



# PANTHER NEWS

## School News

### PALO VERDE MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Dear Palo Verde Students, Parents and Community,

We were beyond excited as a school about our Parent/Teacher Conference turnout. We had over 400 families attend. Thank you to everyone who was able to come to campus and be a part of conferences. It means a lot to your child and our school that we continue with our partnership to make sure that our students are thriving in their academic environments.

A reminder that if you want to meet with teachers outside of conferences, please do not hesitate to e-mail them or call the school. We encourage families to use the ParentVue system through Synergy to track student's grades and progress from your cell phone or computer at home. This allows you easy access to grade reports, missing assignments and communication with the teachers. We hear frequently that there are so many differences between how we were taught as kids and how our students are being taught today. Hopefully, through conferences and communication with your student you are able to see the ways that students are being challenged and prepared for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century through their education at Palo Verde Middle School. While this may not be how we were educated, it is the world our students are not only learning in, but thriving in.

We continue to use Character Counts and practice the 6 Pillars of Character. This month, our focus is Fairness: Play by the rules · Take turns and share · Be open-minded; listen to others · Don't blame others carelessly. Please continue to discuss these pillars with your child. These help to support your child in being their personal best, and growing into a productive member of society. We try to instill character and care a great deal about social and emotional growth to educate the whole child.

American Education Week is November 13-17. We have incredibly hard working and dedicated teachers on campus who put in a great deal of time to continue to push this school into being one of the best middle schools in the state. Please take time to thank the educators who make a difference in your child's life each and every day!

We also continue to embrace year two of our school's mission PVMS- Producing Valued Motivated Students, where everyone does everything to achieve their personal best! Come see how we are educating your child and join us for Family Pride Night at Palo Verde on Wednesday, December 6 from 5:30-7:00 p.m. We will send more information home with your student in the weeks prior to the event. This is an opportunity for our parents and community to celebrate the students and all of their accomplishments first semester.

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## Mass Screening Event

Students have their vision and hearing screened in accordance with the state of Arizona's Department of Health Services guidelines. Vision and hearing are very important to your child's ability to learn, listen and make good progress in school. The goal is to remove health-related barriers to learning.

This year the screening is scheduled to take place on Tuesday, November 14. It is important that your child is in attendance on this day. If glasses or contacts are worn, please make sure they have them with them. Parents/guardians are informed of the results if follow-up care is recommended. School-based screenings are not intended to replace routine wellness examinations by the primary health care provider.

If you do not want your child's vision and/or hearing screened, please contact the health office. If you are concerned about your child's hearing or vision or have questions about the screening program, please contact the health office.

### Yearbook News:

*It's never too early to pre-order a yearbook.  
Supplies are limited, so don't be stuck without one!  
Order yours now for only \$25.00 (cash only) in room 1005.*



### P.T.O. News

### November Open Gym Hours

Friday, Nov. 3, 5-8p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 4, 1-4 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 17, 5-8 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 18, 1-4 p.m.



## **ENJOY GREAT FOOD & FUN *and* RAISE SOME DOUGH FOR PALO VERDE!**

*15% OF ALL FOOD, BEVERAGE AND TOKEN*

*SALES BENEFIT PALO VERDE.*

*DATE: WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>*

*TIME: 4:00 P.M.- 8:00 .PM.*

*PLACE: PETER PIPER PIZZA at*

*43<sup>rd</sup> Avenue & Glendale*

*4315 W. Glendale Ave.*

*Glendale 85301*

*Join us for a variety of games, contest and other activities!*

*We look forward to seeing you there!*



### **Upcoming Events:**

**Nov 7 4:45- Boys Basketball @ DV**

**Nov 9 4:45 Boys Basketball @ RD**

**Nov 10-Veteran's Day-NO SCHOOL**

**Nov 14 4:45 Boys Basketball @ DV**

**Nov 16 4:45 Boys Basketball @ DV**

**Nov 20 4:15-PTO Meeting in Library**

**4:30-Site Council Meeting in room 115**

**Nov 23-24 Thanksgiving Holiday-No School**

**Nov 28 4:45 Boys Basketball @ MS**

**Nov 30 4:45 Boys Basketball @ DV**

**4:45 Wrestling @ Madison Meadows**

### **PALO VERDE PTO**

#### **Jane Dough Cookie Dough fundraiser**

*Dates: 11/27/17 - 12/18/17*

*Delivery: 1/11/18*

*For those of you that are familiar with Jane Dough's® Cookie Dough –*

*you may already have a list of friends and family waiting to order!*

*For those of you that are not familiar with Jane Dough's® cookies –*

*you'll wonder how you ever lived without them. The delicious flavor lineup includes: Chocolate Chip, Cinnamon Sugar, Ginger, Oatmeal Raisin, and Peanut Butter.*

*Each 3 pound box with 36 pre-cut ready to bake cookies sells for only \$15 each.*

*Questions? Call Ms. Carpena at 602-347-2535*



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