

Principal's Message

Dear EDUPRIZE Parents,

We are flying through Quarter 2, with only two and a half more weeks left! Of course, these weeks will be packed with lots of instruction and assessments to check mastery of the

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standards taught. In addition, we will have Cottage Fair night the last full week of school, a school-wide assembly on the last Friday of school, and lots of culminating activities in between to wrap up all the learning. I hope that you plan on attending the Cottage Fair as the children ALWAYS love showing off the hard work they have completed! You are also invited to our 1st-6th grade assembly from 10:45-11:30 on December 15th. It will be in the B4 gym and it will highlight our athletes who play on our sports teams, our band, our cheer team, our Exceptional Eagle recipients, our Gilbert Students of the Month, and our winning classes participating in our Level UP themed game! It will be an awesome assembly with much celebration!

I wanted to remind you since we are coming up to the halfway mark of our school year, that each year, we want every student to read 100 hours. Reading is the core of all learning, so we focus on an achievable goal for all our students, 100 hours. We also have some extra special rewards for students, knowing that some students like a challenge. The rewards for the students are based on the number of hours read. Each child should have a calendar at home which is turned in monthly to track his/her reading hours. This year, students even earn points for their class in our school-wide competition for turning their calendars in on time. If you are unfamiliar with this, please reach out to your child's teacher. Even though reading is its own reward, the events planned are super fun and are designed to motivate the students to become lifelong readers. This year's reading rewards for kindergarten through sixth grade are as follows:

100 Hours Water Day (GOAL for ALL students!)

200 Hours Pancakes with the Principal

300 Hours Book from the PTN Book Sale

500 Hours Books and/or Gift Card

Kindly, Robin

QUICK REFERENCES

Calendar Items

DECEMBER

12th-15th: Spirit Week

12th: Cottage Fair (5:30-7:00PM)

4th-6th Grade Regular Day & 1st-6th Grade AM TOPS

13th: Cottage Fair (5:30-7:00PM)

K-3rd Grade Regular Day & 1st-6th Grade PM TOPS

15th: Quarter 2 Assembly

1st -6th grade students at 10:45 a.m.

19th: Cottage Fair

AM TOPS Kindergarten (Soliven/Johnston)

19th: Cottage Fair

PM TOPS Kindergarten (Lacy/Gonzalez)

20th: Early Release

All School

12/21-1/5: No School

Winter Break

Helpful Links

Gilbert's Parents
Resource Page









Website

Facebook

PTN Website <u>PTN</u> <u>Facebook</u>

SEL CORNER

(SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL LEARNING)

Dear EDUPRIZE families,

The holidays can be a very busy and overwhelming time for adults and kids alike! Here are some tips for focusing on the present (instead of just the PRESENTS) and being mindful during this often hectic season.



Heather Vehon
Dean of Students K-6th

- Setting boundaries (like how much to spend on gifts)
- Learning you can say no to some events you are invited to
- Planning rest breaks
- Finding outlets for your children's energy
- Making sure your kids know they can confide in you
- Starting/maintaining even the simplest traditions, like baking cookies as a family, singing carols, or opening gifts a certain way can teach your children the importance of family bonding and the value of important rituals.

For more, check out this article from Inside SEL.

Sincerely,
Heather Vehon
Dean of Students
Eduprize Schools - Gilbert Campus
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ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

Upcoming Week Sports Schedule At A Glance:

Please check AZCAAPREPS.COM for up to the date game schedule and location.

ALL Athletic fees need to be paid by the first game. Unpaid fees can lead to not playing in games.

All paperwork should be in for all sports at this time. Please with your coach to be sure all your paperwork is turned in.

Boys JV Basketball Practice Schedule: Monday & Wednesday 4:30-6:00 in B4 Tuesday 4:30-6:00 in B3

Boys JV Basketball GAMES: Thursday (12/7) Vs Basis Chandler@ 7:30 in B4 Gym

Boys Varsity/OPEN Basketball Practice Schedule: Thursday, Friday 7:00-9:00pm in B4

Boys OPEN Basketball GAMES: Tuesday (12/5) Vs Skyline Prep @ 7 PM in B4 Gym Wednesday (12/6) Vs Premier Prep @ 7 in B4 Gym

Boys Varsity Basketball GAMES: Tuesday (12/5) Vs South Pointe @ 5:30 in B4 Gym Wednesday (12/6) Vs Premier Prep @ 5:30 in B4 Gym

Girls JV Basketball Practice Schedule: Monday & Wednesday 5:30-7:30 in B3 Tuesday & Thursday 5:30-7:30 in B4

Girls JV Basketball GAMES:

Thursday (12/7) Vs Heritage Academy @ 4:30 in B4 Gym

Girls Varsity Basketball Practice Schedule: Monday & Wednesday 3:30-5:30 in B3 Tuesday & Thursday 3:30-5:30 in B4

Girls Varsity Basketball GAMES: Thursday (12/7) Vs Heritage Academy @ 6 in B4 Gym

You can find all forms listed here: https://www.eduprizeschools.net/gilbert-sports-and-extracurricular-activities

Make sure you wear proper attire and bring plenty of water.

Cornhole Tournament:

Saturday (12/2) Eagle Invitational @ 9am in B4 Gym Entry is Free

Cornhole Practice:

Monday and Wednesday 3:30 - 4:45, B4 Outside Basketball Courts Optional practice Monday and Wednesday @ 7AM

JH GIRLS Flag Football Practice Schedule: Wednesday 3:30-4:30pm

JH GIRLS Flag Football Game Schedule: Thursday (12/7) @ Benjamin Franklin Charter HS (18864 E Germann Rd , QC) @ 3:30 **EARLY RELEASE @ 2pm

JH Girls Softball Practice: NO Practice

JH Girls Softball Games:

Monday (12/4) vs Legacy Chandler 4:30 @ McQueen Park Field #1 Wednesday (12/6) vs ALA Gilbert 4:30 @ McQueen Park Field #1 ****PLEASE RETURN ALL JERSEYS TO COACH RIGHT AFTER GAME***

PROJECT Countdown to Departure: 78 days (as of 12/1/23) COUNTDOWN TO Departure: 78 days (as of 12/1/23)



Project Exploration To Do List:

Parents:

- Complete total payment of \$530 by January 4, 2024 (2 ways to pay)
 - Pay via ECA
 - Pay via Project Exploration. How to pay HERE.
- Email Ms. Schott all receipts
- Complete this form ONLY IF your student has any dietary restrictions, allergies, or medication that needs to be given during the trip.
- Join our Class Dojo

Students:

- Attend an informational meeting during lunch
 - 5th grade: 12/18 during lunch time
 - o 6th grade: 12/19 during lunch time
- Start thinking of 3 people you would be comfortable rooming with.
- **Not all 3 people are guaranteed to be in your room.**

<u>Fingerprint cards</u>

Parents, if you are considering applying to chaperone this trip, please make sure you obtain your IVP fingerprint clearance card in advance. Remember there are different types of fingerprint cards and yours MUST be an IVP one. The link is below if you would like to start this process.

<u>link</u> to DPS for more information.

Important Dates:

Dec. 4th

Second round of acceptance letters & Chaperone interest form sent out

Dec 18th & 19th

Student Meeting

Jan. 4th

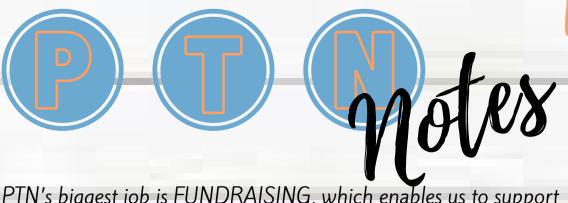
Trip MUST be paid in full!

Feb. 16-18, 2024

Oceanography Trip

Oceanography February 16-18, 2024





PTN's biggest job is FUNDRAISING, which enables us to support the students, staff and school.

The 23-24 PTN board:

President: Lena Freeman

Co-Vice Presidents: Penelope Harrell & Kim Wood

Secretary: Tiffany Stradling

Treasurer: Jessica Griesi

Our next meeting will be on January 11th at 5:30PM. Hope to see you there but if you can't make it we'll send out a zoom link so you can join virtually!

EVENTS:

**ALL of these events are only made possible by having volunteers. Please contact PTN to help.

Giving Tree — We will be collecting presents to assist families in need. We will need help organizing and distributing these items during the week of December 11th-15th.

Spring Spectacular — Our second largest fundraiser is our Spring Spectacular! It will be held on February 23rd. More details are still to come, but if you would like to be on the planning committee or are interested in running a booth at the event, please let us know!

Yearbook — The yearbook committee needs photographs of special events & sports games up through 6th grade. If you have great photographs, please email them to eduprizeyearbookchair@gmail.com for a chance to have them featured in the yearbook!

Did you know you can earn money for Eduprize simply by shopping at Fry's?

Just link your Fry's Rewards card online with Eduprize. Go to: www.fryscommunityrewards.com & sign in.

Then click Community Rewards and find your organization (Edu-Prize Parent Teacher Organization)

or enter our number: HM079.

If you are interested in getting involved with PTN and volunteering at school events, please emails us at ptn@eduprizeschools.net

HELP BRING JOY TO KIDS IN NEED

EDUPRIZE CHRISTMAS TOY DRIVE

Please bring your donations by December 18th!



Click <u>HERE</u> or scan to help





For current 6th Grade Parents only.

Come join 7th grade teachers in a small group

setting to get to know us!

Enjoy some coffee while you chat withe the 7th grade team about your 6th grader's future next year!

December 12th from 8:00 - 8:30am



Seating is limited

Please email Nicole Aguilera to reserve a spot <u>nicole.aguilera@eduprizeschools.net</u>

Spirit Week EDUPRIZE 2023

December 11th-Grumpy Grinch Monday (Wear green)

<u>December 12th</u>- Tinsel Tuesday (Holiday accessories)

<u>December 13th</u>- Dress like your teacher, Teachers dress like your students!

<u>December 14th</u>-Hibernate Thursday (Holiday PJs)

<u>December 15th</u>-Frosty Friday (Dress like your favorite

Christmas movie character)

Enjoy your winter break!





CHIPOTLE FUNDRAISER FOR

EDUPRIZE HIGH SCHOOL STUCO

33% OF EVENT SALES GET DONATED TO THE CAUSE

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5TH | 4-8PM 1546 N COOPER RD, GILBERT, AZ, 85233

ORDER ONLINE FOR PICKUP USING CODE BJT7ADP
OR SHOW THIS FLYER IN RESTAURANT



For online orders to count towards the fundraiser, they must be placed for pickup only from the restaurant location of, and during the hours of, the fundraiser. Delivery orders and gift cards do not qualify. \$150 minimum event sales required to receive any donation.

ENROLLMENT 2024-2025

Intent to Return (re-enrollment) for the 2024-25 school year is now open!

Click <u>HERE</u> to complete the form today.

Intent to Return for the 2024-2025 school year is open now until January 15th. The LIFE Fund Fee for next school year will be discounted to \$50 per returning student during this same time frame!

Please contact the enrollment office with any questions: gilbertenrollment@eduprizeschools.net or (480) 813-9537 x1030.



AZ National School Choice Week event will be on Saturday, January 20, 2024.

at the AZ Children's Museum of Phoenix

215 N 7th St, Phoenix, AZ 85034

from 6:00 pm—8:00 pm

This FREE Once a Year Family event will have a HUGE School Fair, Refreshments, & Fun Activities.

Email Barbara@chooseaschoolaz.org to reserve your school's table & talent presentations. Last year we had over 600 families, this year we are expanding the event to reach 1,000 families.





SCHOOL FAIR



Join Choose A School and the National School Choice Awareness Foundation for a school fair at The Children's Museum of Phoenix on Saturday, January 20th, from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. This school fair is Phoenix's largest school choice week event, with over 40 schools attending to represent a range of education options like traditional public schools, public charter schools, magnet schools, and private schools. Information regarding online and home schooling will also be available.

You'll get the chance to meet educators and get your guestions answered to help you make the best and most informed choice for your family. Come explore the museum and enjoy family-friendly entertainment like face painting, photo booths and a DJ - we'll even have a balloon drop!

Please register online at phoenixschoolfair.com.

Kindly contact barbara@chooseaschoolaz.org with any questions.



HONORING OUTSTANDING HONORING ARIZONA TEACHERS



Mominate your teacher for the Silver Apple Avvard.

NOMINATIONS ARE ACCEPTED THROUGH MARCH 15, 2024

Silver Apple Award

Rules

There is no doubt that EDUPRIZE has some of the most outstanding teachers in the state! The 2023-2024 Silver Apple Award is a local teacher recognition program, sponsored by Channel 3 News and Arizona Bank & Trust. Eight nominated teachers are rewarded each year with a feature on 3TV and special prizes. The nominations are completed by students and signed by the principal. You can print an application here.

Silver Apple
Award
Nomination
Form

In years past, we have had three Silver Apple Award winners at EDUPRIZE! If this award does not sound like the perfect recognition program, please take a look on the internet for other programs honoring educators. In addition, greatschools.org is a great place to share your support for your child's teacher and the school!

Health Office Updates



IMPORTANT HEALTH OFFICE INFORMATION

As illness or health situations occur throughout the school year, it may be necessary for medication to be administered at school. All prescribed AND over the counter medication (i.e. Tylenol, Ibuprofen, Benadryl, etc.) will need to be checked into the Health Office, along with a Prescription and Non-prescription Medication Consent form which requires a doctor's signature. These forms can be found on our website www.eduprizeschools.net under the Parent & Student Resources>Health Office Forms, or you can just click on any of the links provided in light blue.

- HEALTH ACTION PLAN: Please be aware that children who have asthma, diabetes, or seizures
 will need an action plan provided by their health care provider, ALONG with the signed
 Prescription and Non-prescription Medication Consent form.
- <u>ASTHMA</u>: If your child has asthma, an asthma action plan will need to be provided by your doctor ALONG with a signed <u>Prescription and Non-prescription Medication Consent</u> form.
- <u>ALLERGIES</u>: Allergies that require an EpiPen will need an <u>Anaphylaxis Management Packet</u> filled out and signed by a doctor along with the <u>Prescription and Non-prescription</u>
 <u>Medication Consent form</u>.
- MEDICATION: As a reminder, ALL medications need to be checked in at the Health Office.
 Students should not carry medications in their backpacks. A <u>Prescription and Non-prescription Medication Consent</u> form will also need to be filled out for any medications, prescription or non prescription.

We cannot accept ANY medications without these forms.

Any questions can be directed to the Health Office staff at (480) 813-9537 option 7

Medication Authorization

If you would like your student to be able to access medication at school, please complete the authorization FORM and return to the health office.



Give us a Review!





Hey everyone!

Positive reviews from awesome parents like you help other parents just like you to feel confident about choosing EDUPRIZE. Could you take 60 seconds and share your happy experiences?

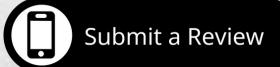
We will be forever grateful. Thank you in advance for helping us out!

Use the QR Codes to write a review for EDUPRIZE Schools on Niche.com and Greatschools.org











Campus Students & Campus Parents

Logging into the App

- 1. Download the app at the App Store or Google Play
- 2. Search for your District Name (Eduprize) and State. Select your district from the list.
- 3. Enter your Username and Password. (If you haven't create an account, please email: april.talley@eduprizeschools.net)
- 4. Click Log In!

Logging in from a Web Browser

- 1. Visit https://eduprizeaz.infinitecampus.org/campus/portal/parents/eduprize.jsp
- 2. Enter your Username and Password. (If you haven't create an account, please

email: april.talley@eduprizeschools.net)

3. Click Log In!









The Kindergarten Department has an opening for classroom aides. We are interviewing for these positions internally and externally.

Internal applicants should submit a resume to Robin Yeargain by Friday, September 22, 2023.

External applicants should submit a support staff application found on our website www.eduprize.chools.net.

Position: Kindergarten Classroom Aide (3 total openings)

Hours: up to 40 hrs. per week Pay: Starting from \$14/hour Start Date: October 16, 2023

General Aide Job Description:

- Follow directives provided by the classroom teacher
- ✓ Provide assistance to children as necessary
- Monitor student's work for compliance with teacher's instructions
- Conduct learning exercises with small groups of students
- Help maintain order in the classroom; monitor students to keep them on task
- ✓ Prepare instructional materials
- Perform related work as required

If you have any questions, please email Janet, at janet.mecone@eduprizeschools.net



COME AND JOIN OUR AIDE STAFF!

LOOKING FOR HARD WORKING PEOPLE WHO LOVE SAFETY AND WORKING WITH KIDS!

TIMES NEEDED ARE:

7:00-8:05 A.M. 10:20 A.M.-1:10 P.M. 2:30-3:40 P.M.

- -GREAT FOR STAY AT HOME PARENTS, RETIREES AND COLLEGE STUDENTS OVER 21 YEARS OR OLDER.
- WE ARE VERY FLEXIBLE WITH SCHEDULES.
- FRIENDLY ENVIRONMENT

JOB TYPE: PART-TIME 19HRS A WEEK

IF INTERESTED PLEASE CONTACT:

TYM BRITTON
AIDE SUPERVISOR
CAR LANE COORDINATOR
LUNCH PROGRAM COORDINATOR
EDUPRIZE GILBERT
PHONE: (480) 813-9537 EXT.1270
EMAIL: TYM.BRITTON@EDUPRIZESCHOOLS.NET





We offer:

Competitive pay - \$20.75/hour (teacher certified) \$19.50/hour (sub certified) \$17/hour (no certification)

Flexible Schedules - Traditional day and AM/PM TOPS

Range of Classes - Grades PreK-12th grade and specialty classes like dance, PE, computers, and much more.

Incredible Community - Our staff, students, and parents are a welcoming and loving community you will enjoy being apart of.

IF INTERESTED PLEASE EMAIL

emily.yeaman@eduprizeschools.net