



VALLEY  
ACADEMY



May 2019

# Coyote News

## From the Principal

As we finish up another school year here at Valley Academy, I think about all of the students on our campus, all of the families that are a part of our community, and the part we play in those lives. I think of the bright happy faces I see as I walk the campus. I also think about the hard work that those students are doing. I know that coming to Valley Academy is a parental choice and I appreciate the fact that you have entrusted us with your precious children. We hold that trust dear. Thank you for your commitment to our excelling school, its philosophy, and its mission.



When the end of May arrives, please remember that weekly reading and math facts should be a part of your child's summer practice. These skills are important to every child and are best practiced regularly. Also, take the summertime to build your child's experiences. When you expand your child's world, you develop many beneficial skills such as creativity, vocabulary development, and reading comprehension. These skills are drawn from and used throughout the school year to help your child become more academically successful.

Reid Traditional Schools are the best in the valley, and we are proud of all we do here. We provide an academically rigorous program while understanding that we are training young minds. Our students are given a well-rounded, nurtured environment, and it has proven to be successful over many years. I want to thank you again for helping us in our success, and congratulate us all once again on a job well done.

Best wishes for a safe and happy summer,

Victoria Wilber, M. Ed.

## Upcoming Events

**Night of Arts** May 2<sup>nd</sup> Student Art work on display along with Band and Chorus performances.

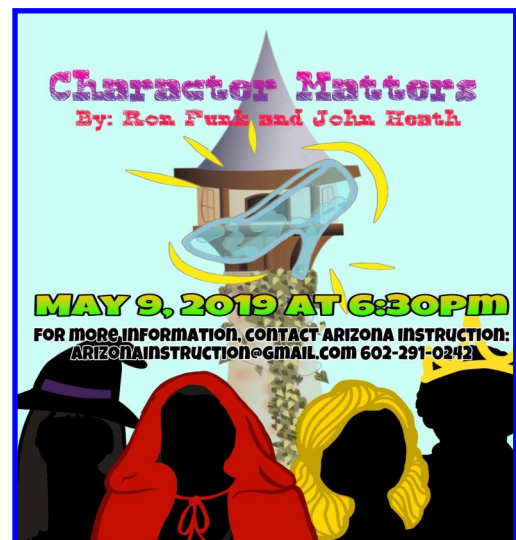
**Spirit Day** May 3<sup>rd</sup> All students in grades K-8 participate in ice cream & special t-shirts to celebrate Spirit Day

**VAPO hosted Staff Luncheon** May 7<sup>th</sup>.

**AZ Instruction Drama Program** May 9<sup>th</sup>. 6:30 p.m.

**8th Grade Promotion Dinner/Dance** May 11<sup>th</sup> 6:00 p.m. 8th grade students enjoy a very special evening with their parents, followed by a 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dance beginning at 8:00 p.m.

**More Information Listed on Last Page**



Character Matters! AZ Instruction Drama Program

For more information, please visit our website at [www.ValleyAcademy.com](http://www.ValleyAcademy.com)

# NEWS & UPDATES



We are pleased to present the Class of 2019

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## Year End Parties...

Remember that year end parties are for current students of Valley Academy. Valley Academy prohibits former students, minor siblings, friends of students, and underage relatives from attending class parties. Thank you for your cooperation. In addition, Valley Academy is a **no-gum campus**. Please help us maintain a clean campus.

## Club Roundups

**Science Club** had a stellar year proving and investigating various science experiments. We have learned a lot this year using solar power, wind power, and other forms of energy. From solar ovens to rockets, we have designed and engineered many exciting projects. Mr. Smith and Ms. Brasher wish their students well and are excited about next year.

**National Junior Honor Society** had a stupendous inaugural year! Thirty-nine 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students were inducted and have participated in various community service projects both on and off campus. Campus projects have included emptying recycle bins, campus cleanup, and assisting individual teachers. Off campus, our students have participated in projects with their families, churches, sports teams, and scout troops. At our last meeting for this school year, new officers will be elected for next year so we can continue with these projects in the fall. A new group of eligible 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will be inducted next year to join our current members. A special thanks to the advisers, Mrs. Freeman, Mrs. Breshears, Mrs. Lewandowsky, and Mr. De La Cruz.

**Robotics Club** had an amazing year building and coding different types of robotics. We have learned a lot this year about mechanics and engineering. Mr. Smith, Mr. Hayo, and Ms. Brasher wish their students well and are eagerly looking forward to next year!

**National Junior Art Honor Society** had another remarkable year! The students took on the challenge of collecting old markers to recycle. The markers will be recycled into fuel. This year the students also made cards for the office using a form of Chinese paper cutting. To wrap up our year, students are making blankets to donate to local animal shelters. It has been a true honor working with all the students this year. Mrs. Watkins and Ms. Schambach wish all the students a wonderful summer and best wishes to those advancing to high school! Strive for the best you, you can be!

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**Preschool News:** Our littlest Coyotes have grown and learned so much since the beginning of August. I want to extend our appreciation to our preschool teachers, Ms. Crabtree and Mrs. McCartney, who continued to do such a great job teaching our preschoolers. I also would like to thank Mrs. Baczynski and Miss Dessenberger, our preschool aides, for their endless patience and loving guidance for our little ones. We look forward to seeing these students next year in our kindergarten program. Remember, we do offer before and afterschool care for our preschool students. For more information regarding that, please contact the office. Also, Inspire International Preschool is offering pick up and drop off to our campus. Please call (602) 363-2945 for more information.

Have a wonderful summer!

Mrs. Browne, M.Ed., Preschool Director

## Tidbits

**Honor Roll Ceremony** The month of May brings the return of the Honor Roll Ceremony to honor the academic achievements of those students in grades 3-8. The date of this event is Tuesday, May 21<sup>st</sup>. We are excited to host this event at the LDS church not far from Valley Academy. Students in third and fourth grade will be honored beginning at 6:00 p.m., and fifth through eighth grades will be honored starting at 7:30 p.m.

**Student Council** It has been a fantastic year for Student Council! Our officers and representatives have helped raise the flag every morning, sold and delivered Candy Grams, carried off and returned recycle cans around campus, and helped raise money for our school while providing fun activities like Movie Nights. They were a great help to Ms. DiModugno with guests during the Read In. We couldn't be more proud of this group of students. It is now that time of year when we have to say farewell to our 8<sup>th</sup> graders. We would like to wish all 8<sup>th</sup> grade Student Council members (Conner C., Abbi P., Victoria S., & Gwynne C.) good luck in high school; we will sure miss them!

**History Bee** Since it is the last newsletter of the year, we would like to wish our National History Bee participants good luck as they head to Chicago, Illinois, this summer to compete against hundreds of other elementary and middle school students from all across the country. They have been working so hard to prepare, and we will be cheering them on from Phoenix! Good luck: Kyle M., Adrian B., Amiel S., Tanish J.A., Sharvesh S., Ava V., Caden G., Sai M., Lohita K.!

**Night of Arts** Grades 1-8 will have their artwork on display. Our Band and Chorus will also be performing. Come see what our great young artists have created! May 2<sup>nd</sup> 6:30 p.m.

**Arizona Instruction** Arizona Instruction's production of Character Matters will be performed on our campus on May 9<sup>th</sup>, in the M.P.R. The show is FREE to attend and starts at 6:30 p.m. Come and enjoy an evening watching the very talented cast that is comprised of our primary grade students. Everyone is welcome to attend!

# May 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3 Spirit Day	4
Week 35				Night of the Arts 6:30 p.m.		
5	6	7 VAPO hosted Luncheon	8	9 AZ Instruction Drama Show 6:30 p.m.	10	11 8th Grade Recognition Dinner 6:00-8:00 p.m.  7/8 Grade Dance 8:00-10:00 p.m.
Week 36						
12	13 Sports' Recognition 6:00 p.m.	14 VAPO Meeting 8:15 a.m. Caught Being Good	15	16	17	18
Week 37						
19	20	21 8th Grade Breakfast & Field Trip  3-8 Honor Roll Ceremony	22 8th Grade Rehearsal	23 8th Grade Promotion 7:00 p.m.	24 <b>Last Day of School</b> Classroom Parties 11:15-12:15 Early Release 12:15 Dismissal No Specials Report Cards Go Home	25
Week 38						
26	27 Offices Closed Memorial Day	28	29 New Parent Orientation 6:00 p.m.	30	31	