

ARROYO

School News

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September 2019

Dear Parents,

What an exciting start to the 2019-2020 school year! There are so many things to look forward to and I am thrilled that you have chosen to allow us to partner with you and your child at Arroyo.

As you probably are aware, we are well into the construction phase of our new school. We anticipate moving into our new building for the start of the 2020-2021 school year. There is much to accomplish and I look forward to sharing timelines with you as we move forward this school year. It is our hope that we communicate, partner and problem solve any issues you might encounter during this process. As a reminder, if you have any questions related to construction, you can contact: Arroyo@mccarthy.com or 602-751-4306.

With construction, as you know, the traffic patterns are significantly impacted. My main goal is to ensure student safety. Because of this, I am asking you to pay attention to the following details, which will help keep our students safe:

- Please do not stop your vehicle in school crosswalk zones. A school crosswalk zone is defined as the area between the two 15 mile per hour zone signs at the end of the double yellow lines (these zones include Cholla, 47th and 45th Avenues). As a reminder, a traffic ticket could be issued for you as well as anyone who passes you for this violation.
- Please pay attention to parking on both sides of the street on 45th Avenue between Yucca and Cholla. When cars park on both sides of the street, it is difficult for a flow of two lanes of traffic.
- Finally, please be considerate of our immediate neighbors by not blocking their driveway entrances.

Our annual Goodwill Donation Drive is coming on Saturday, September 28, 2019. By participating, you can get rid of that "stuff" that is taking up space in your house and garage. In addition, you will be helping Goodwill meet community needs as well as helping our Arroyo PTA fundraise for our school. Arroyo receives 10 cents for every pound of items collected. Please consider dropping off items at Arroyo throughout the month of September (we have the ability to store items on site) or plan on dropping them off on September 28 from 10:00 a.m.

– 12:00 p.m. in the parking lot at Arroyo. If you have larger items that need to be picked up or if you would like to arrange for dropping off ahead of time, please contact Philip.liles@wesdschools.org.

A final piece of exciting news is that we are using this year to develop and plan for Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports (PBIS) with implementation at the beginning of the 2020-2021 school year. This system has been shown to reduce problem behavior, increase academic performance, increase attendance, decrease bullying behavior, improve on the perception of safety, increase organizational efficiency, decrease staff turnover rate, produce equitable and positive environments and improve social and emotional competence. We look forward to providing you additional information as well as getting your input throughout this school year.

As always, if you need anything, please do not hesitate to contact me at 602-896-5105, email me at Philip.liles@wesdschools.org or stop by my office to speak with me directly.

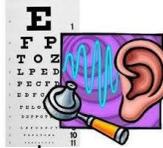
In Arroyo tradition, HOWWLLLLL!

YOUR Principal,

Philip Liles



September Calendar

- Sep. 11 Early Release – 1:00 p.m. dismissal
- Sep. 12 Girls Volleyball Game at Orangewood 4:15 p.m. 
- Sep. 13 PTA Cookie Dough Fund Raiser ends
- Sep. 16 Girls Volleyball Game at Maryland 4:15 p.m.
- Sep. 17 Vision & Hearing Screening 
- Sep. 18 Early Release – 1:00 p.m. dismissal
- Sep. 19 Girls Volleyball game at Abraham Lincoln 4:15 p.m.
- Sep. 23 Girls Volleyball Game at Sweetwater 4:15 p.m.
- Sep. 24 Girls Volleyball Game at Mountain View 4:15 p.m. 

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Dr. Paul Stanton, Superintendent

Sep. 25 Vision & Hearing Re-screens
Early Release - 1:00 p.m. dismissal

Sep. 26 Girls Volleyball game at Abraham Lincoln
4:15 p.m.

Sep. 28 PTA Goodwill Donation Drive
9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.



Peachjar Digital Flyer Platform and Email Updates

The WESD is committed to educational excellence and ensuring that parents stay informed about important activities and events that enhance their child's life. In an effort to improve parent and community engagement, the WESD uses Peachjar to send digital flyers and school newsletters directly to parents via email. Additionally, all flyers and newsletters are posted to each school's Web site. Parents are able to click to register their children for youth sports, enrichment programs, and community events. By using this system, we eliminate the need to print roughly 2,688,000 sheets of paper per year— nearly 322 trees! Please ensure that the WESD has a current email address on file. You will receive emails from the District in case of an emergency as well as for updates about your school and the District. Contact the front office to update your email address today!

Plataforma de Folleto Digital 'Peachjar' y Actualizaciones de Correo Electrónico

El WESD está comprometido a la excelencia educativa y a asegurar que los padres se mantengan informados sobre actividades y eventos importantes que mejoran la vida de sus hijos. En un esfuerzo para mejorar la participación de los padres y la comunidad, el WESD utiliza 'Peachjar' para enviar folletos y boletines escolares digitales directamente a los padres por correo electrónico. Adicionalmente, todos los folletos y boletines escolares se publicarán en el sitio Web de cada escuela. Los padres podrán hacer clic para inscribir a sus hijos para deportes juveniles, programas de enriquecimiento y eventos comunitarios. Al utilizar este sistema, eliminaremos la necesidad de imprimir aproximadamente 2,688,000 hojas de papel por año, ¡cerca de 322 árboles! Favor de asegurarse de que el WESD tenga una dirección archivada de correo electrónico actual. Recibirán correos electrónicos del Distrito en caso de una emergencia, así como actualizaciones acerca de su escuela y del Distrito. ¡Comuníquense con la oficina escolar para actualizar su dirección de correo electrónico hoy!

Accident Insurance Information:

As a service to families, the WESD has entered into an agreement with K&K Insurance to offer low-cost accident insurance for students. To learn more, see the school social worker or visit the health office.

Como un servicio a las familias, WESD ha comenzado un acuerdo con la compañía de seguros 'K&K Insurance' para ofrecerle a los estudiantes un seguro contra accidentes a bajo costo. Para más información, comuníquense con el trabajador social escolar o visiten la oficina de salud.

KidSpace Staff Needed!

In order to help meet the childcare needs of our families, we need your help to recruit KidSpace staff! Please invite friends, neighbors and relatives to consider working in our licensed WESD KidSpace program. KidSpace provides opportunities for personal and academic growth in a fun, safe and nurturing environment that extends beyond the school day. Visit the WESD Human Resources Web site to apply!

<https://jobs.wesdschools.org/>

**WE'RE
HIRING!**

Gifted Services Testing Opportunity

Washington Elementary School District provides a continuum of services for students identified as gifted. Testing for placement in the gifted program takes place three times a year on ALL campuses. If you feel your child demonstrates the traits of a gifted learner, please complete the screening form found on the Gifted Services website (www.wesdschools.org/Page/18) or **contact your child's teacher to arrange for testing.** A brochure describing services provided to gifted students and a list of common characteristics can be found on the website as well. Feel free to call or email the Coordinator of Gifted Services, Dr. Jason McIntosh, with any questions you may have (Jason.mcintosh@wesdschools.org / 602-347-2651). *The gifted teacher on your campus can be reached by email at kathryn.fitzgerald@wesdschools.org or phone 602-896-5160 as well.*



Oportunidad para Evaluación de Servicios para Estudiantes Dotados

El Distrito Escolar Washington provee un continuo de servicios para estudiantes identificados como dotados. La evaluación para colocación en el programa para estudiantes dotados toma lugar tres veces al año en TODAS las propiedades escolares. Si sienten que sus hijos demuestran características de un aprendiz dotado, favor de completar el formulario de evaluación leve que se encuentra en la página Web de Servicios Dotados 'Gifted Services' (www.wesdschools.org/Page/18) o **comunicarse con el maestro de sus hijos** para organizar una evaluación. Además, en la página Web se encuentra un folleto describiendo los servicios provistos para estudiantes dotados y una lista de características. Siéntanse en libertad de llamar o enviar un correo electrónico al Coordinador de Servicios para Estudiantes Dotados, Dr. Jason McIntosh, con cualesquier preguntas que pudiesen tener (Jason.mcintosh@wesdschools.org / 602-347-2651). *Pueden comunicarse con el maestro de estudiantes dotados en su propiedad escolar por correo electrónico en kathryn.fitzgerald@wesdschools.org o también por teléfono 602-896-5160.*

Be a better ME; Make a better YOU.