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MAY 2024

SAHUARITA DIGITAL PATHWAYS ACADEMY

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"Year's end is neither an end nor a beginning but a going on, with all the wisdom that experience can instill in us." -Hal Borland

As we are only weeks away from the end of another school year, I am reminded of how important it is we treasure each moment. Stop and recognize accomplishments, big and small. Share a word of praise when least expected. For our Seniors who are about to wrap up their K-12 career, we wish you joy and success as the next chapter unfolds for you. Families of seniors, please be sure you are aware of all graduation related timelines and expectations.

The sun will set and rise on another summer soon, so take time to rest, relax, and open a good book! We look forward to seeing our Hawks hatch and soar into another new year before long.

Elizabeth Flores

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SAVE THE DATE

RSR must still be done if you want a course schedule for the 2024-25 school year, regardless of your intent to return to SDPA. Please complete it ASAP.

GRADUATING SENIORS: Please check email and Google Classrooms for information related to end of year, event specific dates.

Save
THE
Date

May 6

- iReady Math Diagnostics #3 begins

May 10

- Seniors: Grounds and Grads at sunrise, Sahuarita Lake Park 5am

May 13

- SHS Hybrid exams

May 13

- SHS/WGHS Get Ahead exams

May 14

- WGHS Hybrid exams

May 14

- SDPA Senior finals begin

May 16

- SDPA 8th grade finals begin

May 17

- SDPA Senior fines and fees due

May 21

- SDPA 6-7 and 9-11 finals begin

May 21

- SDPA 8th grade promotion drive through

May 22

- SDPA graduation for those walking with SHS

May 24

- No School

May 24

- SDPA graduation for those walking with WGHS

May 24

- **LAST DAY to return all checked out Chromebooks**



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

- Abigail Richardson •
- Sawyer Britton •
- Landon Lorenzana •
- Julio Bartolini Espinoza •
- Lorenzo Delgado-Pina •
- Mikel Patton •
- Dominic Wolsey •
- Alexander Richardson •
- Brianna Huren •
- Jayvian Medina •
- Giselle Pesqueira •
- Valery Aguilar •
- Jo Coppus •
- Baelyan King •

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!



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**





Sahuarita Digital
Pathways Academy

Honk, Beep and Shout!

8TH GRADE DRIVE THROUGH PROMOTION

WE WILL HAVE PROPS
AVAILABLE
IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO
TAKE PICTURES

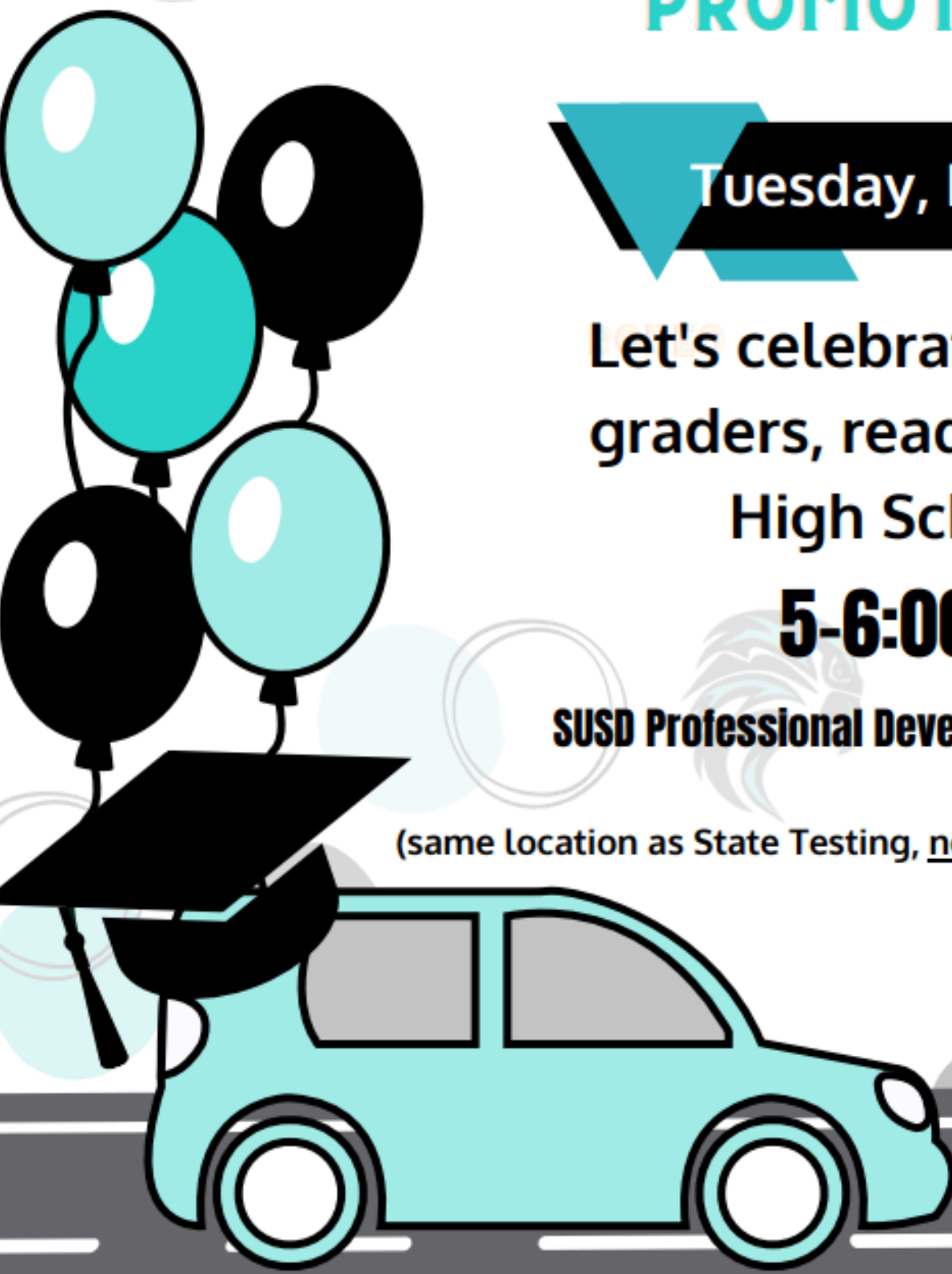
Tuesday, May 21st

Let's celebrate our 8th
graders, ready to start
High School!

5-6:00 pm

**SUSD Professional Development Center
Drop Off Lane**

(same location as State Testing, not the SMS loop)



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)





**SAHUARITA DIGITAL
PATHWAYS ACADEMY**



**SIDELINE
STORE**



SHOP NOW

- Open 24/7/365
- Fan Wear Featuring Your Colors & Logo
- Personalization Options
- Ships Direct To You

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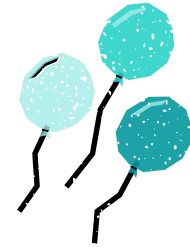


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**MAY HAWK
OF THE MONTH**



We are super excited to recognize

Leoni Brown
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!



Leoni Brown has great participation, contributions to our discussions, and is a positive peer towards others.



Parent SHOUTOUT

Heather King

We are grateful for the incredible support Heather provides for her children. Her role as a parent who advocates for her children truly makes a difference in their educational journey. It is evident that her dedication encourages her children to pursue their interests and strive for success.

Heather's involvement is invaluable and greatly appreciated by all of us at SDPA. We are thankful for her continuous support and collaboration in ensuring the best for her children.

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**Student
COUNCIL**

We would like to thank all students for their participation with our student council events. As we come to the close of the school year, we must be prepared to say farewell to our seniors. We wish you the best of luck in the future. Remember you are a Hawk. You can reach those high goals you have set. We look forward to seeing our returning students next year.

Stay Hawk Strong.

shine
ALWAYS

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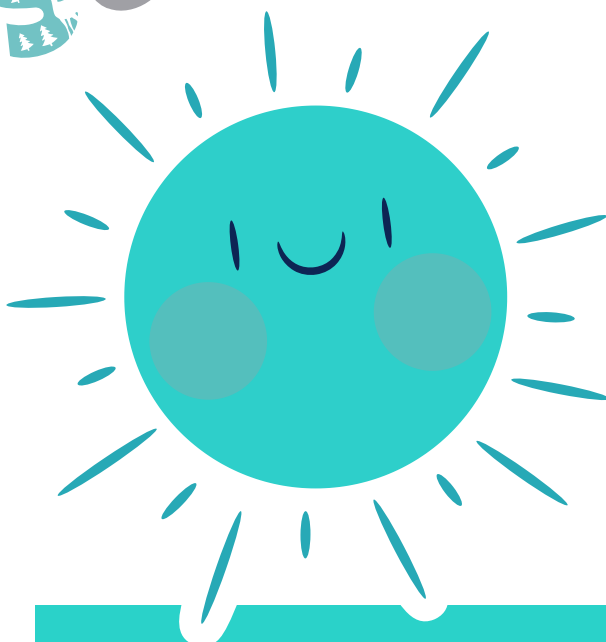
WRAPPING UP
2023/2024



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May is here and our kinders and first graders are working hard on their sight words, story elements, and math facts. We cannot thank our families enough for all of their support and hard work this year. Please reach out to your child's teacher if you are wanting/ needing any ideas for how to keep your child reading and practicing math facts over the summer. We are so proud of how much growth our kinders and first graders have made this year. Keep up the good work and let's finish strong!



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 SUMMER



Hey everyone, can you believe it's the end of the school year already? Time flies when you're having fun! Just a friendly reminder to make sure you do your returning student registration, no matter which school you'll be attending next year or if you're leaving the district. I can't wait to see all of your smiling faces again next year! Have a fantastic summer and see you soon! 🎉📚

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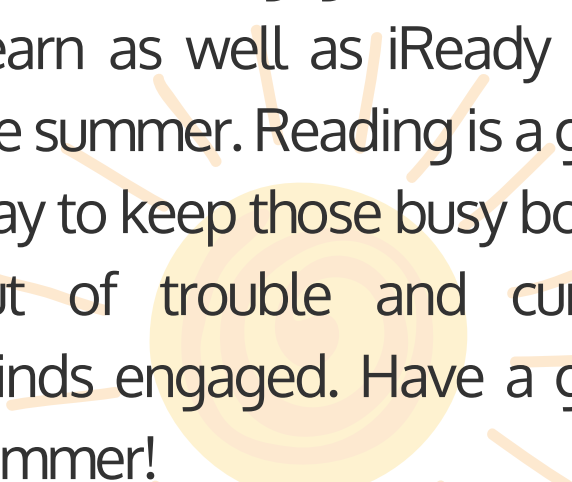
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Time to celebrate another successful year SDPA families. Thank you for all your hard work. Please continue to encourage your child to play math learning games and do Zearn as well as iReady over the summer. Reading is a great way to keep those busy bodies out of trouble and curious minds engaged. Have a great summer!



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HELL☀️
Summer



Hello, SDPA Hawks! I want to give you some tips to help you be successful on your upcoming final exams! It can actually be kinda fun to do, so try a few of these strategies.

1. Connect with other students. Your teachers have morning meets and this a great time to talk to other students about studying for unit tests and test reviews. Talking with other students about what you're learning is a great way to remember stuff, so go to those meets, and unmute/chat so you can interact.
2. Organize your notes and your time. You may have noticed that Edgenuity has you take A LOT of notes. This is good! Make sure you've sorted them out by subject, and, if possible, by unit. Then, make a plan for when you'll study each subject, and for how long. Stick to the plan and reward yourself when you're done.
3. Make it memorable - for you. If you have to memorize stuff, use a method that works with your brain. Maybe you like words, and could use a mnemonic device. For visual learners, making a concept map works better. If you're an auditory learner, try making up a song about the facts or information you need to remember (then post it to YouTube and make money from it!)
4. Practice In Edgenuity, you can retake your Unit Test Reviews as many times as you like to prepare yourself. Just ask your teacher to reset them for you. The UTR questions are drawn from the same list as the Final Exam, so it's a great way to study.
5. Take care of yourself. It's always important to sleep and eat well as well as get regular exercise. Keep up those good habits during test prep to be at your best. Good luck, SDPA! We are proud of you!

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We have covered so much this year! Comparing equations and graphs; data analysis; transformations; systems of equations and matrices; triangles and circles. There were practices, quizzes, tests, and projects. Some of you learned how to use the Desmos calculator for the first time. Others learned some useful shortcuts and tricks that you can use in future classes. Many of you worked really hard to stay caught up in your classes, asking for help when needed. Some of you had a really challenging semester and still persevered and finished your classes. I am so very proud of all of you for your hard work and dedication. If you are graduating or transferring out of SDPA, you will be missed and I wish you well. If you are returning, I look forward to working with you again next year and hope you have a great summer!

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MR. EVES SOCIAL STUDIES

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Hello social studies students, and welcome to May! Congratulations! You made it to the last month of the school year! Now is the time to finish strong and prepare for your final exams! Make sure you are getting help when you need it! You can find all of your teachers in the Hawks' Nest all day and we can be reached by Google Chat and email. Don't worry, you've got this!

Major moments in history for May:

May 3, 1469

Italian writer and statesman Niccolo Machiavelli (1469-1527) was born in Florence, Italy. He offered a blunt, realistic view of human nature and power in his works *The Prince* and *Discourses on Livy*.

May 17, 1792

Two dozen merchants and brokers established the New York Stock Exchange. In good weather they operated under a buttonwood tree on Wall Street. In bad weather they moved inside to a coffeehouse to conduct business.

May 29, 1787

At the Constitutional Convention in Philadelphia the Virginia Plan was proposed calling for a new government consisting of a legislature with two houses, an executive chosen by the legislature and a judicial branch

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Look Up! By Tamara Kempton

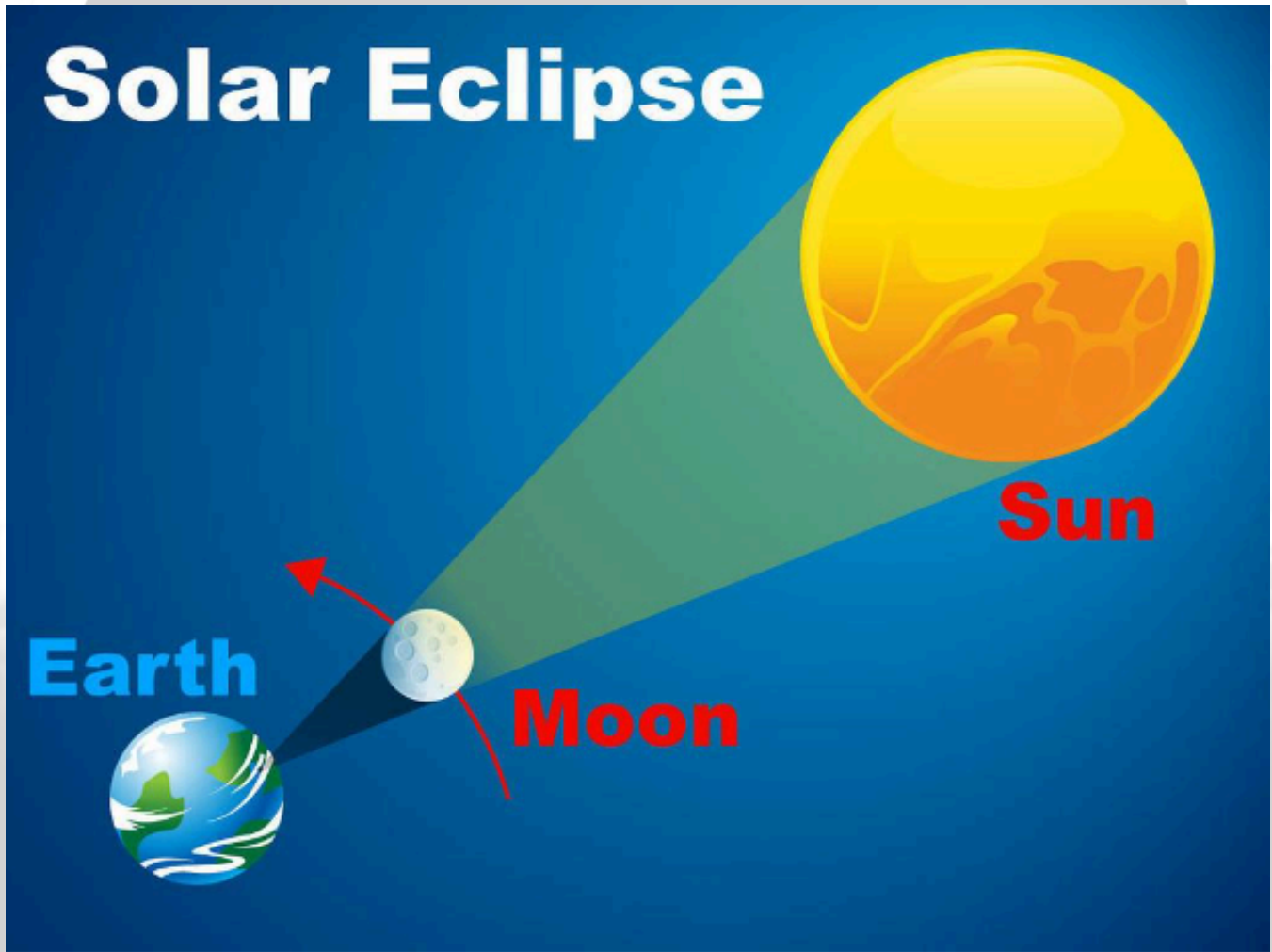
Monday, April 8th was a beautiful day to look up and participate in science. Hopefully, you were one of the many people who put on your fashionable special glasses and stared heavenly at our beautiful sun as it was eclipsed by the moon.

Here at SDPA, we remained in class with the NASA coverage playing live and students and teachers ducking in and out during the occasion. Although we in Arizona did not have full totality, it was so miraculous to witness this phenomenon on television with millions of others throughout the world.

Personally, I had my laptop outside with my glasses right next to me. In addition to sharing with my students, my grandchildren across the country were able to join me in this adventure.

As summer is fast approaching, I hope that you take time to look up. Our sun, our moon, our stars... how amazing they are and how lucky we are to witness their splendor.







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Emeralds are May's Birthstone. The Egyptians believe emeralds were a gift of knowledge and communication.



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



As another year is coming to pass. We would like to send a message to our seniors - you will be missed. It is a joy to see you take your place outside of the K-12 school system. Best wishes to our senior Hawks.

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As the end of the school year fast approaches, I want to say how awesome it has been getting to know students and witnessing their growth this year! This April we discussed strategies to cope with test stress as well as listening to our bodies to help us better understand and identify where our emotions are coming from. I hope everyone has a wonderful May and a rejuvenating summer!

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

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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!