



Tiger News

The School of Champions  Where Everyone is a Winner

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TUMBLEWEED MISSION STATEMENT

Tumbleweed's mission is to provide relevant, quality education to our students that will enable them to participate successfully in the changing world. In pursuit of this mission, Tumbleweed will: seek innovations that encourage excitement for learning, create a learning environment characterized by caring and trust, help each child develop to his or her fullest potential, and provide opportunities that help students meet the challenges of change.

VISION STATEMENT:

"Tumbleweed Elementary school is committed to providing an engaging and enriching environment that will promote academic and social excellence for all students."

MOTTO: "Tigers to the Top"

MRS. RUSSELL'S MESSAGE

We've just completed our standardized testing – AzMERIT! The testing went very well, and we thank Mrs. Hyde, our program coach, for coordinating all of the testing. We are now anxiously awaiting our scores.

The week of May 1-5 is **Teacher Appreciation Week**. We want to thank our teachers! We think we have the best staff at Tumbleweed.

Many, many thanks go to **Tumbleweed PTA** for our very successful Carnival/Bicycle Safety Event on April 8. It was very well done, and many of our families enjoyed the morning's activities. Thanks, also, to the teachers who put together raffle baskets for the event. Thanks to the families who came to support the carnival. *A good time was had by all.*

Construction News

Tumbleweed Elementary is going under construction during summer break and we want to celebrate! A groundbreaking ceremony is an exciting milestone held before construction commences on your facility. To celebrate the renovations, we will be holding a groundbreaking ceremony on Thursday, May 18, at 8:00 a.m. on the basketball court at Tumbleweed Elementary School. Parents and neighbors of Tumbleweed Elementary School are invited to come help us kick-off construction at the ceremony.



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Governing Board: Bill Adams, President • Larry Herrera, Vice President
Aaron Jahneke, Member • Tee Lambert, Member • Nikkie Whaley, Member

Dr. Paul Stanton, Superintendent

New Principal News

We are pleased to announce the selection of Tumbleweed's new Principal, Heather Vasquez.

REGISTER FOR FREE, FULL-DAY KINDERGARTEN FOR 2017-2018

Registration for free, full-day kindergarten for the 2017-2018 school year in the Washington Elementary School District is underway and will continue through the summer. Parents and guardians are invited to register their kindergartner at the WESD Welcome and Registration Center, located just west of Cholla Middle School at 3200 West Cholla Street. Free, full-day kindergarten will be held at all 27 elementary and K-8 schools in the Washington District.

Children must be 5 years old before September 1, 2017 to be registered for kindergarten. Parents should remember to bring with them:

- A certified copy of the child's birth certificate
- Immunization records
- Proof of residence (e.g. lease agreement, escrow papers, recent utility bill)
- Legal papers regarding custody, if applicable

The Welcome and Registration Center is open Monday through Friday from 7:15 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. (On Wednesdays, the center is closed from 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.) Call 602-896-6950 for more information.

Congratulations!

STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to the following students who were chosen as student of the month for the month of April.

Kinder: Kenna F., Laisha G., Abdiel T.

First: Alexis C., Jayden N., Ruben C.

Second: J'onte P., Lorenzo R., Kara L.

Third: Augustine R., Gabriella L., Jenny N.

Fourth: Jordan S., Stephen C., Isaiah R.

Fifth: Sara C., Nadalie V.

Sixth: Alina W., Jaccai N.

Special Areas: Cristina M., Leandro Z., Mia H.

PRINCIPAL'S LIST



Fourth: Martin B., Stephen C., Elisha F., Briana H., Mia H., Zoey L., Landen L., Tammy N., Kamaya W.,

Liliana C., Tyrone L., Melissa M., Jordan S., Brooklyn C., Damian C., Jonathon E., Melody H., Tony K., Abigail U.

Fifth: Brisa M., Denise O., Levin R., Nestor T., Halen B., Jasmine K., Chase M., Nathaniel O., Nadalie V.

Sixth: Emmanuel B., Daija L., Mason R., Cristina M., Elizama S., Kaylee S.

HONOR ROLL

Fourth: Dominic D., Ezekiel L., Jorge S., Jakob S., Tatum S., Edwin T., Jasmine Z., Caitlyn F., Natalie G., John J., Kylee K., Kyana R., Maurice B., Marlee C., Noah E., Dyanna G., Sophia H., Adam H., Kelsey M., Jose R., Melina R., William S.

Fifth: Isaac H., Jenna L., Jacob R., Dana W., Braiden L., Wyatt B., Trevor C., Lilly L., Sherilin L., Emese S.

Sixth: Raechal F., Madison F., Nevaeh M., Rocky S., Maribel V., Kira A., Abilene A., Isabel C., Beyance C., Damien G., Galilea M., Michael S., Prescilla W.



Event Schedule

April

27 Governing Board meeting 7:00 p.m.

May

01-05 Teacher Appreciation Week

01 Student Council mtg 2:30-3:30

02 Talent Show Rehearsal
2:30-4:00 p.m.

03 Mornings with Mom 6:45-7:30 a.m.
Early Release 1:00 p.m.

04 Talent Show Rehearsal
2:30-4:00 p.m.

05 Gr 5 field trip
Spring Fling Dance Gr 4-6
3:30-4:30 p.m.

08 Student Council mtg 2:30-3:30

09 Band concert 8:00-8:30 a.m. and
9:00-9:30 a.m.

10 All Library books due

Early Release 1:00 p.m.

Site Council meeting 3:30 p.m.

Neighborhood meeting 6:30 p.m.

11 *Be Kind* Family Event 5:30-7:00 p.m.

Governing Board meeting 7:00 p.m.

12 Gr 3 field trip

Spirit Assembly 2:10 p.m.

Talent Show Dress Rehearsal
2:30-5:00 p.m.

15 Talent Show

K-3 – 8:15-9:15

4-6 – 1:15-2:15

PTA Meeting 4:00-5:00 p.m.

17 Early Release 1:00 p.m.

18 Ground Breaking Ceremony
8:00-8:30 a.m.

Gr 6 – Great Skate Party 3-5:30 p.m.

19 Gr 4-6 field trip (eligible students)

Kindergarten Graduation 1:30-2:30

22 Awards Assembly Gr 4-6 8-8:30

23 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

(NO backpacks)

Early release 1:00 p.m.

Report Cards go home

25 Governing Board meeting 7:00 p.m.

Be Kind Family Event

Thursday, May 11

5:30 – 7:00 p.m.

- Enjoy a fun-filled, interactive presentation
- Light refreshments will be served
- Watch your child's backpack for further details as seating will be limited for the presentation



THE LAST DAY OF SCHOOL
WILL BE
TUESDAY, MAY 23, 2017.
THIS IS AN
EARLY RELEASE DAY AT 1:00
(NO BACKPACKS)

STUDENT PROFILE FORM

We work hard to balance classes with equal numbers of academically higher, average and lower students. We also must balance behaviors with equal numbers of those who have an outgoing, average and shy nature. We balance so that equal numbers of speech students and band and strings students are distributed. We will try to honor profiles if at all possible. Please note that the form does not provide for choosing your child's teacher. Forms are available in the office and must be turned in no later than 3:00 p.m. on Friday, April 28, 2016.

NOT RETURNING

If your child will not be returning to Tumbleweed in the 2017-2018 school year, please complete the **Non-returning Student Notification** form. These forms are available in the office. If your child is going on to middle school, this form is **not** necessary.

2017-2018 IMMUNIZATIONS

The following information is very important regarding immunization requirements for the 2017-2018 school year per Arizona School Immunization Law, Article 7, R9-6-701-708:

All students are required to show proof of chickenpox (varicella) immunization or to provide a signed history form stating that the student has had chickenpox.

For the 2017-2018 school year, Arizona School Immunization Law states that all students 11 years of age and older entering the sixth, seventh and eighth grades must have one dose of meningococcal vaccine (MV). These students are also required to have one dose of Tdap vaccination if five or more years have passed since their last tetanus/diphtheria vaccine dose.

If your child has received the required immunization, please provide the school with documentation (shot records). The record must show the child's name, date of birth, date dose received and physician/health agency that administered the immunization.

If your child has NOT received the required immunization, please contact your physician/healthcare provider or immunization clinic. Information on free immunization clinic sites may be obtained from the school health office.

Schools have been advised that schedules may not be given to students who are not in compliance with vaccinations.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact our health office at 602-896-6610.



DATES TO REMEMBER

May 23	Last Day of the 2016-2017 School Year
August 7	First Day of the 2017-2018 School Year
August 8	Picture Day

MEDICATION PICK UP

As the school year comes to an end, please be sure to pick up your child's medication in the health office by 3:00 p.m. on the last day of school. The District policy prohibits the transportation of medication to and from school by anyone less than 18 years of age. All medication left unclaimed will be destroyed.



Our lost and found is growing. Please take the time to check the bins in the cafeteria for missing items. Any items that are not claimed will be sent to the clothing closet.

In addition, we have several pairs of glasses that have been found and are waiting in the health office to be claimed.

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Office	896-6600	Attendance	896-6610
Fax	896-6620	Cafeteria	896-6617
Library	896-6609	Social Worker	896-6658
Sp. Needs	896-6625	KidSpace	896-6615
Transportation	896-5270	Head Start	896-6667

TUMBLEWEED COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

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