



MADISON MEADOWS MIDDLE SCHOOL
225 W. OCOTILLO RD., PHOENIX, AZ 85013



MED-O-GRAM

Dear Meadows Families,

FEBRUARY 10TH, 2016

Kids love their friends and their smart phones, so of course they love social media too. They send messages, post and share pictures, share experiences, feelings, and more. Much more. Unfortunately, some kids – and adults for that matter – use social media to hurt others. Everything from unkind comments about another child to actually preying on children to do them physical harm can arise from social media. How can parents keep their children safe?

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security posts the following guidelines on their website:

- Be involved - Consider activities you can work on together, whether it be playing a game, researching a topic you had been talking about (e.g., family vacation spots, a particular hobby, a historical figure), or putting together a family newsletter. This will allow you to supervise your child's online activities while teaching her good computer habits.
- Keep your computer in an open area - If your computer is in a high-traffic area, you will be able to easily monitor the computer activity. Not only does this accessibility deter a child from doing something she knows she's not allowed to do, it also gives you the opportunity to intervene if you notice a behavior that could have negative consequences.
- Set rules and warn about dangers - Make sure your child knows the boundaries of what she is allowed to do on the computer. These boundaries should be appropriate for the child's age, knowledge, and maturity, but they may include rules about how long she is allowed to be on the computer, what sites she is allowed to visit, what software programs she can use, and what tasks or activities she is allowed to do.
- Monitor computer activity - Be aware of what your child is doing on the computer, including which websites she is visiting. If she is using email, instant messaging, or chat rooms, try to get a sense of who she is corresponding with and whether she actually knows them.
- Keep lines of communication open - Let your child know that she can approach you with any questions or concerns about behaviors or problems she may have encountered on the computer.

If your child is involved in unkind or inappropriate commentary or bullying – as the perpetrator or victim – put a stop to their access. Take away the iPad, pull the plug on the Instagram account, allow only basic cell phone service. There are many options parents have that schools do not. While we make every effort to support students who are being mistreated via social media and intervene where we are able, we do not have control over what happens at home. This is typically where such accounts are created and utilized.

As part of the effort to educate students about online safety, PTM is sponsoring a presentation by the organization Not MY Kid for Meadows students on staying safe online. There will be two assemblies, one for 5th/6th grades and one for 7th/8th grades later this month. More information will be forthcoming. Hopefully these assemblies will prove helpful to students and families in navigating the online world safely.

With Ram Pride,

Susan Doyle, Principal

UPCOMING EVENTS:

2/3 , 2/10 , 2/24 & 3/2
TCT-2:10 Release

2/15
Presidents' Day
No School

3/11
Half Day-12:10 Release





Madison BASH

Saturday, March 5 Noon-4:00pm

Madison #1 Middle School .16th St. & Missouri

Celebrating Madison School District's

125 years of Excellence!

music . art . food . fun

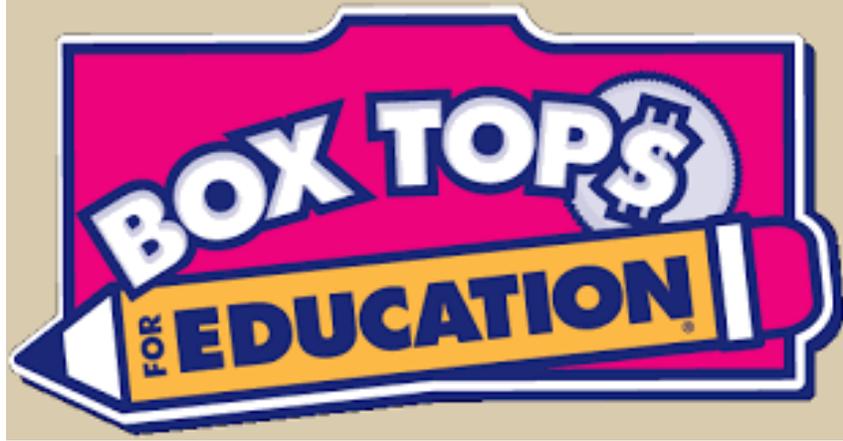
Free Admission . Raffle . Food Trucks . Vendor Booths

Students from all schools will perform & exhibit art.

Free Bike Helmets to the first 200 people . Car Seat Checks

Bike Rodeo . Art Masterpiece Demos . Cupcake Decorating

Spring Collection



The winning class will receive a pizza party,
and the teacher will receive a gift card.

Please bring them in trimmed and bagged to
your homeroom teacher.



Due February 22nd



Library's Cookie Dough Sale Results

A big THANK YOU for all the teachers and families that helped make this fundraiser happen. The library has received \$2,800 from this fundraiser and books have already been ordered!

Brianna Meyers won 1st place \$100 with 43 orders!

Liam Moth won 2nd place \$75 with 24 orders!

Emma Beram won 3rd place \$25 with 22 orders!

Ms. Vakula's class won Most Sales with 74 orders!

Ms. Schmaling's Classroom had 40% Participation!

Both Class won pizza parties sponsored by Blue Orthodontics!

Bradley Kemp won the Cool Room

Blow-up Chair, Emoji Pillow, Mini Safe, Color Changing Mini Speaker, Selfie Stick & Glow in the Dark Headphones.

Another thank you to the parents that helped count the orders:
Alejandra Jones, Holly Keeble, Danielle Hanson

REMINDER Cookie Dough is being delivered Thursday, February 18th
3:00-5:30 pm

In the Library-Media Room (Westside of campus)

Dough is frozen and must be picked up at this time.

If your child is picking up your order and rides the bus, please notify me to make arrangements for them to be released a few minutes early from class.

Brigitte Rapatz, Library Fundraising Chair, 602-672-1000 or brapatz@cox.net





SNACK SHACK VOLUNTEERS **NEEDED**

This is a fun way to help your child get in community service hours, spend time together, have fun & help your school.

Many different shifts are available.

You can sign up at:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0948aaad29aa8-february/1394745>

**Funds from the month of January
will go towards the Performing Arts.**



SPRING BREAK CAMP registration is open!

Camp will be held from Monday, March 14th through Friday, March 18th at **Rose Lane Elementary School (1155 E. Rose Lane)**, and from 7 am to 6 pm.

We have special activities planned for all age groups:

- Tuesday, the 15th - Preschool through 1st Grade - McCormick-Stillman Railroad Park
- Wednesday, the 16th - 2nd and 3rd Grades - Glow in the Dark Putt Putt at Glow Putt
- Thursday, the 17th - 4th through 8th Grades - Spring Training Game (Rockies vs. Angels)
- Friday, the 18th - All Grades Spirit Assembly (Comic Con)

Registration will close and tuition will be due on Friday, March 4th - please register now to ensure

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Extraordinary Learning for All

**Priority Registration for Summer Camp and 2016-2017 School Year programs (INVEST, MAC and ECP) will begin on Friday, March 11th at 10 am.*



School Nurse

NEWS FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE

Nurse Sharon

IMMUNIZATIONS: Meningitis and Tdap are required for all 11 yr olds in the 6th grade. Please continue to send in proof of any immunizations your child has received so their shot record will be up to date. Please keep track of these shots yourself as well since all 8th grade students need to send in immunization records to their child's prospective high schools.

SICK CHILD: ALL STUDENTS MUST BE FREE OF A TEMPERATURE, VOMITING AND DIARRHEA FOR 24 HRS BEFORE COMING BACK TO SCHOOL.

DRESS CODES: Now that it is getting warmer, please review the dress code policies with your student. Please remember us for any gym shorts your child has out grown. These are great dress code clothes.

IB Corner of the World

January 8, 2016



Dear Parent(s):

Welcome to 2016!

Our IB Profile trait of the month for January is Open-minded: “We understand and appreciate our own cultures and personal histories, and are open to the perspectives, values and traditions of other individuals and communities. We are accustomed to seeking and evaluating a range of points of view, and are willing to grow from the experience.”

Meadows’ IB students work towards developing the Learner Profile trait of being open-minded as they learn about various cultures and views, bringing an appreciation of new views to both their academic study and involvement in their community. They work towards developing a philosophy of internationally mindedness.

What is the Learner Profile?

These are attributes valued by all IB World Schools. They help students become responsible members of our ever growing global society. At Meadows, we encourage our students to acquire these attributes inside and outside of the classroom. In fact, teachers encourage students to reflect on the IB Learner Profile by completing the student reflection of the IB learner Profile once each semester. Please take the time to review this survey with your child.



Here are the learner profile attributes of the month:

August – Knowledgeable **January – Open-minded**

September – Inquirer February – Caring

October – Principled March – *Risk-Taker*

November – Communicator April – Thinkers

December – Balanced May – Reflective

Next month in the Med-o-gram, stay-tuned for information regarding the 8th grade IB MYP Community Project!

In closing, for parents of 8th grade students, you are invited to attend our “ IB MYP Community Project Information Night” scheduled for January 21st from 5:30 to 6:30 pm in the media center at Meadows to learn more about the 8th grade IB MYP Community Project.

Judy Stropky

IB Coordinator





Art Masterpiece needs your help

Guides are presently needed for 5th and 6th grade

Social Studies classes.

Six presentations total from February to April.

No art background is necessary as training and all materials are provided including previous presentations.

Parents of 5th and 6th graders are encouraged to volunteer but if there are any 7th or 8th grade parents who are interested please let me know.

Also, if you know of any grandparents, aunts, uncles, neighbors, etc who may be interested in volunteering please let me know.

Jessica Ritter--Meadows Art Masterpiece Coordinator

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Jessica Ritter

Free Money for Meadows

Fry's: Help Meadows earn cash with every shopping trip to Fry's. For every \$50,000 in V.I.P purchases, Fry's Food Stores donates \$500. Enroll EACH YEAR for the [Fry's Community Rewards Program](#). Meadows Code: 80423



Target: Enroll for free and Target® will donate up to 1% of your RED-card® purchases. Target Credit Card & Debit Card account holders can sign up for the Take Charge of Education program by calling 1-800-316-6142 or by visiting Target.com/tcoe or an in-store kiosk. [more info](#)



[Boxtops & Coke Rewards](#) Purchase your favorite products & earn money for Meadows

[Labels for Education](#) – Points from this program help assist the Art Programs at Meadows. Cut UPS Codes/Labels for certain products & turn into the office. You can also do “e-labels” by signing up your grocery cards and every time you purchase a product with an e-label for education – Meadows will get credit electronically.



[Box Tops for Education](#) – Cut out the Box Tops and send them in to your student's academic lab. The school gets 10 cents for each one! Classes and teachers win prizes for collecting the most!

[Coke REWARDS](#) – Coke products have a 14 digit number that when entered gives MEADOWS points to purchase recess & athletic equipment Turn in the Coke product (including Powerade) tops, or numbers off the cartons – to the office or Ms. Poginy.



Free Money for Meadows

Public Notice for Destruction of Records

The Madison Elementary School District retains student cumulative files for three years after the student's promotion or withdrawal from the district. Following a student's 8th grade promotion, or when a withdrawn student turns 16 years old, permanent student records are archived to microfilm.

Only the student's enrollment form, immunization records, last grade report, last standardized test results, and the withdrawal form are permanently archived, when applicable.

All cumulative student records (except for permanent information stored on microfilm) will be destroyed three years after the school year of last attendance. Special Education records are retained for five years after the student is withdrawn or dismissed from Special Ed. Special Ed records are not microfilmed.

Before any records are destroyed, parents have the right to review and obtain copies of their child's records. Please contact Madison School District, Student Records Department at 602-664-7958.

Aviso Público para la Destrucción de Registros

El Distrito Escolar de Madison conserva archivos acumulativos de los estudiantes durante tres años después de la promoción del estudiante o retirada del distrito. Siguiendo promoción octavo grado de un estudiante, o cuando un estudiante retirado cumple 16 años, registros de los estudiantes permanentes se archivan a microfilm.

Sólo se archivan permanentemente el formulario de retiro formulario de inscripción, registro de vacunas, el último informe de calificaciones, los últimos resultados de las pruebas estandarizadas de los alumnos, y, en su caso.

Todos los expedientes de los estudiantes acumulativos (a excepción de la información permanente almacenada en microfilm) serán destruidos tres años después del año escolar de la última asistencia. Los registros de educación especial se conservan durante cinco años después que el estudiante se retira o despedido de Educación Especial. Registros especiales de Ed no están microfilmados.

Antes de los registros son destruidos, los padres tienen el derecho de revisar y obtener copias de los registros de sus hijos. Por favor, póngase en contacto con el Distrito Escolar de Madison, Departamento de Registros del Estudiante en el 602-664-7958.

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