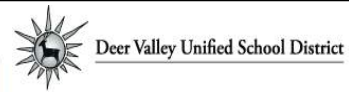




SchoolNews

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



Deer Valley Unified School District

April, 2017

MAIN # 623-376-4300

ATTENDANCE # 623-376-4390

Mark Anderson, Principal

Wendy Doucet, Assistant Principal



DEER VALLEY
Unified School District

From the Principal, Mark Anderson...



Please join me in congratulating our very own Mrs. Tracy Brown for becoming one of DVUSD's Teachers of The Year! Mrs. Brown has been a long standing member of the Highland Lakes Family and has worked hard over the years nurturing and developing our students academically, socially and emotionally. Mrs. Brown has had a profound effect on all of the students she has come in contact with. On a regular basis Mrs. Brown has past students contact her telling her how much of a difference she made in their lives.

Thank you Mrs. Brown for being you, thank you for not only being an amazing teacher but an amazing person. This honor could not have gone to a better deserving teacher.



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 November



Apr. 3rd – Sleep well, eat a healthy breakfast, and come prepared for testing

Apr. 10th – Show respect by saying O.K. when appropriate rather than arguing

Apr. 17th – Listen and ask questions so you may learn more!

Apr. 24th – Help others out because it is the right thing to do

Mrs. Doucet's Word of the Day

Mon. 4/3 – **tangent** – going off the main subject

Tues. 4/4 – **billowing** – swelling; fluttering; waving

Wed. 4/5 – **cower** – recoil in fear; shrink away from

Thurs. 4/6 – **enhance** – improve; make better or clearer

Fri. 4/7 – **labyrinth** – a maze

Mon. 4/10 – **nullify** – to counter; make unimportant

Tues. 4/11 – **tangible** – can be touched

Wed. 4/12 – **abrogate** – cancel; deny; repeal

Thurs. 4/13 – **credible** – believable

Fri. 4/14 – **NO SCHOOL** (Spring Day)

Mon. 4/17 – **nuzzle** – cuddle; snuggle

Tues. 4/18 – **reprehensible** – shameful; very bad

Wed. 4/19 – **tardy** – slow; late; delayed

Thurs. 4/20 – **absolution** – forgiveness; pardon; release

Fri. 4/21 – **enigma** – puzzle; mystery

Mon. 4/24 – **authentic** – genuine; known to be true

Tues. 4/25 – **hasten** – hurry; accelerate; rush

Wed. 4/26 – **laceration** – a cut

Thurs. 4/27 – **plausible** – can be believed; reasonable

Fri. 4/28 – **tawdry** – of little value; gaudy



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY
MR. ANDERSON**



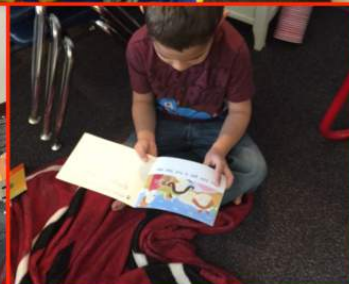
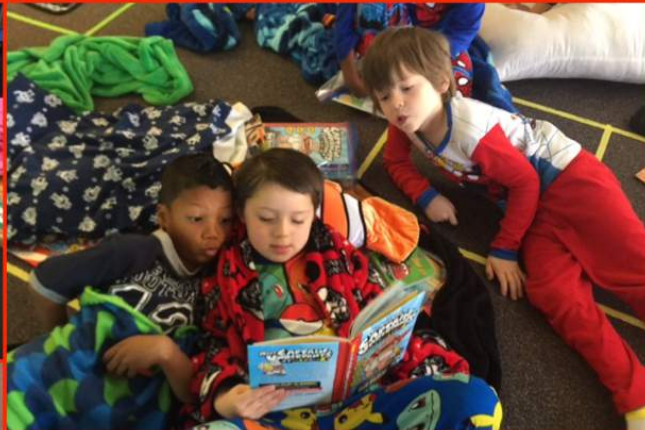
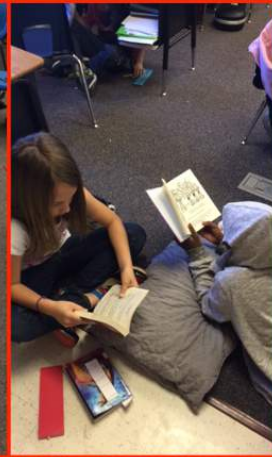
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Read-A-Thon



Highland Lakes held their 9th Annual Read-A-Thon on March 2nd - National Read Across America Day. The teachers, in grades K-6, set aside a 2 1/2 hour block of time during the day and the students were encouraged to bring in their blankets, pillows, stuffed animals, and favorite books to read. The students collected pledges from family and friends. As an incentive, the students who brought in the most pledges for their grade level (K-6) were able to select a mini theme basket.

Through the students hard work and enthusiasm, we were able to raise **\$5,780.00**. The money raised will be used to purchase reading materials for our students in grades K-6. Thank you to all of the families and friends who supported our Highland Lakes

Grade Level Winners: K - Paul Weber (The Sky's the Limit), 1 - Andrew Woitaszewski (Splish Splash), 2 - Daisy Estrada (Off to the Movies), 3 - Miley Hawkins (Fun & Games), 4 - Jack Scarbrough (Money Tree), 5 - Dayton Woitaszewski (Candyland), 6 - Abigail Williams (Sundae Fun Day)

Mr. Marano, one of our 4th Grade teachers at HLS, won the *Anthony Espinoza Legacy Award* and grant awarded for making a difference in your community. Congratulations, and thank you for making a difference in the lives of your students.



Congratulations



**THANK YOU HLS FAMILIES AND VOLUNTEERS FOR A
SUCCESSFUL 2017 ART FAIR!**

CONGRATULATIONS

2017 ART FAIR CONTEST WINNERS

Primary (K-2)		
Place	Category	Name
1st	Photography	Quinn Lee
1st	Visual Arts	Amyah Martin
2nd	Visual Arts	Quinn Lee
3rd	Visual Arts	Nyla Roulinavage
1st	3D Art	Davidge Glenn
2nd	3D Art	Karlee McMahon
3rd	3D Art	Lola Glenn
Intermediate (3-5)		
Place	Category	Name
1st	Photography	Erik Potts
2nd	Photography	Lillian Glenn
3rd	Photography	Cailyn Deibel
1st	Visual Arts	Susan Martin
2nd	Visual Arts	Zoe Durkarm
3rd	Visual Arts	Tavishi Lal
1st	3D Art	Elijah Graham
2nd	3D Art	Samantha Miceli
3rd	3D Art	Jake Marston
Middle/Junior (6-8)		
Place	Category	Name
1st	Photography	Julia Yim
2nd	Photography	Jackson Herndon
3rd	Photography	Emma Douglas
1st	Visual Arts	Alan Burnett
2nd	Visual Arts	Evan Lee
3rd	Visual Arts	Ashlyn Morici
1st	3D Art	Amanda Johnson
2nd	3D Art	Payton Williams
3rd	3D Art	Amy Li
1st	Digital Art	Sophia Cerna
2nd	Digital Art	Tyler Martin



Staff Choice	Name
Photography	Addison Snell
3D	Amy Li
Visual	Evan Lee
Digital	Sophia Cerna
Principals Choice	Name
Photography	Erik Potts
3D	Alan Burnett
Visual	Hailey Hein
Digital	Sophia Cerna

1ST - 3RD GRADE FIELD DAY



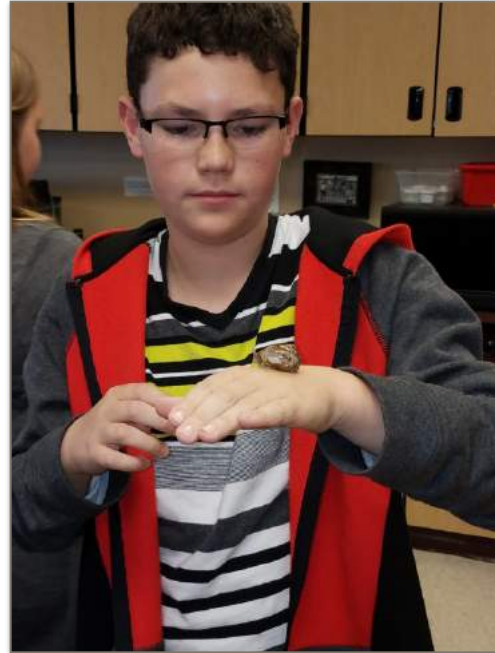


**DONATE TO OUR HIGHLAND LAKES TORTOISE FUND FOR A
CHANCE TO NAME THE HABITAT, AND HAVE A PHOTO
SHOOT WITH OUR NEW TORTOISE!**



Thank you Lowes, Home Depot, Harbor Freight, Pet Market and our wonderful HLS parents for getting our tortoise habitat ready!!

CLASSROOM WILDLIFE



**Goslings in Mr.
Johnson's 3rd
grade and snails
in Mr. Marano's
4th Grade**





Rare footage of Middle School students in Mr. Nelson's class performing experiments for the egg drop challenge.





SPRING FLING 2017

CLASS OF 2021

Save the Date

**8th Grade Promotion will be May 23, 2017
5:00 PM at HLS**

Student Dress

Girls- Dresses, skirts and blouses, or pants outfits. Skirt length must be respectable; no mini-skirts or floor length skirts. No backless, strapless, or spaghetti strap dresses or blouses. Please avoid high heels for safety reasons.

Boys- Dress slacks or dress jeans, dress shirts. Suits/sport jackets and ties are optional.

**Details on practice, parking,
and seating are coming soon!!**



Family Bowling Night

At

Highland Lakes School



Join us for Highland Lakes Family Bowling Night! This fun-filled night of bowling and music! Pizza and concessions will be available for purchase. This event will take place on Thursday, April 27, from 5:00-7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria building. Reservations are required, so be sure to reserve your lane. Lanes can be reserved for a fee of \$5.00 a lane for 30 minutes of bowling with up to six bowlers for each individual lane. Students will need to be supervised by an adult, so bring the entire family! To reserve your lane, fill out the form below, and send money and form to Mrs. True or Mrs. Dudzinski by Tuesday, April 25.

To ensure a lane for the time(s) you prefer, fill out the form below and send cash only (Sorry, no checks.) to the P.E. department by Tuesday, April 25. You will receive a time confirmation prior to the 27th.

Student(s) first & last name _____ Teacher _____

Total number attending _____ Number of lanes being reserved _____

of Adults _____ # of Students _____

Time slot requested: 1st choice _____ 2nd choice _____

***To be filled out by your PE teacher:

Confirmation: Name--

A lane has been reserved for you from _____ to _____.



April

2017

AZ Merit Testing Schedule

Grades 3-8

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3 Grizzly (8 th) - Writing	4 5 th /6 th REN - Writing Panda (7 th /8 th) - Writing	5 6 th - Writing Polar (7 th) - Writing	6 4 th - Writing REN (7 th /8 th) - Writing	7 ½ Day
10 Grizzly – ELA 1/Math 1	11 Grizzly – Math 2/ ELA 2	12 5 th – Writing 4 th & 8 th - Science	13 3 rd - Writing	14 NO SCHOOL
17 Panda – ELA 1/Math 1	18 5 th /6 th REN – ELA 1/Math 1 Panda – Math 2/ ELA 2	19 5 th /6 th REN – Math 2/ ELA 2 REN – ELA 1/Math 1	20 6 th – ELA 1/ Math 1 REN – Math 2/ELA 2	21 6 th – Math 2/ ELA 2
24 Polar – ELA 1/Math 1	25 3 rd – ELA 1/Math 1 Polar – Math 2/ELA 2	26 3 rd – Math 2/ELA 2	27 5 th – ELA 1/Math 1	28 5 th – Math 2/ELA 2
1 4 th – ELA 1/Math 1	2 4 th – Math 2/ELA 2	3 MAKE-UPS	4 MAKE-UPS	5

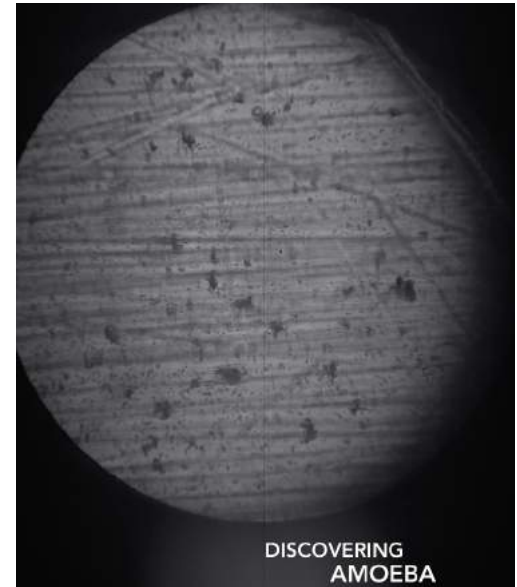
Helpful test taking tips:

- Make sure that your children get enough sleep. Remember that old saying about eight to ten hours of sleep a night? Being well rested is perhaps the most important and unfortunately most overlooked aspect of health when trying to stay focused.
- Make sure that your children eat healthy. Often times in our busy schedules we forget to take time out for our most obvious needs. If your children are not eating well, we cannot possibly expect them to perform well in school, or anything else. Try and avoid heavy foods that may make him/her groggy and avoid high sugar food. Make sure they are eating right.
- Encourage your child to do well, but don't pressure him/her, you may stress him/her out. It is important for your child to stay relaxed on the test.
- Keep a positive attitude about tests.
- Make sure that your child gets up early enough so that he/she will be on time to school.
- Please do not schedule appointments during testing. Students who leave school before completing a particular test are ineligible to continue the test for that session.
- Talking about the test with your child can relieve stress about test taking.

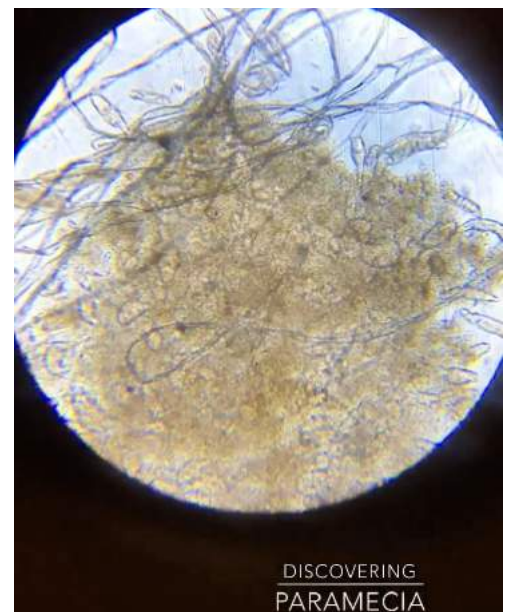
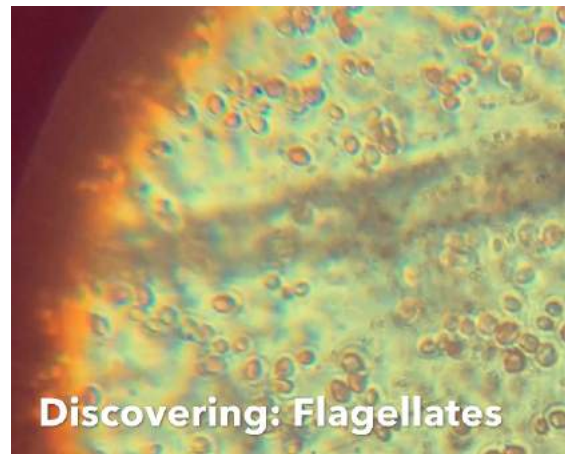
We have been very busy fulfilling the wishes of teachers, students, and staff with Bearathon funds.

Here's a list of items we have been able to purchase:

Chrome Books
 Student Laptops
 Printer
 White boards
 Pencil Sharpeners
 Sieves
 Wordly Wise Teacher Edition
 1st grade math games and manipulatives
 1st Grade Writing Center
 DRA2 K-3 Kit
 3rd Grade Math manipulatives
 3rd Grade Versatiles
 Art- supplies for printmaking,
 6th Grade-Microscopes
 headsets with microphones
 Megaphones for PE
 Classroom Cubbies
 Kindergarten-Math manipulatives,
 books, reading activities
 Science Mini Fans
 Science-Vernier GO-MOT Camera
 Meter sticks
 2nd Grade-Versatiles/math and
 reading, science, social studies and
 read along library
 classroom buzzers
 iPad/mini iPads
 Graphing Calculators



Pictures from Mr. Marano's 4th Grade class experiments taken with their new microscopes.



2017 TALENT SHOW

FRIDAY, APRIL 21ST AT 6:00 PM

MAUNA KEA



SHAVE ICE

480-525-1000

Join us for the 2017 HLS Talent Show. Friday, April 21st at 6:00 PM. Kids are FREE, Adults have a \$2.00 admission cost. Concessions, pizza, and Mauna Kea Shave Ice will be available for purchase at the event.

Did you miss Bling n Ink at the Spring Fling? They have four new designs and you can always order online in the HLS Spirit wear shop at

<http://www.blingnink.com/store/c19/hls>



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

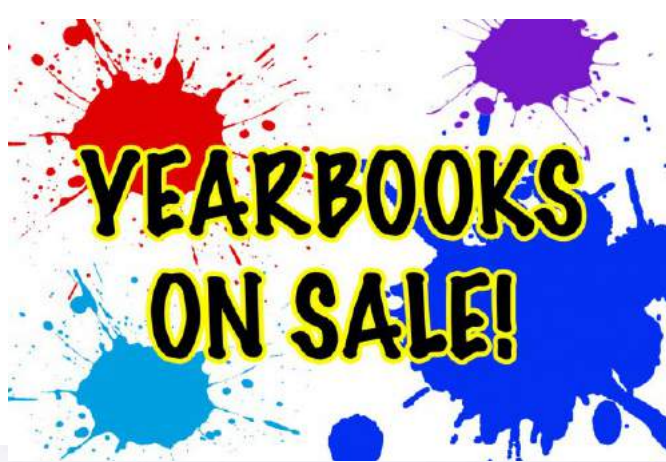
MAY	EVENT
MAR 28TH-MAY 4TH	AZMERIT TESTING WINDOW
APRIL 20TH	3:40 PM TALENT SHOW REHEARSAL
APRIL 21ST	6:00 PM HLS TALENT SHOW
APRIL 27TH	5PM - 7:30 FAMILY BOWLING NIGHT
APRIL 25TH	6TH AND 8TH GRADE GROUP PICTURES
MAY 1ST - 5TH	NATIONAL TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK
MAY 5TH	9AM MAY PTSO GENERAL MEETING
MAY 12TH	9AM CHARACTER ASSEMBLY
MAY 23RD	5PM 8TH GRADE PROMOTION
MAY 24TH	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL 12:05 EARLY RELEASE DAY
AUGUST 7TH	FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL 2017-2018
	CHECK THE END OF THE NEWSLETTER FOR A COPY OF THE 2016-17 AND 2017-18 DISTRICT CALENDAR



Wait....it's not even summer yet???? We are already planning for next year!!! **If your student is not returning** to Highland Lakes for the 2017/18 school year, please call the office at **623-376-4306** so they can open up a spot for students that are waiting and plan for staffing. Thank you!!



CLUB	SPONSOR	OPEN TO	ROOM	DAY	TIME
2:14	MR. DUNN		COMPUTER LAB	FRIDAYS	8:00-8:30
ANIME	MS. NICK	MS ONLY	217	MONDAY	3:30-4:30
CHESS	CHESS EMPORIUM	FEE BASED	207	MONDAY	3:30-4:35
COMMUNITY GARDEN	MRS. CRABTREE	K-8TH GRADE	308	MONDAY	3:35-4:15
COSTA RICA TRIP	MS. STEGH	8TH GRADE			
EXPLORING LATIN	MRS. CRABTREE	4TH-8TH GRADE	308		
NJHS	MRS. SNYDER	8TH GRADE	310	WEDNESDAY (EVERY OTHER)	8:00-8:30
PUBLIC SPEAKING/ DEBATE	MRS. CRABTREE	6TH-8TH GRADE	308		
RECYCLING CLUB	MRS. SCHRADER	K-8TH GRADE	404	WEDNESDAY	7:50-8:30
ROBOTICS	MR. SHOOP	6TH-8TH GRADE	308	MONDAY & TUESDAY	3:30-5:30
RUBIK'S CUBE	MS. POTTS	RENAISSANCE	216	TBD	3:30-4:30
STUDENT COUNCIL	MRS. SNYDER	7TH- 8TH GRADE	310	TUESDAY	3:30-5:00
UKELELE CLUB	MRS. SANDOVAL & MRS. SCHRADER	3RD-8TH GRADE	404	THURSDAY	3:30-4:30
WASHINGTON DC TRIP	MS. TANG	8TH GRADE			
WORKSHOP WEDNESDAYS	MRS. SCHRADER & MR. ROCKEY	ORCHESTRA /BAND STUDENTS	404/403	WEDNESDAY	3:30-4:00
YEARBOOK	MRS. VERLEI	7TH-8TH GRADE	304		
YOUNG REMBRANDTS		FEE BASED	220		
KINDNESS AMBASSADORS	MRS. SCHRADER	3RD-8TH GRADE	404	FIRST TUES OF THE MONTH	7:50



Reserve your copy of the 2016-2017 Highland Lakes yearbook today!

Middle School: Order the Hard Cover \$35
Elementary: Order the Saddle Stitch \$20

Orders taken Online ONLY. Do not send in money.

<http://tiny.cc/hlsyearbook>

*all orders are subject to a \$1.50 Processing Fee



Jamba Juice®

Blend in the Good.™

Jamba Juice will be on campus every Tuesday
after school from 3:15 - 4:00

Smoothies are \$2 for small and \$3 for a large
20% goes back to HLS

FROM THE NURSE:



Epi-Pen Recall: Mylan, the maker of the Epi-Pen Auto-Injector, has recalled some of their Epi-Pens. If you have an epi-pen at home, please check the lot # to see if your epi-pen should be replaced: <http://www.mylan.com/en/epipenrecall>. I've checked the epi-pens at school and have notified the appropriate parents.

Lice: 6 to 12 million children age 3 to 11 get lice every year in the United States alone. They're little but they're a big nuisance and don't be surprised if they bring out emotions that you didn't know you could have. In reality, lice don't care how often your child washes their hair. Here is how to check your child for lice: http://pediatrics.about.com/od/headlice/ht/808_finding_lice.htm. If you have any questions or need help identifying particles you see in your child's hair, please let me know and I will check. If your child does have lice, please let me know! **Open communication is the key to preventing an "epidemic."**

As far as products to use if your child has lice, here is an expert's opinion: <http://www.mayoclinic.org/diseases-conditions/head-lice/expert-answers/super-lice/faq-20193486>

I guess we **should** be reassured that head lice haven't been implicated in the transmission of any diseases – other than head lice, that is.





6/19/17 - 6/30/17 Monday - Friday (2 weeks)

Location: Sandra Day O'Connor High School

Room 212

25250 N. 35th Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85083

\$250 For MORNING ONLY 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

OR

\$400 For FULL DAY

8:30 a.m. - 3:15 p.m.

For Incoming 3rd-11th Graders

Space is Limited

Deer Valley Unified School District's *Summer Art Experience*

This summer camp will focus on improving drawing and painting abilities in different medias and subject matters, along with creating various three dimensional (3-D) art projects. Students will participate in drawing nature, animals, still life, landscapes, portraits, abstract, and non-objective subjects. The goal is to bring out each student's own style and creativity while improving their artistic abilities. Lessons will be adjusted for each student's age and abilities. Supplies, t-shirt, and field trip included.

Not a Deer Valley Student? Our program is open to the community. Other district, charter school, and home school students are welcome to join!

Field Trip

Art Rocks will feature an off campus art-based field trip. The field trip is scheduled as follows:

6/29/17 - Arizona Science Museum

NOTE: Morning Only students will return to camp later than the normal 11:30 a.m. dismissal time on field trip day.

Field trip is subject to change.

T-Shirts

Each student will receive a camp t-shirt. *Art Rocks* students are expected to wear their camp shirts during the field trip.



Faculty

The *Art Rocks* instructors are specifically selected, highly qualified certified art teachers from the district.

Registration

Space is limited...register today! See more information on the reverse side. All registrations must be received by the registration deadline below and are subject to space availability.

Register by June 14th



Register online at: www.dvUSD.org/communityed/register



HUNGRY BEAR CAFÉ NEWS

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)

School Lunches Are Getting Healthier—The Facts



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wMd_z0A7R0A

For questions about your HLS Cafe, contact Patsy Favela, our cafeteria manager.
Patsy Favela patsy.favela@dvusd.org 623-376-4314



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.

10 Cheeseburger Crunchy Celery Sticks Chilled Sliced Pears	11 Popcorn Chicken with a Graham Cracker Baked Beans Sweet Mandarin Oranges	12 Mini Turkey Corn Dogs with a Corn Muffin Baked Curry Fries Crisp Romaine Salad Seasonal Fresh Fruit	13 Breakfast for Lunch: Cinnamon Pancakes Sausage Links Sweet Baby Carrots Seasonal Fresh Fruit	14 NO SCHOOL
17 Fish Sticks in a Boat Sunshine Carrots Chilled Applesauce	18 Chicken Fries with a Biscuit Steamed Corn Tasty Mixed Fruit	19 Crunchy Chicken Tacos Refried Beans Seasonal Fresh Fruit	20 Spaghetti & Meat Sauce with a Breadstick Steamed Broccoli Seasonal Fresh Fruit	21 Hand Tossed Pizza Fresh Cucumber Slices with Ranch Dip Seasonal Fresh Fruit
24 Beef Hotdog Seasoned Fries Juicy Sliced Pears	25 Chicken Bites with a Corn Muffin Sweet Potato Fries Chilled Applesauce	26 Mac N Cheese with Garlic Toast Steamed Green Beans Seasonal Fresh Fruit Fresh Baked Cookie	27 Beef Teriyaki Dippers with 'Fried' Rice Fresh Broccoli Spears Seasonal Fresh Fruit	28 Hand Tossed Pizza Italian Herb Garbanzo Beans Seasonal Fresh Fruit

FIND it Fast



FOOD AND NUTRITION

For nutrition, snack lists, this month's menu, and other cafe news and policies go to dvusd.org, click on FIND it Fast.

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
Keep clipping those boxtops! We are currently counting from the Feb deadline. Keep clipping there is one more before the end of the school year.

Next deadline:

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



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.

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

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.

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.



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.

HLS has concluded all of it's training sessions for this school year. Click the above link to attend a session at another location.

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

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](#)

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

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.





DEER VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT 2016-2017 District Instructional Calendar

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

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

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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

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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

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

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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

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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



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

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

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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

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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

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

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

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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

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Mar. 26-30- Spring Break

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Apr. 27- Spring Break Day

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4th Quarter.....May 24, 2018 (43)

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May 24 & 25, 2018