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# Coyote News

## From the Principal's Desk

Mrs. Brooks, M. Ed., Principal



Happy Spring! During this time of year, I normally comment about how the year has flown by, but I do not know if I can say that this year. With the pandemic and all the changes we have had to make to keep everyone healthy and safe, it appears the year has progressed slowly. Either way, spring is here, and I welcome it. I can speak for all on campus that we are excited to be able to have students back on our campus again after spring break!

Your child's teachers and I also wish to encourage you to remind your children to read, play educational games, and have meaningful conversations with you throughout the week. Meaningful conversations with adults build vocabulary and further the connection with your child. We hope your children's skills will be sharp when they return, as we will get right to work on our fourth quarter's curriculum and preparing for State Standardized Testing which will take place the first week of April. The state is encouraging all students' participation in these assessments. More information will come out later in the month regarding these very important assessments.

I know this year has not been easy, so more than ever, I would like to thank you for choosing Reid Traditional Schools' Valley Academy for your child's educational needs. We feel extremely fortunate to have the students and families we have in our school community. Again, on behalf of my entire staff, we hope you will enjoy your week away from school and look forward to welcoming students back on Monday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Brooks, M.Ed.

## Upcoming Events

**Spirit Day** March 5th - All students in grades K-8 may participate by wearing their special t-shirts to celebrate Spirit Day.

**Early Release** March 12th at 12:15 p.m. - All students in K-8 dismiss early. End of 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter.

**Spring Break** March 15th-19th - No School

**Level Two** March 22nd - We will resume in-person learning for those who wish to return to campus.

**Report Cards** March 24th - Students' work is assessed and reports are sent home.

**School Board Meeting** Thursday, March 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**



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## Arizona Tax Credit Donation



It's not too late to help Valley Academy by making an Arizona Tax Credit Donation! Donations made before April 15, 2021 can still be applied to your 2020 tax return. As you prepare your 2020 taxes, please consider making a donation to Valley Academy extracurricular activities and receive a dollar-for-dollar refund on your state taxes. The form is available [here](#), and 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.

## Yearbooks On Sale

Valley Academy Yearbooks for the 2020-2021 school year are on sale now. This is a full color yearbook full of pictures and reminders to commemorate this school year. Yearbooks can be ordered two ways. Custom features can only be added by ordering online. Order online by visiting [www.inter-state.com/](http://www.inter-state.com/) yearbook and enter the school order code 54678X. Then, simply follow the online directions to complete your order. You may also use a form to order, making checks payable to Valley Academy. Order forms have been emailed. All orders are due by **May 7, 2021**. Yearbooks are \$20.00. Get yours before it's too late.



## CHARTERS AT THE CAPITOL

The Arizona Charter Schools Association is hosting Charters at the Capitol virtually this year. Staff members are invited to join a Zoom webinar with key legislators on March 3, 2021. The Charter Schools Association will be advocating for Equal Funding for Charters as well as Results Based Funding.

## Help Make This Year's Yearbook Great!

We want to provide you with a great yearbook to commemorate the school year, so we have decided to distribute the yearbook over the summer. This will ensure that we have time to collect pictures from families, receive Messages from Home, and add as many memories from this year as possible.

Our Yearbook committee is asking for parent help in sending pictures of your child on Zoom, completing Special Area projects, doing homework, etc. If sending pictures off of an iPhone or Apple product, you should select the picture option: *medium*. You may send them to [kwebb@valleyacademy.com](mailto:kwebb@valleyacademy.com).

### Messages From Home

Reserve a space in the Valley Academy Yearbook for a message from YOU to your child. Messages should be encouraging, uplifting, and positive in nature. Deadline to submit a Message From Home is March 26, 2021. Messages From Home are \$5.00.

### **Third Quarter Report Cards**

The end of the third quarter is on March 12, 2021. Third quarter Report Cards assess students' work and will be available on March 24, 2021.

# Spring BREAK

**March 15-19, 2021**

Our administration, teachers, and support staff are excited to welcome students back on campus after Spring Break, on March 22, 2021, for Level Two. We hope that you have a wonderful, safe, and healthy week off from school.

# March 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5 Spirit Day	6
7	8	9 VAPO Meeting 8:30 a.m. via Zoom	10 8th Grade Promotion Pictures	11	12 Early Release Staff Development 12:15 Dismissal End of 3rd Quarter	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
NO SCHOOL SPRING BREAK March 15th - 19th						
21	22	23	24 Report Cards Go Home	25 Board Meeting Reid Office	26	27
28	29	30	31			