

THE HAWK

PARENT NEWSLETTER OF LAVEEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL • APRIL, 2024

Dear Laveen Families,

On behalf of all of our students, teachers and staff, **thank you** for generously supporting this year's Ohana Run!

I am pleased to announce that we met our fundraising goal. This will help fund our Booster Club for the next year, allowing them to support promotion ceremonies, field trips, teacher wish lists, teacher appreciation week, and many student activities and events throughout the year. **We couldn't have done it without you!**

Students had a great time on Friday and the weather was perfect. Thank you to all the parents that came out to support our runners! They looked great in their new shirts! Students can wear their new white Ohana Run '24 t-shirts any day for the rest of the year as part of their uniform. **A big shout out once again to our sponsors:**

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Follow us on Facebook @laveenelementary for many Ohana Run '24 pictures!

With gratitude, *Dr. Robert Caplinger*, Principal



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PARENTVUE WEBSITE AND PHONE APP

ParentVUE is an easy tool to monitor your child's education. ParentVUE is a website that offers secure, private access to school information, including assignments, grades, progress reports, attendance, school calendar, and teacher contact details. The ParentVUE Mobile app uses the same user login as the web-based ParentVUE portal. [Click here](#) to access ParentVUE on your computer. iPhone users: [Apple Store](#). Android: [Google Play](#).

STATE TESTING CALENDAR

We are happy to share our state testing calendar again. It is important that all students are at school on time during testing with a positive, "I got this!" attitude. Thank you for your support of state testing this month!

ARIZONA'S ACADEMIC STANDARDS ASSESSMENTS (AASA & AzSCI)

Laveen students are at school, on-time and prepared!

Tuesday, April 2: AASA Writing (AM) - Grades 3 - 8

Wednesday, April 3: AzScience Part 1 (AM) - Grades 5 & 8

Thursday, April 4: AzScience Part 2 (AM) & Part 3 (PM) - Grades 5 & 8

Tuesday, April 9: AASA Reading Part 1 (AM) - Grades 3 - 8

Thursday, April 11: AASA Reading Part 2 (AM) - Grades 3 - 8

Friday, April 12: AASA Reading Fluency (AM & PM) - Grade 3

Tuesday, April 16: AASA Math Part 1 (AM) - Grades 3 - 8

Thursday, April 18: AASA Math Part 2 (AM) - Grades 3 - 8



As a parent, please emphasize the importance of:

1. Working hard each day to prepare for the assessment
2. Getting at least eight hours of sleep each night
3. Eating a healthy breakfast
4. Having a positive "I got this!" attitude
5. Practicing breathing skills when things get tough (Take five!)

Please hang these dates on the refrigerator or mark your calendars to ensure on-time attendance & no early-releases on these important state assessment dates. Thank you!



BE PREPARED

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

April 5	Student of Month Breakfast - 7:45AM	April 19	Laveen Garden Earth Day Event - 5PM
April 10	Early Release/\$1.00 Dress Down Day	April 22	3rd/4th Grade Math All-stars Assembly
April 10	Kindergarten "Cap & Gown" Pictures	April 24	Early Release/\$1.00 Dress Down Day
April 10	8th Grade "Dress to Impress" Pictures	April 25	Arizona Coyotes Visit PE Classes
April 10	PreK Family "Foam" Night - 6:00PM	April 26	Arizona Coyotes Visit PE Classes
April 11	Governing Board Meeting - 5:30PM	May 1	District Science Fair - 5:00PM @LEC
April 17	2nd Grade Field Trip - Az Sci Center	May 2	5th-8th Band Concert - 5:30PM @CHE

If you have questions about events or activities, please call our main office at (602) 237-9110, M-F 8:00AM - 4:00PM

FRY'S COMMUNITY REWARDS

If you shop at Fry's Foods Grocery store, please link your Fry's V.I.P. card to **Laveen Elementary School (Laveen Hawks PTO) organization number: AK833**. The Fry's Community Rewards program will automatically donate to our school on your behalf from each of your purchases! This will happen automatically and there is nothing else you need to do! **Please visit:** frysfood.com/i/community/community-rewards

8TH GRADE PROMOTION INFORMATION

We are very proud to celebrate our 8th grade students as they are promoted to high school! We are planning three very special events to honor their hard work at Laveen.

8th Grade Trip. All 8th grade students will join their teachers for a fun trip to the Main Event on Monday, May 20. Our Booster Club will cover the costs of this trip, including lunch. More details and permission slips are coming soon!

8th Grade Promotion Ceremony. Please join us on Tuesday, May 21 at 10:00AM for a promotion ceremony in our gym. Students will receive their promotion certificates and we will also be presenting some special achievement awards and announcing high school scholarship recipients. Refreshments will follow the ceremony. **Each student will receive tickets for five (5) guests.** Tickets may be picked-up by a parent in our main office starting on Monday, May 6. Questions? Please call us at (602) 237-9110. We will always try to accommodate special requests. **Congratulations, 8th Grade Class of 2024!**

8th Grade "Dress to Impress" Portraits. All 8th grade students will have a special portrait taken on Wednesday, April 10. Students should dress up on this day! Portraits will be presented in a special folder on promotion day with their promotion certificates. *There are no make-ups for this special picture day!*



KINDERGARTEN PROMOTION INFORMATION

We are also very proud to celebrate our kindergarteners as they are promoted to first grade!

Kindergarten Promotion Ceremony. Please join us on Tuesday, May 21 at 12:30PM for a promotion ceremony in our gym. Students will perform with their classmates and walk across the stage to receive their promotion certificates. Refreshments will follow the ceremony. **Each student will receive tickets for five (5) guests.** Tickets may be picked-up by a parent in our main office starting on Monday, May 6. Questions? Please call us at (602) 237-9110. We will try to accommodate special requests. **Congratulations, Kindergarten Class of 2024!**



Kindergarten "Cap and Gown" Portraits. All kindergarten students will have a special portrait taken in a cap and gown on Wednesday, April 10. Portraits will be presented in a special folder on promotion day with their promotion certificates. *There are no make-ups for this special picture day!*

Picture Day is Coming!

¡Ya llega el Día de la Foto!

Wednesday, April 10, 2024

Laveen Elementary School - Kindergarten in Cap & Gown and 8th Grade Dress to Impress



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Pre-order today on
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using your Student ID or
Picture Day ID:
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Students are
photographed on
Picture Day



Orders will be sent home
with your student after
Picture Day

PRESCHOOL PROMOTION INFORMATION

Each classroom will host their own event and details will be delivered to parents by the classroom teachers. Congratulations, Preschool Class of 2024! Welcome to kindergarten!



CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR

Each year the Laveen Elementary School District recognizes one classified employee from each school as the “Exceptional Service Award” recipient. Laveen Elementary is proud to announce that **Sandra Bautista** was our 2024 award winner. Ms. Bautista goes above and beyond for students and staff every single day as our school secretary. We were excited to honor her at the March Governing Board Meeting with her friends and family!



SPRING WEEKLY SPIRIT WEAR DEALS

Visit our Laveen spirit store at LaveenSpiritWear.com for weekly deals on clothing and always receive flat rate shipping on all orders! Each Friday is "Spirit Wear Friday" at Laveen and students are welcome to wear their spirit to show their Laveen pride. **There are new specials and sales announced each week!**



SUCCESSFUL MIDDLE SCHOOL PARENT SURVEY

Attention 5th - 8th Grade Parents! To better understand the needs of our middle-level students, we are participating in the [Association for Middle Level Education's Successful Middle School Assessment](#). This survey is designed to help us understand our current implementation of practices that research suggests are especially effective for middle school-aged students. It will give you the opportunity to lend your voice and share your perspective, so we can make good choices for current and future students, schedules, courses, and programs.

The survey will take about 10 minutes to complete and is fully anonymous. We ask that you please answer every question. The data we collect from families will be considered alongside responses from staff and students and will guide the Association for Middle Level Education to offer recommendations to Laveen Elementary School that will help us continue to best meet the needs of our students.

We will begin this survey process on April 11. Watch your email for details. We appreciate you taking the time to lend your voice. Go Hawks! Go Middle School!



The Successful
Middle School™
Assessment

*A data-driven tool to help middle grades educators
create meaningful school improvement.*

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to our Students of the Month! These students are nominated by their teachers based on outstanding academic achievement. Students receive a certificate and free ice cream from Laveen's very own, Scooptacular! Students and their families will also be invited to a special breakfast. **Congratulations, Hawks!**

STUDENT	TEACHER	STUDENT	TEACHER
Ace Romero	Jonathan Clauss (PreK)	Catalina De Herrera	James Carrethers (4)
Emery Hamm	Jhovana Bugarin (PreK)	John Alvarado	Dominique Mariscal (4)
Gaddiel Nava	Mercedes Jeffrey (PreK)	Alexander Regneir	Geraldine Rodriguez (4)
Phoenix Padilla	Austin Knolles (PreK)	Andrew Ventura	Christian Villa (4)
Yara Vasquez	Jeannette Craig (K)	Hossana Gaxiola Sanchez	Bernadette Carbajal (5)
Connie Garcia	Isabel Hlebak (K)	Makenzie Romero	Gabriel Duarte (5)
Ellie Lewis	Janina Perez (K)	Cache Butler	Nick Plantz (5)
Nicolas Figueroa	Jessica Krantz (LS)	Kassandra Robles	Deanna Bleyl (6)
Cruz Vizcarra	Mary Turner (LS)	Alyssa Smith	Jessica Lozano (6)
Oliver Sterrett	Jennifer Veney (LS)	Evan Souphalak	Logan Wasie (6)
Adalyn Ventura	Sabrina Wyda (LS)	Rafael Morales	Brianne Capono (7)
Lionel Chavez	Sarai Covarrubias (1)	Ruby Ramirez Ramirez	Crystal Codner (7)
Emmalyn Bugarin Lopez	Sylvia Ramirez (1)	Andrez Saenz Quintero Jr	Cynthia Salinas (7)
Goldie Pennington	Michelle Shields (1)	Aiyanna Johnson	Ken Cline (8)
Santiago Perez Hernandez	Catalina Koller (2)	Dontaye Dunbar	Erin Delaney (8)
Julian Beltran	Sara Lofton (2)	Anita Blake	Adrian Ruiz (8)
Phoenix Perkins	Gabriela Rocha (2)	Sinai Maestas	Alyssa Morrison (Music)
Desyian Oshima	Joia Westwood (2)	Emily Kepler	Peyton Farina (PE)
Layla Alvarez	Tiffany Lorona (3)	Yessenia Cross	Andrea Smith (Art)
Julian Loeza	Michele Malone (3)	Zakoden Jones	Luke Smith (PE/STEM)
Michelle Lopez Franco	Melody Smith (3)	Joseph Lerma-Morales	David Wulff (PE)
Analee Olivas	Ashleigh Justice (K-3)	Alexxia Saenz Quintero	David Morrison (Band)
Harley Robbins	Monica Gallo (3-5)	Tevin Stewart	Leah Hall (6-8)