

# MED-GRAM



MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE MADISON MEADOWS MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Meadows Families,

We make an effort to constantly give you a leg up regarding what is happening at school through this monthly publication, the Monday Message from admin and the PTM Blast on Sundays. We are also very active on social media! Are you following us?

Being informed and up to date is very important as we head into the next 4 months as a lot is happening.

Just check out our calendars on pages 11 & 12!

Empower yourself by bookmarking and checking our websites [meadowsptm.org](http://meadowsptm.org) and [madisonaz.org/meadows](http://madisonaz.org/meadows).

Thank you for being an involved and accountable part of our school.

Charlotte Shaff, PTM President

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## DATES TO REMEMBER

**Thurs, Feb 1 & Fri, Feb 2**  
Half Day - 12:05 Release  
Student Led Conferences

**Tues, Feb 6**  
6th Grade Trip Parent Meeting

**Thurs, Feb 8**  
Winter Sports Banquet

**Fri, Feb 9**  
90s Glow Dance Party 6-7:30PM

**Tues, Feb 13**  
Parent Future 5th Grader FYI

**Thurs, Feb 15**  
Winter Sports Banquet

**Mon, Feb 19**  
Presidents Day - No School

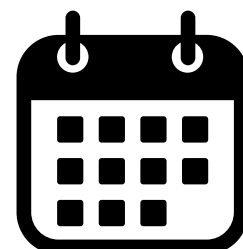
**Fri, Feb 23**  
8th Grade Panoramic Picture

**Thurs, Feb 29**  
Suicide Prevention Presentation

**Fri, March 8**  
Teacher Planning Day  
No School for Students

**Mon, March 11 - Fri, March 15**  
Spring Break - No School

**Mon, March 18 - Fri, March 22**  
Book Fair



[Click here for District Calendar](#)

# ART Around the World

*In Arts and Crafts Around the World class we will soon be making paper mâché.*

*We are looking for a few items. If you have some, please send it to Mrs. Reiter.*



-Newspaper

-Balloons

-Cereal boxes

-Paper towel rolls/TP rolls

-Feathers

-Old big shirts



Thanks,  
Isabelle Reiter  
IB Coordinator



## MEADOWS

### SHOW CHOIR

REHEARSALS EVERY FRIDAY MORNING  
7:30AM-8:25AM  
IN THE THEATER ROOM  
FIRST REHEARSAL--FEBRUARY 2ND

Go to Mrs. Gengle's room to grab a sign up sheet!



## More Than Sad: Suicide Prevention for Parents

### February 29, 2024

6:00-8:00 pm

The *More Than Sad* family of programs has taught over a million students, parents and educators how to be smart about mental health.

Parents will learn how to recognize signs of depression and other mental health problems, initiate a conversation with their child, and get him or her help.

#### Event Location

Madison Meadows Middle School  
225 W. Ootillo Rd  
Training will be in the Library

#### Questions?

Becki Williams or Amanda Williams  
[bwilliams@madisoned.org](mailto:bwilliams@madisoned.org)  
[awilliams2@madisoned.org](mailto:awilliams2@madisoned.org)



## PTM 8TH GRADE PROMOTION INFO



We are halfway through our 8th graders final year at Meadows. We want to celebrate their journey with some fun plans and activities. There are fees and RSVPs that can be completed now.

There are four items that you can take care of right now.

Fees and payments for activities should be made by March 7, 2024 at the online PTM Store. Scholarships are available to those in need please reach out to Mrs. Williams at [bwilliams@madisoned.org](mailto:bwilliams@madisoned.org)

<p><b>1</b></p> <p>8th GRADE AD DUE BY: April 30, 2024</p> <p>PURCHASE SPACE FOR A SPECIAL MESSAGE JUST FOR YOUR 8TH GRADER. AD DESIGN IS DUE APRIL 30TH.</p> <p>GO TO <a href="http://TREERING.COM/VALIDATE">TREERING.COM/VALIDATE</a> TO PURCHASE AND DESIGN YOUR AD. HAVE YOUR PHOTOS READY TO UPLOAD.</p>	<p><b>2</b></p> <p>SUBMIT ONE BABY PHOTO BY: APRIL 30, 2024</p> <h3>Yearbook To-Do's</h3> <p>ADD A BABY PHOTO OF YOUR 8TH GRADER TO <a href="http://TREERING.COM">TREERING.COM</a> UNDER 'YEARBOOK TO-DO'S'. CLICK ON THE RIGHT ARROW TO FIND THE 'ADD A BABY PHOTO'</p> <p>Questions? <a href="mailto:MTracy@Madisoned.org">MTracy@Madisoned.org</a></p>
<p><b>3</b></p> <p><b>\$55</b> (OPTIONAL) WATER DAY AT HURRICANE HARBOR ON MAY 21, 2024</p> <p>This fee is to be paid at <a href="http://www.meadowspdm.org">www.meadowspdm.org</a> store. It covers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Entry Ticket</li> <li>Lunch</li> <li>Drink</li> <li>SCHOOL BUS Transportation</li> </ul> <p>PAY FEE BY: MARCH 7, 2024</p>	<p><b>4</b></p> <p><b>\$50</b> MEADOWS 8TH GRADE PROMOTION FEE CLASS OF 2024 ACTIVITIES</p> <p>CONGRATULATE CLASS OF 2023!</p> <p>This fee is to be paid at <a href="http://www.meadowspdm.org">www.meadowspdm.org</a> store. It covers 8th grade promotion expenses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>COMMEMORATIVE 2024 T-SHIRT</li> <li>8TH GRADE DANCE (DJ, DECOR, FOOD SECURITY)</li> <li>3 TREAT DAYS FOR 8TH GRADERS</li> <li>8TH GRADE CLASS GIFT FOR SCHOOL</li> </ul> <p>PAY FEE BY: MARCH 7, 2024</p>

STUDENT PARTICIPATION IN ALL PROMOTION ACTIVITIES IS DEPENDENT UPON COMPLIANCE WITH MEADOWS ACADEMIC AND BEHAVIOR POLICIES.



# Buddy Meeting

When: Tuesday, February 20, 2024

Time: During 5<sup>th</sup> Lunch (4th Period)

Where: C147, Mrs. Robuck's Room

 Bring your lunch and join your buddies



Wear your Best Buddies t-shirt on **Tuesday, February 6th** and join us in taking a group picture for the yearbook.

\*\*\* There will be an all call made for the group picture at the beginning of 8th period \*\*\*

## 90'S GLOW DANCE PARTY

5TH & 6TH GRADERS IN THE GYM  
7TH & 8TH GRADERS IN THE CAFETERIA

February 9th

**6 – 7:30PM**

DJ, Photo Booth & Yard Games

Purchase tickets online by 2/7 for \$8 or at the door for \$10 (price includes LED light bracelet, water and bite size cookies)

Bracelets will be distributed to 8th period on Friday 2/9

Tickets \$8 online (deadline 2/7)  
\$10 at the door  
*Meadows students only*

**SAVE  
THE DATE**

## 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Trip

Parent Information Meeting

**Tuesday, February 6th**

**5:30 - 6:30**

**Meadows Cafeteria**

Learn more details about the trip & get your questions answered.



## ATTENTION 7TH GRADE



Applications for National Junior Honor Society are now open. Do you exemplify leadership, citizenship, character, service, and scholarship at Meadows?

Click to Apply

Deadline 3/1/2024

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2023  2024**Dear Friends and Potential Sponsors,**

It takes a village to raise a child. Without the support of Central Phoenix business and community members, Madison Meadows could not host many of the activities and programs that make our school special. Many parents, friends and family members are employed in and/or shop with businesses in this unique Central Phoenix community.

Meadows Middle School has up to 1000 students plus their families, faculty, and staff who will see your support and contribution. Our email and Social Media Posts will directly engage these families and link them to your business page and website. Event sponsorships are also available and are a direct opportunity to meet with our families and generate new leads in person. Know you are making a teacher's day with our various teacher appreciation events.

Below, you will find several sponsorship opportunities available to increase publicity for your business while providing outstanding experiences for our Meadows Rams family. We are also able to create customized programs specific to your business' needs. Each of these opportunities can be tax deductible.

Sincerely,

*Charlotte Shaff*

Charlotte Shaff - Meadows PTM President

**BANNER SPONSOR****\$400**

- Share your love for our Meadows Community by hanging your company banner in our front parking lot.
- Business must provide a 3'x5' banner at least 1 week before the month of sponsorship.

**SPONSOR OF THE MONTH****\$350**

- Spotlight will be on your business for an entire month: Weekly emails, social media posts, website and MedGram ad.
- We can connect 1000 Meadows families with access directly to your website and social media platforms.

**TEACHER & STAFF APPRECIATION SPONSOR****\$600**

- Provide lunch or treats to our Meadows teachers and staff to celebrate the amazing job they are doing.
- Your company will be recognized as an appreciation sponsor on all social media posts with a direct link back to your business social media and website.
- Opportunity to share promotional material to 50+ staff members.

**SPECIAL EVENT SPONSOR****\$1000-  
\$1500**

Meadows PTM has planned some fun events in 2024 and we need your help to make them spectacular! 90s Glow Dance Party, Adult Spring Fundraiser Social, 8th Grade Promotion Dance, etc.)

Title Sponsorship of any event includes **Exclusive to industry**. This includes your name, logo, website/social media on all promotion of the event in banners, social media, eblasts, website and exposure at the event with opportunity to distribute info about your biz too.

Sponsorships are sold on a first come, first served basis.

Please make your payment promptly to reserve your space. Payments can be made at [www.meadowptm.org](http://www.meadowptm.org) or via check. For additional sponsorship information, email [JennyGoldmanvpff@meadowptm.org](mailto:JennyGoldmanvpff@meadowptm.org)

**spelling bee** 

**Congrats to Meadows' 8th Grader,  
Emma Hickson for taking 2nd Place  
in the District Spelling Bee!  
Good luck in Regionals!**

## 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Trip Donations We Need You!!!

Donate now to make the 2nd annual trip to Lowell Observatory and Bearizona an experience to remember!

**Families**

Donations of any size helps! Your generosity makes a difference!

**Your Contributions Help to Fund**

T-Shirts for Students & Chaperones

Scholarships for Students with Financial Need

Pay for Teachers on the Trip

**Businesses**

Your logo featured on 200 t-shirts in the school newsletter & on social media!

*Donate Now!***6<sup>th</sup> Grade Trip**

We are excited to announce Meadows' second annual 6th grade overnight trip. Meadows' 6th graders will spend 2 days in Flagstaff, Arizona. On the way to Flagstaff, students will stop at Bearizona where students will have the opportunity to connect what they have been learning about local ecosystems, trophic levels, energy transfers within ecosystems (predator/prey relationships). They will have the opportunity to learn through demonstrations and question/answer sessions with gamekeepers, observations of wildlife and activities in the park. And in Flagstaff, students will spend time at Lowell's Observatory. In partnership with Meadows' science teachers, Lowell Observatory staff will lead students through lessons including viewing the nighttime sky, learning about discoveries made at Lowell's Observatory, and expanding on their knowledge of matter, energy, and the solar system and universe.

**Important Dates**

**February 1, 2024 - Field Trip Commitment and Chaperone Interest Forms Due** Your student's science teacher has emailed these today to the parent/guardian contact that is listed in PowerSchool.

**February 6, 2024 - 5:30 - 6:30pm - Field Trip Informational Meeting** Meadows Cafeteria on February from 5:30 - 6:30pm to learn more details about the trip and get your questions answered.

**February 16, 2024 - First Payment Due** First payment of \$85 is due by February 16. You may pay the entire amount of \$170 by this date if you wish.

**February 16, 2024 - Forms Due** Your student's science teacher will email each 6th grade student's parent or guardian the packet of forms required to be completed.

**March 22, 2024 - Last Payment Due**

**May 2, 2024 6:00pm - 7:00pm - Mandatory Parent / Guardian Meeting**

**May 14, 2024 4:00pm - 6:00pm - Luggage Drop Off**

**May 15, 2024 (basic itinerary - more details provided soon)**

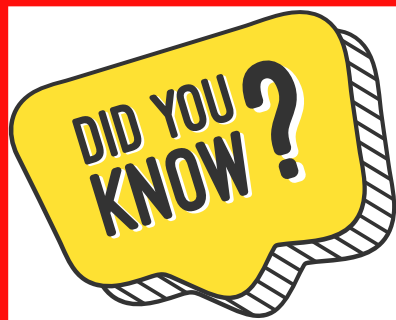
Students arrive at school like a normal day. Do not send students with backpacks. Students will head to their 1st period class for attendance.

10:00am - Buses will depart  
12:30pm - 3:00pm - Bearizona  
4:15pm - Arrive at hotel/dinner  
7:00pm-9:30pm - Lowell  
10:30pm - Lights out

**May 16, 2024 (basic itinerary - more details provided soon)**

7:00am - Wake up/breakfast  
10:00am - 12:30pm - Lowell  
12:30pm - Lunch  
1:30pm - Load buses  
4:00pm - Parent pick-up





**GET TO KNOW THE  
TEACHER!**  
THIS MONTH: ELIZABETH "LIZ" GENGLE,  
8TH GRADE LANG/LIT & THEATRE ARTS

Q: Are you married?

A: Yes I am! My husband and I were high school sweethearts.  
We met when we were 17 and have now been together for 17 years. :)



Q: Do you have any children?

A: Yep! I have a son named Willow who is 7 years old and a daughter, Willow, who is 4. They both go to Simis. Wyatt is in 2nd grade and Willow is in the 3's preschool.

Q: Do you have any pets?

A: I have two dogs named Bear and Norman, a cat named Bernie and a baby tortoise, Rosie. I also have 7 hermit crabs in my classroom.



Q: What part of the valley do you live in?

A: I live right here in Central Phoenix.

Q: What was your childhood like?

A: I had a wonderful childhood! I grew up here in Phoenix with my parents, older brother and LOTS of animals. We had cats, dogs, birds, reptiles, fish, hamsters and rats. It was a zoo!

Q: Have you held any other jobs besides teaching, and if so, what were they?

A: In high school my most notable jobs were "Pet Care Associate" at Petsmart and "Sandwich Maker" at Paradise Bakery. I worked at Maggianos in Scottsdale all through college, but went straight into teaching when I graduated. I used to teach first grade at the beginning of my career.

Q: Where did you go to college?

A: I went to ASU.



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Q: Do you have any hidden talents?

A: I can sing, play Blackbird by The Beatles on guitar, and know how to weave a dreamcatcher!

Q: What would your last meal be?

A: Ahi Poke Nachos or a burrito from Otro Cafe :)



*Do you have a teacher you'd like interviewed or a question you'd like asked in our next issue?*

*Email [meadowsoffice@madisoned.org](mailto:meadowsoffice@madisoned.org) and let us know!*



## From the Student Handbook

### Procedures for Absences

It is the obligation of the parent of an absent student to contact the school attendance office prior to or on the actual day of the absence. Parents are expected to call no later than 1 hour after the start of school. For your convenience, voicemail is available 24 hours a day to inform the school of an absence. **Attendance line is 602-664-7620, Attendance Email is [meadowsattendance@madisoned.org](mailto:meadowsattendance@madisoned.org).** If no contact is made to the school within 24 hours, the absence will be considered unexcused. At the time of call in, all parents are expected to verify the reasons for and the date(s) of absence. School administration will be notified of excessive tardies and/or absences.

*Attendance Counts!*



### Consequences for attendance violations:

5 Absences = Warning letter may be issued

10 Absences = Meeting with a parent may occur

15 Absences = Meeting with a truancy officer, parent, student, and school administrator may occur

19+ Absences = Truancy Citation may be issued and/or Open Enrollment Revocation Hearing may occur

### COURT UNIFIED TRUANCY SUPPRESSION PROGRAM (CUTS)

School attendance is not only a good habit; state law requires it. Arizona State Law (15-802.E, 15-803) requires every person who has custody of a child between the ages of six and sixteen years shall make sure the child attends school for the full-time school is in session unless unable to attend due to illness or another legitimate reason.

To encourage and improve school attendance, Madison School District has implemented a truancy program in partnership with Maricopa County Juvenile Court. This truancy program is called C.U.T.S. (Court Unified Truancy Suppression). We will be tracking attendance very closely. Your child is expected to be at school every day, unless there is an excused reason not to be. An absence is defined as a minimum of one missed class period per day. An unexcused absence will count as a truant day as defined by the law. **A student is "habitually truant" if he/she has five or more unexcused absences from school. A student that is absent more than ten percent (18 days) of the required number of school days per year is considered to have "excessive absences" whether the absence is excused or unexcused.** When a student has five or more unexcused absences or 19 excessive absences (excused OR unexcused), the student can be cited to the CUTS Program through the Juvenile Court. The hearing will be at the Juvenile Court Center. A parent or legal guardian must be present with the student at the time of the hearing. Consequences at the hearing may include the following: required attendance of the parent and the child at an education class (to be held on Saturdays), work hours assigned to the child, counseling, etc. The parent will be assessed a \$50 Diversion fee. Failure to complete these consequences may result in suspension of your child's driver's license, or inability to get a driver's license until their 18th birthday and/or formal court proceedings. It is the parent's/guardian's responsibility to ensure their child's attendance in an approved academic setting. If you fail to take the necessary steps to provide your child with appropriate education, you may receive a citation. If convicted, it is a Class 3 misdemeanor punishable by jail time and/or fine.

The education of your child is extremely important to us. This program is another way that Madison School District is working with the community to ensure a quality education for all students. Please note that the school also reserves the right to have a CUTS Officer speak at Orientations and Assemblies, as well as to individual groups of students regarding the importance of school. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your child's school.



## The Butterfly's Day



**The Butterfly's Day**  
What an amazing show!  
Thank you to Ms. Gengle & everyone that helped create this amazing musical performance!

[Click here to see the program!](#)  
[Click here to watch a video of the show!](#)

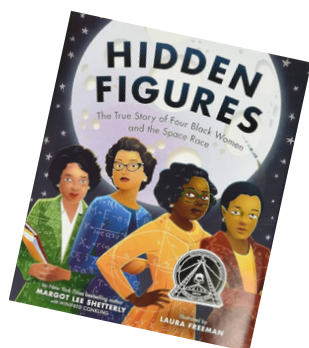
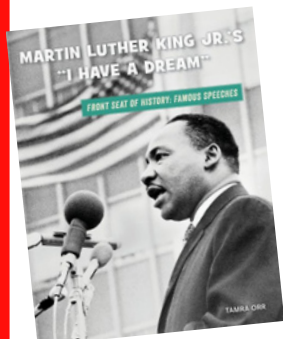
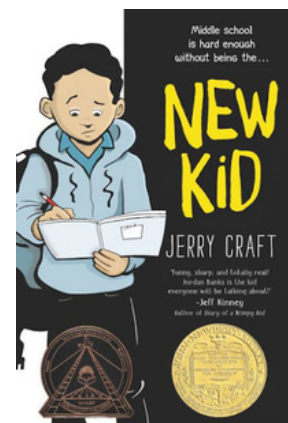


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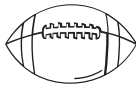
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## Celebrating Literacy

During Black History Month our library will celebrate African American History by highlighting notable books, speeches and biographies of individuals who have shaped our wonderful world. Thank you to our NJHS students Keira Bohr and Daniel Takeuchi for their input in selecting these amazing books.

*"Books are Inspiring"*



# MEADOWS ATHLETICS

ATHLETICS WEBSITE: [HTTPS://SITES.GOOGLE.COM/MADISONED.ORG/MEADOWSATHLETICS22-23/HOME](https://sites.google.com/madisoned.org/meadowsathletics22-23/home)

## Congrats Winter Athletes on a great Season!

**Girl Varsity Basketball 9-2****Boys Varsity Basketball 9-2****Girls JV Basketball 11-1****Boys JV Basketball 10-1****Flag Football 10-1****Cheer competes Feb 10th!**UNIFORMS  
MUST BE  
TURNED IN  
2/2/24

### Meadows Athletics

Spring 2023-2024 Information

**TRYOUTS FOR SOFTBALL AND  
BASEBALL START THE WEEK OF  
FEB 12TH!****ALL ATHLETES MUST HAVE  
SPORTS PHYSICAL UPLOADED IN  
AKTIVATE TO TRYOUT!****NOTE: STUDENTS MUST BE  
REGISTERED FOR EACH SPORT IN  
AKTIVATE TO PARTICIPATE.****TRACK & FIELD STILL START THE  
WEEK OF FEB. 19TH.**[Click here to see Presentation on Spring Sports!](#)**SAVE  
THE DATE**

**Winter Sports Banquet - Feb 15, 2024**  
**Cafeteria - Doors open at 5:30PM**  
(pizza served 5:30-6:00, ceremony starts at 6:00)

### MEADOWS ATHLETICS BANNER SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITY

Single Banner: \$350  
Two Banners: \$500A 3'x5' Banner can be displayed  
inside the gym or outside at the  
fields. The sponsor logo will also be  
posted on the Meadows Athletics  
website and social media pages.If interested, email the athletic director  
at [nbutler@madisoned.org](mailto:nbutler@madisoned.org)

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**PURCHASE A SPECIAL MESSAGE ON THE BIG MEADOWS MARQUEE!**

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**\$10 Daily**  
**\$25 Weekly**

Purchase at least one week prior!



**PURCHASE & FIND DETAILS AT**  
**[WWW.MEADOWSPTM.ORG](http://WWW.MEADOWSPTM.ORG)**

🎉 We've got news for you! U.S. News & World Report has released their rankings for 2024 Best Public Elementary and Middle schools! Madison Meadows Middle School was named one of the U.S. News & World Report Best Middle Schools in Arizona!



**NexTrex**

**NexTrex Recycling Challenge**

Help Meadows win a Trex Bench and Recycle your Plastic!



Green Team Collection runs September 6, 2023 - May 2024

What can be recycled?

All plastic must be clean, dry and free of food residue.



Questions? [greenteam@meadowsptm.org](mailto:greenteam@meadowsptm.org)



Student cell phones are to be off and away (in backpacks) during school hours.

Students with cell phones out will be asked to check them into the office for the day.  
**NOTE:** After 4 offenses, parents will need to pick up phones from office.

**PLEASE HELP YOUR STUDENT ADHERE TO THIS SCHOOL POLICY, THANK YOU!**



**PARENTS:** Please **do not** pick up or drop off students in the neighborhood off of 2nd Avenue.

Student pick up & drop off east of the school is ONLY in the church parking lot.

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**CAPTURE YOUR MEMORIES IN THIS YEAR'S**

**MADISON MEADOWS MIDDLE SCHOOL YEARBOOK!**

**Customize Your 2 Free Pages**

Add photos from your computer, Facebook, Instagram, Google Drive & more.

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**To Purchase & Customize Your Recognition Ad:**  
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1/2	\$75.00
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# COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS!



## 2024 REGULAR SEASON REGISTRATION IS OPEN

### SEASON INFO

- Practice Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday, January-May with Track meets twice a month
- 6:00pm - 8:00pm
- Sunnyslope High School
- \$500 season dues
- \$195 Uniform Package
- We offer Sprints, Distance, and Jumps
- Deadline to register for season is 2/29/24

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER!](#)

Contact Us For More Information : Coach Tawnie Martin  
480-276-2343  
[soswiftathletics@gmail.com](mailto:soswiftathletics@gmail.com)

Click [HERE](#) to visit our website for more information

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### COME OUT AND JOIN US!

We are a competitive USA Track and Field affiliated club team. Open to ages 5-18 and welcome ALL skill levels, no experience is needed! Our mission is to provide a fun and welcoming environment for athletes to have a positive and meaningful experience while learning the fundamentals of track & field. Our program has sent many athletes to the Junior Olympics to compete among the best in the nation and became All-Americans. Come be a part of a growing program and building the track culture in the N. Central Phoenix area! We look forward to seeing all the new and returning athletes!

The Madison School District does not endorse, support or sponsor this organization or activity. The information is distributed only as a service to our community.



## REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

**ONLINE REGISTRATION CLOSING THURSDAY, FEBRUARY, 1 2024 AT 5 PM.**  
Register online at [www.ramms.org](http://www.ramms.org).  
Your child is NOT registered until registration form is submitted and fee has been paid.  
Late registration (after evaluations) will be accepted on a space-available-only basis.

**REGISTRATION FEES**  
\$160.00 per Baseball/Softball Player  
\$90.00 per T-Ball/Farm Player  
(Refer to website for multiple child discounts)  
Fee includes jersey, hat, team and individual picture.  
Scholarship requests are granted on a first come, first served basis and are due at least 5 days before the scheduled player evaluations. Visit [ramms.org](http://ramms.org) for scholarship form and more information.

**EVALUATIONS: SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3. SIMIS ELEMENTARY. TIMES TBD.**

### DIVISIONS

**BASEBALL**  
Farm (Kindergarten Co-Ed)  
Ranch (1st-2nd Grade)  
American (3rd-4th Grade)  
National (5th-8th Grade)

**SOFTBALL**  
Freshman (1st-2nd Grade)  
Sophomore (3rd-4th Grade)  
Juniors (5th-8th Grade)

\*T-Ball - Players evaluations will be used to determine whether player skill level is best suited to T-Ball/Farm/Ranch/freshman softball.

### COACHES NEEDED

RAMMS is a PARENT-run organization. We need parent volunteers to be head and assistant coaches to make our programs successful. Please consider getting involved as a coach in your child's recreational sports experience. RAMMS needs one parent to volunteer to be a head coach and another to be an assistant coach for every ten (10) players that register. The number of teams will be determined by the availability of coaches. Sign up to be a coach when you register your child.

### SPONSORS

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## 2023-2024 PTM CALENDAR

### Questions/Comments:

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**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: 1/21/24*

## July

26 - Student Walk Through & Supply Drop Off 11:30am-4pm  
27 - Student Walk Through & Supply Drop Off 7am-12pm

## August

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 5:30pm-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  
6 - May NexTrex Plastic Drive - Green Team  
11 - PTM Executive Board Meeting  
19 - Fall 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 - BINGO Night - 6pm - 8pm  
6 - No school - Teacher Planning Day  
9-13 Fall Break - No School  
16-20 - Books for Africa Drive  
23-27 - Sneaker Drive - Green Team  
24 - Fundraiser Day of Awesomeness  
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  
2 - Suns Night Fundraiser  
4 - PTM Executive Board Meeting  
22 - No School. Teacher Planning Day  
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  
10- The Butterfly's Day Musical  
15 - Martin Luther King Day - No School  
22- Feb 2 -Tech Recycle Drive Green Team  
24- Paint Along 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  
9 - 90s Glow Dance Party 6pm-7:30pm  
13 - Future 5th Grader FYI  
19 - Presidents' Day - School Closed

## March

1 - Med-O-Gram Publication  
4 - PTM Executive Board Meeting  
8 - Teacher Planning Day - No School  
11-15 - Spring Break - No School  
18-22 - Spring Book Fair  
25-28 - State Testing and/or Make Up  
28 - Meadows Got Talent & Art Show  
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  
15-26 - Sneaker Drive Green Team  
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  
15-16 - 6th Grade Field Trip  
17- 8th Grade Dance  
20 - 8th Grade Promotion - 3pm  
21 - 8th Grade Water Park Field Trip  
22 - Last Day Half Day, 12:05pm

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Jul 25	New Student Registration, Kinder & 5th grade
Jul 26	Returning Student Registration, Last Name A-L
Jul 27	Returning Student Registration, Last Name M-Z
Jul 31-Aug 1	Madison Teacher Orientation
Aug 2	All Teachers' Beginning Day-Full Day
Aug 4	All Staff Professional Development Day
Aug 8	Student's First Day
Sep 4	Labor Day
Oct 6	Teacher Planning Day-No Students
Oct 9-13	Fall Break
Oct 25	Parent/Teacher Conferences-Evening
Oct 26	Parent/Teacher Conferences-Half Day/Evening
Oct 27	Parent/Teacher Conferences-Half Day Schedule
Nov 10	Veteran's Day
Nov 22-24	Thanksgiving
Dec 22	Teacher Planning Day-No Students
Dec 25-31	Winter Break
Jan 1-5	Winter Break
Jan 8	School Resumes
Jan 15	Martin Luther King Day
Jan 31	Parent/Teacher Conferences-Evening
Feb 1	Parent/Teacher Conferences-Half Day/Evening
Feb 2	Parent/Teacher Conferences-Half Day Schedule
Feb 19	President's Day
Mar 8	Teacher Planning Day-No Students
Mar 11-15	Spring Break
Mar 29	Spring Holiday
Mar 25-Apr 19	State Testing and/or Make-up
May 22	Students' Ending Day-Half Day Schedule
May 22	Teachers' Ending Day-Full Day
May 27	Memorial Day

## KEY

- New Student Registration, Kinder and 5th grade (25th)
- Returning Student Registration, Last Name A-L (26th)
- Returning Student Registration, Last Name M-Z (27th)
- Teacher Orientation
- Teacher Collaboration Time (TCT)-Early Release
- All Teachers - Beginning, Ending
- Students' First Day, Ending Day
- Parent/Teacher Conferences - Evening
- Parent/Teacher Conferences - Half Day & Evening
- Parent/Teacher Conferences-Half Day Schedule
- Teacher Planning Day-No Students
- School Holidays
- All Staff Professional Development Day
- Testing Days

## End of Grading Periods:

1st Quarter	October 5
2nd Quarter	December 21
3rd Quarter	March 7

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STUDENTS, TEACHERS,  
STAFF & PARENTS:  
SEND US A FAVORITE  
STORY, JOKE, RIDDLE OR  
PHOTO FOR THE  
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[PRES@MEADOWSPTM.ORG](mailto:PRES@MEADOWSPTM.ORG)

## JOKES AND FUN!

First person to guess one correct will get a Meadows magnet! Email your answer to [meadowsoffice@madisoned.org](mailto:meadowsoffice@madisoned.org)

1

HOW DO YOU COMFORT AN ENGLISH TEACHER?

2

WHY DON'T SOME COUPLES GO TO THE GYM?

### JANUARY MED-O-GRAM ANSWERS:

1. WHY WAS E THE ONLY LETTER IN THE ALPHABET TO GET A CHRISTMAS PRESENT??

BECAUSE THE REST OF THE LETTERS ARE NOT-E!

2. WHAT DO YOU CALL A BUNCH OF CHESS PLAYERS BRAGGING ABOUT THEIR GAME IN A HOTEL LOBBY??

CHESS NUTS BOASTING IN AN OPEN FOYER!