

# SUNSET Newsletter

Sunset children, families, and staff are dedicated to creating successful students who are empowered to grow and thrive socially, emotionally, and academically.

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Sunset Community,

It is hard to believe that we are already in our final month of the first semester! I wanted to take a moment to recognize what a wonderful event our Winter Festival was. It was truly a resounding success in which we were able to come together as a community in an effort to celebrate all of our students' hard work. I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to our dedicated teachers, staff, and the invaluable support of our PTO for making this event truly come to life. The event was a testament to the strong sense of community we share, and we were thrilled to see so many families come together to celebrate the season.

As we bid farewell to the fall semester, we turn our attention to the upcoming winter months. In the coming weeks, our students will be participating in a series of middle-of-year assessments. These assessments provide valuable insights into student learning and growth. We encourage parents and guardians to support their children's efforts during this time. These assessments are truly a celebration of our students learning and we are looking forward to seeing the growth they have all worked so hard to achieve.

From all of us at Sunset, we wish you all a joyous holiday season filled with warmth, love, and peace. May the new year bring health, happiness, and continued success to our entire school community. It truly is an honor to get to serve you all as principal, and I look forward to the amazing time ahead in the upcoming semester.

Go, Stallions!

Isaac Hurguy  
Sunset Principal

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DECEMBER 3-GIVING DAY

DECEMBER 4- EARLY RELEASE (1:45 p.m.)

DECEMBER 5- KONA ICE

DECEMBER 5- STUCO MEETING AFTER SCHOOL  
(3:30-4:15)

DECEMBER 5 -WINTER FESTIVAL 4:30-6:30 p.m.

DECEMBER 7 -CROSS COUNTRY MEET

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DECEMBER 11- EARLY RELEASE (1:45 p.m.)

DECEMBER 12- KINDER FIELD TRIP

DECEMBER 18- EARLY RELEASE (1:45 p.m.)

DECEMBER 19- KONA ICE

DECEMBER 19- STUCO MEETING AFTER SCHOOL  
(3:30-4:15)

DECEMBER 20-EARLY RELEASE (1:45 p.m.)

DECEMBER 25-CHRISTMAS

DECEMBER 25-JAN 2-HANUKKAH

DECEMBER 26-JAN 1-KWANZAA

DECEMBER 23-JANUARY 6 – Winter Break

JANUARY 7 – STUDENTS RETURN TO SCHOOL

### Important Phone Numbers

602-347-3300 Office  
[SNOoffice@wesdschools.org](mailto:SNOoffice@wesdschools.org)

602-347-3311 Attendance Line

602-347-3310 Health Office

## Badge Reminder

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

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

## WESD DISTRICT PROGRAMS

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



WHERE THE JOY OF LEARNING BEGINS!

# KINDER OPEN HOUSE

January 28, 2025

5 - 7 p.m.



## Save the Date for Kindergarten Open House

In the WESD, the joy of learning begins in kindergarten! Please save the date and join us for our Kindergarten Open House event on Tuesday, Jan. 28, 2025, from 5 to 7 p.m.! This will be a great opportunity for you and your child to learn about our incredible kindergarten program, meet our dedicated teachers, explore our engaging classrooms, receive important information about our KidSpace childcare program, transportation services and school meals, and so much more! If you know someone who also has a child turning five before Sept. 1, 2025, we encourage you to share this exciting opportunity with them! We look forward to meeting the future class of 2038!

## Reserven la Fecha para el 'Open House' de Kindergarten

¡En el WESD, la alegría de aprender comienza en el kindergarten! ¡Reserven la fecha y únanse a nosotros en nuestro evento de Puertas Abiertas (Open House) para el Kindergarten el martes 28 de enero, 2025 de 5 a 7 p.m.! Esta será una gran oportunidad para que ustedes y sus hijos aprendan sobre nuestro increíble programa de kindergarten, conozcan a nuestros maestros dedicados, exploren nuestros atractivos salones de clase, reciban información importante sobre nuestro programa de cuidado infantil 'KidSpace', servicios de transporte y comidas escolares, ¡y mucho más! Si conocen a alguien que también tengan hijos que cumplan cinco años antes del 10 de septiembre, 2025, ¡los alentamos a que compartan esta emocionante oportunidad con ellos! ¡Esperamos conocer a la futura clase del 2038!



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**Site Council**

Corinn Klues  
Isaac Hurguy  
Reanna Haskins

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

**PTO Board**

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TBD –Vice President  
Kristina Subject–Secretary  
Kenneth “Shane” Blanchard –Treasurer

**Health Office Reminder**

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



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

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

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

If you have questions regarding this notice, please contact the school health office at 602-896-5610.

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



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

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### Support Our Students with a Tax Credit Donation

The season of giving is here, and if you're looking for a way to support our students, please consider making a tax credit donation to our school! A tax credit not only allows you to directly impact our students' education, but also reduces your state tax liability (up to \$200 filing single or \$400 filing jointly). Your donation also provides our students with opportunities to participate in field trips, and succeed in extracurricular activities by funding items such as uniform replacements, equipment, and stipends for coaches and sponsors. Donating is simple! You can either visit our school office to complete a tax credit form or make your donation online at <https://bit.ly/3Ao6nZ7>. Thank you for your support!

### Apoyen a Nuestros Estudiantes con una Donación de Crédito Fiscal

¡La época de dar está aquí, y si buscan una manera de apoyar a nuestros estudiantes, favor de considerar hacer una donación de crédito fiscal a nuestra escuela! Un crédito fiscal no solo les permite a ustedes impactar directamente la educación de nuestros estudiantes, pero también reduce sus obligaciones tributarias estatales (hasta \$200 si presentan una declaración individual o \$400 si presentan una declaración en pareja). Su donación también provee a nuestros estudiantes la oportunidad de participar en excursiones escolares y tener éxito en actividades extracurriculares al financiar artículos tales como reemplazo de uniformes, equipo y estipendios para los entrenadores y patrocinadores. ¡Donar es simple! Pueden ya sea visitar nuestra oficina escolar para completar un formulario de crédito fiscal o hacer su donación en línea en <https://bit.ly/3Ao6nZ7>. ¡Gracias por su apoyo!

## Sports Announcements

**Congrats to our boys basketball team! It was a great season. We are so proud of you.**

**Congrats to Cross Country. Great Job!**

**Attention Fourth, Fifth & Sixth Grade Girls:**

**Tryouts will be held December 17<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> after school**

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