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Parent & Community Newsletter

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WUSD Families,

Can you believe we are more than halfway through the school year! By now you and your family should have well established routines in place for the school week, routines will help students be rested and prepared for each school day. The middle of the school year is a great time to review your child's last grade report and set goals for the final months of the school year. Below are examples of goals you can set and work together to achieve during the 3rd quarter:

- Improve attendance. Identify 1-2 things you can do every day or week to improve student attendance.
- Improve communication with teachers. Email or call teachers to discuss your concerns and schedule regular check-ins with teachers.
- Monitor student progress. Decide on a day to sit down with your child to review information in the Student/Parent Portal. Review progress reports with your child to monitor how they are doing in school.
- Encourage your child and set goals and expectations for grades. Work together to identify an incentive to work towards earning.
- If your child is in 5th grade, 8th grade or 12th grade, make sure you know their status towards moving to the next grade level. Do not wait until the end of the year to address your concerns.

Education is a partnership between schools, community and families. You play a very important role in your child's success. Together WE can make a difference!

Superintendent Leeann Lacapa

Our Mission
WUSD, together with community, will empower all students to achieve their highest potential, graduating prepared for college and careers.

Our Core Values
Schools are for Children
Schools Belong to the Community
Schools are People Developers
Self-Effort Educates

Governing Board
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Alchesay High School
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Canyon Day Junior High
Principal Darcy Helle
AP/AD Brianna Endfield

Cradleboard Elementary
Principal William Beach

Seven Mile Elementary
Principal Misty Cook-Goseyun

Whiteriver Elementary
Principal Bonnie Kasey



This quarter we would like to recognize:

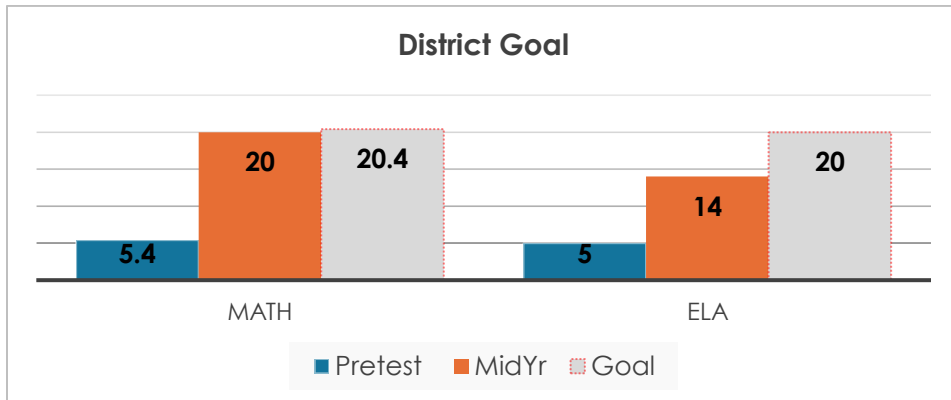
School Bus Drivers
District Maintenance Staff
School Custodians

Thank you for getting students to and from school, keeping our district facilities up and running and schools clean!

District Student Achievement Goals Update

As you may recall, at the beginning of the year schools administered a pretest to all students and that data was used to set district-wide Math and ELA achievement goals. Our goal is to increase proficiency in Math to 20.4% and in ELA to 20% by the end of the year.

Before winter break, students took a mid-year test which will help monitor how students are progressing toward meeting the goal. Below you will see that there was a considerable amount of growth from the pretest to the mid-year test and we are on track to meet the end of the year goal.



At the end of the year students will take a posttest which will let us know if students met the goals for the year. It is exciting to see the progress students are making. In looking closely at the data, elementary students in grades K-2 had the most significant growth in Math and ELA as well as 5th grade at SME. AHS showed growth in grade 9-11 Math as well as 12th grade ELA. Remember that attendance has a direct impact on student growth so it is very important for your child to be in school every day!

And speaking of attendance, we need to work on improving attendance at all schools; the district attendance goal is 95% and we are currently at 86.6%. CBE and WRE have the best attendance while AHS and CDJH need the most improvement. Every school day counts! Help us reach our attendance goal for the year.



Due to the snow days in January, all WUSD schools will have school on the following days:

**Friday March 3, 2023
Thursday April 27, 2023
Monday May 15, 2023**

- All students and staff will report for a full day of school.
- AM and PM preschool will be in session.
- Bus pick up and drop off will follow the usual schedule.
- Breakfast and lunch will be served.

These are regular school days so please plan ahead make sure your child is in school on these days!

Contact your child's school if you have any questions.

Friday March 3, 2023 is the 100th day of school!

This is a make-up day and it is very important all students attend the 100th day of school!

The 100th day of school is an important milestone in the school year and will be celebrated as part of Read Across American Week in all of our district schools. Schools will have dress days and fun activities throughout the entire week ending with Dr. Seuss' Birthday Celebration!

