



VALLEY
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Coyote News

From the Principal's Desk

Mrs. Brooks, M. Ed., Principal



Dear Parents,

I hope you had a happy Thanksgiving and enjoyed the extra time with your families. We have just a couple of weeks until winter break. Please do not forget the importance of keeping your child focused on academics and continuing to work with them over the winter break by having them read and practice their math skills daily. During the break, we hope that you and your family stay healthy and safe.

Before we go on break, we will be sending out an announcement of changes on campus for the new year as it relates to COVID protocols. We are excited to start 2022 with children being able to be protected by COVID vaccinations and look forward to starting up some fun activities again.

As 2021 comes to a close, I would like to thank VAPO and all of our parents who continue to support our school and are committed to the traditional education and values we have established. Reid Traditional Schools' Valley Academy is an excellent school. We are focused on providing your child the best well-rounded education and continue to be acknowledged for our students' high academic achievements. I am proud to be an administrator here and work with such a quality, caring staff along with a super group of students. It is so nice to see the students on campus playing and connecting with their peers once again. Thank you to all who are a part of this special campus. Together we are accomplishing great things.

I wish you all a warm and wonderful winter break and a safe, happy New Year.

Happy Holidays,

Mrs. Victoria Brooks

Upcoming Events

Lunch Orders Due Friday, December 10th — Lunch orders for January are due.

Mom's Pantry Due Tuesday, December 14th — The Valley Academy Student Council has teamed up with Mom's Pantry to help those in need this winter season.

Early Release/End of 2nd Quarter Friday, December 17th — K-8 Holiday parties will take place in their classrooms. K-8 students will dismiss at 12:15 p.m. There is NO COYOTE CLUB.

Winter Break December 20th through January 3rd. School resumes Tuesday, January 4th.

More Events Listed on Calendar Page

Classroom Holiday Parties

Friday, December 17, 2021

All K-8 classes will participate in Holiday parties this year; however, our campus will remain closed to parents, and we will only be allowing one parent (homeroom parent) to be on campus and in the classroom during the holiday party. Because the cafeteria is closed on holiday party day and we are not allowing shared food such as pizza, students are to bring their own lunch. This applies to all grade levels. Only individual treats may be provided. All students in K-8 will dismiss at 12:15 p.m. There is NO COYOTE CLUB on December 17th.



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

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MOM'S PANTRY

It's that time again to clean out your pantry at home and help those in need! Help others enjoy everything we love about this time of year!

The Valley Academy Student Council has teamed up with Mom's Pantry to help those in need this winter season. This local charity does some great work, and we would love to help them out by collecting the items they need.

Each classroom will be collecting all non-perishable food items and toiletry items through December 14th.

Of course, we do this to help our community, but it doesn't hurt to be rewarded for good deeds as well! The winning classrooms with the most donated items in K-4th grade AND 5th-8th grade will get a PIZZA PARTY!

Examples of Items Needed:

Cereal/Oatmeal
Boxed Mac & Cheese/Rice/Pasta
Canned Vegetables/Soup
Canned Tuna/Meat/Chicken Breast
Toothpaste/Toothbrush
Shampoo/Conditioner/Bar Soap/Toilet Paper

Messages From Home

It's time to reserve space in the Valley Academy Yearbook for a message from YOU to your child. Please check your email for the form. Deadline to submit is January 21, 2022.

You're an Un-BEE-lievable Speller!

Our Spelling Bee was held on December 2nd, virtually, and by invitation only. A big shout out to the Spelling Bee facilitators, Mrs. Pace, Mr. Beckham, and Mrs. Loveless, for an awesome job. Our first place winner was Avyukth K., our second place winner was Krishna B., and our third place winner was Elizabeth Y. Congratulations to our three winners! Thank you to all the students who participated this year!



Tax Credit Donations

As you begin to prepare your 2021 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](#). 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. Thank you for supporting activities and clubs for our students.



Thank you to our staff and families for your participation in this year's Toy Drive. It was a BIG success! The Department of Child Safety was able to pick up six large bags filled with toys. Thank you to our NJHS facilitator, Mrs. Freeman, and the rest of her team: Mrs. Lewandowsky, Mr. Bauer, Ms. Rohr, Mrs. Licano, and Mrs. Simon, along with the members of NJHS for a job well done! Pictured below are some of those members.



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As a reminder, there will be no Coyote Club on Friday, December 17, 2021. Classes for K-8 grades will dismiss at 12:15 p.m. and ALL students must be picked up on time through drive through pick up, walk up pick up, or by walking across the street. The campus will be closed following dismissal, so it is important that you be on time. Please remember that the office is not a pick up zone, and to eliminate an abundance of parents and students in the office, students are to dismiss in the appropriate

November SHINE Recipients

Congratulations to the following students: Emilia N., Nikita N., Samarth G., and Wyatt H. They were selected by their 3rd grade teachers as their "SHINE" recipients for their class this month! SHINE stands for Successful, Hardworking, Individual, and Noble Example. I am so thankful to them for being shining examples for others to follow. This is a special award, and I am so proud of them. Way to go, students!

Mrs. Breshears, M. Ed.

Assistant Principal




Nora R. is ready for our Reindeer Run!



Our annual Turkey Trot that happens before Thanksgiving Break was cancelled this year due to COVID-19. In place of the Turkey Trot race, this year, we will be holding a Reindeer Run before our Winter Break. The Reindeer Run will take place on Thursday, December 16th, with grade levels racing at different times. Parents will be able to attend this outdoor event but will be remaining outside of the building, as our campus is still closed to our parents. More information to come by email.

December 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 Board Meeting 6:30 P.M. Reid Offices	3 Spirit Day	4
5	6	7	8	9	10 Lunch Orders Due	11
12	13	14 VAPO Meeting 8:15 a.m. Mom's Pantry Ends	15	16 	17 Classroom Parties Early Release 12:15 Dismissal No Coyote Club End of 2nd Quarter	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
<p>No School — Winter Break</p> <p>School Resumes January 4th</p>						
26	27	28	29	30	31	