

Wilson District Newsletter

May 2023

A message from Mr. Rose

It is hard to imagine that it is time for the May newsletter. Where did this year go? Parents and students are preparing for promotion and graduation parties and teachers are carefully planning ways to keep students engaged right up to the last day! It has been an outstanding year with many successes coming in academics and teacher growth. We continued to strengthen our AVID strategies while also working on district-wide PBIS implementation.

We have increased our communication efforts with our presence on our website, Twitter and Facebook. The Wilson Dream Foundation has proven to be an amazing partner supporting our staff and students. We have welcomed a number of new staff members throughout the district who have done a wonderful job this year. And finally, I have seen many wonderful examples of teachers, students and community partners all working together to make sure ALL of our students are able to learn, grow and experience academic success. This is what is important to me as the leader of this district, this is what makes what can sometimes be a difficult job so gratifying. And this year, we have rocked it.

I want to personally thank the staff here at Wilson Elementary School District for all your hard work and dedication to the entire Wilson Community. It is because of each of you that Wilson continues to provide high quality services and instruction.

Let's keep working hard to end this year on a positive note, keeping in mind the impact we have on the future with what we do with EVERY STUDENT, EVERY DAY!

Ernest Rose Superintendent



Wilson Primary School

How is it that we are entering the last few weeks of school? This year has gone by so quickly. They say, "Time flies when you are having fun!", and that is exactly correct! We had such an amazing time watching our students grow socially, emotionally, and academically this year.

With our implementation of PBIS, we saw growth in student behavior and confidence. Our Check-In and Check-Out process brought positive outcomes to so many of our students. They practiced being reflective about their learning expectations and monitoring their accomplishments. In addition, we implemented many programs to promote positive behaviors this year. We started the Golden Spoon Awards, Be Chef for a Day, Best Attendance Incentives to just name a few. Along with PBIS, we continued to look at data, collaborate, and adjusted our support for social emotional learning through our counselor and our community partners to ensure that we were meeting the needs of every child.

We are so proud of the incredible growth our students made this year. They truly worked hard each day and gave it all. Our teachers and staff were intentional when planning lessons and ensured that every student was demonstrating the targeted skills. Parents and the teachers were partners in the students' education through family engagement events and by Class Dojo for constant communication. It really makes a difference when families and the school are partners.

As we wrap up the year, I want to thank you for all of you who have supported our schools and students. We are planning for another great year next year. Please stay tuned for upcoming events and information.

Maki Wojcicki Principal Wilson Primary School



Starting this summer, Wilson School District will begin using Online Registration to enroll new students and update existing students' information. Parents, please practice accessing your parent portal account this summer so that you will be ready to review next year's annual updates!

If you need assistance accessing your parent portal, please contact your child's school.



Login to your Parent Portal Account

If you need assistance logging into your parent portal account, please contact your child's school.

Wilson Elementary School

As we approach the end of the school year, we want to take a moment to thank you for your unwavering support throughout the academic year. Your involvement and encouragement has been a vital part of the school's success and your child's education.

We are proud to share that this year has been filled with many accomplishments and achievements. Our students have excelled academically, creatively, and athletically. They have challenged themselves to think critically, explore new ideas, and embrace diverse perspectives. We commend them for their hard work and dedication, and we know that you share our pride in their accomplishments.

None of these accomplishments would have been possible without your support. Whether it was volunteering to chaperone a trip, attending school events, or simply encouraging your child to do their best, your involvement has been invaluable. We are grateful for your partnership and the positive impact it has had on our students and our community.

As we look ahead to the next school year, we are excited to continue to be a part of your child's education. Our faculty and staff are committed to providing the best possible educational experience for your child, and we are confident that with your continued support, we will achieve even greater success in the coming year.

We wish you and your family a wonderful summer and look forward to seeing you back in the fall!

Cynthia Cantu Interim Principal Wilson Elementary School

Community Center

Wilson Community Center thanks every one of you for an amazing school year! We had many great events and collaborations with our stakeholders. Our programs and classes exceeded our expectations of providing the community with the knowledge and resources needed. Our most current event was our annual Health/Spring Festival. The community was able to take advantage of free mammograms from Arizona Complete Health, health screenings from Mezcoph Phoenix -Primary Prevention Mobile Health Unit, games and activities from Hands on Greater Phoenix, book mobile, food trucks, a generous donation of hotdogs from St. Vincent de Paul and pastries from Panaderia y Carniceria Guerrero. Over 50 organizations provided free resources and services to the community.

We hope everyone has a great summer and we look forward to another remarkable school year. Providing the community with new programs, classes, and events. Please take some time to answer this questionnaire so that the Wilson Community Center can better serve your needs.

Follow us on Facebook for more information and visit us on our webpage, where we have numerous resources and a calendar of events.

Gaby Duran Coordinator for Community Relations

Parent Interest Survey

Community Center / Home

The Center collaborates with many organizations and community and parent volunteers to provide students and their families with opportunities they would not otherwise enjoy. These collaborations allow families to enhance their neighborhood and enjoy time together in a safe, healthy, and fun environment.

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Community Center's Facebook Page

Advanced Learning Experiences

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the AVID Site Teams on both campuses for their hard work this year! In particular, Roberto Gonzalez and Linda Lopez did a fantastic job leading these teams. You truly made a difference in the lives of your students. I would also like to say a fond farewell to Ms. Elek, an amazing AVID elective teacher, who will not be returning next year. You will be missed!

Speaking of the AVID elective, there will be a meeting for the parents of all fifth-grade students on Tuesday, May 2nd at 4:00 in room #522 on the Wilson Elementary campus. During this meeting, we will explain the purpose of the AVID elective offered in 6th-8th grades and go over the application process this year's fifth-grade students must follow in order to potentially participate next year. In addition, the final AVID Parent Night of the year will take place on May 16th at 4:00. Ms. Brown has prepared a great learning experience for all of us to enjoy. We hope to see you there!

In closing, one of my favorite quotes is "Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire" -William Butler Yeats. Fires need to be fed in order to stay alive. I would encourage you to feed your child's hunger for learning this summer by taking them to the library, participating in Wilson's summer school offerings, visiting the zoo, or anything else that will keep your child excited about learning. Have a fantastic summer!

Jason S. McIntosh, Ph.D. Director of Advanced Learning Experiences

Event Information **5th Grade Parent Meeting** When? **Tuesday, May 2, 2023, 04:00 PM** Where? **Room 522 at Wilson Elementary School**

Event Information **AVID Parent Night** When? **Tuesday, May 16, 2023, 04:00 PM** Where? **Wilson Elementary School, East Fillmore Street, Phoenix, AZ, USA**



Now Enrolling! ;Inscribiendo hoy!

Register today Preschool-8th grade at Wilson School District

 Afterschool programs • Devices for every student

- Free breakfast & lunch Free full day kinder & pre-k
- Remodeled classrooms
 AVID demonstration school Sports Programs

 - School Clubs

Inscribe a su estudiante hoy Preescolar-8 grado

en el Distrito Escolar de Wilson

- Dispositivos para cada estudiante
- Kínder y preescolar de día completo
- Escuela de Demostración AVID
- Clubes escolares





Wilson School District wsd.k12.az.us/enroll (602) 681-2200





Programas extracurriculares

Comidas gratis

Deportes

Aulas remodeladas

Human Resources

Employee Recognition Program

As we approach the end of the school year, the district would like to take the time recognize employees who have displayed exemplary performance or have made a significant contribution to their team.

The employee recognition program is based upon the concept of promoting team spirit. Wilson School District recognizes and values the strength in our teams and will continue to encourage and support efforts in building a team environment.

Criteria/Program Rules

Nominations may be made for permanent full-time employee who have worked for the district for six months or more at the time of nomination. Employee must be in good standing with the district. Employees can receive the Employee of the Year Award numerous times throughout their employment with the district. The winner will be announced to all staff via e-mail.

Nominations

To nominate a teammate, the Human Resources (HR) department will send a nomination form via email to the staff with a deadline to submit the nomination form.

Rewards

Two awards will be given annually. The nominated winners will receive an award plaque during the end of year celebration, have their pictures posted on the district website and be recognized in the district newsletters and other communication platforms.

Other Employee Recognition

In addition, employees will also be recognized for their years of service (longevity), retirement and employees who will be leaving the district.

Alex Dumas Human Resources





Business Services

The school year is wrapping up. Students have accomplished a mountain of material; teachers have graded a mountain of material. What a fantastic year!

We, in Business Services, extend our thanks to the staff and administration for the opportunity to provide support in IT. facilities. transportation. food service. procurement. audio/visual. and finance.

We know there were some glitches along the way... We started the year short staffed, and we are ending the year short staffed. Yet, we have accomplished maintenance, cleaning, driving, IT support, upgrades in security – facilities and IT, improvements in procurement processes, students were provided breakfast and lunch, field trips and sporting events have gone off without a hitch, and financial reporting has been accomplished.

So, to all of you, thank you for the opportunity serve you, to act as your support portion of this great team that is Wilson. Have a most wonderful summer! We look forward to seeing you in the fall.

Catherine King

Executive Director of Business Services

Child Find

Child Find, a component of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), enables states to locate, identify, and evaluate all children with disabilities, aged birth through 21, who need early intervention or special education services. Special education services are available for children of any age (birth through 21 years). Wilson School District is responsible for locating, identifying, evaluating, and serving all children with disabilities (ages 3-21) and referring children ages 0-3 to AzEIP for evaluation and appropriate services. AzEIP is the Arizona Early Intervention Program for infants and toddlers. Wilson provides free and appropriate public education that includes special education and related services to children at public expense, under public supervision and direction without charge to parents. For all school-age students who are new to the district, the classroom teacher will complete screening activities within 45 days of enrollment. If any concerns are noted, the child will be referred for help. Parents who have concerns regarding their child's education may contact the Special Education Department at Wilson, (602) 683-2400, ext. 4205.

McKinney-Vento

Are you currently experiencing temporary living arrangements due to eviction, job loss or a traumatic event? Wilson School District offers services to families through the McKinney-Vento Assistance Act. Services such as enrollment and immunization assistance, uniforms or school supplies, community referrals and in some cases, transportation can be available. Your family may qualify due to living with another family or friend due to financial hardship or living in a shelter, transitional housing, or motel. Please contact your school office or Mariana Melendrez at 602-683-2515, ext 6002 for more information about this program.



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