

# 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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**Principal: Aimee Wojciechowski**

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## Message from the Principal

Hello, Sunset Families!

We are excited to have you back for our second semester!

Our spring Parent/Teacher Conferences are right around the corner! We look forward to seeing you during your 15-minute conference on February 6 or 7. Conferences for fifth and sixth grade will be held in the cafeteria on a first come first serve basis, like last semester. Kindergarten through fourth grade teachers will be sending home conference confirmation forms soon. Please note the date and time of your conference and plan to arrive approximately five minutes before your start time. As you prepare for this valuable meeting, please keep the following tips in mind:

1. Ask your child questions, such as: What is your favorite subject? What are you having a difficult time with? How can I better support you?
2. Jot down questions you'd like to ask the teacher during the conference.
3. Check out your student's grades on ParentVUE.
4. Be on time for your conference.

Thank you for supporting your child's education by participating in Parent/Teacher Conferences.

## Calendar of Events

02/02 – Spirit Assembly  
– Sports Day

**02/06 - 02/09 –  
Conferences – Early  
Release**

**02/07 - Early Release  
Wednesday**

02/08 – Kona Ice

**02/14 - Early Release  
Wednesday**

02/15 – Future Charger  
Night – Cholla Middle  
School, Sixth Grade

**02/21 - Early Release  
Wednesday**

02/22 – Kona Ice

02/22 – Site Council 3:45  
p.m.

02/22 – PTO 4:30 p.m.

**02/28 - Early Release  
Wednesday**

**Wednesday Early Dismissal**  
All grades release at 1:45 p.m.

### Site Council

Mike Bailey  
Sandy Bogard  
Aimee Wojciechowski  
Corinn Klues  
Katherine Bailey  
Shari Blanchard

### PTO Board

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

**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 pick-up line during drop off/pickup.**

### 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, have been vomiting or showing signs of COVID. 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.

**Check out our Sunset Elementary Facebook Page:**

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

**Governing Board:** Jenni Abbott-Bayardi, President • Kyle Clayton, Vice President  
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Dr. Paul Stanton, Superintendent



**WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**CHOLLA MIDDLE SCHOOL**  
*Home of the Chargers!*

**SAVE THE DATE**  
**FUTURE CHARGER NIGHT**

**Who:** Future Chargers & Parents  
**When:** Thursday, February 15 · 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.  
**Where:** Cholla Middle School...  
*where everyone is a star!*  
3120 W. Cholla St. · Phoenix, AZ 85029

Tour our beautiful campus!  
Learn about our programs and school culture!  
Meet our outstanding staff!

**Attention, Sixth Grade Families! Save the Date for Future Charger Night!**

Discover all the educational possibilities awaiting your soon-to-be middle schooler by attending Future Charger Night on Thursday, February 15, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at Cholla Middle School, located at 3120 W. Cholla St., Phoenix, AZ 85029. This is a great opportunity for future seventh grade students and their families to tour the beautiful campus, meet the awesome staff, and learn about the programs and school culture that make Cholla Middle School such a great place to learn and grow! We hope you can be there to prepare for the next exciting step in your education! To learn more, please call 602-896-5400.



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**MARQUEN LA FECHA**  
**FUTURA NOCHE "CHARGER"**

**Quién:** Futuros "Chargers" & Padres  
**Cuándo:** Jueves, 15 de Febrero · 4:30 a 6:30 p.m.  
**Dónde:** Escuela Intermedia Cholla...  
*Donde todos son una estrella!*  
3120 W. Cholla St. · Phoenix, AZ 85029

¡Recorran la hermosa propiedad escolar!  
¡Aprendan sobre nuestros programas y cultura de la escuela!  
¡Conozcan a nuestro increíble personal!

**¡Atención, Familias de Sexto Grado! ¡Marquen sus Calendarios para la Noche de los Futuros 'Charger'!**

Descubran todas las posibilidades educativas que les esperan a sus hijos quienes pronto serán estudiantes en la escuela intermedia asistiendo a la Futura Noche 'Charger' el jueves 15 de febrero de 4:30 a 6:30 p.m. en la Escuela Intermedia Cholla, ubicada en 3120 W. Cholla St., Phoenix, AZ 85029. ¡Esta es una gran oportunidad para que los futuros estudiantes de séptimo grado y sus familias recorran la hermosa propiedad escolar, conozcan al increíble personal y aprendan sobre los programas y la cultura de la escuela que hacen de la Escuela Intermedia Cholla un gran lugar para aprender y crecer! ¡Esperamos que puedan estar allí para prepararse para el próximo y emocionante paso en su educación! Para obtener más información, favor de llamar al 602-896-5400.

**Students of the Month**

First Grade: Rosalie D., Isaiah N., Ellie J.

Third Grade: Liam C., Gianna J., Saphyer V.

Fifth Grade: Aniyah S., Zainab K., Joel P.

Kinder: Remy B., Gianna C., Kaliyah M., Chaim B.

Second Grade: Muaz S., Hassan A., Kimberly Z.D.,

Fourth Grade: Vivian C., Arijana C., Iliana C.A.

Sixth Grade: Joyce A., MaKayla R., Isabella R.G.

*Thank you*

**Employees of the Month**

Makayla Harrum

Tiffany Allen

**Student Council's Make Your Day Store**

Students may visit the Make Your Day Store every Tuesday and Thursday before school to "spend" their Make Your Day tickets on great prizes! The table is set up in the courtyard by Mrs. Mucklow's classroom. Students may also save their Make Your Day tickets for quarterly in-school events such as a popsicle party and extra recess!

Our school is proud to continue participating in the #AttendanceMattersWESD campaign! The theme for the school year is Showing Up Together. The districtwide campaign was initiated last school year with a focus on emphasizing the importance of being in school each day and improving student attendance across the WESD. We are excited to share that the attendance rate for the 2022-2023 school year was 91.95%, which was an increase of 3.95% from the previous year. Additionally, the WESD reduced chronic absenteeism by more than 11%! Thank you to all our students and families who helped contribute to these achievements!

This year, the districtwide goal is to increase daily attendance by 2% and decrease chronic absenteeism by 8%. Please help us achieve these new goals by ensuring your child attends school each day. Remember, every day a student is absent is a lost opportunity for learning!

Here are a few tips of what you can do to help your child achieve perfect attendance:

- Set a regular bedtime and morning routine for your child.
- Lay out your child's clothes and pack their backpack the night before.
- Keep your child healthy by ensuring they receive their required vaccines.
- Try to schedule medical appointments for your child after school hours or on the weekends.

Let's show up together and make attendance a priority this school year! For more tips, information and resources, please visit: <https://www.wesdschools.org/attendance matters wesd>. Thank you for your support!