



# Wilson District Newsletter

November 2024

## A message from Mr. Rose

As we approach the season of gratitude, I find myself reflecting on the many blessings that fill my life. This November, I am especially thankful for my family, the good health that sustains us, and the caring adults who make a difference daily in the lives of our students here at Wilson Elementary School District. It is because of these dedicated individuals and our strong sense of community that we continue to grow and make progress together.

This month, I want to update you on some important news from the Arizona Department of Education. They have recently released the letter grades for the 2024-2025 school year, and I want to share that Wilson has received a "C" grade. While we acknowledge this as an area for improvement, let me be clear—there is nothing average about the wonderful things happening on our school campuses. We are a district with an unbreakable spirit, continually striving for excellence and aiming for that coveted "A." I invite you to join us on this journey we are calling "Destination A." With collaborative efforts, persistence, and a clear goal, we will get there together.

Every day, I witness the dedication and hard work that our teachers and staff pour into helping our students succeed. One person who exemplifies this commitment is Mrs. Catherine Gabriel, a truly outstanding member of our team. For over five years, Mrs. Gabriel has been a devoted Pre-K teacher, nurturing the youngest members of our school community. But her impact doesn't stop at the classroom door. She volunteers tirelessly at almost every event we hold, whether after school or on weekends, showing up for our students and families in countless ways.

Mrs. Gabriel's love for our children shines through in her interactions with them. She constantly seeks to inspire and motivate, making use of every teachable moment. Her dedication goes

beyond her role as a teacher—she is a positive role model, embodying the caring spirit that makes Wilson such a special place to learn and grow.

As we continue on this journey, I want to thank each of you—parents, staff, and community members—for being part of our “Destination A” roadmap. I am deeply grateful for the support and teamwork that keeps us moving forward. With each step, we build a stronger district, one that fosters learning, growth, and resilience.

Thank you for being part of this incredible journey. Together, with gratitude and determination, we will reach our destination.

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## Wilson Primary School

November is the month of giving thanks. I am truly grateful for the amount of support and participation we have received from our community and families. We had our annual Costume Parade and the Dance Party. Students loved marching around the block while families cheered and waved their hands. We were blown away by the number of families that came to the parade!

We also celebrated Dias de los Muertos on November 1st. This year, after we enjoyed viewing the beautiful ofrendas at the Primary, we had a candlelight procession to the Elementary School. What a beautiful sight it was. There were so many people lined up walking in unison to celebrate our loved ones. We also enjoyed viewing the ofrendas made by the 5th and 6th graders. Thank you for those that helped making that came out for the event. I want to also thank the staff that came out to share this experience with the families. So thankful that so many of our new staff stayed after a long day to get to know more about our community!

As weather cools, please remind your child to wear their sweatshirts but not to forget them on the playground. If your child missing a sweatshirt, please stop by the front office.

As always, we are welcoming new families. Please let your friends and family know to check out our website and look for the Online Registration!

Have a thankful month!

Mrs. Wojcicki



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## Wilson Elementary School

We have entered the season of giving thanks! This season is filled with many exciting events and activities! We had our monthly parent meeting last week and WOW! What a great turn out we had. So many of our Wilson parents attended to voice their thoughts, ideas, and concerns to us. We are so grateful for our parents for taking the time from their busy schedule to attend the meetings. Our next meeting will be November 20th from 1:00 in the Library. The partnerships that we create with our parents make such an impact with our student achievement. When students see that parents care about their education and school, they take pride in their learning!

Last week, we celebrated all the students who received awards for quarter 1. Students who gave it all during the first quarter were honored in front of their peers and parents. It was so great to see students cheering and applauding for their classmates. We had an incredible number of students who received straight As, and they were honored at the Principal's List Luncheon. SFE, our cafeteria crew, did a fabulous job setting up the luncheon to make it special for our students. Thank you, SFE!

Please continue to visit our website for upcoming events as we have a lot planned for this quarter!

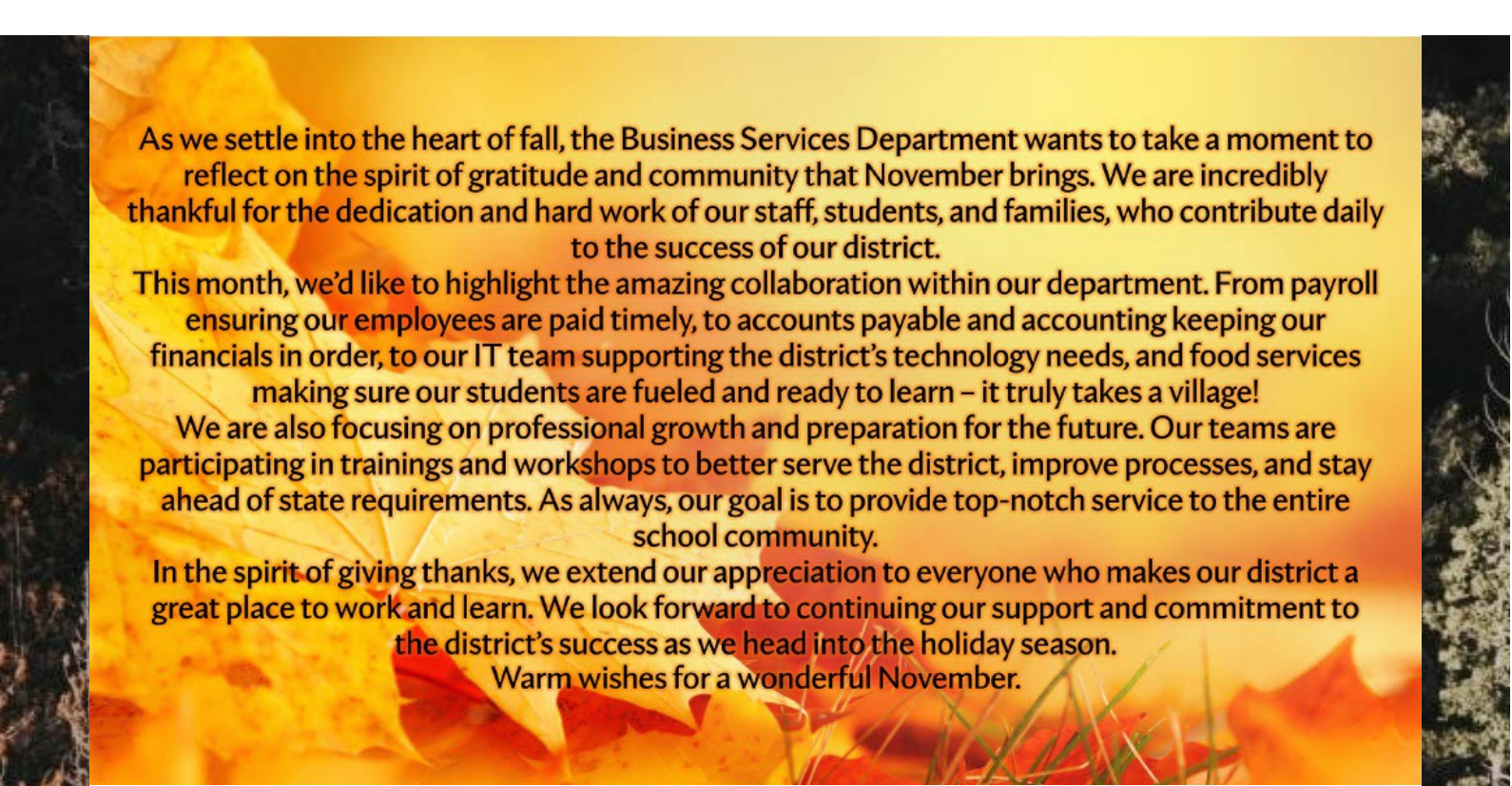
Enjoy the cool fall weather!  
Mrs. Wojcicki



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## Business Services

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As we settle into the heart of fall, the Business Services Department wants to take a moment to reflect on the spirit of gratitude and community that November brings. We are incredibly thankful for the dedication and hard work of our staff, students, and families, who contribute daily to the success of our district.

This month, we'd like to highlight the amazing collaboration within our department. From payroll ensuring our employees are paid timely, to accounts payable and accounting keeping our financials in order, to our IT team supporting the district's technology needs, and food services making sure our students are fueled and ready to learn – it truly takes a village!

We are also focusing on professional growth and preparation for the future. Our teams are participating in trainings and workshops to better serve the district, improve processes, and stay ahead of state requirements. As always, our goal is to provide top-notch service to the entire school community.

In the spirit of giving thanks, we extend our appreciation to everyone who makes our district a great place to work and learn. We look forward to continuing our support and commitment to the district's success as we head into the holiday season.

Warm wishes for a wonderful November.

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## Human Resources

Gratitude is a gentle, powerful practice that helps us focus on the good, even in small moments or difficult times. Being grateful doesn't always come naturally; it's an intentional habit we choose to build one day at a time. Taking time to appreciate the little things—a good meal, a warm smile, feeling the wind on your face, a child's hug, a moment of laughter—can shift our perspective and enrich our lives.

Consider starting a gratitude journal, where you write down what you're thankful for each day. Or take 5 minutes in the morning to reflect on what you are grateful for concerning the previous day. When I was a teacher, each morning we had Miracle Moment. During this time, my students and I would share miracles, I heard things like- my mom hugged me, I saw my dad who I have not seen in a year, and my sibling said their first word etc... The students loved it but honestly, I loved it the most! Reflecting on the small things in life can be beneficial!

Sometimes, gratitude flows outward. You could write an appreciation note to someone who's made a difference in your life, send a thank you gift, or do something thoughtful to make someone smile. Or perhaps you'd like to return the favor with an act of kindness, like volunteering your time, paying for someone's coffee, or lending a listening ear to someone who needs it.

Please know I am grateful for each of you! The Wilson Family has been very kind, graceful and welcoming! For this, I say I am grateful for each of you!



# THANKSGIVING RECESS

## NOVEMBER 27TH - 29TH



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### Community Center

Dear Wilson Community,

As we approach the holiday season, we are filled with gratitude for the wonderful Wilson community that has brought so much joy and strength to our school and neighborhood. This season is a reminder of the support, care, and kindness that surround us each day, and we want to take a moment to express our heartfelt thanks.

To everyone who joined us for the Fall Festival last month: thank you! We hope the night was as special for you as it was for us. From the laughter of children enjoying activities to the warmth of friends and families gathering together, it was truly an evening to remember. Your participation and enthusiasm made the event a beautiful success, bringing joy and connection to our community.

### Celebrating Our Partnerships

Our community wouldn't be the same without the ongoing support of our incredible partners. Through our collaborations with **Molina Healthcare, U of A Health Zone, Sprouts Farmers Market, and Home Depot, PCH, Smile Zone and Nolan Rose** who are able to make a difference in the lives of Wilson families. These partnerships allow us to provide critical resources—from healthy food options and wellness programs to support services and essential supplies. With their generosity and commitment, we're building a foundation for a healthier, stronger Wilson community. Together, we are truly creating positive change.

### Upcoming Events:

#### PCH Community Clinic

In our continued effort to meet the needs of our families, we're excited to announce that Phoenix Children's Hospital (PCH) will once again be hosting a Community Clinic at the Wilson Community Center this month. This is a great opportunity for children and families to access essential healthcare services.

- **Clinic Dates November:**
  - **Mondays, and Friday for anyone in the Community 9-12 PM Thursdays for Wilson enrolled only families**
  - **Wednesdays 2 PM-5 PM**

## The clinic is closed November 27th-29th

We encourage everyone to make use of this resource, as PCH provides top-notch care and services right here in our neighborhood.

Thank you for being an essential part of the Wilson Community Center. Together, we're building a community of strength, resilience, and care. We wish each of you a warm, peaceful, and joyous Thanksgiving season.

With sincere gratitude,

Dina and Josue

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### 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. 8500.

### 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 Josue Parra at 602-683-2515, ext. 6008 for more information about this program.



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