$15 a couple at the door

\$5 each additional person

Buy online at: <https://www.highlandlakesptso.com/dance.html>

Or

Pre-sale orders due February 2nd

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Return ORDER FORM to your teacher

Student Name: _____

Teacher: _____

Number of tickets needed: _____

CASH _____ or CHECK _____

Thursday February 15th

OUR TEACHERS AND STAFF DESERVE A HOME COOKED MEAL DURING THIS BUSY WEEK.
WE WOULD LOVE FOR YOU TO MAKE A DONATION FOR OUR POTLUCK DINNER!!

RETURN THIS FORM TO SCHOOL OR **SIGN UP ONLINE AT:**

[HTTP://WWW.HIGHLANDLAKESPTSO.COM/VOLUNTEER-SPOT.HTML](http://www.hIGHLANDLAKESPTSO.COM/VOLUNTEER-SPOT.HTML)

Name	
Email	
Phone	

I will drop off a food item to the school front office <u>by or at 4:00 PM</u> on Thursday, February 15th	
<input type="radio"/>	Main Dish
<input type="radio"/>	Main Vegetarian Dish
<input type="radio"/>	Side Dish
<input type="radio"/>	Dessert
<input type="radio"/>	I want to help with setup or cleanup (30 min commitment)

FAQ:

HOW MANY ARE WE SERVING? ABOUT 80

WHAT SERVING SIZE SHOULD I BRING? AIM TO SERVE AT LEAST 12.

CAN YOU KEEP MY DISH HOT/COLD? YES WE HAVE ELECTRICITY FOR CROCK POTS AND WARMERS AND FRIDGE SPACE.

WILL I GET MY DISHES BACK? YES, DISPOSABLE IS GREAT BUT MARK YOUR ITEMS YOU WANT BACK WITH YOUR LAST NAME AND YOU CAN PICK THEM UP IN THE FRONT OFFICE THE DAY FOLLOWING THE EVENT.

WHEN DO I DROP OFF MY ITEMS: 4:00 PM THE DAY OF THE EVENT @FRONT OFFICE

MORE QUESTIONS?: EMAIL HIGHLANDLAKESPTSO@GMAIL.COM

Order Your YEARBOOK



Go to:

<https://www.dvUSD.org/hl-yearbook>

Order Today
\$25 Elementary
\$35 Middle School

We will have a limited number to purchase when the book is published. Don't risk not getting one, order today!

8th Grade Yearbook Dedication



*Order your 1/4 page 8th grade
yearbook dedication for \$25.
ORDER and create online.
DEADLINE: March 1, 2018*

2018 Highland Lakes School

ART FAIR

March 6th 4-7pm

- Art Contest Winners announced at 5:30pm
- Food: Pizza meal, popcorn, drinks and other concession items on sale \$.50 - \$4.50
- Take home your child's framed artwork for \$25.00.
- Order framed, colored reproduction of your child's art.
- Ways to Pay: Cash, check (make out to Highland Lakes PTSO) or credit.
- Can't make the show? You can still make a purchase by sending in cash or check to your homeroom teacher.



Proceeds from the event
benefit the
HLS Art Department

2018 Highland Lakes School ART CONTEST

Directions: Please type or print clearly. Completely fill out the form down to and including the required signatures. If you need more space, use the back of this form or add an extra sheet of paper. Each student is allowed to enter one piece per category. Be sure to write your full name on additional pages.

**ARTWORK IS DUE TO FRONT OFFICE BY FRIDAY, MARCH 2ND, AT 3:30PM IN
"ART SHOW COLLECTION BOX".**

*All submissions will be displayed during the Art Fair on Tuesday, March 6^h from 4 – 7 pm.
Awards will be presented at 5:30 pm.*

Grade _____ Age _____

Grade Division (check one)

____ Primary: Kindergarten – 2nd Grade
____ Intermediate: Grades 3-5
____ Middle/Junior: Grades 6-8

Arts Area (check one)

____ Photography/Computer/Digital Art
____ Visual Arts
____ 3D Art (i.e. clay, sculpture, etc.)



Title of Work: _____

Photography and visual arts: Give the dimensions of the work in inches, including mat.

Length _____ Width _____

Photography: Location and Date of shot: _____

3D & Visual Arts: Describe the medium (paint, clay, etc.): _____

-----*(fold here)*-----

Student's First Name _____ Last Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Homeroom Teacher: _____

I grant the PTSO permission to display, photograph, or publish on HLS and/or DVUSD website, my work submitted for this Art Fair. I affirm that all visual, photography and 3D art is my own original work.

Student Signature

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"ART SHOW COLLECTION BOX".**

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

DATE	EVENT
JAN 19TH	9AM CHARACTER COUNTS ASSEMBLY
JAN 19TH	2PM BEARATHON PIE, CANDY, KONA ICE EVENT
JAN 26TH	12:05 EARLY RELEASE
JAN 22ND	100TH DAY OF SCHOOL
JAN 26TH	10:30 BATTLE OF THE BOOKS ROUND TWO
JAN 26TH	KONA ICE AFTER SCHOOL
FEB 5TH & 6TH	7/8 BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL TRY-OUTS
FEB 1ST	5:30 - 7:00 PM KINDERGARTEN PREVIEW NIGHT
FEB 5TH	TRACK AND FIELD PRACTICE STARTS
FEB 7TH	STUDENT RELEASE DAY - NO SCHOOL
FEB 9TH	6PM DADDY DAUGHTER DANCE
FEB 9TH	BOX TOPS DUE
FEB 12TH-16TH	PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCE WEEK
FEB 9TH-15TH	BOOK FAIR
FEB 15TH	TEACHER CONFERENCE POTLUCK
FEB 15TH	12:05 EARLY RELEASE
FEB 16TH	12:05 EARLY RELEASE
FEB 16TH	KONA ICE AFTER SCHOOL
FEB 21ST	10:30-12:30 FEB BEAR BUCK STORE
FEB 23RD	9AM CHARACTER COUNTS ASSEMBLY
MARCH 2ND	READ-A-THON
MARCH 6TH	4PM - 7PM ART FAIR
MARCH 23RD & 24TH	SUESSICAL THE MUSICAL
	CHECK THE END OF THE NEWSLETTER FOR A COPY OF THE 2017-2018 DISTRICT CALENDAR



CLUB	SPONSOR	OPEN TO	ROOM	DAY	TIME
2:14	COACH DUNN	MS ONLY	COMPUTER LAB	FRIDAY	8:00-8:30
ANIME	MS. NICK	MS ONLY	217	WEDNESDAY	3:30-4:30
COMMUNITY GARDEN	MRS. CRABTREE	K-8TH GRADE	GARDEN OR 308	THURSDAYS STARTING AGAIN IN SPRING	3:35-4:15
HISTORY CLUB	MR. MATHEW AND MRS. LEWIS	MS ONLY	318	WEDNESDAY	3:40- 4:15
HOMEWORK LAB	MRS. SNYDER	K-8 (FEE BASED)	310	MONDAY THURSDAY	3:30 - 4:30
KIVA	MRS. SANDOVAL	8TH GRADE	311	WEDNESDAY	3:30-4:30
KINDNESS AMBASSADORS	MRS. SCHRADE	K-8TH GRADE	404	1ST AND 3RD TUESDAY	8:00 AM
MATH CLUB	MRS. BEHRENS	6TH - 8TH GRADE	205	WEDNESDAY	3:30-4:30
MUSICAL CLUB	MR. NELSON	6TH - 8TH GRADE	208	WEDNESDAY	3:30-4:30
NJHS	MRS. SNYDER	8TH GRADE	310	WEDNESDAY (EVERY OTHER)	8:00-8:30
RECYCLING CLUB	MRS. SCHRADE	K-8TH GRADE	404	FRIDAY	7:50-8:30
SPANISH CLUB	MRS. SUDDARTH	MS ONLY	306	TUESDAY	8:00 AM
STUDENT COUNCIL	MRS. SNYDER	MS ONLY	310	TUESDAY	3:30-5:00
UKELELE CLUB	MRS. SANDOVAL & MRS. SCHRADE	3RD-8TH GRADE	404	MONDAY	3:40 - 4:30
WORKSHOP WEDNESDAYS	MRS. SCHRADE & MR. ROCKEY	ORCHESTRA /BAND STUDENTS	404/403	WEDNESDAY	3:30-4:00
YEARBOOK	MRS. ROBERTSON	6TH-8TH GRADE	TBD	WEDNESDAY	3:30 -4:30

From Nurse Karen

Why can't I give your child Tylenol, Ibuprofen or even cough drops?

State law and school district policy strictly regulate how medications are to be given at school. Two conditions must be met before medications may be administered at school:

1. A parent or guardian must provide the medication. The school nurse is not permitted to dispense medication that is not provided by the parent or guardian. If you foresee that your child may need an over-the-counter medication sometime during the school year, please provide it in the original container. It will be kept in the nurse's office and given only to your child as needed.
2. A consent form must be completed and signed by the parent or guardian. Forms are available in the nurse's office.



GOT DRUGS?

**EXPIRED & UNWANTED
MEDICATION COLLECTION
THROUGHOUT ARIZONA**

Go to...
WWW.ACPA.NET
To Find a Collection
Location Near You!

Medication Disposal
Take it to THE BOX

YES - Accepted

- Prescriptions
- Prescription Patches
- Prescription Inhalers
- Over-the-counter medications
- Vitamins
- Samples
- Medications for pets

STOP

Not Accepted
• Liquid medications
• IV bags
• Steroids
• Controlled substances
• Flammable liquids
• Flammable solids
• Flammable gases
• Flammable aerosols
• Flammable dusts
• Flammable liquids
• Flammable solids
• Flammable gases
• Flammable aerosols
• Flammable dusts



Arizona Prescription Drug Disposal Locations

Visit DEA's interactive website on the dangers of legal and illegal drugs at:
www.justthinktwice.com



Prescription and over-the-counter (OTC) drugs are, after marijuana and alcohol, the most commonly abused substances by Americans 14 and older. It's time to make these medications unavailable to others!

Lock up your medications!

Go on Amazon and search for "medication lock boxes."

Get rid of your medications!

The Glendale Police Station/Fire Department has a disposal box in their lobby. That's a block away! 6255 W. Union Hills Rd., Monday thru Friday from 7:00 to 5:00 (no

HUNGRY BEAR CAFÉ NEWS

National Egg Month

Join us in the cafeteria for breakfast and lunch to celebrate National Egg Month. Eggs are an all-natural source of high-quality protein important for brain function, muscle strength, and growth. The protein packed food has 13 essential vitamins and minerals. Yolks are rich in:

- Vitamins D, E, A, Choline and the antioxidants lutein and zeaxanthin
- Choline is important for memory, mood, and hair and nail growth.
- Almost 90% of Americans do not get enough choline.
- Lutein and zeaxanthin are important for eye health.
- Vitamin D is important for bone health and immune function.

Cafeteria Manager:

Patsy Favela

patsy.favela@dvusd.org

623-376-4314

Artwork Winner



BREAKFAST

8:30-8:45

Student: \$1.25

Reduced: \$.30

Adult: \$1.50

LUNCH

Student: \$2.60

Reduced: \$.40

Adult: \$3.50 (with
a cup)



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

15 SCHOOL CLOSED <i>Martin Luther King, Jr. Day</i>	16 Rolled Taco 🍌 Fiesta Black Beans	17 Waffle-licious Wednesday Chicken Nuggets with Waffles Sticks Cucumber Slices	18 Teriyaki Chicken with 'Fried' Rice Steamed Broccoli	19 Hand Tossed Pizza 🍌 Fresh Carrot Sticks
22 100% Beef Cheeseburger Seasoned Baked Beans 🍌	23 Taco Bites 🍌 with Fiesta Rice Steamed Corn	24 Popcorn Chicken with Dinner Roll Celery Sticks	25 Cheesy Alfredo Pasta 🍌 with Cheese Filled Breadstick 🍌 Fresh Spinach Salad Rice Krispies Treat	26 EARLY RELEASE Hand Tossed Pizza 🍌 Carroteenies Apple Slices
29 Mini Turkey Corn Dogs Sunshine Carrots	30 Crunchy Chicken Tacos Ranch Style Beans	31 Breakfast for Lunch: Cinnamon Pancakes 🍌 Sausage Links 🍌 Tater Tots	National School Lunch Week Artwork Winners A great big thank you to the winners of our October Artwork contest. Winners will have a portion of their artwork featured on the menus. Congratulations to our talented artists across the district: Lindsay D. Melanie S. Dennis I. Emma M. Alexis P. Hailey S. and Raymond R. You can visit www.dvusd.org/nutrition to view the winning artwork!	

View all the artwork winners at: <https://www.dvusd.org/Page/42510>

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.



BOXTOPS for Education

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

Our contest deadlines for the rest of the year will be:

Friday, February 9, 2018

Friday, May 11, 2018

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



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.*

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.

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

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.



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.

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.



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.

VISITOR

Parents must sign in at the front office **and show ID** 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 show ID to 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 the front office and show ID.
- ★ Parents may eat lunch with their children in the cafeteria after signing in and showing ID.
- ★ 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.

April 6th at 9:15 am

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

2017 TAX CREDITS

The maximum tax credit for 2017 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

AFTER SCHOOL ROCKS

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>

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](#)

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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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DEER VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT 2017-2018 PreK-12 Instructional Calendar

JULY						
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Jul. 4- Independence Day Observed
Offices Closed
Jul. 24- **10-Month Employees**
Jul. 31- New Teachers

AUGUST						
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Aug. 2- Continuing Teachers
Aug. 4- 9-Month Employees
Aug. 7- First Day for Students
Aug. 25- Staff Dev. - Early Release

SEPTEMBER						
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Sep. 4- Labor Day - No School
Sep. 15- Staff Dev. - Early Release
Sep. 21-22- Fall Break - No School

OCTOBER						
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Oct. 6 - Staff Dev. - Early Release
Oct. 9- Fall Day - No School
Oct. *16-*20- Parent Teacher Conf. Week
Oct. 19-20- Early Release (PK-12)

NOVEMBER						
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Nov. 3- Staff Dev.- Early Release
Nov. 10- Veterans Day Observed
Nov. 20-24-Thanksgiving Recess

DECEMBER						
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Dec. 1- Staff Dev.- Early Release
Dec. 21-22 -Early Release 9-12 (Final Exams)
Dec. 22- Early Release PK-12
Dec. 25-Jan. 5- Winter Break

JANUARY						
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Dec. 25-Jan. 5- Winter Break
Jan. 15- Martin Luther King Day - No School
Jan. 26- Staff Dev.- Early Release

FEBRUARY						
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Feb. 7- Student Release Day for
Staff Professional Development
Feb.*12-*16 Parent Teacher Conf. Week
Feb. 15-16- Early Release (PK-8 ONLY)
Feb. 19- President's Day- No School

MARCH						
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Mar. 2- Staff Dev.- Early Release
Mar. 26-30- Spring Break

APRIL						
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Apr. 6- Staff Dev.- Early Release
Apr. 27- Spring Break Day

MAY						
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May 4- Staff Dev.- Early Release
May 23-24- Early Release 9-12 (Final Exams)
May 24- Last Day for Students - Early Release
May 24- Last Day 9-Month Employees
May 25- Last Day for Teachers
May 28- Memorial Day- Offices Closed

JUNE						
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June 1- Last Day 10-Month Employees

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

40th Day.....October 4, 2017
100th Day.....January 22, 2018

Grading Periods

1st Quarter.....October 13, 2017 (46)
2nd Quarter.....December 22, 2017 (44)
3rd Quarter.....March 16, 2018 (47)
4th Quarter.....May 24, 2018 (43)

Graduation Dates

May 24 -Thurs. BGHS (2:30), SOHS (5:00)

May 25 - Fri. DVHS (9:30), BCBS (12:00),
MRHS (2:30)

Adopted 2.9.16