

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE MADISON MEADOWS MIDDLE SCHOOL

AUGUST 2023 ISSUE I



Dear Meadows Families,

It seems just a short while ago we were wrapping up another exciting school year and looking forward to the dog days of summer. How quickly that all changed when Arizona was hit with 31 straight days of at least 110 degree weather! As the weather starts to (relatively) cool down, the air is filled with more than just heat but the air of excitement for the upcoming 23-24 school year.

Based on the turnout last week during our Walk Through & Check In events, the excitement was palpable as new and continuing students searched for their classes, dropped off school supplies, and met with staff and administration. It was amazing to see how even though the school was not officially open for business yet the Meadows community was fully out to excitedly receive those in attendance and warmly welcome them. Teaching staff are eager to tap into that energy as they return to set up classrooms, plan and collaborate for the upcoming year.

During the month of June, the Meadows school leadership team sat together and dove into our academic needs for the 23-24 school year by looking at our performance data. Based on our data and conversations, we realized that out of all the amazing things happening at Meadows we always have the opportunity to improve specifically on self-reflection and authentic deep learning throughout the year. We will be sharing much more information on this in the next few weeks.

Lastly, as the end of the summer and beginning of the school year approaches, we really want to take the time and thank all parents, guardians, staff, and students for making the Meadows community what it is. We have a few new teachers starting this year who are all amazing individuals. The school community has already welcomed them into the Ram Fam and they are rearing to meet their students. Thank you for being a critical part of what makes Meadows truly a warm, welcoming, and supportive community. We cannot wait for school to start on August 8th.

Be on the lookout for additional events coming up.

Best regards,

Katy Clark Principal Amber Bradshaw Assistant Principal Adam Smith
Dean of Students

## DATES TO REMEMBER

Mon, Aug. 7th 5th Grade Parent Night -5:15PM

Tues, August 8th First Day of School

Thurs, August 10th
Fall Sports Parent Meeting
5:30PM

Tues, August 15th Fall Sports Tryouts Begin

Mon, Aug 14 - Tues, Aug 15 MAP Testing

> Thurs, Aug 17 Picture Day

Thurs, Aug 17 Curriculum Night 5:15-7:00PM

Mon, Sept. 4 Labor Day - No School

Wed, Sept 6
PTM Welcome Dinner &
Meeting

Tues, Sept 19
Fall Fundraiser Kick Off

Wed, Sept 27 - Fri, Sept 29 5th Camp Friendly Pines





**DONATIONS?** 



email: marina\_sires@yahoo.com



Do you have a connection to a business that would donate \$5 Gift Cards?

**PURCHASE A SPECIAL** MESSAGE ON THE BIG **MEADOWS** MARQUEFI

BIRTHDAY. CONGRATULATIONS. THANK YOU & MORE!

\$10 Dailu \$25 Weeklu



## **PURCHASE & FIND DETAILS AT** WWW.MEADOWSPTM.ORG



## **Lunch Account Information**

Financial Assistance Application

School Menus

Titan portal is updated to LinQ Connect

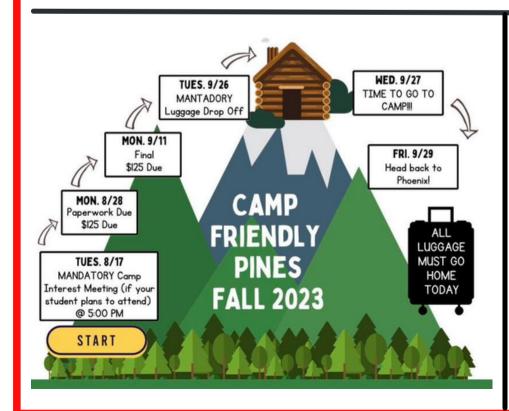


#### LINQ Connect

Pay your school fees and add money to meal accounts from anywhere, any time.

☑ lingconnect.com









Student supply lists can be found here.

You'll see two columns on those lists. The right-hand side is a list of items we would like students to have in their backpacks. The left-hand side is a list of items that you can choose to donate for general classroom use.

Those supplies can be dropped off in the office on or before the first day of school!



Bright SchoolKitz orders will be delivered directly to students' 1st-period classes.

## **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

7 AUG	8 TUESDAY AUG	17 THURSDAY
5th Grade Parent Night 5:15 pm-6:00 pm	First Day of School	Curriculum Night: 5:15 pm-7:00pm
Learn about Meadows curriculum & programming	Campus opens @ 8:10 am School starts @ 8:30 am	Follow your student's schedule & meet teachers
Get important tips on supporting your middle schooler	Communicate your pick-up plan with your student	Learn about curriculum and other very important info



Report student
absences or tardies by
10:00AM by calling
602-664-7620 or
emailing
meadowsattendance@
madisoned.org

Stacy Campbell Attendance Clerk



For all students age 11 and older, one dose of Tdap and Meningococcal are due.

If your student has received these required immunizations, please make sure you have provided documentation to the school.



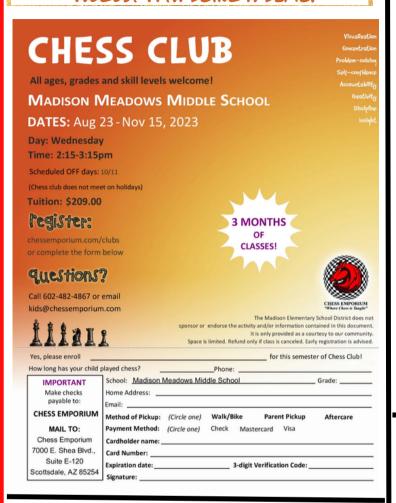
For any questions on this please contact
Nurse Crystal at
cmacleod@madisoned.org





www.meadowsptm.org

CHESS EMPORIUM WILL BE ON CAMPUS DURING LUNCH AUGUST 17TH DOING A DEMO!





Parents only. Geared towards 5th Grade or new students



#### RIGHTS OF HOMELESS STUDENTS

Madison School District shall provide an educational environment that treats all students with dignity and respect. Every homeless student shall have access to the same free and appropriate educational opportunities as students who are not homeless. This commitment to the educational rights of homeless children, youth, and unaccompanied youth, applies to all services, programs, and activities provided or made available.

McKinney-Vento Definition of Homeless The term "homeless children and youth"— A. means individuals who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence [42 U.S.C. § 11434a(2)]

A student may be considered eligible for services as a "Homeless Child or Youth" under the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act if he or she is presently living in one of the following situations:

- sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason.
- living in motels, hotels, trailer parks, or camping grounds due to the lack of alternative adequate accommodations,
- · living in emergency or transitional shelters; or are abandoned in hospitals,
- have a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings,
- living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations, or similar settings, or
- is a migratory child who qualifies as homeless for the purposes of this subtitle because the children are living in circumstances described above

#### RIGHTS OF HOMELESS STUDENTS

To remove educational barriers for children and youths experiencing homelessness, the McKinney-Vento Act mandates the following: Immediate Enrollment: Documentation and immunization records cannot serve as a barrier to the enrollment in school [42 U.S.C. § 11432(g)(3)[C)].

School Selection and Maintained Enrollment: McKinney Vento eligible students have a right to select from the options outlined below. Students may remain enrolled in their selected schools for the duration of homelessness, and until the end of the academic year upon which they are permanently housed [42 U.S.C. § 11432(q)(3)(A), 42 U.S.C. § 11432(q)(3)(B), 91 U.S.C.

### UserGuide

## PowerSchool Parent Portal



POWERSCHOOL PARENT PORTAL THE PARENT PORTAL PROVIDES REAL-TIME GRADE, ATTENDANCE, AND SCHOOL INFORMATION TO PARENTS.

**CLICK HERE FOR THE GUIDE.** 

Need help logging in?
Contact the office at
meadowsoffice@madisoned.org
or call 602-664-7600 \*0

## How to get your student's Spring 2023 AASA Test Scores

**AASA 2023 Parent Portal User Guide** 

Student Name: [Student's Last Name, Student's First Name]

Claim Code: [Student's Claim Code]

The Arizona's Academic Standards Assessment (AASA) Parent Portal allows families to securely access and view the AASA Confidential Student Score Report for their students online. After creating a user account, families will enter the student's information to retrieve the AASA Confidential Student Score Report (Individual Student Report) from spring 2023.

The Parent Portal is an optional resource available to schools and families. The student's Parent Portal claim code can only be obtained from the student's school. Schools are not required to distribute Parent Portal claim codes.

Follow these steps to access your student's information:

Go to the AASA Parent Portal at <a href="https://az-results.pearsonaccessnext.com/login">https://az-results.pearsonaccessnext.com/login</a> and create a user account by clicking on the Sign Up link under the green Log In button.



The portal will ask for your First Name, Last Name, Email Address, and Password. Once the
information has been entered, click on the green Create Account button. The portal will send an
activation email to the email address you provided. Look for this email and click on the activation link
to finish creating your account.



- Once your account has been created and you click the activation link provided in the automated email, you will be routed back to the AASA Parent Portal Log in screen (see screen on previous page). On this screen, you will enter your Fmail Address and Password. Then, click the green Log in button.
- 4. You will then be routed to the My Students' Test Results page. On the left side of this page, you will see the search box Find Test Results. Enter the Student's First Name, Student's Last Name, Student's Date of Birth, and Claim Code (provided on the previous page). Click on the green Find Results button. Please note your student's information will need to match their unique AASA testing registration information. Contact your student's school if the student's information entered results in any unexpected errors.



5. The portal will retrieve your student's AASA Confidential Student Score Report (Individual Student Report) from the AASA Spring 2023. On the right side of the page under My Students' Test Results, the English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics (Math) results will be displayed for students in grades 3 through 8. The link Download Individual Student Report will allow you to open or download a PDF copy of your student's AASA Confidential Student Score Report (Note: This link will provide access to the full grade and content area specific report that has all of your student's results).



Note: The My Students' Test Results screen is being provided as a sample only.

Families are recommended to review resources to help interpret your student's AASA Confidential Student Score Report available on the AASA Parent Portal at:

https://az-results.pearsonaccessnext.com/login. The Spring 2023 AASA Family Report Guide will help you understand what is shown on each page of the AASA Confidential Student Score Report.

If you have any questions or trouble accessing the test results, please contact [School Contact Name] at the school.

[School Phone Number]

602-664-7600 or meadowsoffice@madisoned.org



# STUDENT DROP OFF NOTICE:

Please DO NOT drop off students before 8:10 AM. Also, there is NO drop off in the front of the school or the neighborhoods.

## STUDENT PICK UP NOTICE:

Students may not be signed out within 15 minutes of the final bell. You will unable to check out students after 3:25pm (1:55pm Wed).

Thank you.





## **MEADOWS ATHLETICS**



ATHLETICS WEBSITE: https://sites.google.com/madisoned.org/meadowsathletics22-23/home

Meadows has a strong Athletics program. It offers 18 sports spread out over three seasons: Fall, Winter, and Spring. Approximately 55% of all Meadows students participate in extra-curricular sports.

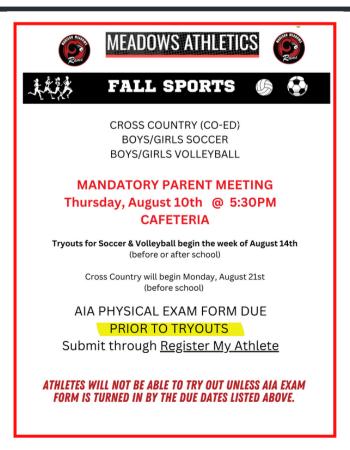
Fall Sports:
Boys Soccer
Girls Soccer
Boys Volleyball
Girls Volleyball
Girls JV Volleyball
Co-ed Cross Country

NOTE: Students MUST have their physical forms completed before trying out for a sport.

Physicals are good for 1 year.

All participants must have a physical, meet grade requirements, and pay a taxdeductible athletic fee. In the 2023-24 school year, we will be using Register My Athlete to register & upload all forms online at www.registermyathlete.com







## PTM GENERAL MEETING



- Dinner will be served!
- Meet PTM executive board and committee chairs
- Vote to approve the PTM Budget for the year
- Learn about the Fall fundraiser and family events
- Madison Advocates to speak about upcoming Bond and Override Flections
- Find out how to get involved and socialize with others



**MEADOWS CAFETERIA** 







Attention Meadows Parents! We have a new club on campus!

Best Buddies club will foster one—on-one friendships
between Meadows students with and without IDD, in which
they share interests, experiences, and activities. Students with
IDD are often isolated and left out of social activities.
Best Buddies Middle school program helps to create an inclusive
school culture with open minds and acceptance.
If your child is interested in joining Best Buddies please email
Blaire Hinks (hinkskids@gmail.com)
Lauren Robuck (lrobuck@madisoned.org)



## **COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS!**

Arizona's #1 Girls Basketball Organization **Girls Only Teams** 1st - 8th Grade

SKETBALL ROGRAM

#### LET'S GO LADIES!

- **Girls Competitive & Development Teams**
- **Professional Certified Coaches**
- Available 7 Days a Week in the Gvm
- Local Leagues & National Tournaments

#### SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE!

Sign Up For Your FREE Complimentary Workout Today

Register Online Today: hoopcode.com/girls



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PROFESSIONAL COACHES & TRAINERS . AAU CLUB TEAMS . NATIONAL TOURNAMENTS COMPETITIVE LEAGUES . BIDDY BALL . GIRLS ONLY TEAMS

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MADISON FUTBOL CLUB -- 2023 FALL RECREATIONAL SOCCER **REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN! GO TO:** 

https://madisonfutbol.sportngin.com/register/form/011124613

This Fall, we will have the following divisions:

Little Kickers -- Kindgergarten and last year of Pre-K

1st/2nd Grade ALL GIRLS -- 1st/2nd Grade Coed

3rd/4th Grade ALL GIRLS --3rd/4th Grade Coed

5th/6th Grade Coed -- 7th/8th Grade Coed

Season will begin September 8th, 2023.







MED-@-GRAM

#### REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

CO-ED AND GIRLS LEAGUES"

#### ONLINE REGISTRATION ONLY AT RAMMS.ORG.

#### Registration Closes Thursday, August 10 at 5 pm

REGISTRATION FEES: \$140.00 per player (Refer to ramms.org

Game ierseys, RAMMS practice ierseys and team/individual

Scholarships are available. Please see RAMMS Scholarship form at RAMMS.org/rules. Scholarship requests are granted on a first come, first served basis and are due at least 5 days before the scheduled player evaluations.

#### PLAYER EVALUATIONS: SATURDAY, AUGUST 12

### Washington High School Vashington High School Vashington High School

Freshmen (Grades 1 & 2) / 8.00 am Sophomore (Grades 3 & 4)

GIRLS League

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Games are played at Washington High School on Saturdays
between Barn-2pm, Practice schedules are determined by
head coaches and will be held 1-2 times per week, generally on
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COACHES NEEDED: RAMMS is a PARENT-run organization and relies on our community to be Head & Assistant Coaches so grab a finited and join us. RAMMS needs one parent to volunteer to be a head coach and another to be an assistant coach for every seven (?) playes that register. The number of teams will be determined by the availability of ocaches.

football@ramms.org or register at ramms.org.

SPONSORS NEEDED: RAMMS relies on our sponsors to help us keep registration fees affordable, provide scholarships so all pilyars can perforable, provide scholarships so all pilyars can perforpate, provide qualify game veunou, unforme, sports equipment for each team and perform capital improveme to local schools. If you've interested on a RAMMS appraisarship, prelate confacts us all sponsorship/feramms.org

RAMMS is a parent-run, volunteer 501(c)3 organization. For owl 60 years, the RAMMS sports organization has been dedicated to enriching the level of children by providing recreational sports activities. RAMMS provides recreational competitive flag feotiation of the recreation of the

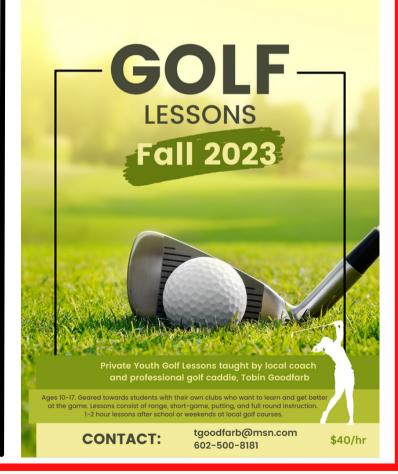
We are teaming up with NFL Flag - the official Flag Football program of the NFL.



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### 2023-2024 PTM CALENDAR

#### Questions/Comments:

pres@meadowsptm.org



www.meadowsptm.org



www.facebook.com/MeadowsPTM



PTM sends an email update every Sunday. Please check your inbox or like us on **Facebook for** calendar changes.

Please remember that all dates are subject to change. Updated: 8/2/23

#### July

26 - Student Walk Through & Supply Drop Off 11:30am-

27 - Student Walk Through & Supply Drop Off 7am-12pm

7 - 5th Grade Parent Night 5:15pm

8 - Student First Day of School

9 - PTM Executive Board Meeting 14-15 - District MAP Testing

17 - Picture Day

17 - Mandatory Friendly Pines Parent Mtg 5pm

17 - Curriculum Night 5:15pm-7pm

28 - Vision & Hearing Testing Begins

#### September

1 - Med-O-Gram Publication

1 - Vision & Hearing Testing Ends

4 - Labor Day - No School

6 - PTM Welcome Dinner & General Meeting

11 - PTM Executive Board Meeting

19 - Fundraiser Kick-off

27--29 Camp Friendly Pines 5th Graders

#### October

1 - Med-O-Gram Publication

2 - PTM Executive Board Meeting

3 - Picture Retakes

4 - PTM GAME NIGHT - 6pm - 8pm

9-13 Fall Break - No School

24 - Kidchella (Fundraiser Day of Fun)

25 - Parent/Teacher Conferences Evening

26 - Half Day - 12:05 Release - Conferences

27 - Half Day - 12:05 Release - Conferences

#### November

1 - Med-O-Gram Publication

3 - Family Fall Fest - 6pm - 8pm

6 - PTM Executive Board Meeting

13-17 - Fall Book Fair

10 - Veterans' Day - No School

22-24 - Thanksgiving Break - No School

27-28 - District MAP Testing

#### **December**

1 - Med-O-Gram Publication

1 - Simis/Meadows Holiday Party

4 - PTM Executive Board Meeting

22 - Half Day - 12:05 Release

25-29 - Winter Break - No School

#### January

1-5 - Winter Break - No School

1 - Med-O-Gram Publication

8 - School Resumes

8- PTM Executive Board Meeting

15 - Martin Luther King Day - No School

24- Crafts Night 6pm - 8pm

#### **February**

1 - Med-O-Gram Publication

1 - Half Day - 12:05 Release P/T Conferences

2- Half Day - 12:05 Release P/T Conferences

?- Panoramic 8th Grade Photo

5 - PTM Executive Board Meeting

7 - Future 5th Grader FYI

16 - Spring Fling 6pm-8pm

19 - Presidents' Day - School Closed

TBD - Meadows Got Talent & Art Show

#### March

1 - Med-O-Gram Publication

4 - PTM Executive Board Meeting

8 - Teacher Planning Day - No School

11-15 - Spring Break - No School

**TBD - Spring Fundraiser & Parent Social** 

18-22 - Spring Book Fair

25-28 - State Testing and/or Make Up

29 - Spring Holiday - No School

#### **April**

1 - Med-O-Gram Publication

1 - PTM Executive Board Meeting

TBD: 2023-24 Slate Announced

1-19 - State Testing and/or Make Up

29-30 - District MAP Testing

#### May

1 - Med-O-Gram Publication

6 - PTM Executive Board Meeting

TBD-8th Grade Community Project Night

& Future 5th Grader Night

6-10 Teacher Appreciation Week

TBD - 6th Grade Field Trip

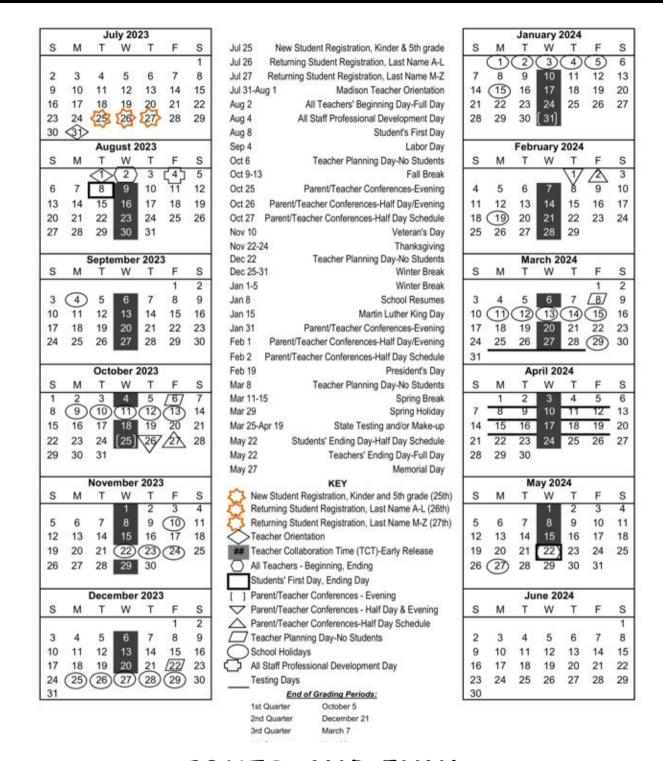
TBD-8th Grade Dance

TBD - 8th Grade Promotion

TBD - 8th Grade Field Trip

22 - Last Day Half Day, 12:05p.m.





### JOKES AND FUN!

First person to guess one correct will get a Meadows magnet! Email your answer to meadowsoffice@madisoned.org



WHAT DID ONE TECTONIC PLATE SAY TO ANOTHER WHEN HE BUMPED INTO THE OTHER?



WHAT KIND OF EXERCISE DOES LAZY PEOPLE DO??

STUDENTS, TEACHERS,
STAFF & PARENTS:
SEND US A FAVORITE
STORY, JOKE, RIDDLE OR
PHOTO FOR THE
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