

# Principal's Message

Hello Eagle Families,

This past week was filled with a lot of celebration. Our Eagle Expo was a huge success! The student performances were exceptional and the student displays were wonderful. I would like to sincerely thank our Eagle Expo Committee for spearheading this event, as well as our teachers, students, and families for their participation. It is alway wonderful to celebrate our students' accomplishments.

We have some exciting news to share with our families. Beginning Monday, October 7, 2024 our new Superintendent, Dr. Michael Gordon-Smith will be officially joining EDUPRIZE.

Dr. Michael Gordon-Smith is an accomplished educational leader with over 15 years of experience in K-12 education, higher education, and school administration. He has served as the Executive Director for Charter One schools and most recently oversaw the operational, financial, and academic functions of a 2,000-student charter school in South Carolina. In this capacity he successfully reached enrollment caps and ensured the school's financial viability with his proven track record in curriculum development, commitment to institutional vision and mission, and community engagement. Dr. Gordon-Smith has led schools through start-up phases and substantial growth while building strong school communities and staying true to institutional values.

With a wide breadth of experience, a Ph.D. from Emory University and educational leadership training from Harvard and Northwestern, Dr. Gordon-Smith combines a deep understanding of educational pedagogy with strategic leadership, making him an ideal candidate to lead EDUPRIZE Schools into its next iteration of growth and innovation as its new Superintendent.

On behalf of the EDUPRIZE faculty and staff we would like to welcome Dr. Gordon-Smith! Have a great weekend Eagles!

Warm Regards, Dr. Jennifer L.H. Murphy

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# This Month

# **SEPTEMBER**

# Next Month

27th: Last Day of Quarter

9/20-10/28: Boo-Gram Pre-Sales hosted by StuCo

# **OCTOBER**

9/30 - 10/14 No School Fall Break

15th: First Day of Quarter 2

25th: Fall Festival

28th: PSAT

For ALL Juniors at 7:30AM

# ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT



# SPORTS INFORMATION 9/23 - 9/27

#### JV Volleyball Schedule

Monday: AWAY Game @ Desert Lily (2061 E Rittenhouse Rd, QC) @ 4:30 PM Tuesday: HOME Game Vs Thunderbird

At 4 PM in B4 Gym

Wednesday: Practice 3:00 - 5:30 - B4 Gym

Thursday: HOME Game Vs Imagine Prep

At 5:30 PM in B4 Gym

#### Junior High A Schedule

Monday: AWAY Game @ Champion Chandler

(250 S McQueen Rd) @ 4:30 PM

Wednesday: HOME Game Vs ALA

At 4:30 PM in B3 Gym

Thursday: HOME Game Vs ASU Prep

At 4:30 PM in B4

#### Junior High B Schedule

Monday: PRACTICE 3:15 - 5:00 PM

Tuesday: AWAY Game @ San Tan Charter(

3232 S Power Rd) @ 5 PM

Wednesday: HOME Game Vs ALA @ 5:30 in B3

#### **Elementary Volleyball Schedule**

Monday: PRACTICE 3:15 - 5:15 in B3
Wednesday: AWAY Game @ Pathfinder
Academy (2906 N. Boulder Canyon, Mesa) @

4:30 & 5:30

All game schedules can be found on AZCAAPREPS.com

\*\*\*Girls JR High Softball will have tryouts on September 24, 25, & 26 from 3:15 - 5:00 PM on the field. Bring water, your glove, and your paperwork to participate in tryouts.\*\*\*.

\*\*There was a lack of interest in Jr High Girls'
Flag Football or Jr High Boys' Volleyball, so we
cannot offer them this year.\*\*

# Varsity Boys Flag Football Schedule NO PRACTICE REST OF WEEK

Monday: AWAY Game VS Estrella High

At Friendship Park

Fld 1 (12325 W Mcdowell Rd. Avondale)

Games at 4:00 & 5:00

\*\*EARLY RELEASE @ 2 PM from B4

#### **COED JH Soccer Schedule**

Monday: HOME Game Vs Heritage Maricopa

At Eagle Sports Complex

(828 E Broadway Rd) @ 4:30 PM

Tuesday: AWAY Game @ Tri City Christian

Academy (2211 W Germann Rd) @ 4:30 PM

#### JH Cheer Practice

**Tuesday & Thursday** 3:00 - 5:00 - B3 Gym

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Be sure to bring water to your practices!

Questions, please email the Athletic Director

Clint.ambos@eduprizeschools.net

# LIMITED EDITION BASKETBALL SHIRTS

BUY NOW AND SUPPORT YOUR SCHOOL BASKETBALL TEAMS

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO BUYING NEW EQUIPMENT AND UNIFORMS

SHIRTS WILL BE WORN ON "BLACK OUT" HOME GAMES







Amy Smith IB Director

## **IB Registration**

Registration has begun. Each exam is 123 (went up from 119). After I register students, I will provide them with a receipt and then the payment will be made through Infinite Campus. I'll share the payment instructions on the "All Things IB" Google Classroom page, so be sure to check that page for updates and new information. All exam payments are due by **Friday, October 18th.** 

## **IB Day of Service**

First semester IB Day of Service will be Thursday, November 7th from 8-3. During this day, IB juniors and seniors will help around our campus with a variety of activities that teachers and administrators request. This is a great time for IB students to demonstrate their learner profile traits and to help out our school community. Stay tuned for more information and pictures of the fun day. These hours can also be used by our Diploma Candidates for CAS hours.

Have a good weekend, <u>amy.smith@eduprizeschools.net</u> Amy Smith

# ENROLLMENT 2025-2026

Do you have an incoming Kindergartner, Pre-Kindergartner, or 1st-12th grade sibling to enroll for next school year?

NOW is the time to submit your enrollment interest form for the 2025-26 school year!

Here is the <u>link</u> to complete the form today

Please do not delay!

Siblings receive priority registration, but every year we have families who miss the priority window and the opportunity to secure their preferred program/schedule.

Additional details regarding registration will be distributed at a later date to families who have completed the interest form.

Please contact the enrollment office with any questions: <u>gilbertenrollment@eduprizeschools.net</u> or (480) 813-9537 x1030.

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SEPTEMBER 2024

# NEWSLETTER

# **PTO NEWS**

Teachers are in need of classroom coordinators for their class Fall fest raffle basket! Please see the flyer <u>HERE</u> for all the details or ask your teacher how you can help!

We raised \$286 at our ATL wings fundraiser, thank you!
We also raised \$100 for the Robeks fundraiser and we've decided to partner with them. Stay tuned!

Have a 7th or 8th grader?

JH Stucco is looking to add
members! Stucco and PTO work
together to make all the fun stuff
happen. Dances, glow bingo,
holiday activities and more!

#### **PTO Calendar**

Click here to see volunteer opportunities and view the PTO calendar.

# **TEACHER & STAFF FAVORITES**

Click here to see the list!

Can be used for bdays,
holidays or appreciation

# **UPCOMING**

-Cottage Fair Nights K-6 Tuesday and Wednesday 9/24 & 9/25. Be sure to check out the new PTO banners and little free library table to grab a book!

-Parkour Academy Fall Break Kick Off Fun + Fundraiser Event Friday, Sept 27th \$2 off for Eduprize families 40% back to school PTO! \*See flyer

-The KISS THE PIG fundraiser will begin after Fall break! Bring spare cash or change donations to class from 10/14-10/25.

Principals and Teachers will kiss the pig at Fall fest as a thank you for your donations! Kick off begins at 5:30 on the talent show stage! Funds will help pay for new learning games for several classrooms in need.

We can't say thank you enough for your continued support!

# **FALL FESTIVAL**

When: Friday, October 25th 5-9pm

Where: Eduprize Gilbert, B3 Gate Entrance

**Tickets on Sale Now!** 

Click <u>HERE & Also See Flyer</u> for Details!

Click <u>HERE</u> to volunteer at the festival!!

**Class Basket Coordinators Needed! Click here for Info** 

Don't have the time to volunteer or attend a fundraiser but want to make a monetary donation?

<u>Click Here</u>

We appreciate you!

Follow Us
Facebook Website
PTO Facebook Group







Eduprize Gilbert • 580 W Melody Ave • B3 Gate Entrance



# fickets on Sale Now

Click Here to Buy Tickets on PTO Website

\$8 Online Pre-Sale \$10 at Door or Zelle pto@eduprizeschools.net, no fees to us or you!

Must list full names for each wristband!

See details on information page or website



Immediate Families of 5 or more \$40 max online pre-sale
\*Eduprize enrolled Only, 2 & Under are Free
\*Teachers and staff please see staff newsletter/flyer



# Annual Basket Raffle

\$5/Ticket or 5/\$20 Pre-Sale Tickets on Website or <u>Click Here</u>

# HAUNTED HOUSE

Presented by Eduprize BasketBall Boosters \$2 Entry, Side of B3



Bounce Houses
Parkour Course
Petting Zoo
Live Reptiles
Talent Show
Spider Man and Elsa
Face Paint + Games
Pumpkin Contest Enter Here
Shopping + Fall Photos
Food Trucks
Principal + Teachers
Will Kiss the Pig



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## DETAILED INFORMATION

Location: Eduprize Gilbert • 580 W Melody Ave • Gate 3 Entrance

# **Admission Includes:**

5 Bounce Houses, Parkour Academy Course, Petting Zoo, Live Reptiles, Fall Themed Games with Prizes, Corn Hole Games, Talent Show Entertainment, Music, Spider Man and Elsa, Face Painting, Balloon Animals, Board Games, Pumpkin Carving & Decocorating Contest, Fall Photo Areas, Dance Performance, See Admin+Teachers Kiss the Pig and more!

## The Extras:

Eduprize Annual Basket Raffle \$5 Raffle Tickets or 5 for \$20 Basketball Boosters Haunted House \$2 • Food Trucks (Corn Dog Co, Sushi, Hawaiian Shaved Ice, Dole Whip, Cotton Candy, Waffle Love) Pizza and Snacks • Vendor Booth Shopping

# **Ticket Prices:**

Online pre-purchase price \$8 or \$10 at the festival. Pre-sale ends 10/23! Immediate families of 5 or more \$40 max pre-sale (Eduprize enrolled students only) \$50 max at door. Children under 2 are Free, Purchase tickets via Zelle with our NEW PTO email address pto@eduprizeschools.net or buy on our website. Please be sure to read details about pricing first before sending Zelle or purchasing tickets. You must list full names of each wristband you are purchasing in purchase memo on the website or with Zelle. Failing to do so may void discounts /wristbands. Please have proof of purchase to pick up wristbands at door. Thank you!

-Talent Show Auditions Sept 16-18th, See Website or click <u>HERE</u>
-Vendor Spaces Available \$30 10x10 Space <u>Email PTO</u>
-Fall Festival Volunteers Needed & Recieve Free Entry/Discoutned Family Tickets
-Parent Volunteeers Needed as Class Raffle Basket Coordinators <u>Click Here,</u> FREE Raffle TICKETS
-Enter the Pumpkin carving or decoarting contest <u>HERE</u>

pto@eduprizeschools.net eduprizegilbertpto.com

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# FALL FESTIVAL Basket Raffle

**Basket Coordinators Needed!** 

# Fall Fest is October 25th, 5-9pm

Coordinators do not have to volunteer during the festival.

# WHAT COORDINATORS DO:

-Come up with a basket theme (games, movie night or bigger)!

-Set up an email to all parents in class, let them know about basket and kindly ask for donations. A sign up genius can be made for physical items or you can ask for monetary donations. The raffle is an annual tradition.

-Ask if parents have a business that can donate (tax deductible) or if they know businesses who can donate items or make a monetary donation

-Check in with local businesses yourself. Get creative and look up ideas online!
-Keep in touch with the PTO to let us know what your class basket theme will be. We are here to help! Once we receive your information from your teacher, we will send you a helpful checklist with a tax donation receipt and donation request letter for anyone to use.

-Classes that have a basket are entered to win a pizza party with a movie or games!
-Receive free raffle tickets just for being a basket coordinator!

BASKET COORDINATING INFO WILL BE SENT VIA EMAIL • PTO CAN ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS
LET YOUR TEACHER KNOW RIGHT AWAY IF YOU ARE WILLING TO HELP YOUR CLASS!



EMAIL: PTO@EDUPRIZESCHOOLS.NET

Please create account on their website or click <u>HERE</u> to save time on signing the waiver at event!

# GILBERT

# EDUPRIZE PTO

# PARKOUR AGADEMY FALL BREAK KICK OFF FUN + FUNDRAISER EVENT

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27TH

STARTS AFTER SCHOOL 12-3PM PRE-K-6 6-9PM 7TH + UP OR ALL GRADES K-12 MUST BE AGE 4+ 1830 E. BASELINE RD MESA 85204

\$2 OFF TICKETS (\$10/HR TOTAL)
40% DONATED BACK TO PTO

**Invite friends!** 



GET SOME SPOOKY

# BOO-GRAMS!

PRESALE STARTS SEP. 23 AND ENDS OCT. 25

THEY WILL BE HANDED OUT OCT. 28-31

\$5 EACH | CASH ONLY!!



# BUY SOME SPOOKY TREATS FOR YOU OR YOUR FRIENDS!



# EDUPRIZE SCHOOLS 24-45 Q2 Lunch Menu



Prices and purchasing will be avalible on Infinite Campus starting 9/16/24
Online orders will close on 9/27/24 at 4:00 pm

# **LUNCH START DATE WILL BE 10/15/24**









The lunch program is for regular day students and AM TOPS STEAM program only!

Hot lunch is NOT for PM TOPS. Lunches are purchased every quarter.

For questions please contact Tym at tym.britton@eduprizeschools.net

# COUNSELOR CONNECTION

Kendy Gonzalez B.S. in Psychology

"The need for connection and community is primal, as fundamental as the need for air, water, and food"

- Dean Ornish



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# **ACT**

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#### 7 Unique College Majors You Never Knew Existed

Student Blog Guidance for Whatever Future You're After Paying for College

#### Social Emotional Learning (SEL)

Social Emotional Skills Create Connections and Impact Recent studies show that social and emotional skills like sustaining effort, getting along with others, maintaining composure, keeping an open mind, and social connection were shown to have a consistent and positive association with students' academic and career success.

27% of students who scored high in sustaining effort met ACT's STEM College Readiness Benchmark.

Students who participate in social emotional skills programming have an 11% gain in achievement test scores.

# **University information**

Rensselaer PolyTech Tour

<u>University of Advancing</u> <u>Technology</u>

**NAU virtual tour** 

U of A virtual tour

**GCU** virtual tour

University of Texas at El Paso virtual Tour

#### **Colleges of Distinction**

Founded on the premise that there are hundreds of remarkable colleges across the United States, each with a unique strength to offer the next generation of college-bound students. We connect these colleges to curious, talented students.

# **Scholarships**

<u>Student</u>

<u>Scholarship</u>

<u>Arizona</u>

<u>Community</u> Foundation

<u>FLINN</u>

**Foundation** 

Click for a list of Full-Ride

scholarship list

<u>QuestBridge</u>

connects high-achieving students from low-income backgrounds with a thriving community and transformative educational, career, and life opportunities that help propel them to lives of fulfillment, meaning, and purpose.

<u>Tri-University</u> <u>Scholarship Resources</u>

#### Reminder

Your student's academic progress is available to you at your convience through the Infinite Campus Parent Portal



# **Open House**

September 21st, 2024

#### 10am-12pm

Grand Canyon University invites high school seniors and their parents or guardians to attend an upcoming East Valley Open House!

They can join us to learn more about GCU, including:

- Our campus and community
- The admissions process
- Financial aid and FASFA pointers

They'll even have an opportunity to enroll and lock in their scholarship offers.



SFC Ned Vergara will be on campus to provide information to our students.

When: Wednesday 25, 2024

Where: B4 Foyer

**Time: Lunch for grades 9-12** 

# **Register Here**



Arizona's public universities, ASU, NAU and the Uof A are committed to keeping students throughout Arizona well informed about the incredible college-going opportunities available to you in your home state. As your in-state universities, we are excited to invite students and guests to a Tri-University Event near you! These sessions are geared toward providing you in-depth information about supports, campus life, how to apply, and finding your fit at an in-state university! Information presented will be the same at each location, so you only need to register for the program that works best for your schedule. We can't wait to host you at one of the following dates:

September 8

September 19

September 22

September 26

**Register Here** 

# SENIORS SECULIARIES OF 2025

You should be starting to apply for schools. It is advised to have all your information in by Thanksgiving in order for the colleges to have time to process your information.

Make sure you clean up your social media as recruiters use that resource to look more into their applicants.

How to Find
Your Path After
High School

Your Guide to Senior Pictures

How to Write an Awesome College Essay

Important Senior

Dates

# Health Office Updates



#### IMPORTANT HEALTH OFFICE INFORMATION

As illness or health situations occur throughout the school year, it may be necessary for medication to be administered at school. All prescribed AND over the counter medication (i.e. Tylenol, Ibuprofen, Benadryl, etc.) will need to be checked into the Health Office, along with a <u>Prescription and Non-prescription Medication Consent</u> form which requires a doctor's signature. These forms can be found on our website <u>www.eduprizeschools.net</u> under the Parent & Student Resources>Health Office Forms, or you can just click on any of the links provided in light blue.

- HEALTH ACTION PLAN: Please be aware that children who have asthma, diabetes, or seizures will need an action plan provided by their health care provider, ALONG with the signed <u>Prescription and Non-prescription Medication Consent</u> form.
- <u>ASTHMA</u>: If your child has asthma, an asthma action plan will need to be provided by your doctor ALONG with a signed <u>Prescription and Non-prescription Medication Consent</u> form.
- <u>ALLERGIES</u>: Allergies that require an EpiPen will need an <u>Anaphylaxis Management Packet</u> filled out and signed by a doctor along with the <u>Prescription and Non-prescription</u>
   <u>Medication Consent</u> form .
- MEDICATION: As a reminder, ALL medications need to be checked in at the Health Office.
  Students are not allowed to carry any medication in their backpack unless the parent and
  Dr have signed a self carry medication consent in addition to the medication consent form.
  A Prescription and Non-prescription Medication Consent form will also need to be filled out for any medications, prescription or non prescription.

We cannot accept ANY medications without these forms.

Any questions can be directed to the Health Office staff at (480) 813-9537 option 7

# Medication Authorization

If you would like your student to be able to access medication at school, please complete the authorization FORM and return to the health office.





#### We offer:

Competitive pay - \$20.75/hour (teacher certified) \$19.50/hour (sub certified) \$17/hour (no certification)

Flexible Schedules - Traditional day and AM/PM TOPS

Range of Classes - Grades PreK-12th grade and specialty classes like dance, PE, computers, and much more.

Incredible Community - Our staff, students, and parents are a welcoming and loving community you will enjoy being apart of.

## IF INTERESTED PLEASE EMAIL

emily.yeaman@eduprizeschools.net



TIMES NEEDED ARE:

7:00-8:05 A.M. 10:20 A.M.-1:10 P.M. 2:30-3:40 P.M.

- -GREAT FOR STAY AT HOME PARENTS, RETIREES AND COLLEGE STUDENTS OVER 21 YEARS OR OLDER.
- WE ARE VERY FLEXIBLE WITH SCHEDULES.
- FRIENDLY ENVIRONMENT

JOB TYPE: PART-TIME 19HRS A WEEK

IF INTERESTED PLEASE CONTACT:

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