

SEPTEMBER 21, 2024

# EDUPRIZE SCHOOLS

*Queen Creek/San Tan Valley Campus Newsletter*



## COMMUNITY CORNER

*by Dr. Bryce Solberg*

Hello EAGLE Nation,

Next week we will be hosting Cottage Fairs. I have seen amazing student projects that showcase the various themes students have been focusing on this quarter. Next week will also provide:

- Perfect attendance treats for students who did not miss a single day during quarter 1.
- Spirit week (Please ensure students are following dress code).
- Kona Ice to celebrate the student of the month as well as be open for parents and students to purchase a tasty treat.

Please do not forget to stop by the lost and found and claim any items that are yours. Items will be donated over the break. I am truly ecstatic that you have chosen EDUPRIZE. Thank you for entrusting us with your children as we provide them with an "A+" education.

Go EAGLES!

Dr. Solberg

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*"Welcome to Camp EDUPRIZE"*

# Quick References

## CALENDAR AT-A-GLANCE

### SEPTEMBER 2024

Now-9/26 Eagle Initiative **Krispy Kreme** Fundraiser  
9/23-9/25 PTN Sponsored Scholastic Book Fair  
9/23-9/27 Spirit Week  
9/23 Cottage Fair for Full Day Students  
9/24 Cottage Fair for AM TOPS Students  
9/25 Cottage Fair for PM TOPS Students  
9/27 Last Day of Quarter 1  
9/27 Kona Ice Visit  
9/27 Restaurant Night - **Red Robin**  
9/30-10/14 No School - Fall Break

### OCTOBER 2024

10/15 First Day of Quarter 2  
10/15-10/17 Quarter 2 Sports Tryouts  
10/22 Restaurant Night - **Texas Roadhouse**  
10/23 Fall Individual Pictures Retakes  
10/25 Annual Literature Parade  
10/25 Kona Ice Visit  
10/30 Boosterthon Kick-off

### NOVEMBER 2024

11/5 Quarter 2 Sports Pictures  
11/7 Boosterthon Fun Run K-5th grade  
11/8 Boosterthon Color Run 6th-8th grade  
11/11 NO SCHOOL - Veterans Day  
11/18-11/22 Parent-Teacher Conference Week Quarter 3  
11/22 Kona Ice Visit  
11/25 Yearbook Cover Contest Begins  
11/27 Early Release for Full Day, PM TOPS, & PreK Students  
11/28-11/29 NO SCHOOL

### PLANNING AHEAD

12/23-1/6/25 No School - Winter Break  
1/7/25 First Day of Quarter 3

## QUICK LINKS

[WEBSITE](#)

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FACEBOOK](#)

[INFINITE CAMPUS  
PORTAL](#)

### 2024-2025 CALENDAR



[FULL DAY](#)  
*click here*



[AM TOPS](#)  
*click here*



[PM TOPS](#)  
*click here*

### PARENT TEACHER NETWORK

- qcptn-president@eduprizeschools.net
- [PTN Website](#)
- Art Masterpiece: [www.art4eduprize.com](http://www.art4eduprize.com)
- School Apparel: [ORDER HERE](#)

### STEAM Program

- For sign-up information and STEAM calendars please email Mrs. Larson at: [qc.steam@eduprizeschools.net](mailto:qc.steam@eduprizeschools.net)

**EDUPRIZE  
SCHOOLS**

### CONTACT US

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# EDUPRIZE WELCOMES:

Dear EDUPRIZE Community,

We are excited to announce Dr. Gordon-Smith has been chosen to lead EDUPRIZE as our new Superintendent. We have appreciated everything Dr. Robershotte has done to build and cultivate the success of our EDUPRIZE family and congratulate her on her well-deserved retirement. It will be sad to see her go, however we are confident that Dr. Gordon-Smith will continue to support and grow 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.



# EDUPRIZE Elementary Spirit WEEK

SEPTEMBER  
23-27

• *Monday*

**Messy  
Monday  
Morning**

Crazy hair,  
mismatch clothes,  
just roll out of bed and  
come to school!

• *Tuesday*

**Troops  
Tuesday**

Dress like a  
camper ready  
for camp.

• *Wednesday*

**On  
Wednesdays  
We Wear Pink**

Dress in pink from  
head to toe.

• *Friday*

**Eagles Blue  
& Silver**

Wear your  
EDUPRIZE gear  
or school colors.

• *Thursday*

**Teamwork  
Thursday**

Wear a sports  
shirt/jersey to support  
your favorite team.

**LET'S  
GO!**

# JR. HIGH SPIRIT WEEK

September 23rd - 27th



**MON**

**MUSICAL  
MONDAY**



DRESS AS YOUR  
FAVORITE  
MUSICIAN OR IN  
YOUR FAVORITE  
BAND SHIRT.

**TUES**

**TEACHER/  
STUDENT SWAP  
TUESDAY**



TEACHERS, DRESS  
AS STUDENTS.

STUDENTS, DRESS  
AS TEACHERS.

**WED**

**WON COLOR  
WEDNESDAY**



DRESS IN ONE  
COLOR!

**THUR**

**RHyme WITHOUT  
REASON  
THURSDAY**



YOU AND A  
PARTNER DRESS IN  
RHYMING OUTFITS.

(FROG AND DOG,  
TEACHER AND  
PREACHER.)

**FRI**

**ERA FRIDAY**



DRESS AS THE ERA  
OF YOUR SOCIAL  
TEAM.

# BOOK FAIR

Join US for  
EDUPRIZE Schools QC/STV

# BOOK FAIR



SEPTEMBER 23-25, 2024

8:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

5:00 P.M. - 6:30 P.M.

PARENTS ARE WELCOME TO SHOP DURING  
BOTH BLOCKS OF TIME.

 SCHOLASTIC



EDUPRIZE  
BOOK FAIR HOMEPAGE

Preview the book fair online and set up  
an Ewallet for your kiddo to use during  
their class visit to the book fair.



# BOOK FAIR VOLUNTEERS



**The Book Fair is coming this month and the PTN is looking for volunteers to assist with sales.**



**Volunteer Here!**

**September 23RD - 25th**

**MORE DETAILS HERE!**

## LOST AND FOUND

*lost and Found*

**Check the lost and found. Items will be donated during fall break.**

# COTTAGE FAIR

*Eduprize Schools*

# COTTAGE FAIR

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**Monday, September 23rd @ 5:00 p.m.**

**Cottage Fair for:**

- Full Day Students in 1st-6th Grade

**Tuesday, September 24th @ 5:00 p.m.**

**Cottage Fair for:**

- AM TOPS Students Kinder-6th Grade
- Alternative Cottage Fair for Bartling, Miller, & Feltes @ 5:15 p.m.
- Alternative Cottage Fair for Casey & Newton @ 5:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, September 25th @ 5:00 p.m.**

**Cottage Fair for:**

- PM TOPS Students in Kinder-6th Grade
- Alternative Cottage Fair for Enfield, Kolodny & Taylor @ 5:15 p.m.
- Alternative Cottage Fair for Foss & Petersen @ 5:30 p.m.



Parents are invited to come celebrate the academic accomplishments of their child(ren).

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# REGAL EAGLES/ LITTLE EAGLES PROGRAMS

## New Name, Same Great Program!

We are thrilled to announce the new name of our TOPS Sports, Kinder Plus and Kinder Extended programs to the following:

- **Regal Eagles**, formally TOPS Sports New Name (grades 1st-6th)
- **Little Eagles**, formally Kindergarten Plus New Name
- **Little Eagles Extended**, formally Kindergarten Extended

We are excited to feature our school mascot in the arena as we continue to promote athletic field days and character-building in our 1st-6th grade 'Eagles Nest' (formerly known as the 'Dugout' in our technology lab). Kindergarten students will continue to participate in character-building activities during their enrichment days and both groups will continue to alternate their field days.

MORE  
INFORMATION  
ABOUT REGAL  
EAGLES

MORE  
INFORMATION  
ABOUT LITTLE  
EAGLES

# 2025/2026 SIBLING ENROLLMENT

DO YOU HAVE A  
PRE-K/KINDER  
TO ENROLL FOR THE  
2025/2026  
SCHOOL YEAR?

Mark your calendars for Pre-K and kindergarten enrollment opportunities this November for the 2025/2026 school year. Don't miss this pre-enrollment time frame set aside specifically for siblings of enrolled students. More details coming soon!

REQUEST INFO

# ODYSSEY OF THE MIND FUNDRAISER

## HELP US RAISE SOME DOUGH



WE ARE COLLECTING FUNDS TO FUND OUR EAGLE INITIATIVE. SUPPORT US BY BUYING DIGITAL DONUT CERTIFICATES FOR KRISPY KREME. EACH CERTIFICATE IS REDEEMABLE FOR ONE DOZEN ORIGINAL GLAZED DONUTS. THESE DIGITAL CERTIFICATES CAN BE SHARED WITH LOVED ONES IN DIFFERENT STATES (EXCEPT CONNECTICUT) AND HAVE NO EXPIRATION DATE! GRAB YOURS NOW AS THEY ARE MORE AFFORDABLE THAN BUYING A DOZEN DONUTS IN-STORE! PAYMENTS CAN BE MADE WITH A CHECK (PAYABLE TO EDUPRIZE PTN) OR CASH. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



ORDER FORM DUE BY SEPTEMBER 27 - COUPONS WILL BE EMAILED OUT SEPTEMBER 28. LATE  
ORDERS CANNOT BE ACCEPTED

STUDENT NAME \_\_\_\_\_ TEACHER \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS TO SEND CERTIFICATES (PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)  
\_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER OF DIGITAL CERTIFICATES - \_\_\_\_\_ X \$14 EACH = \_\_\_\_\_ (TOTAL)

PLEASE PAY WITH CHECK (MADE OUT TO EDUPRIZE PTN) OR CASH

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

# RESTAURANT NIGHT AT RED ROBIN

*Red Robin® will give*

**20% OF FOOD SALES\*  
BACK TO**

## EDUPRIZE

Show this flyer or simply mention the fundraiser to  
your server to have your sales counted.

### FUNDRAISER DETAILS

21239 S Ellsworth Loop Rd, Queen Creek, AZ 85142  
September 27, 2024\*

If ordering online, please follow these instructions:

- 1 Start your order at [order.redrobin.com](https://order.redrobin.com) and select the restaurant above.
- 2 In the menu, go to the category labeled "Fundraisers (To-Go Only)" and click on that item.
- 3 Click the "add" button, and then "add to bag."
- 4 Add your meal items and check out.
- 5 Arrive at Red Robin, come in, say hi, grab your food and be on your way! If your location has curbside pick-up, we can bring it to your car too!

\*Fundraiser during restaurant operating hours. Visit [redrobin.com](https://redrobin.com) and find this location to view hours. Donation based on all eligible net dine-in and to-go food sales only. Excludes sales from catering (at select locations), 3rd party ordering and delivery sites, alcohol, gift cards, retail, tax and gratuity. Offer void if flyer is distributed in or near the restaurant during fundraiser day & hours.

*Red Robin*

# QUARTER 2 SPORTS TRYOUTS



## QUARTER 2 SPORTS TRYOUT INFORMATION

### GIRLS SOFTBALL

Dates: October 15th – October 17th

Time: 3:15 - 5:00 p.m.

Location: EDUPRIZE Field

### BOYS VOLLEYBALL

Dates: October 15th – October 17th

Time: 3:15 - 5:00 p.m.

Location: Building 2 Gym

### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION AND REQUIREMENTS**

- Open to all interested 6th, 7th, and 8th graders.
- Tryouts are closed. No parents are permitted to watch.
- If your child makes the team, **they must pay a \$200 participation fee prior to the first game.** This price also includes a team t-shirt for each sport. FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE.
- Students must have a current CAA physical evaluation, consent to treat form, **and** a liability waiver on file with EDUPRIZE in order to tryout. Forms are [available online](#) and at building 2 front desk.
- All forms are due to Angie Edgerton at building 2 front desk by **Tuesday, October 15th at 12:00 noon.**
- Students who submit forms after 12:00 noon on Tuesday will not be permitted to tryout until the next day.
- Tryout numbers will be passed out during lunch the day of tryouts.

***\*\*\*Don't forget to bring a glove (softball only), wear appropriate sports attire, and bring a water bottle.\*\*\****

For more information, contact Jordan Layton, Athletic Director, at [jordan.layton@eduprizeschools.net](mailto:jordan.layton@eduprizeschools.net), or visit the Arizona Charter Athletic Association website: <http://www.azcaa.com>.

[CAA Physical Form](#)

[Athletic Waiver Form](#)

# FALL BREAK



**NO  
SCHOOL**

**September 30th -  
October 14th**

First day of Quarter 2 is:  
Tuesday, October 15th

# **FALL BREAK OFFICE HOURS**

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**September 30th - October 14th**

**9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**

# 24-25 YEARBOOKS

## YEARBOOKS

*On Sale Now!*

Your school memories  
from cover to cover



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*¡Echa un vistazo para  
encargar hoy!*

Visit [ybpay.com](https://ybpay.com) to order  
your yearbook **today!**

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Order Deadline:  
Fecha Tope Para el Pedido:

Mar 30, 2025

Yearbook ID Code:  
Código ID del anuario:

12801925

**\$26 until  
11/29/24, then  
\$30 until  
3/30/25**

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*Comunicate con nuestro Centro de Ayuda para recibir asistencia en [lifetouch.com/support-us](https://lifetouch.com/support-us). Selecciona Pedidos del Anuario para recibir asistencia.*

# HONORING OUTSTANDING ARIZONA TEACHERS



*Nominate your teacher*  
for the Silver Apple Award.

**NOMINATIONS ARE ACCEPTED THROUGH MARCH 15, 2024**

**SILVER APPLE  
AWARD  
RULES**

There is no doubt that EDUPRIZE has some of the most outstanding teachers in the state! The 2023-2024 Silver Apple Award is a local teacher recognition program, sponsored by Channel 3 News and Arizona Bank & Trust. Eight nominated teachers are rewarded each year with a feature on 3TV and special prizes. The nominations are completed by students and signed by the principal. You can print an application [here](#).

**SILVER APPLE  
AWARD  
NOMINATION  
FORM**

← In years past, we have had three Silver Apple Award winners at EDUPRIZE! If this award does not sound like the perfect recognition program, please take a look on the internet for other programs honoring educators. In addition, [greatschools.org](https://www.greatschools.org) is a great place to share your support for your child's teacher and the school!

# SAVE THE DATE

## EDUPRIZE SCHOOLS-QC PTN CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2024-2025

### **JULY**

7/4: Happy 4th of July!  
7/18: Open House  
7/19: Open House  
7/23: First Day of School

### **AUGUST**

8/1: PTN Meeting  
EDUPRIZE QC Media Center  
7pm  
8/19-30: EDUPRIZE School  
T-shirt Orders  
8/23: Family Welcome  
Back "Water War"

### **SEPTEMBER**

9/2: Holiday-No School  
9/12: PTN Meeting  
(Virtual) 7pm  
9/23-25: Scholastic Book  
Fair/ Cottage Fair  
9/27: Last Day of Session

### **OCTOBER**

10/15: First Day of Q2  
Session  
10/17: PTN Meeting  
(Virtual) 7pm  
10/30: Boosterthon Kick  
off

### **NOVEMBER**

11/7: Boosterthon Run  
11/8: Boosterthon Color  
Run- Grades 6-8  
11/14: PTN Meeting-  
EDUPRIZE QC Media Center  
7pm

### **DECEMBER**

12/9-12: Penguin Patch  
Holiday Shop  
12/12: PTN Meeting  
(Virtual) 7pm  
12/20: Last Day of  
Session

### **JANUARY**

1/9: PTN Meeting-  
EDUPRIZE QC Media Center  
7pm  
1/24: Tentative Movie  
Night

### **FEBRUARY**

2/13: PTN Meeting  
(Virtual) 7pm  
2/7: Tentative Art  
Masterpiece Paint Night

### **MARCH**

3/7: Last Day of Session  
3/7: Daughter Date Night  
Sock Hop  
No PTN Meeting in March  
Event planning meeting  
TBD

### **APRIL**

4/4: Son's Night Out  
4/10: PTN Meeting-  
EDUPRIZE QC Media Center  
7pm

### **MAY**

5/2: End of the Year Bash  
5/8: PTN Meeting- Virtual  
5/9: Tentative Muffins  
With Mom/Grandma  
5/19-21: Scholastic BOGO  
Book Fair

### **JUNE**

6/5: Tentative PTN  
Virtual Planning Meeting

STAY UP TO DATE WITH ALL EVENT DETAILS AT [WWW.EDUPRIZEQCPTN.COM](http://WWW.EDUPRIZEQCPTN.COM)

\*ALL DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE\*