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School News

PALO VERDE MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Dear Palo Verde Students, Parents and Community,

Happy 2018! It is hard to believe that it is already January of the 2017-2018 school year! We first wanted to recap our wonderful December for you. On December 6, we had our Winter Family Pride Night. We had over 400 families on campus participating in the event. The event was themed "Rockin' Through the Ages." Our teams of teachers and students presented on different decades from 1920-1990. There were food samples, science projects, music, and historical events from the decades. This evening was a wonderful opportunity for our students to show our parents and the community the wonderful things that take place every day at Palo Verde. Thank you to everyone who attended this special event.

Our 7th and 8th grade Boys Basketball teams had great seasons. Hopefully, you made it out to a game. It was exciting to see their talent on display. Both Coach Lehman and Coach Binion worked extremely hard in building student-athletes within their teams. Congratulations to both teams for their successes and growth this season. Coach Hawkins and her cheer team did a fantastic job at the WESD Cheer Event, and cheering on our basketball teams all season long. Our wrestling team is off to a great start and will continue its season into January. We look forward to Girls Basketball starting up this month, as well as Boys Soccer.

The Pillar of the Month for January is CITIZENSHIP: Do your share to make your school and community better · be a good neighbor · obey laws and rules · respect authority · stay informed and vote · protect the environment. Students will be reminded of these components of showing good Citizenship throughout the month of January. It is incredibly important for us to instill these 6 pillars of character as we work to educate the whole child.

Next for 8th grade parents, we will begin our high school transition process by taking our students to our three feeder schools: Cortez, Apollo and Washington on January 17th. Each of the high school visits provides a great "look inside" each school with presentation, classroom visits, school-wide tours and the handing out of registration materials. The high school counselors will follow up these tours with a visit to Palo Verde the following week to register each of our students online. Please put on your calendar Future Freshman Night at each of these high schools on January 18th. This is open for 8th grade students and parents to attend. More information will be provided for you when you attend this fabulous night.

Also, save the date for our Quarter 2 Parent Teacher Conferences On January 30th from 4:30-7:30pm and January 31st from 3:00-7:00pm. More details will be sent home with your student.

Sincerely,

Mr. Mark Culbertson, Principal

Ms. Holly Weiner, Assistant Principal

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The Washington Elementary School District (WESD) will host multiple Teacher Interview Fairs to hire teachers for the 2018-2019 school year. All Teacher Interview Fairs will take place from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the WESD Administrative Center, 4650 West Sweetwater Avenue, Glendale, 85304. Contracts for the 2018-2019 school year will be offered to qualified candidates. Student teachers, soon-to-be college graduates, seasoned teachers and alternative pathways are encouraged to attend!

Teacher Interview Fairs are scheduled for:

Saturday, January 20, 2018,
Saturday, February 24, 2018,
Thursday, March 15, 2018
Saturday, April 28, 2018.

Interviews will be conducted for those interested in teaching: kindergarten, elementary education, special education, language arts, mathematics, science, social studies, general music, art and special needs preschool. Successful candidates may be recommended for a 2018-2019 teaching contract.

Apply online prior to the interview fair at jobs.wesdschools.org. Please select the posting titled, Teacher – All Positions. Human Resources will contact qualified applicants directly to preschedule an interview. For more information, contact the WESD Recruitment Office at 602-347-2622 or e-mail teach@wesdschools.org.

Friendship Dance



Student Council will be hosting a dance on February 13th in the gym from 5pm-7pm. Tickets will be sold near the gym before school February 8-12th, and students must bring their final grade from 2nd quarter. Students will need to save their 2nd quarter final grades once they have turned in the signed portion to their homeroom teacher. The cost is only \$5.00! The only requirement that is expected of you is you must have grades no lower than a "D" or a "F", and no U's. This Friendship Dance is definitely worth all the hard work to be there with your friends.



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Upcoming Events

Jan 11-4:45 Wrestling @ Cholla
Jan 15-Martin Luther King, Jr Day-No School
Jan 16-4:45 Wrestling @ Royal Palm
Jan 19-5:00 Wrestling Tournament @ Mountain Sky
Jan 22-4:15 PTO Meeting-Library
Jan 22-4:30 Site Council Meeting in Room 115
Jan 25-4:45 Girls Basketball @ Royal Palm
Jan 29-4:45 Boys Soccer @ Cholla
Girls Basketball @ Cholla
Jan 30-4:30-7:00 pm-Parent/Teacher Conferences-English Only
Jan 31-3:00-7:00 pm-Parent/Teacher Conferences with Translation
Feb 6-4:45 Boys Soccer @ Palo Verde
Girls Basketball @ Palo Verde

Open Gym Hours

Friday, Jan 19: 5-8 p.m.
Saturday, Jan 20: 1-4 p.m.
Friday, Jan 26: 5-8 p.m.
Saturday, Jan 27: 1-4 p.m.
Friday, Feb 2: 5-8 p.m.
Saturday, Feb 3: 1-4 p.m.



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