



VALLEY
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Coyote News

From the Principal's Desk

Mrs. Wilber, M. Ed.,



February is here and with the coming of this month, I think about all of the wonderful people that I interact with each day. I think of the beautiful faces of the students on campus and the staff that leads them daily on their path of growth.

I also assess our progress as a school to educate our students so that they reach their full potential. We focus strongly on academics while not forgetting that our students are whole children needing many things to flourish.

There are many factors that make us who we are and I truly believe in what we do here. I am proud of the work we do and of the people who are a part of our organization.

Valley Academy is not just a school, it is a community. I appreciate all of you who have made the choice to be a part of our community, and I look forward to our future together.

As I close, I would like to bring to your attention that the state testing window for AzMerit paper-based testing has been moved to the week of March 28. March 28th is a full day Staff Development on our campus, so we will begin testing on Tuesday, March 29th. Please do everything possible to have your child here at promptly at 8:00 a.m. ready for this very important testing. AzMerit will be completed along with AIMS Science for grades 4 & 8 on a closed and quiet campus. Please provide your child plenty of rest and a nutritious breakfast so that they are able to do their very best work.

I, again, thank you for your support and look forward to seeing you on campus at the Spring Festival, Saturday, March 3rd, if not before.

My best,

Mrs. Wilber, Principal

Upcoming Events

Candy Grams

February 4th Student Council is kicking off their fundraiser.

Spirit Day

February 5th All students in grades K-8 may participate in monthly ice cream and special t-shirts to celebrate Spirit Day.

Progress Reports

February 10th Students' work is assessed and reports are sent home.

Early Release February 12th at 12:15 p.m.

Parent Teacher Conferences February 12th Conferences are scheduled upon request

No School February 15th Presidents' Day

School Board Meeting February 25th Reid Office (14841 N. Black Canyon Freeway) School Board meetings are open to the public, and parents are welcome to attend.

More Events Listed on Calendar Page



Meet our awesome Student Council. They are responsible for flying our flags each day and help to keep our campus beautiful. Read what they're doing on the next page.

For more information, please visit our website at www.ValleyAcademy.com



As you prepare your 2015 taxes, please consider making a donation to Valley Academy extracurricular activities and receive a dollar-for-dollar refund on your taxes. The form is available [here](#), and you may drop it off in the front office with your donation check, or you can donate by credit card online [here](#). Full details about the Arizona Tax Credit Donation are on our website [Tax Credit Donation Information](#) page.

Chorus

Our very own Valley Academy Choir is performing at Fellowship Square, 2002 W. Sunnyside Drive. The performance begins at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 13th. This is one more example of our students participating in community service. The retirement center looks forward to our visit every year!

Campus News

Student Council

We are entering our busy season for Student Council! Starting February 3rd and continuing through the 11th, parents and students will be able to purchase candy grams to be delivered during classroom Valentine's Day parties. Candy grams are \$1 and will be available for purchase before school at the flagpole. Student Council will also be hosting a GLOW IN THE DARK themed dance on February 26th for Valley 7th and 8th grades. Admission is \$5. We look forward to seeing all of you in February!

Yearbook Club

This is the LAST CALL for Messages From Home to be returned if you want to have a message for your child published in the Yearbook. In addition to the paper forms which were sent home with your child(ren), an electronic message was sent out with a Message From Home attachment which can be printed out and returned to your child's homeroom teacher or the front office. Please, have those orders returned no later than February 4th, since we must meet our deadline with the publisher.

LOOK for the Yearbook Order forms which will be sent home with the students during the first week in February. These forms have an attached envelope which is the actual order form. Please complete all information requested on the order form and **enclose \$16.00 in cash or check (made payable to Valley Academy)** and return these to the school no later than March 2nd.

Another option for ordering a yearbook is to **place your order online at www.inter-state.com/yearbook**. This option requires the code **03937P** to be entered. The last date to place an order is March 2nd.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 109	2 110	3 111	4 112	5 113 Spirit Day	6
Week 24			Student Council Candy Gram Sale Begins			
7	8 114	9 115 VAPO Meeting 8:15 a.m.	10 116 Progress Reports	11 117 VAPO hosted Staff Breakfast Student Council Candy Gram Sale Ends	12 118 Classroom Parties 11:15-12:15 Early Release 12:15 Dismissal No Specials Parent Teacher Conferences	13
Week 25						
14	15 No School Presidents' Day	16 119	17 120	18 121 Caught Being Good	19 122	20
Week 26						
21	22 123	23 124	24 125	25 126 Board Meeting 6:00 p.m. Reid Offices	26 127 Student Council 7/8 Dance 6-8:30	27
Week 27						
28	29 128					
Week 28						

Training for
Kindergarten
Screening
Volunteers