



VALLEY  
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# Coyote News

## From the Principal's Desk

Mrs. Brooks, M. Ed., Principal



Dear Parents,

Wishing you and your families a very happy and healthy holiday season.

The month of December is upon us and there are only three short weeks left in the second quarter. When we start the third quarter in January, we will most likely still be in Level 3 with remote learning, but I assure you that the administrative team will continue to monitor the health benchmarks and will provide notice when we are able to switch back to Level 2, our hybrid model. We know this has been a challenging year for us all, but we hope that we will continue to partner together to get through the difficulties, and we will rise beyond this year with a greater sense of community and resilience. I am grateful for the work we do here at Valley Academy and the community in which we serve. I wish you all a blessed new year and for 2021 to be all we hope it will be.

Happy Holidays,

Mrs. Victoria Brooks



## Upcoming Events

**School Board Meeting** Thursday, December 3rd, 6:30 p.m.  
Reid Office (14841 N. Black Canyon Freeway) School Board meetings are open to the public, and parents are welcome to attend.

**Spirit Day** Friday, December 4th All students may wear special t-shirts while in Level 3 to celebrate Spirit Day.

**Early Release/End of 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter** Friday, December 18th  
K-8 Holiday parties will be online and students in K-8 will dismiss at 12:15 p.m. Check with your child's teacher for their individual schedules.

**Winter Break** December 21st through January 4th. School resumes Tuesday, January 5th.

**More Events Listed on Calendar Page**

## Classroom Holiday Parties

Friday, December 18, 2020

All K-8 classes will participate in Holiday parties together online. All students in K-8 will dismiss at 12:15 p.m. Please check with your child's teacher for individual schedules for the day.



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

# NEWS & UPDATES

Our **virtual toy drive** to benefit the Arizona Department of Child Safety's (DCS) children in foster care is a great chance to spread some holiday cheer and help some kids in our community during these difficult times. The toys will be ordered through Amazon and delivered directly to DCS. Please do not bring any toys to the school.

Here is how you can help:

Follow the following link to place your order through Amazon: [www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/OISWRTXZT9T8](http://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/OISWRTXZT9T8)

Choose delivery to DCS Regional Team's Gift Registry Address: Maricopa West Region

5800 W. Glenn Dr. Suite 200, Glendale, AZ. 85301

Choose to include a note on which you should write "From Valley Academy"

The link for the toy drive will be active through December 11<sup>th</sup> to allow time for wrapping and delivery by DCS staff.

Thank you so much for your participation and generosity.

Valley Academy NJHS

**Tax Credit Donations:** Please Help our School

We have had a lot of expenses as a result of COVID-19, and the state legislature has expanded the use of tax credit money for 2020. You receive a dollar-for-dollar refund on your taxes when you donate – so it costs you nothing. Direct your money to our school instead of the general fund. You can donate by credit card online [here](#). Full details about the Arizona Tax Credit Donation are on our [website](#). Thank you for helping our school get through this difficult year.



## Campus News



These are a few of my  
**FAVORITE** things

### Chick-fil-A Lunch Provided to Staff

### Thank you, VAPO!

Last month, VAPO provided an individual lunch box from Chick-fil-A for all staff members. Thank you, VAPO. Our staff was thrilled, and it was delicious!



### 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 29, 2021



Our yearbook staff is looking to our parents for some help with making this year's yearbook great. The yearbook staff would appreciate you sending in your photos this year for an opportunity to be in this year's yearbook. They are asking that if you have photos of your children Zooming, completing projects for school, doing homework, etc., that you send them to Miss Webb at [KWebb@ValleyAcademy.com](mailto:KWebb@ValleyAcademy.com). If you are sending photos from an iPhone or Apple product, please select the picture option, Medium.

# December 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4 Spirit Day	5
				Board Meeting 6:30 P.M. Reid Offices		
6	7	8 VAPO Meeting 8:30 a.m. Via Zoom	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18 Classroom Parties will be via Zoom Early Release 12:15 Dismissal No Specials No Coyote Club  End of 2nd Quarter	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
No School Winter Break—January 4th						
27	28	29	30	31		