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"The earth laughs in flowers." - Ralph Waldo Emerson

April is upon us, and we have no doubt our Hawks will excel on state testing that is about to begin. Students and staff have spent the year studying state standards, and we have the utmost confidence in all of them. Please thoroughly review the testing schedules and reminders that have been shared. The best way to encourage and support your student during testing week(s) includes ensuring they get a good night's sleep, providing a healthy breakfast, share words of motivation and parental pride, and help them arrive on time to the testing site each day. We appreciate your support! Before long, the quarter will reach an end. Maintaining routines is critical the last few months.

Families of seniors, please be sure you are aware of all graduation related timelines and expectations.

Don't hesitate to reach out with questions!

Elizabeth Flores

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SAVE THE DATE

Returning Student Registration (RSR)
underway all month!



April 1-18

- State Testing Window

April 19

- No School, Spring Holiday

April 20

- SDPA in person event,
Reid Park Zoo

April 24

- Civics Test, required for graduation

April 24

- PurpleUp! Military Kids Day

April 29

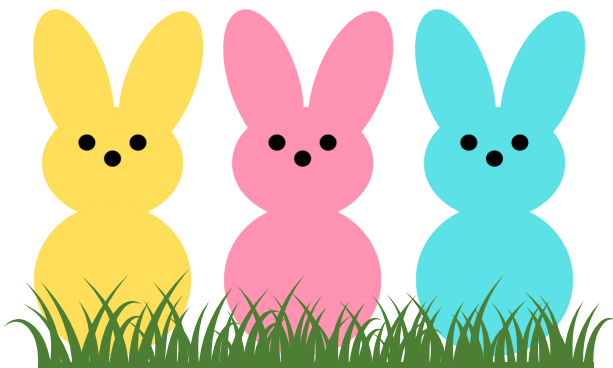
- iReady Reading Diagnostics #3
begins

April 29

- Happy Birthday, Mrs. Karla!

April 30

- Happy Birthday, Mrs. McCarthy!



Returning Student Registration (RSR) for the 2024-2025 school year has begun!

Our goal is 100% RSR completion by May 1, 2024.

The RSR is for EVERYONE! This includes students/families who do not plan to return!

Students will not be provided with class schedules for the 2024-25 school year if this is not completed.

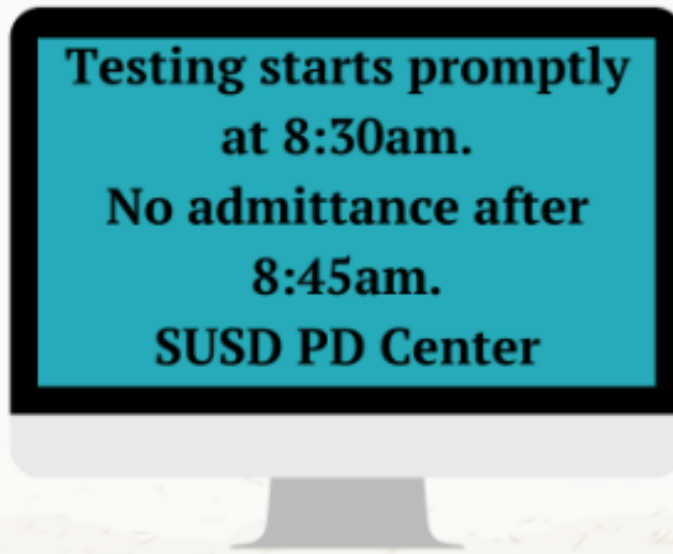
**PLEASE CHECK
YOUR EMAIL**





STATE TESTING

3rd Grade	4th Grade	5th Grade	6th Grade
Monday, April 1, 2024	Thursday, April 4	Tuesday, April 2	Thursday, April 4
Thursday, April 4	Monday, April 15	Thursday, April 4	Monday, April 15
Monday, April 15	Tuesday, April 16	Monday, April 15	Tuesday, April 16
Tuesday, April 16		Tuesday, April 16	
7th Grade	8th Grade	9th Grade	11th Grade
Thursday, April 4	Tuesday, April 2	Tuesday, April 9	Wednesday, April 3
Monday, April 15	Thursday, April 4	Wednesday, April 10	Tuesday, April 9
Tuesday, April 16	Monday, April 15		Wednesday, April 10
	Tuesday, April 16		



THANK YOU FOR REMEMBERING THAT
YOU AGREED TO STATE TESTING
REQUIREMENTS UPON ENROLLMENT

Drop off and Pick up:

- Testing location is the SUSD Professional Development Center.
- Arrive promptly at 8:20am.
- No admittance after 8:45am.
- Students will call home when finished for pick up, please have your phones on.
- All students must be picked up promptly, no exceptions.
- Those who drove themselves are allowed to leave when finished.



What to bring:

- jacket (rooms can get cold)
- wired earphones (3.5 mm jack)
- water bottle
- snacks
- sack lunch
(lunch not provided, no deliveries)

**THANK YOU FOR REMEMBERING
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ENROLLMENT.**

If you have an outstanding fee balance, it needs to be paid as soon as possible. Please note, **you will not be able to participate in promotion or graduation events** if left unpaid.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter!

How to pay:

Online

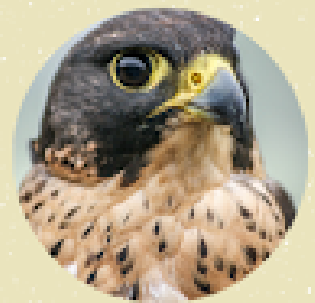
- PowerSchool Parent Portal desktop access ONLY (not student portal or app)
- Be sure you know your parent login information
- Credit/debit card payment method only (Visa and MC only)

Onsite (WGHS or SHS)

- Front office will take checks ONLY, made out to SUSD#30
- Bookstore has limited hours, verify these hours with the school site
- Bookstore will take checks made out to SUSD#30, cash, or credit/debit cards (Visa and MC only)



SDPA Zoo Celebration



Who

All K-12 SDPA students and family members

What

Come and be a part of our yearly in person event to celebrate our accomplishments this school year.

When

Mark your calendars for Saturday, April 20
from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

Where

Reid Park Zoo

We will meet at carousel inside zoo.

3400 Zoo Court Tucson, AZ 85716

Price Non-members Adult \$10.50

Non-member Child (2-14) \$6.50





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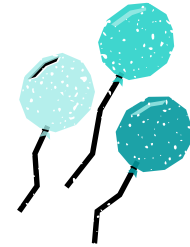
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MARCH HAWK OF THE MONTH

We are super excited to recognize

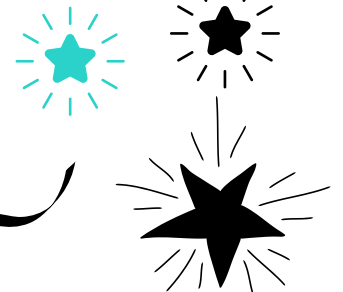


Miguel Burgueno as our **HAWK** of the Month!

Thank you for working hard, having a positive attitude, persevering through challenges, and making SDPA a great school!



CONGRATS!



Miguel consistently arrives on time to our meetings, demonstrating his commitment and respect for our classroom community. Moreover, he has not missed a single homeroom session, showing his responsibility and dedication to his academics. Miguel advocates for himself when needed. His dedication to completing high-quality work is evident in the effort he puts into each assignment. His proactive approach to staying on track or even ahead in his classes is impressive.

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Student COUNCIL



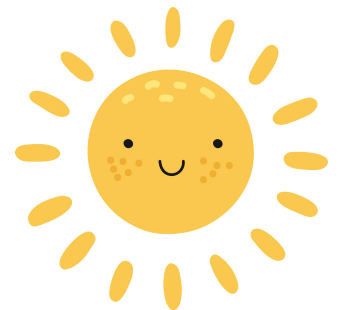
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Parent SHOUTOUT

Jessica Sosa

Great at communication with teachers. Checks in frequently. Advocates for Juilio often. Always communicates in a timely manor and easy to get a hold of. Is attentive to Juilio's quality of work and work completion. Communicates often with teachers with questions and concerns-when the need arises. Extremely organized and willing to do what she needs in order to help provide Juilio with the best education possible.

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**Happy Birthday to our SDPA
students and teachers who are
celebrating
a birthday in April!**

- Ms. Torres •
- Ms. McCarthy •

- Jeremiah Galindo Rojas•
- Aidan Green•
- Joel Moya•
- Mason Chavez•
- Aritza Moya•
- Isabella Britton•
- Estefany Moran-Sanabria•
- Zoe Ruiz-Barrios•
- Isela Cuevas•
- Robert Martinez•
- Elijah Mendez•
- Ashley Armijo-Blake•
- Ethan Clark•
- Jomar Cruz Rodriguez•
- Thailany Medina Rivera•

And a big Happy Birthday to our
Learning Coaches at home who are celebrating a
birthday this month!

We hope that you enjoy your special day!



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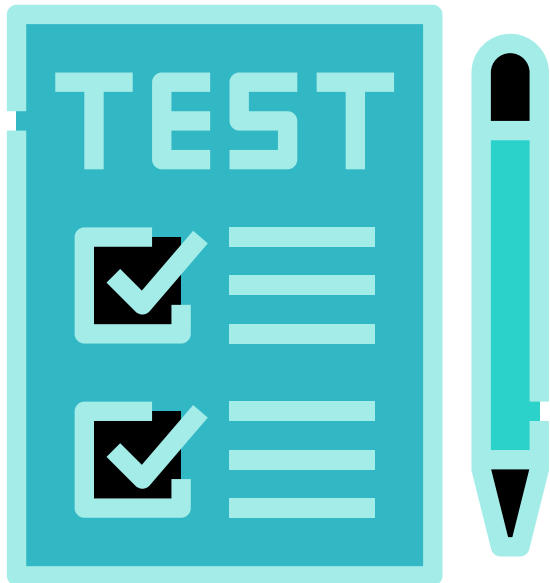
MS. SMITH K & 1ST GRADE

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Our kinders and first graders are working hard as they enter the last quarter of the year. In reading kinders are comparing characters and relating pictures to text and first graders are learning about text features. Both grades are learning their sight words and practicing their math facts. Please remember to take some time to read your little readers each night and keep up the great work! Happy Spring!



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MS. CHAVARRIA 2ND & 3RD GRADE

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Hey there fabulous parents! Guess what time it is? That's right, it's state testing time for our amazing 3rd graders! They will be taking a total of six tests, including 2 parts for math and ELA, a writing test, and an oral reading fluency test. Please take a quick moment to check out the Google calendar invites that I have sent your way. They are filled with all the details you need to know about our upcoming state testing. Let's rock this testing season together! 📅☀️



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'Tis the season of testing! Please ensure the kids are well rested, had a healthy breakfast, on time and have packed their things the day before. THINGS TO BRING: Healthy snacks, lunch, water, headphones (not bluetooth), mouse (not bluetooth), a light jacket and perhaps an encouraging note from you. Remind them to keep calm, and do their best. In case you haven't had a chance, I am sharing some testing resources again:

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1rdpQ2l6SD4SmPOhsdr8WM-Jj3DCDLqae/view?usp=drive link](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1rdpQ2l6SD4SmPOhsdr8WM-Jj3DCDLqae/view?usp=drive_link)

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2, 4, 6, 8! Who do we appreciate? YOU and your BEST EFFORTS! We are in the final push for the end of the year! If you are feeling overwhelmed by writing and project assignments, do not give in to the temptation to copy off the Internet! Plagiarism is never the solution and we are here to help you! Email any of your teachers and we can explain the prompt, give you ideas, remind you to see our Google Classroom posts, or read your draft and give feedback before you submit it. If we reset your writing assignment or allow for revision, read our comments and/or email about it! We care that you succeed this year in your writing endeavors! Reading your writing is one of the perks of teaching. We believe everyone can write - you have your own unique writing voice, so use it! If you aren't sure how, email us or talk to us during a Google Meet. We believe in you and are cheering you on as you work hard these last weeks of school!

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MS. RICHARDSON MATHEMATICS

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We're in the final stretch of the school-year! I'd like to again remind my students that additional resources for their projects has been posted in the Google Classroom for their math class. I'm also happy to work with students on their projects if they have questions. Additionally, since we learn much more from correcting mistakes than from accidentally guessing the correct answer, I'm always happy to let students make corrections on their projects and resubmit them. This can be done via Google Classroom. As always, I'm available in the Hawks' Nest daily if you have questions about your lessons, assignments, projects, or quizzes.



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1513

Spanish explorer Juan Ponce de León first sights land in what is now the United States state of Florida



MR. EVES SOCIAL STUDIES

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Hello social studies students, and welcome to April! Remember as you move forward in your social studies classes, there is plenty of help. On the "Classwork" tab in our Google Classroom you will find helpful instructions for all of your written assignments and projects. You can also email me, send me a google chat, or find me in the Hawks' Nest if you need help with any of your work!

Major moments in history for April:

April 2, 1513

Spanish explorer Ponce De Leon sighted Florida and claimed it for the Spanish Crown after landing at the site of present day St. Augustine, now the oldest city in the continental U.S. re, education and other basic human needs.

April 15, 1912

In the icy waters off Newfoundland, the luxury liner Titanic with 2,224 persons on board sank at 2:27 a.m. after striking an iceberg just before midnight. Over 1,500 persons drowned while 700 were rescued by the liner Carpathia which arrived about two hours after Titanic went down.

April 30, 1789

George Washington became the first U.S. President as he was administered the oath of office on the balcony of Federal Hall at the corner of Wall and Broad Streets in New York City.



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No update this month.



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If you were born in April, diamonds are your best friend. The diamond is April's birthstone. It is thought to represent love and faithfulness. Many believe that the diamond reduces fear and builds creativity.

(<https://www.farmersalmanac.com/april-birthstone>) State testing happens in April. We look forward to seeing some of you there.

Please let us know if you receive any 0%. You should be well into your classes by now. Mrs. Hammer and Mrs. Collins both have in-person classes as well as online

Please be patient for their replies. Thank you.

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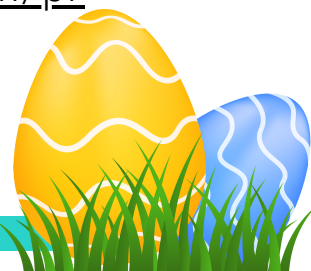
Scholarships and more! There will be another Financial Aid night (FAFSA) coming up April 11, 2024 from 6-7pm at the SHS Library for Seniors fafsa.gov. Many of our local scholarships are due in April so please check the SHS or Walden Counseling website(s). Also, Juniors can work on searching for underclassmen scholarships. If you need copies of your transcript or have received any scholarships or need help with job or college next steps please reach out to: Mrs.Anderson
megan.anderson@sahuarita.net



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K-5 DAILY SCHEDULE

K-5 Typical Day

Start Time: 8:05am
8:05am-11:50am Class Time
11:50am-12:50pm Lunch Time
12:50pm-2:50pm Class Time
End Time: 2:50pm

K-5 Early Release Wednesdays

Start Time: 8:05am
8:05am-11:50am Class Time
11:50am-12:50pm Lunch Time
12:50pm-1:50pm Class Time
End Time: 1:50pm

K-5 Half Day Schedule (See District Calendar for Dates)

Start Time: 8:05am
8:05am-11:50am Class Time
11:50am-12:50pm Lunch Time
End Time: 12:50pm



6-12 DAILY SCHEDULE

6-12 Typical Day

Start Time: 8:50am
8:50am-11:50am Class Time
11:50am-12:50pm Lunch Time
12:50pm-3:35pm Class Time
End Time: 3:35pm

6-12 Early Release Wednesdays

Start Time: 8:05am
8:50am-11:50am Class Time
11:50am-12:50pm Lunch Time
12:50pm-2:50pm Class Time
End Time: 2:50pm

6-12 Half Day Schedule (See District Calendar for Dates)

Start Time: 8:50am
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ATTENDANCE REMINDERS

Sahuarita Digital Pathways Academy is officially its own school this year! As an approved online school, we have **mandatory attendance guidelines** that we have to follow in order to operate. We are required to report daily attendance minutes for our SDPA students. A strong home-school partnership is needed in order to complete this required task. We need your help each school day to meet this guideline.

All SDPA students will need a **Daily Attendance Log** completed by a parent or guardian EACH school day.

[Sahuarita Digital Pathways Academy](#)
[AOI Daily Attendance Log: K -12](#)

Each school day, you will submit the Google Form to report the total number of minutes that your child engaged in their school-related activities including:

- Time spent in live Google Meets (including lessons, Homeroom, Academic Enrichment, and Elective Enrichment).
- Time spent working on asynchronous activities in Google Classroom, Seesaw, i-Ready, Edgenuity, or another online platform.
- Time spent working 1-on-1 with a teacher or learning coach.
- Time spent working on projects, independent reading, writing, or completing offline assignments.
- Time spent working on special activities like Library, Music, PE, Computer Lab, Counseling, etc.

A separate Google Form needs to be completed for each child. Per board policy, students with 10 consecutive absences will be withdrawn. Forms are due each school day by midnight. Thank you so much for your partnership in this process!

