

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE MADISON MEADOWS MIDDLE SCHOOL

JANUARY 2021 ISSUE V



Greetings Ram Family,

We are so happy to kick off the new year at Madison Meadows. I don't know about you, but I've seen a lot of funny memes and some social media posts about kicking 2020 to the curb. Unfortunately, what happened during 2020 won't vanish, but that doesn't mean we can't stay optimistic and look at 2021 as a clean slate.

Over the holiday break, I binged watched Ted Lasso. The main character, Ted, is beginning his career as the head coach of a premier league soccer team (even though he's never coached anything but American football). He's called a variety of horrible names, he's purposely sabotaged by others, and his team and the surrounding community don't trust him at all. But no matter the situation he's presented, Ted Lasso remains a relentless optimist.

His optimism and the messages woven into the stories of the show's episodes really resonated with me. While watching this show I found myself wanting to be just like Ted. While I won't be a premier league soccer coach, I can channel that optimism in my approach to parenting my children, in my work with the staff at Meadows, and in working with our students and parents.

I am both energized and motivated moving into 2021, knowing that we will move in a common direction toward shared goals. We are still in the midst of the craziness that 2020 brought us, but that doesn't mean we can't have our best year yet. I am excited about what the future holds for our Madison Meadows community!

All the best.

Katy Clark, Principal

DATES TO REMEMBER

Mon, Jan 4 - School resumes (A Day)

Wed, Jan 6 - PTM General Meeting (5:30 via Zoom)

Sat, Jan 9th - Meadows Dads Club Tree Pick Up - 8am

Tues, Jan 12 - Evening Conferences

Wed, Jan 13 - Half Day - 12:05 Release / Conferences

Wed, Jan 13 - Deadline for At Home Learning sign up

Fri, Jan 15 - Deadline for Intent to
Continue Form

Mon, Jan 18 - No School - MLK Day

Tues, Jan 19th - Take Out Tuesday Miracle Mile - ALL DAY!

Updated Bell Schedule	
1ST PERIOD/HR	8:30 - 10:10
2ND PERIOD	10:20 - 11:50
LUNCH	11:50 - 12:40
3RD PERIOD	12:40 - 2:10
Dismissal	2:10
Teacher Office Hours: M, Tu, Th, F	2:10 - 3:40

From Ms Bradshaw:

My students created board games to represent their books: A Night to Remember, by Walter Lord, and Hatchet, by Gary Paulson. Along with the actual board game itself, students had to write out explicit instructions, so that anyone could play.











The pictures of the games are in this Padlet: https://padlet.com/abradshaw17/buqyf4ech1ibt60w



News from Mrs Tracy!

Welcome New Art students!
We are starting out the semester exploring the wonderful natural art of Andy Goldsworthy

Supplies Needed for Art students: Sketchbook Pencil Sharpie (Fine tip) Coloring medium

Parents and Students should sign up for email updates by visiting **my website**.



Andy Goldsworthy

WEBSITE: HTTPS://SITES.GOOGLE.COM/VIEW/MS-TRACY/HOME

6th grade Project Design created treehouses before winter break. Here are a few photos.











Stay up to date with our announcements by liking our

PTM Facebook page







PURCHASE YOUR 2020-2021 YEARBOOK!

To purchase a yearbook click this link and enter in the school code 93632. https://commpe.pictavo.com/PictavoSchool/FindSchoolMeadows
Follow the instructions to make an account and "Shop my school"

This year's yearbook will be sold for \$25.

Watch for emails, we still need lots of pictures from online learning, 8th grade baby pictures, and memorable school events from the year.

QUESTIONS? Contact: Jason Bruso, M.Ed.IB Digital Design 7-8
jbruso@madisoned.org



SPIRIT WEAR FUNDRAISER!

Limited Edition
State Forty Eight - Meadows
Collaboration Shirts
\$25 each

www.meadowsptm.org - PTM Store or buy them in the office!

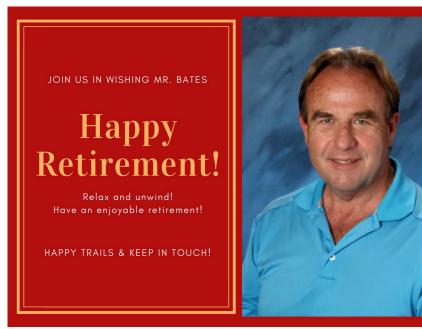


Spirit Masks are for sale in the PTM Store!

Click here to buy!
\$6 each

Pick up in office or have mailed to your home!









MADISONAZ.ORG/JOBS





Coach Johnson paid us a visit to pick up his "12 Years of Service" award from the District.

He is enjoying his retirement!

Find issues online at www meadowptm org

Students of the Week!

Each week the Meadows Office chooses a **Student of the Week.** These students demonstrate responsibility by having excellent attendance as well as strong academic achievement by maintaining good grades.

Here are December's Students of the Week for each grade - *CONGRATULATIONS TO*:

5th - Brian Pineda Valencia

6th - Elena Petty

7th - Hannah Gustafson

8th - Gareth Herman

Each student receives a personal congratulations letter as well as a free pizza coupon from **Lou Malnati's!**

PTM's Sponsor of the Month:



Did you know Meadows parent Melisa Camp is more than just your average Realtor® at HomeSmart?

She is a dedicated mom of 4 kids and also an industry leader for over a decade on sustainability and residential green building. She has educated thousands of professionals across the U.S. & just finished writing and producing 17 micro-courses for the National Association of Realtors.

Camp never is done learning and creating opportunities for others. She is an open book and loves to share.

She can help you buy before you sell with Knock, make smart improvements to love it or list it with Pearl, help you navigate all things related to solar, & improve indoor air quality.

"I don't care why you call me, just call me. I am ready to work & problem solve. And I have many resources to share," says an enthusiastic Camp.

So, whether you are looking for more space, making energy efficient an improvement with ROI, adding solar, or need a vendor referral please reach out.

480-703-3202, mcamp@hsmove.com, http://greenhomesphoenix.com, FB @greenhabremodel and IG @ecomomdoes

Meals can be picked up in our new cafeteria! Pull into the 3rd Avenue entrance and look for the open metal gates. Follow the signs!



BREAKFAST & LUNCH @ MEADOWS

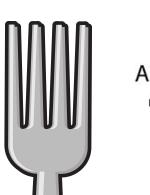
Breakfast and lunch will continue to be available at no cost to all students. Breakfast is served from 8:10 - 8:30 and lunch will be served during our lunch period at 11:50.



We are updating our cafeteria community meal pickup times to be the following beginning 11/30/2020 until further notice. See new times below. If you have further questions, please contact the school cafeteria or Cindy Phillips (cphillips1@madisoned.org or 664-7919) in the District Office.

Parents/guardians and/or children 18 and younger may pick up free meal bundles, which include breakfast, lunch, supper, and snacks.

On Fridays, free meal bundles will also be given for Saturday and Sunday. All children 18 and younger qualify for this free program, regardless of eligibility! We encourage all on site and virtual learners to utilize this free program to help financially support our staff and department costs. Children do not have to be enrolled in a Madison School. Meadows: 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM





Thank you **Autumn Court!**

Our December Take Out Tuesday only earned \$70 but then they donated \$150 and brought the total to \$225!

Please give this local restaurant a try & thank them for their generosity!

8th Grade Community Project

8th graders have started working on their Community Projects. Students have chosen whether to work with others or alone and have turned in their project goal. Students will be answering questions and reflecting as they investigate and plan for action. Action should be completed by the end of March to give plenty of time for reflection and creating the presentation. Students do not need to rush into action but should be actively planning at this time.

If you or your child have questions about the Community Project you may contact your child's Humanities teacher or Mrs. Coughlin.

Information can also be found on the Meadows IB website at https://sites.google.com/madisoned.org/madison-meadows-ib-myp/service-learning-and-the-community-

Victoria Coughlin

IB Coordinator PBIS Trainer & Coach Madison Meadows Middle School Office: 602-664-7672



Hey Parents! Would you be interested in helping as a Community Project Advisor to students? Please contact Mrs. Coughlin at vcoughlin@madisoned.org



WWW.MIRACLEMILEDELI.COM

FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK FOR DAILY SPECIALS

MONDAY - SATURDAY 11AM - 7:00PM IN-STORE PICKUP - CONVENIENT TAKE-AWAY WINDOW DELIVERY VIA POSTMATES AND UBEREATS

TAKE OUT TUESDAY - JAN 19th

Miracle Mile is supporting Meadows all day on Tuesday 1/19/21.

They will give 20% when you mention Meadows' fundraiser!



TIN# 74-2401305

Communication Sponsorship Opportunities to Promote Your Business

BE OUR ADVERTISER OF THE MONTH!

(By doing so, you also support Madison Meadows Middle School!)

Ad Cost: \$250 (for 4 weeks of Communication Sponsorship)

WHAT IS INCLUDED:

- * Banner Ad with Link to a Website
- * Goes out to 1,200 email subscribers (min. 1 per week eblast communication)
- * Sponsor Spotlight article in Monthly Newsletter (Med-O-Gram)
- * Sponsor Spotlight shout out on Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram)
- * Banner Ad on website www.meadowsptm.org
- * Exclusivity Only one sponsor per month

AD SPECIFICATIONS:

Ads should be submitted business card size, or a max height 2.125" x max width 4.5" Required layout is horizontal. Please contact us if that is an issue.

Preferred resolution in 300 DPI if includes text. Lower quality may cause poor readability

Submit art in .jpg or .png format

Company Name:		_
Contact Person:		
Email Address:	Phone:	
Website Address:		
Preferred Month of Advertising (20	020-2021 School Year):	

Pay Online: www.meadowsptm.org (PTM Store) – For assistance, email pres@meadowsptm.org

Mail/Deliver Check to: Meadows PTM, 225 W. Ocotillo Rd, Phoenix, AZ, 85013

IMPORTANT NEWS FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE:

Happy 2021!! We sure do need a good year.



Please send in updated immunizations to me so I can update your student's Health Folder. All 6th grade students are in need of the Tdap and Meningitis shot. So please make sure if you have heard from me to get this done as soon as you can.

COVID-19 is at an All Time high in regards to the Percent Positivity Rate.

Masks are required at school and mask breaks will be done as needed. If your child arrives without a mask, one will be provided. Please notify the Health Office if your child sick with COVID or has been exposed. This is important information for the County Health Dept. and the Madison District. Please remember to social distance and wear a mask!

Exercise and Sleep are very important in staying healthy. Don't forget to get out and walk, the best form of exercise.

Sharon Seivert - sseivert@madisoned.org / 602-664-7641





STUDENT LED CONFERENCES

Tues, 1/12 - 2:30-6:00pm Wed, 1/13 - 12:30-4:00pm



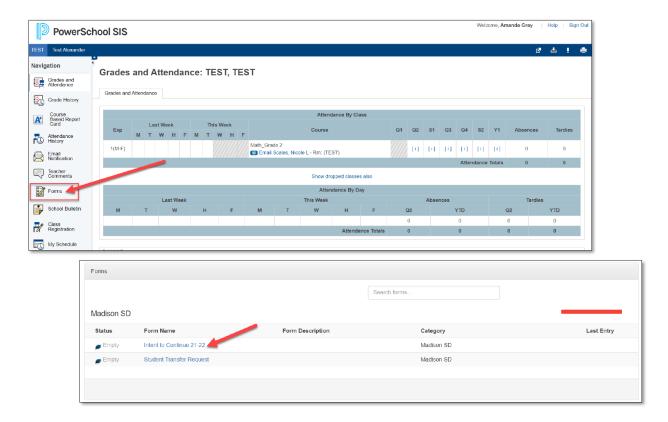
You should be receiving an email from your 1A teacher about Winter Conferences.

In these conferences, students will reflect on last semester and set goals for this semester. During your conference time you will meet as a team (parent, student, teacher). Your student will lead the discussion/conference.

Conferences will be held via Google Meet. You will receive a link to your conference shortly before its start time.

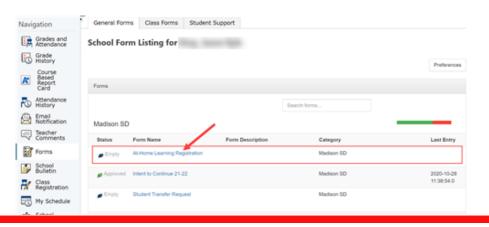
Please note that this is not a time for 1:1 teacher-parent conferences. If you would like to schedule a conference with an individual teacher, please reach out to them directly to schedule a meeting outside of conference times.

NOTE: All Current Meadows Students <u>must</u> complete an "Intent to Continue Form" by 1/15/21 to secure your spot for the 2021-2022 school year! The form will be in PowerSchool.



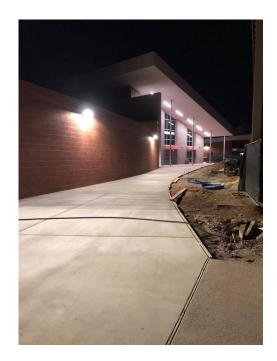
AT-HOME ONLINE LEARNING SIGN-UP

Please complete this form by January 13 only if your child will learn online at home through the end of the third quarter (March 12, 2021). :



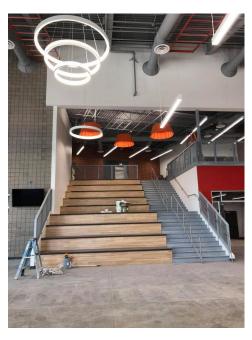
Due Jan. 13th!

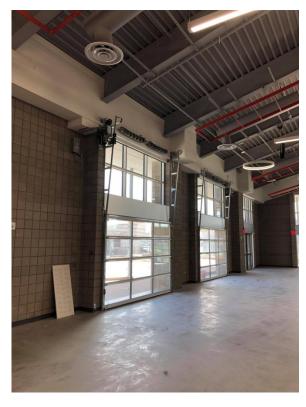
PICTURES OF THE NEW SPACES AT MEADOWS!

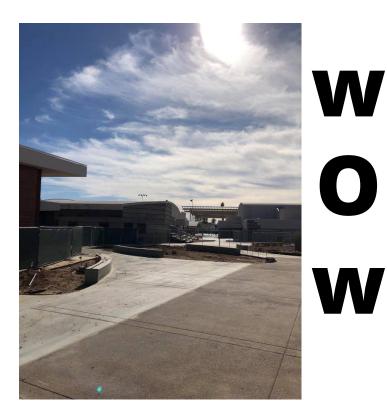












FUTURE FRESHMAN NIGHT

Learn why GUHSD is the top-performing high school district in the Metro-Phoenix area



GUHSD FUTURE FRESHMAN NIGHT (VIRTUAL EVENT)

January 14, 2021 | 6:30 p.m.

Join us for a GUHSD signature event to learn about our:

- Resources to prepare all students for college and career opportunities
- Nationally and internationally recognized academics
- Championship athletics and extracurricular activities
- Award-winning fine and performing arts
- Cutting-edge STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) offerings
- Outstanding CTE (Career and Technical Education) programs
- Volunteerism and community service projects
- State-of-the-art online learning opportunities



AN EXCEPTIONAL HIGH SCHOOL EXPERIENCE

FUTURE FRESHMAN NIGHT

VIRTUAL EVENT

WORLD-CLASS EDUCATION IN YOUR OWN BACKYARD

Glendale Union High School District continues to focus on providing students with an exceptional high school experience and well-rounded education which will prepare them for success in college and the

Learn more about our impressive accolades, excellent reputation and why GUHSD is not only a top-performing high school district in the Metro-Phoenix area, but also the best choice for you and your teen.



Thursday, January 14, 2021 6:30 p.m.

> Find event link at: guhsdaz.org

Registration begins on Friday, January 15, 2021

Visit our website for more information.









District Office 7650 N. 43rd Ave Glendale, AZ 85301 623-435-6000

DISCOVER THE GUHSD DIFFERENCE AT YOUR LOCAL, AWARD-WINNING **HIGH SCHOOL**

GUHSD High Schools

Apollo

8045 N. 47th Ave. Glendale, AZ 85302 623-435-6300 apollo.guhsdaz.org

Greenway

3930 W. Greenway Rd. Phoenix, AZ 85053 623-915-8500 greenway.guhsdaz.org

Sunnyslope

35 W. Dunlap Ave Phoenix, AZ 85021 623-915-8760 sunnyslope.guhsdaz.org

8828 N. 31st Ave. Phoenix, AZ 85051 623-915-8200 cortez.guhsdaz.org

Independence

6602 N. 75th Ave. Glendale, AZ 85303 623-435-6100 independence.guhsdaz.org

Thunderbird

1750 W. Thunderbird Rd. Phoenix, AZ 85023 623-915-8900 thunderbird.guhsdaz.org Glendale

6216 W. Glendale Ave. Glendale, AZ 85301 623-435-6200 glendale.guhsdaz.org

Moon Valley

3625 W. Cactus Rd. Phoenix, AZ 85029 623-915-8000 moonvalley.guhsdaz.org

Washington

2217 W. Glendale Ave. Phoenix AZ 85021 623-915-8400 washington.guhsdaz.org

Excellence: Yesterday, Today & Tomorrow



Art Masterpiece Seeking Volunteers!

We are looking for volunteers for **Art Masterpiece Virtual presentations. Guidance, supplies & training provided!**

Contact co-pres@meadowsptm.org to be put in touch with our Art Masterpiece Chairperson, Zenia Hickson.







Kids Who Cook Spring Session

Kids Who Cook - (Via Zoom)

Wednesdays: 4:30-5:10pm January 20th - February 24th

Kids Who Cook offers fun, hands-on cooking and food preparation classes for children grades K-6th. Following kid approved and chef-inspired recipes, students will use healthy, fresh, and locally sourced food to create their culinary masterpieces. Research shows that children who are engaged in preparing their own snacks and meals are more likely to:

- Try different food varieties and combinations
- Choose healthy alternatives
- Have an increased awareness of the nutrition in every day foods
- Learn the basics of food and snack preparation and sanitation

Each week students will follow a guided chef's presentation to make and eat their own snacks. All recipes and ingredient lists will be emailed out ahead of time so families can shop for the needed iitems. Kids will learns to make fresh, wholesome, snacks and meals that are fun to create and taste delicious. Cost: \$70 per session

Registration: Please call/text 602-384-7057 to register or email form to edenpeter@yahoo.com

Student:	School:
Parent/Guardian:	Teacher/Grade:
Email:	Primary Phone:
Address:	Secondary Phone:
Does your child have health concerns: Y N	Notes:
After class my child will go to: MAC Paren	nt Pick Up Walk/Bike Home

I hereby give my child permission to attend and participate in Kids Who Cook, Cooking Class. I agree to assume full responsibility for any risks, injuries, or damages, known or unknown, which my child might incur as a result of participation in cooking classes. I knowingly, voluntarily, and expressly waive and release any claims against the teachers and owner for any injury or damage that may be suffered by me or my children in connection with or by participation in activities included

in cooking class. I agree that my child will have the ability to leave promptly from class by the method selected above.

___I understand that my child may be photographed and these photographs may be used for advertising and promotional purposes only No person whose photograph is used shall be identified by name. I voluntarily agree to the terms and conditions above.



Meadows Got Talent!

We would love to put together a Meadows Got Talent Virtual **Event!**

If you are interested in participating in this planning committee, please contact pres@meadowsptm.org

This has been a wonderful tradition at Meadows and we'd love to see it continue this year!

We need a few parents to come up with ideas and plan this amazing community event.

Please consider helping!

JOKES AND FUN!



WHAT TIME IS IT WHEN YOUR CLOCK TURNS 13? (SUBMITTED BY OLIVIA POLLACK)



HOW DO YOU THROW A PARTY IN SPACE?

STUDENTS, TEACHERS, **STAFF & PARENTS:** SEND US A FAVORITE STORY, JOKE, RIDDLE OR PHOTO FOR THE MED-0-GRAM PRES@MEADOWSPTM.ORG