

#### **Letter Grade**

Drumroll....

SME's letter grade has been officially released – we went up from a D to a C school! It took a lot of work to get here, and we could not have done it without our teachers, students, and parents. A round of applause!

Our goal is 90% attendance everyday. Parents, our school day is 8:45a-3:45p, everyday. Please help us help your students by keeping your student in school all day, everyday. Every minute of instruction counts.

A "C" letter grade means we are a performing school. We will continue to work hard and grow so that all students can show success, no exceptions.

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Goseyun or Mrs. Taylor in the office. Way to go Wildcats!



# **Start of Day/Breakfast**

There has been a small change regarding our beginning of day routine. Our day starts at 8:45a, everyday. That has not changed. What has changed, though, is our breakfast cut-off time. **Breakfast will now no longer be served past** 

**8:45a.** This means that if you want your student to have breakfast at school, they need to be in the building before 8:45a. If they arrive after 8:45a, they are sent directly to class and do not have the opportunity to eat breakfast. Please help make sure your student eats breakfast, either at school or at home. Breakfast truly is brain food.

#### Contact

Hours: M-Th 7:30-4:30

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https://www.wusd.us/page/smes.homepage

#### **Student Athletes**

We want to thank everyone who came to basketball and spirit line try-outs. As a reminder, those who are selected are first and foremost **STUDENT** Athletes. Student Athletes must remain in good standing with attendance verification, grade checks, and no discipline write-ups. If there are any questions, please see Mrs. Goseyun in SME office or Ms. Bri Endfield, K-8 Athletic Director, at CDJH.



# **Quick Messages**

2024-2025 school year. Some information:

- 4 day school week
  - Monday-Thursday 8:45a-3:45p
    - Students are absent after 9:00a
    - Friday no school, building closed
  - Drop off 8:30am
  - Breakfast stops serving at 8:45a.
- Dismissal 3:45 pm
  - K, 1st, 2nd pickup at gym
  - 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> pickup at front of school
- Bus messages must be called in by NOON (12p)
- Water bottles stay at school. If you are sending a water bottle with your student, CLEAR water bottles only.
- Backpacks not needed we provide everything. K-1 can bring a backpack for a change of clothes. 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> can bring a backpack ONLY if they are participating in sports.
- Dress Code (See Parent/Student Handbook)
  - Tank top straps 2 fingers wide
  - No holey jeans/holes above the knee
  - No bare stomachs
  - No promoting gangs/drugs/violence
  - No Crocs
  - Dresses/skirts are fine; please wear shorts underneath.

### **Upcoming Events**

11/11 - Veteran's Day - No School

11/13 - Picture Retake Day

11/14 - Native American Heritage Celebration

11/19 - PAC, 5:30p

11/25 - Federal PAC, DO2, 5:30p

11/27-11/29 - Thanksgiving Holiday - No School

#### PAC

Our next PAC meeting will be Tuesday 11/19 @ 5:30pm.

We will have 2<sup>nd</sup> grade presenting, PWNA supply distribution, and a Thanksgiving Potluck. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.

Can't wait to see you!

Federal PAC will be Monday 11/25 at 5:30 pm at the District Office.

# Native American Heritage Celebration/Rock Your

In partnership with Rock Your Mocs Day, our Native American Heritage Celebration is Thursday 11/14.

Permission slips will be sent home – only those with signed permission slips will be participating. The performance will start at 9:00a.

Please remember that this is a full day of school – students should be in school all day.

Kinder • Cradleboard Dance

 $1^{\text{st}}$  grade • Rainbow Dance

Warrior Dance

2<sup>nd</sup> grade • Hoop Dance

· Girls' Choice

3<sup>rd</sup> grade • Painting/Massage Ceremony

4<sup>th</sup> grade • Country Western Line Dance

5<sup>th</sup> grade • Flag Dance

IF you DO NOT want your child to perform, please let the office know.



### **Staff Changes**

Let's give a warm welcome to our first grade teacher, Mrs. Lagunday! After a long wait, she has arrived, and has spent the last week getting to know her students and our building. Mrs. Lagunday will officially take charge of her class on Monday, November 4th.

Ms. Francis will be our STEAM teacher.

We have two more teachers that we are still awaiting; Mrs. Hermosa in kindergarten, and Mrs. Pelayo in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade. We hope to have them here soon (fingers crossed).

If you see Mrs. Lagunday, please be sure to give her a big Wildcat Hello! We are glad to have her!



Picture RETAKE Day is scheduled for Wednesday, November 13th. Exact change is required (no tax), or you can pay online. If paying online, go to my.lifetouch.com. Enter Picture ID # EVTM87MT2

If you ordered pictures from the first picture day, but are not satisfied with them, they MUST be returned on Picture Retake Day.



Under Many of you saw the black bags over the doors at our Family Fair - no, they weren't part of our Halloween decorations.

We are getting new bathrooms. Some of our bathrooms are now closed for construction. It's a little inconvenient, yes, but it will be worth it. When these bathrooms are finished, the workers will rotate to the next set of bathrooms, so by the end, SME will have brand new bathrooms throughout the school.

We are also getting some updates to our playgrounds. As with the bathrooms, once one playground is updated, they will move onto another. The playground schedule has been adapted so that everyone still gets the opportunity to play on the equipment.

Thanks to the students and staff for their flexibility. We know it isn't always easy, but it will be worth it, we promise.



#### **Ancillary Classes**

#### PE - Mr. Henry

What a pleasure it is for me to bring you up to date on the news of the Physical Education Department. The program is healthy and growing with real quality, as a result of continuous reflection, critiquing students, and growth of the entire school K-5th. In the end of October, we are starting sports, so to kick it off, we will be starting with kickball. Having been in PE department it has been a real honor for me and has been most satisfying to see the students evolve.

#### Computers - Ms. Efren

Kinder/1st grade will build the foundation for correct typing technique by learning letter and basic punctuation keys, using all 10 fingers.

2<sup>nd</sup> grade will get to know the MS Word interface by learning to create files, selecting/deleting/cutting/pasting text, inserting/editing images, and adding styles and making formatting changes that affect the whole document at once.

3rd grade will get to know the MS Excel interface by creating new spreadsheets, modifying rows/cells/columns, formatting cells, working with multiple worksheets, and creating simple/complex formulas.

4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> grade will apply their understanding to create clipart.

# **Ancillary Classes (cont.)**

#### Culture - Mrs. Eleando

October was a wonderful month!! It was a great first quarter in the Apache Language Class. We have been studying the basics which are the months, seasons, numbers, songs, the pledge and greetings.

We worked hard on sounding out words, which are tough to pronounce, and the songs were challenging for the students. The months also include our special "Halloween Apache words" and "Harvest Time", but they were able to sound them out. I really enjoy getting to know the students as they are learning their culture and language. I hope they are enjoying school as much as I am. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions. I appreciate your support and speak the Apache Language in your home!!

#### **Ancillary Student of the**

PE - Mr. Henry Cataleya Acosta, Cameron Nez Culture - Mrs. Eleando Dela'ne Alvarez, Carter Irving Library - Ms. Massey Audrie Lister, Bentley Cisco Computers - Ms. Efren Maria Kaijah Nunez, Avry Perez

# Student of the Month It is time to recognize our Students

of the Month. Each month, teachers select one student who has demonstrated Wildcat Pride by: arriving on time to class, completing all work, and no discipline write-ups.

Mrs. Madraga -Eman Norwin Alsado Mrs. Truax -Miles Lee Mrs. Yusay -**Averie Begay Tobias Nelson** Ms. Lagunday -Ms. Massey -Sha'neek Thompson Mrs. Neri -Toni Crocker Mrs. Bose -Kyrie Nosie Mrs. Licong -Tyler Declay Mrs. Nunez -Taique Kinney Mrs. Pelayo -Ean Balone Karson Patterson Mrs. Awitin -Ms. Bandoy -Aiyana Harris Mrs. Lucero -Tristin Quay Mrs. Salcedo -Briah Bush Mrs. Alcallaga -Racheal Natan Mrs. Claro -Scarlett Begay Mrs. Lorezo -Alianna Baylish Mr. Alsado -Jerrell Nosie Mr. Awitin -Lexci Quay

Mrs. Barredo -

Mrs. Verula -

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