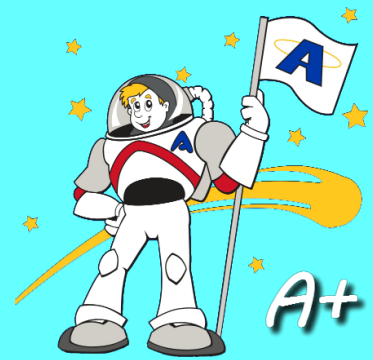


# Astronaut News

Andersen Elementary

Newsletter ~ Winter 2019



*From the desk of Mrs. Kinghorn*

Andersen Families,

To promote discussions regarding your child's academic progress, we have scheduled Tuesday, February 12, 2019 and Wednesday, February 13, 2019, for *Parent- Teacher Conferences*. Parents will sign up using an online conference sign up website. Your child's teacher will send the link and information for how to sign up for your conference at **8:00 a.m. on Monday, February 4, 2019**. Sending the link at approximately the same time will allow our families with multiple children attending school at Andersen Elementary to book their times consecutively.

## Early Dismissal

Tuesday and Wednesday, February 12, 2019 and February 13, 2019, are Early Dismissal Days. In order to facilitate the parent conferences, all Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> Grade students will be dismissed at 11:10 a.m. both days.

## Importance

I am sure you all agree that parent conferences are very important! This is a time for parents and teachers to discuss each child's progress. Our goal for Parent-Teacher Conference Week is 100% parent attendance. We hope to see all of you during our conference days.

Warm Regards,

*Mrs. Kinghorn*

# Upcoming Events

1/21: No School Martin Luther King Jr. Day

1/25: 5th grade fieldtrip Biz Town

1/29: Kindergarten Open House 5:30 p.m.

2/5: Running Club Meet Snedigar Park

2/8: Family Dance 5:30-7:30



2/11-2/14: Book Fair

2/12 & 2/13: Early Release; Parent Teacher Conferences

2/18: No School Presidents' Day

2/19-2/22: Jump Rope for Heart

2/20: Spring Pictures



2/21: Choral Festival

2/26: Running Club Snedigar Park

## Yearbook Information

Congratulations to 1st grader Cade Paulk whose art work was selected as our 2018-2019 yearbook cover.

We are currently in need of a volunteer to help take over the yearbook for next school year. This involves taking pictures, organizing the yearbook layout and sales. If you are interested please email Miss Mel at [pew.melynda@cusd80.com](mailto:pew.melynda@cusd80.com)

## Nurse Notes

Reminders:

It is still chilly in the morning please continue to send your child with a coat or sweatshirt in the morning.

Students who have a fever are not permitted back to school without being fever free without medication for 24 hours.

We are in need of clothes donations. We are mostly in need of clothes sizes 10-14.



## Attendance Reminders

Attendance Hotline:  
480-812-6003

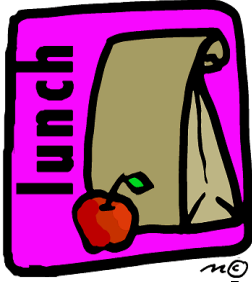
Open 24 hours a day  
7 days a week!

Students who eat breakfast are permitted on campus at 7:45. Students who do not eat breakfast should not be arriving prior to 7:50 a.m. as there is no supervision.

It is imperative all parents and visitors sign in at the front office and get a visitors pass. Even if you sign in at the gate, you still need to come to the office. This is for the safety and security of our students.

Please make sure students are here no later than 8:10 a.m. every day. The morning is an important learning time.

**EVERY  
SCHOOL DAY  
COUNTS**



**What's for lunch? Go to the Andersen Website and click on the Lunch Menu located under Site Shortcuts for the current menu.**

# PRESCHOOL

We are pleased to announce that next year Andersen Elementary will offer a tuition free full day preschool for families that live within our boundaries. In order for students to attend our preschool, students must:

- Live within the Andersen Elementary School boundaries
- Be 4 years old by August 31st
- Be potty-trained

Enrollment is limited to the first 20 students who complete and submit a registration packet. Registration packets are available in the front office. When you register you must also bring original birth certificate, immunizations, proof of residency and a photo ID. For more information please feel free to call the front office at 480-812-6000 or email Miss Stacy at [Schraufnagel.stacy@cusd80.com](mailto:Schraufnagel.stacy@cusd80.com)

**Intent to Return Forms** — In order to help us plan properly for the new school year, including staffing, we need all kindergarten through fourth grade families to complete the **Student Intent to Return form**. [Click here for the online form and complete no later than Thursday, February 14, 2019 at 8:00 p.m.](#)



Join us for our annual Family Dance taking place, Friday, February 8th 5:30-7:30 p.m. Dress in your best superhero gear and bring a donation of toiletries for the Chandler Care Center. All students and families welcome!



## Kindergarten Open House

All incoming kindergarten families are invited to join us for information on our school and kindergarten program. Please join us on Tuesday, January 29th at 5:30 p.m. in our school library. Children are welcome to attend.



## 2019~2020 Enrollment

We are now accepting student enrollment for the 2019-2020 school year. Please visit our front office for enrollment paperwork.



Community outreach coordinators from the Attorney General's Office will present on general topics related to social media and helpful information to parents. Topics covered will be popular apps, sexting, cyber-bullying, cyber-predators and the steps teens can take to protect themselves.

**When: January 31, 2019**

**Time: 6:00 p.m.**

**Where: Chandler Center for the Arts**

**Register at: <https://cusdcounseling.eventbrite.com>**

## Save The Date

### Coffee with Mrs. Kinghorn

Join us on Thursday, March 7th right after arrival to talk about upcoming events at Andersen Elementary. Learn information on how to get involved, changes for the next school year and ask any questions you may have.



### Spring Carnival

The spring carnival is right around the corner happening on Friday, April 5th. PTO is in need of volunteers to help make the event a success. If you are interested in volunteering please email Jen Luke at [Jennifer.lukepto@gmail.com](mailto:Jennifer.lukepto@gmail.com) We need the whole community to come together for this to be successful.



## From Mr. Brown

At Andersen we believe it is important for families and schools to work together and share responsibility for student's success. Remember that success breeds success! So, in an effort to prepare your students remind them daily to do their homework, study, go to bed early, and get them to school on time or in time for breakfast, so they are ready every morning to have a successful school day. It is our job to work together, to provide students with an environment and the resources that will aid them in meeting our high expectations. In addition, remember to motivate your students to achieve and encourage them to do great things.

Expectations: Students need to remember to practice The Seven Habits of *The Leader in Me*:

- Be proactive.
- Begin with the end in mind.
- Put first things first.
- Think Win-Win
- Seek First to Understand then to be Understood
- Synergize
- Sharpen the Saw

It is crucial that children make positive behavior choices in and out of the classroom, as negative choices can have an impact not only on their learning, but the learning of their friend's as well.

## Tax Credit



It's never too late to make a contribution that can be claimed when you file your Arizona State tax return.

Did you know that Arizona law allows taxpayers to receive a dollar for dollar tax credit of up to **\$200 for individual filers** and up to **\$400 for married filers** for contributions made to CUSD schools? You can claim the tax credit when filing your Arizona State Income Tax return.

Your contribution must be received online by April 15, 2019. It's a win-win situation for you and the school! Contributions received from January 1, 2018 thru April 15, 2019 can be claimed on your Arizona State tax return for either 2018 OR 2019. Contributions can be made right at the school.