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CTA-Humphrey Teacher Lauded

Laurie Croswhite from CTA-Humphrey was named an Amazing Teacher for the month of January by AZ Central. Learn more at azcentral.com/contests.



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National Boys Golf Coach of the Year Hails from Hamilton High School

Hamilton High Coach Steve Kanner has been selected as National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS), NFHS West Section and NFHS National Coach Of The Year for boys golf. A tremendous honor for Coach Kanner who has dedicated his career to education-based athletics and has had tremendous success in building the Hamilton program into a nationally recognized program.



National Wear Red Day: Feb. 5

February is American Heart Month. Let's work together to save lives!

Cardiovascular disease is the No. 1 killer of adults in the United States – including women! The American Heart Association recently noted that there has been a <u>decline in</u> <u>awareness around heart disease</u> in women – too many women, particularly our youngest most diverse women, remain unaware.

So it's time to call a **Code Red**. Why? Because losing an entire generation to cardiovascular disease because they weren't aware simply is not an option. The American Heart Association is calling on everyone to live fierce and **Go Red** during February!

Wear red to raise awareness. Give to save women's lives. Share information about heart disease and women with friends, family, and on social media.



Here are some basics about heart disease and women that you can SHARE:

- Women are less likely to receive bystander CPR than men
- More women have strokes each year than men.
- Hispanic women develop heart disease 10 years earlier than non-Hispanics
- Symptoms of a heart attack in women vs. men are different

To learn more about heart disease in women, visit: www.GoRedForWomen.org

Equity Lecture and Film Series:

James Wermers, Associate

Click here to **REGISTER**.

Faculty Fellow, Center for the

Pedagogies of Discipline in Public

Professor, Arizona State University;

Study of Race and Democracy.

Education, 6-7:30 p.m. Speaker: Dr.

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Creative Expression Contest Winners

The entries for the City of Chandler's Creative Expression Competition were beautiful art pieces and eloquently crafted essays from students throughout all of Chandler. Each year judges are amazed by the creativity, sincerity, and talent of Chandler students. They mention how essays and artwork like our students make them hopeful toward the future and proud of the next generation.

This year's visual art winners are being displayed in Downtown Chandler during the Regional Unity ArtWalk. The banners are officially on display and ready for public viewing. Take a drive down Arizona Avenue in Downtown Chandler to see the inspired work of these students.

To see the winning visual art entries and essays, visit chandleraz.gov/creativeexpression

2021 Winners Creative Expression Competition - Visual:

Student:	School:
Kindergarten – Fourth Grade Category	
Hailey Tyk (K-4 th Second Place – pictured)	Tarwater Elementary School
Vikash Nagarajan (K-4 th Runner-up)	Knox Gifted Academy
Shravan Ganesh (K-4 th Runner-up)	Knox Gifted Academy
Keira James (K-4 th Runner-up)	Tarwater Elementary School
Keagan Murray (K-4 th Runner-up)	Tarwater Elementary School
Fifth – Eighth Grade Category	
Eli Lovely (5 th – 8 th Second Place)	Willis Junior High
Alexandra Carranza (5 th – 8 th Third Place-tie)	Willis Junior High
Madison Ong (5 th – 8 th Third Place-tie)	Willis Junior High
Devin Vidrios (5 th – 8 th Runner-up)	Willis Junior High
High School Category	
Tran Vuong (9 th -12 th First Place)	Basha High School
Amanda Wong (9 th -12 th Second Place)	Hamilton High School
Jaelle Valentine (9th-12th Runner-up)	Chandler High School
Ria Manathkar (9 th -12 th Runner-up)	Hamilton High School
Sam Qian (9th-12th Runner-up)	Basha High School

2021 Winners Creative Expression Competition - Essay:

Student:	School:
Kindergarten – Fourth Category	
Niket Chandak (K-4 th First Place)	Weinberg Gifted Academy
Aaron Nguyen (K-4 th Second Place)	CTA-Liberty
Bernice Ezealah (K-4 th Third Place)	CTA-Liberty
Fifth – Eighth Category	
Kailani Higgins (5 th – 8 th First Place)	Payne Junior High
Evan Martin (5 th – 8 th Second Place)	Payne Junior High
Rachel White (5th – 8th Third Place)	Payne Junior High
High School Category	
Eve Woodarcyk (9 th -12 th First Place)	Hamilton High School
Brianna Hobbs (9th-12th Second Place)	Hamilton High School
Jessica Moon (9 th -12 th Runner-up)	Hamilton High School

CUSD Spelling Bee (virtual). Spellers check in at 8:30 a.m., Bee begins at 9 a.m.

January 30

January 28

Important Dates

January 25

Chandler Education Foundation Staff <u>Lifelong Learning Scholarship</u> Application Deadline.

January 31

Sandy Lundberg Memorial Educator Application Deadline.

February 2

Free Lunch Webinar: Understanding the Issue of High Blood Pressure, 11:30 a.m. – 12: 30 p.m. <u>Register here.</u>

February 5

National Wear Red Day: visit: www.GoRedForWomen.org

February 10

Winners Choice Raffle Early Bird Drawing Deadline. Tickets must be purchased by noon. Visit <u>CEF-</u> <u>Raffle.com</u> to purchase today!

February 12

Esperanza Latin Teacher Award Application Deadline.

February 16

Maricopa Region 6 Spelling Bee Host District: Chandler (virtual). Spellers check in at 8 a.m., Bee begins at 8:30 a.m.

February 22

Equity Lecture and Film Series: NotYourModelMinority: Moving Beyond Stereotypes of Asian American and Pacific Islander Students, 6-7:30 p.m. Speaker: Dr. Kathryn Nakagawa, Associate Professor of Asian Pacific American Studies, Arizona State University – School of Social Transformation. Click here to <u>REGISTER</u>.

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A Look at What's Going on Around the District



Hull Elementary second graders from Heidi Raaf and Helen Minor's class learned about Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and his amazing contributions. Students created a picture of Dr. King, some drew on paper, others illustrated online! Additionally, after learning about Dr. Martin Luther King, students in Amber Albertini's and Amy Armstrong's class wrote down their dreams!







Sanborn Elementary's Cindy Fletcher put together a beautiful bulletin board in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Junior.

Jeff La Benz of Community Relations was an invited presenter at the Blackboard National Community Manager User Group, held virtually on Thursday. Jeff shared samples of problem-solving strategies using "Minibases" with school public relations and district webmasters from across the U.S. – including a demonstration of the minibase that powers <u>CUSD Brags</u>, promoting our district's and schools' accomplishments.



Social Media Post of the Week



Conley Elementary principal **Lisa Shore** posted about welcoming students back to school. The art was great and she remembered to tag the district.

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Governing Board Agenda

Agenda for Wednesday, January 27, 2021

Executive Session

7 p.m. — Business meeting

7:10 p.m. — Report / Presentation – Student Body President Comments

7:25 p.m. — Public Hearing
CUSD 301 Pay for Performance (PFP) 2020-2021

7:45p.m. — Citizen Comments

Action Items

- Consent agenda
- Approve amended academic calendar to remove one instructional day and authorize the Superintendent, or her designee, to execute any forms or documents to effectuate this change and confirm that the District will provide students with the State-mandated minutes of instruction during the 2020-2021 school year.
- Policy GCQA Professional Staff Reduction in Force Revision

Information Item

CUSD Board agenda roadmap

Comments

- Superintendent Comments
- Board member recognition/comments

Note: Board meeting recordings and other CUSD event videos are now posted online and can be accessed through the Chandler EdTV website, <u>www.CET99.org</u>. Click the "Watch" tab to see the videos. This is in addition to the regular air times on the cable channel and video stream.

Agendas available online 24 hours prior to the meeting at: www.cusd80.com/school-board.html

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