

SUNSET Newsletter



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Principal: Mandi Jones

Message from the Principal

Dear Sunset Families,

We miss you! As we navigate these challenging times together, we hope you know how much we care about you. Parents, thank you for your patience, unwavering support, and at-home assistance. Students, we are so proud of you and everything you are doing to be successful in our online learning adventure! Teachers and support staff, thank you for being “Gritty Marigolds”...overcoming obstacles, persevering, and spreading positivity like sunshine. Sunset PTO, thank you treating our staff to welcome back breakfasts, self-care gift bags, and blue light blocking glasses!

We know it takes a village to be successful during these unprecedented times and we couldn't get through this without each and every one of YOU!

Calendar of Events

9/14 Virtual After-School Academy classes begin
10/9 End of Quarter 1
10/12- 10/16 Fall Break
10/27 – 10/30 Early Release, Parent/Teacher Conferences
11/11 Veteran's Day –No School
11/16 – 11/20 Clothing Drive
11/26 – 11/27 Thanksgiving Holiday –No school
12/14 – 12/18 Holiday Spirit Week
12/16 Reading Olympics Kickoff
12/17 End of Quarter 2
12/18 – 1/1 Winter Break –No School
1/11 – 1/15 Pet Food Drive
1/18 Martin Luther King Jr Day – No School
2/9 – 2/12 Early Release, Parent/Teacher Conferences
2/15 President's Day –No School
3/12 End of Quarter 3
3/15 – 3/19 Spring Break –No School
4/19 – 4/23 Spirit Week
5/3 – 5/7 Teacher Appreciation Week
5/25 Last Day of School

Wednesday Early Dismissal/ Parent/Teacher Conference
All grades release at 1:45 p.m.

Site Council

Linda Austerman
Mike Bailey
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Corinn Klues

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Stormy Meyer –President
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FREE virtual morning and afternoon classes for Sunset students!

The Details:

Sept. 14 through Dec. 11, 2020

- Morning Classes: 5 days a week from 7:00AM-8:00AM
- Early Afternoon Classes: Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays from 3:30PM-4:30PM.
- Late Afternoon Class: Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays from 4:30PM-5:30PM.
- Twilight Class: Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:15PM-7:15PM.
- All enrolled students can participate in a Virtual Assembly on Wednesdays from 2:00PM-3:00PM.

Please click the link to register and see class details: [Registration Link](#)

Questions? Please contact Deanna Jergenson –Coordinator
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Phone: 623-208-9213

Check out our Sunset Elementary Facebook Page:

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



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Stay in "In The Know"

Parents and families, we've put together a summary of the communications resources available for you to stay connected with our school and the WESD. To view all of the latest information regarding WESD's reopening plan, visit www.wedschools.org/returntolearn. Please also make sure to like and follow the WESD's Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and LinkedIn sites to get news and updates. We also have our school Facebook page to engage with families.

Are you using ParentVUE? We encourage you to access this student information system online or download the mobile app to access important updates throughout your child's school year. An Activation Key is required to create and log in to your account. Please contact the school office at (602) 347-3300 for assistance. To log in to ParentVUE, visit https://parentvue.wedschools.org/PXP2_Login.aspx.

The WESD also uses the SchoolMessenger notification service to send important information to our families through phone calls, emails, and text messages. In order to receive text message alerts through this system, you will need to "opt-in" to the service. A reminder to use the same cell phone number that we have on file for you. This is the cell number that you provided to register your child. To get started, just text YES or OPTIN to the shortcode 67587.

Lastly, have you heard about Peachjar? WESD utilizes Peachjar's digital flyer management solution to deliver digital informational flyers and resources directly to families. This is a free service that automatically shares digital flyers either posted by our school or the district. A link to Sunset's Peachjar flyers is located on our website: <http://sunset.wedschools.org/>

Thank you to our families for continuing to connect with us this school year!

Students of the Month

Kindergarten

Mrs. Austerman: Gianna J.
Miss Bailey: Isabella C.
Mrs. Harris: Otto B.
Miss West: Jorge O.

2nd Grade

Ms. Cota: Kenneth N.
Ms. Demory: Jada W.
Ms. Savage: Rhea G.

4th Grade

Mrs. Dill: Trinity G.
Ms. Ray: Yaramarn A.

6th Grade

Ms. Barber: Justice T.
Ms. Douglas: Alex G.
Ms. Klues: Jaylen C.

1st Grade

Miss Lerner: Aiden C.
Mrs. Mettler: Johan R.
Ms. Schmitt: Lionel D.

3rd Grade

Miss Scott: Adam R.
Mrs. Jones: Lexi T.
Ms. Spina: Amy M.

5th Grade

Ms. Smith: Leressie L.
Mrs. Konecny: Darifena G.
Miss Marple: Carlos M.



Employees of the Month



Congratulations to our amazing September employees of the month!

Deanna Jergenson: Mrs. Jergenson is our amazing instructional coach and After School Academy site coordinator at Sunset. Her stellar technology skills have helped us in a HUGE way during this first month of distance learning! Mrs. Jergenson's patience, kindness and expertise help diminish our stress and build our skillset. THANK YOU!

Dolores Valdez: Ms. Dolores is an instructional assistant in our Special Needs Preschool program. She has been an asset in our on-site support rooms and during our live preschool sessions. Ms. Dolores helps our students and staff with such kindness!

We are blessed to have Mrs. Jergenson and Ms. Dolores on our Sunset team!

2020 Census

You can help shape the future for your kids and our school today by taking the 2020 Census. An accurate count of children can help communities meet the need for more educational resources. It's not too late to respond to the 2020 Census online at 2020census.gov, by phone at 844-330-2020, or by returning the paper questionnaire you received in the mail. New this month, census takers will be visiting households that have not yet responded to the census to help ensure *everyone* is counted, including children. The deadline to respond is September 30. If you have any questions regarding the 2020 Census, email wedcommserv@wedschools.org.

Pueden ayudar a amoldar el futuro para sus hijos y nuestras escuelas hoy al tomar el Censo para el 2020. Una cuenta precisa de los niños puede ayudar a comunidades a cumplir con la necesidad para más recursos educativos. No es demasiado tarde para responder al Censo para el 2020 en línea en 2020census.gov, por teléfono al 844-330-2020 o al devolver el cuestionario de papel que recibieron en el correo. Nuevo este mes, censistas comenzarán a visitar a los hogares que aún no han respondido al censo para ayudar a asegurar que se cuenten a *todos*, incluyendo a niños. La fecha límite para responder es el 30 de septiembre. Si tienen cualesquier preguntas respecto al Censo para el 2020, envíen un correo electrónico a wedcommserv@wedschools.org.