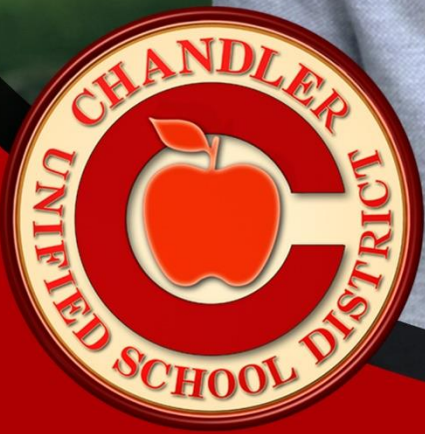


Staff Report

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The Premier District of CHOICE



Social Media Post of the Week

CTA-Liberty posted on Instagram about getting books with a CEF grant. They not only tagged the district, but also tagged the Chandler Education Foundation.

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Sixth Grade Student Wins District Bee

Krishang Waghela, a sixth grader at **Chandler Online Academy – Elementary Connect** (pictured on the cover) won the CUSD spelling bee. Amandeep Pruthi, an eighth grader from **Santan Junior High**, finished runner-up (pictured right).



The top 10 spellers from the district will advance to the regional bee. Joining Krishang and Amandeep at the regional bee will be these great spellers:



- Leo Caruso, **Hull Elementary** (pictured left)
- Nixon Dayao, **Patterson Elementary**
- Cayden Brenes, **Jacobson Elementary**
- Emma Weiss, **Willis Junior High**
- Farhan Tahsin, **Chandler Online Academy**
- Sophia Harris, **Payne Junior High**
- Kenny Wei, **Bogle Junior High**
- Kathleen Murphy, **Riggs Elementary**

CEF Early Bird Deadline is Wednesday

The deadline to purchase a raffle ticket to be eligible for the Chandler Education Foundation Winner's Choice Early Bird Drawing is noon on Wednesday.

Is there a better reason to buy a \$20 raffle ticket than its support of the CEF scholarship program for graduating CUSD seniors? After all, as an employee of CUSD, you have played a part in supporting their K-12 education -- and wouldn't it be great to send them off with a scholarship?

If that's not quite enough, there's also the chance to win the choice of \$27,000 off the MSRP of a new Toyota or \$20,000 in cash. Grand prize drawing will be held 3/22/21. Not bad, eh?

Still trying to decide? What if you purchase before noon on Wednesday, February 10th and are eligible for not just the grand prize drawing but the Early Bird drawing too?! You could win over 80 prizes including Apple AirPods Pro, gifts from d'Vine Gourmet, Mingle and Graze, Sibley's West, Rita's Burritos, The Stillery, and more! These great prizes were made possible by funding from Toyota Financial services.

Buy today at www.CEF-Raffle.com!

Thank you for supporting student scholarships and for being part of student success every day!

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Win Over 80 Additional Prizes!

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EARLY BIRD DRAWING!

District Night of Recognition

A student, staff and volunteer from each site will be honored during a virtual celebration in the coming weeks. Information will be forthcoming on where that can be viewed. State and national champions for the 2020-2021 school year will be recognized at a separate event later this year.

Apple Achievement Award Winners

Andres Meza, Andersen El. • Luz Rubio, Andersen Junior High • Lucy Johnson, Arizona College Prep-Erie • Jana Nassar, Arizona College Prep-Oakland • Stephanie Moore, Auxier • Shannon Reed, Basha Accelerated Middle School • Eddie Soto, Sr., Basha El. • Marisol Archie, Basha High • Chris Bellew, Bogle Junior High • Patti Ramirez, Bologna • Nohemi Franco, Carlson • Martha Perez, Casteel High • Paula Smith, Central Kitchen • Consuelo Roa, Chandler CARE Center • Christine Bromley, Chandler High • Karla Almanza Garcia, Chandler Learning Center • Erin Neil, Chandler Online Academy • Rosa Everson, Chandler Online Academy – Elementary Connect • Abigail Klein, Community Education • Jamie Pagliarulo, Conley • Pamela Tellez, CTA-Freedom • Heather Kooser, CTA-Goodman • Jessica Messina, CTA-Humphrey/Elite Performance Academy • Corinne MacTurk, CTA-Independence • Cecilia DeGravina, CTA-Liberty • Rhonda Hill, CTA-Liberty • Colleen Flannery, District Office • Amber Stouard, District Office • Heidi Gass, Frye • Brittany Shirkey, Fulton • Melanie Weathers, Galveston • Beth Somers, Haley • Heather Hackett, Hamilton • Jill Barber, Hancock • William Plitz, Hartford Sylvia Encinas • Connie Kriel, Hill Learning Academy- ICAN • Heather Turner, Hull • Dr. Amy Spilde, Instructional Resource Center • Ashleigh Gahn, Jacobson • Sydnee McClure, Knox Gifted Academy • Cheryl Schaffer, Navarrete • Jason Hoppal, Patterson • Jesus Colon, Payne Junior High • Trisha Stall, Perry High • Lisa Fink, Rice • Tamara Kreutzbender, Riggs • Erica Marsh, Ryan • Kristin Eckstein, San Marcos • Geneal Fendrick, Sanborn • Ashley Goldring, Santan El. • Martha Avila, Santan Junior High • Elizabeth Horvath, Shumway Leadership Academy • Lyndsay Hartley, Student Services • Amancio Santillano, Support Services • Elizabeth Speciale, Tarwater • Joyce Smith, Transportation • Rae Wodarcyk, Weinberg Gifted Academy • John Lackie, Willis Junior High

Outstanding Volunteers

Tricia McGinnis, Andersen El. • Kim Corder, Andersen Junior High • Tracie Padilla, Arizona College Prep-Erie • Tammy Berg, Arizona College Prep-Oakland • Angie Liu, Auxier • Denise Fortier, Basha Accelerated Middle School • Crissy Haidos, Basha El. • Susan Rylee, Bogle Junior High • Monica Casey, Bologna • Renee Moudy, Carlson • Michelle Smith, Casteel High • Melinda Tarver, Chandler CARE Center • Debbie Mayer, Chandler High • Gurnoor Bumraw, Chandler Online Academy • Angela Sexton, Conley • Katrina McCarthy, CTA-Freedom • Jaime Burton, CTA-Goodman • Cindy Jaques, CTA-Humphrey/Elite Performance Academy • Amber Corr, CTA-Independence • Nikki McCabe, CTA-Liberty • Ed Rockland, Frye • Cathryn Forney, Fulton • Bill Berry, Galveston • Krista Bilsten, Haley • John Heffner, Hamilton High • Bonnie Addington, Hancock • Sergio Oleden, Hartford Sylvia Encinas • Nichole Whitman, Hull • Aubrie Krausman, Jacobson • Sharri Fitzpatrick, Knox Gifted Academy • Silvia Hartman, Navarrete • Melissa Hunt, Patterson • Heather Catlin, Payne Junior High • Mel Mesias, Perry High • Teresa Dayton, Rice • Erin Risner, Riggs • Jen Austin, Ryan • Bill and Val Crump, San Marcos • Jordan Ortiz, Sanborn • Chisa Hauber, Santan El. • Christine Factor, Santan Junior High • Toshina Hubbard, Shumway Leadership Academy • Christopher Tyk, Tarwater • Autumn Timmins, Weinberg Gifted Academy • Maritza Moreno, Willis Junior High

Superintendent's Student Citizenship Winners

Jose Luis Camacho Muniz, Andersen El. • Harley Miller, Andersen Junior High • Omina Nematova, Arizona College Prep-Erie • Shelby O'Donnal, Arizona College Prep-Oakland • Sam Egen, Auxier • Prisha Shroff, Basha Accelerated Middle School • Leah Slater, Basha El. • Kylie Mikaela Bitanga, Basha High • Rubi Arambul, Bogle Junior High • Alan Macias, Bologna • Jantzen Edgar, Carlson • Rio Newcombe, Casteel High • Melody Jones, Casteel Junior High • Jlore Chargualaf, Chandler Early College • Piper Kvanvig, Chandler High • Phillip Valdez, Chandler Learning Center • Alex Samudio, Chandler Online Academy • Kevin Yos Luna, Chandler Online Academy – Elementary Connect • Zhaid Diaz, Conley • Elizabeth Norton, CTA-Freedom • Pascual Manzueta Ibarra, CTA-Goodman • Caitlyn Howell, CTA-Humphrey • Annie Colby, CTA-Independence • Isabella Cuellar, CTA-Liberty • Olivia Abraham, Elite Performance Academy • Tayshawn Jackson, Frye • Colten Bentz, Fulton • Daniel Corona, Galveston • John Hagler, Haley • Brooke Romero, Hamilton High • Abby Boyd, Hancock • Keira Esparza Barba, Hartford Sylvia Encinas • Tatum Erwin, Hill Learning Academy • Maha Imran, Hull • Alorah Zarnick, Jacobson • Samantha Villanueva Ramirez, Knox Gifted Academy • Robert Henry, Navarrete • Peyton Yarter, Patterson • Noah Lovato, Payne Junior High • Grant Woodford, Perry High • Ryder Christiansen, Rice • Baylor Denny, Riggs • Chase Devore, Ryan • Megan Lopez, San Marcos • Alli Woods, Sanborn • Grant Moberg, Santan El. • Taumi Spencer, Santan Junior High • Kiana Black, Shumway Leadership Academy • Addison Jarecki, Tarwater • Connor Doherty, Weinberg Gifted Academy • Cullen Schreiner, Willis Junior High

Trip Reduction Program Starts Today

The CUSD trip reduction program kicks off **today**. The district participates as part of a Maricopa County directive that requires employers with more than 50 employees to reduce the number of single-occupant vehicles.

CUSD holds a drawing four times a year for all employees who participate in the program.

Qualify to be entered in the drawing by carpooling, walking, biking, or driving an alternative-mode vehicle (hybrid) and help CUSD meet its commitment to reduce our single-occupant vehicle trips or miles traveled to the work site by 10 percent this year.

Drawing will be held on **February 26**. Forms need to be turned in by **February 24**. [The online form can be found on the website here](#). (Note: Employee logins on the website are synced up to be the same login you use for the computer.)

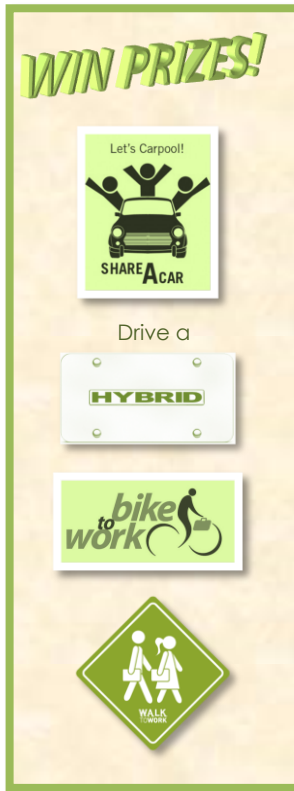
You can use [Valley Metro's Online Ride Matching System](#) to help find others who are interested in sharing the ride to work in a carpool or vanpool.

Prizes include:

1. (12) \$25.00 gift certificates
2. (12) \$15 dollar gift certificates.
3. (1) \$100 gift card for each: February and March

Additional Drawing for New Employees:

4. (12) \$25.00 gift certificates



School Meal Guide For Maricopa County

Congressman Greg Stanton's office has put together a guide in English and Spanish on school meal programs across Maricopa County. Please pass along to families that may benefit.

- [English School Meal Guide](#)
- [Spanish School Meal Guide](#)

Parent Presentation: How to Develop the Best Approach for Your Family

Tuesday, 6-7:30 pm
Michael Klinkner, LCSW and Dr. Elizabeth Fedrick, PhD, LPC

Info to Join:
[Parent Presentation "Parenting Styles-How to Develop the Best Approach for your Family"](#)

Meeting ID: mim-wmdy-eho
Phone Numbers
(US) [+1 567-275-2934](#)
PIN: 291 540 476#

Important Dates

- **February 8-16**
CUSD [Trip Reduction Contest](#).
- **February 10**
Winner's Choice Raffle Early Bird Drawing Deadline. Tickets must be purchased by noon. Visit [CEF-Raffle.com](#) to purchase today!
- **February 11**
Basha High School Cybersecurity Information Night (virtual), 6-7:30 p.m. [Register here](#).
- **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 [REGISTER](#).

Community Sustainability Forum

Our communities face unprecedented challenges now and in the future. Fortunately, scientists at Arizona State University are dedicated to developing innovative solutions to the problems we encounter every day.

And you can help, too! Join ASU and the Chandler Libraries every Wednesday in February, 4 - 5:30 p.m. for an online community forum series as part of the ASU Sustainable Solutions Festival. Each one-hour forum will include a short presentation on the topic of the week, facilitated discussions and other activities. Make new friends in your community, learn from your neighbors and share your expertise. Together, we can make the world a better place.



[Register Here](#)

February 10: Explore Your World Through Nature Journaling

February 17: How To Thrive in a Desert City

February 24: Feeling Disconnected? Strategies for Staying With Friends and Family During a Pandemic

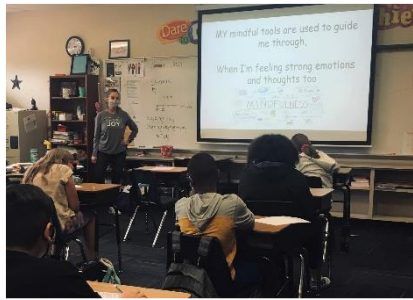


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A Look at What's Going on Around the District



- **Chandler High School** FFA student Nina Baldenegro won the Sherry Cervi Youth Championship Rodeo this weekend, she earned \$5,000 in cash and prizes. She won the Barrel Racing Competition and won a \$4,000 saddle and \$1,000 in cash and prizes with her 14-year-old gelding Horse, appropriately named Cash.



- **Hull Elementary** second grade teacher Debbie Chamberlain is a part of the school's amazing mindfulness team; she works with different classroom teachers to support and teach students about mindfulness.

- **Hartford Sylvia Encinas** students in Luanne Foster's garden club celebrate their first harvest of the year! Radishes and romaine lettuce.



- **Jacobson Elementary** technology teacher, Michelle Merillat challenged her students in 3rd-6th grades to a typing challenge. The theme was "Are You Ready for Some Typing?" after the famous football theme song, "Are You Ready for Some Football?" When classes would enter Technology, she got them amped up with football themed music as they took their challenge typing tests and finished up the excitement with a football themed bracket to showcase classes with the highest averages in typing fluency and accuracy as well as showcasing the two top typers in each class who will now move on to the grade level championships.



- **Hull Elementary** students in second grade are off traveling the world. They will be visiting several countries, learning all about their culture and traditions. Students in Debbie Chamberlain and Jessalyn Muraco's classes held a fashion show after learning about France. Students in Dana Bond's classroom just returned from Mexico.



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Governing Board Agenda

Agenda for Wednesday, February 10, 2021

4:30 p.m. — Executive Session

7 p.m. — Business meeting

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

- Celebrating Black History Month
- January 26, 2021 Parent Survey Results

8 p.m. — Citizen Comments / Public Comments Presented

Action Items

- Consent agenda
- Superintendent / Interim Superintendent Search – approve direction given to legal counsel in executive session 1-3

Information Item

- Student activity, auxiliary operations, and tax credit reports
- Better Chinese / Better Immersion Curricular Materials for Dual Language Exploration Preschool
- 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, www.CET99.org. 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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