



# WINGS WEEKLY

ALBUQUERQUE AVIATION ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 18, 2025



## Reminder: Please Send Utensils with Your Student

We kindly ask that families ensure students bring utensils from home each day to use with their lunch. While a few generous families have donated forks this year, our supply has already been nearly used up.



If you would like to support by donating additional forks for students who occasionally forget, please drop them off at the front desk.

Your help is greatly appreciated—thank you in advance!

## UPDATED BUS SCHEDULE



Please check out the updated bus schedule! We needed to balance out some of the rider loads. This has led to adjusted bus times for bus SA42.

**New Schedule Begins Monday, 9/22**

**This week's progress goal is 40% by tomorrow.**

## hello high SCHOOL

**Attention High School Students and Families!!!**

On **Wednesday, October 8th**, we will administer the PSAT to ALL 10th graders (A and B Cohorts will need to attend this day) and to 11th graders who previously signed up. Please note that registration for 11th graders is closed.

High school students who are not testing—this includes all 9th graders, most 11th graders, and all 12th graders—will **not** have in-person classes on campus that day. Aviation classes will still take place in the afternoon but are optional, and no other classes will be held. The PSAT will last only through the morning (unless students have extended times in their IEP), and students who are testing may be signed out, picked up, or dismissed once their exam is complete. Students who ride the bus will remain on their regular schedule; study halls and other activities will be available in the afternoon after testing concludes. All students who are not testing are expected to continue their schoolwork on Edgenuity from home, as this will still count as a regular school day.

Middle school students will remain on their regular schedule.

**THANK YOU!**



A huge thank you to the New Mexico State Patrol for visiting our school Monday – and for the incredible helicopter demonstration! Our students were thrilled to learn about your important work and see the helicopter up close. We appreciate your service and the time you took to inspire the next generation!



**CHEER ON THE FALCONS AT A FLAG FOOTBALL GAME!**

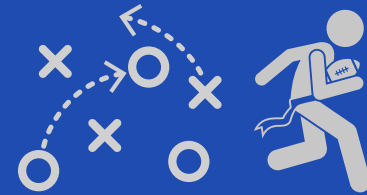
WEDS 9/24 VS. RFK 5:30  
@BANDELIER ELEMENTARY

MON 9/29 VS. SANDIA VIEW 5:15 FIRST HOME  
GAME ON THE NEW FIELD!

MON 10/6 VS. NORTHPOINT 5:15  
@BULLHEAD PARK #6

10/13 VS. EL CAMINO 5:00  
@ BULLHEAD PARK #6

10/29 VS. ASE 5:00 HOME GAME



**GO FALCONS!!!**

*Thank You*

A huge thank you to our legislative supporters who have provided funding to Albuquerque Aviation Academy over the years, making it possible for us to install our brand-new turf field! This is a tremendous blessing for our students, staff, and community, and we are deeply grateful. Please take a moment to thank the leaders who support your school: Senator Harold Pope Jr., Representative Joy Garratt, and Representative Charlotte Little, who specifically contributed to this project.

We also want to extend special thanks to Senator Harold Pope Jr., Senator Jay Block, Senator Katy Duhigg, and Representative Charlotte Little for funding our next big project—details and construction coming soon!



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Have you heard about our Weekly Essential?

Each week, we highlight an important value or behavior that we're focusing on as a school community. We encourage you to talk with your student about this week's essential and how they can put it into practice! This Week's Essential:

Follow the specific classroom protocols.

Important Dates to Remember:



9/18/2025 @ 8:30 B Cohort Assembly

9/22/2025 @ 8:45 A Cohort Assembly

9/26/2025 @ 2:00 Governing Council Meeting

9/27/2025 LOEFI (Land of Enchantment Fly In) @ Double Eagle Airport

10/3/2025 End of 1<sup>st</sup> 9 Weeks

10/3 & 10/17 & 10/31 (12:15-3:30) Parent Teacher Conferences

10/8/2025 PSAT Testing

10/9-10/13 Fall Break: NO SCHOOL

Staff Shout-Out / Nomination Form

At Albuquerque Aviation Academy, we want to recognize the incredible work our staff do every day. Whether it's a good deed, a creative lesson, or going the extra mile to support students and colleagues, your nomination helps us celebrate the people who make a difference in our community. Take a moment to share your story and help us highlight their impact! This form will live on our website to be used throughout the year to recognize the amazing things that happen at our school!

[CLICK HERE FOR NOMINATION FORM](#)

abqaviation.com>Quicklinks>Staff Nominations



# 2025-2026 Bus Schedule

**Monday – Thursday: Morning and Afternoon**  
**Friday: Morning and Mid-Day**

**Bus #1 (SA41; Driver: Femma)**

- Stop 1 (7:15 AM) Defined Fitness @ Unser & Central
- Stop 2 (7:25 AM) Redlands Park @ 5121 Sequoia Rd NW, 87120
- Stop 3 (7:35 AM) Calvary Church Westside Parking Lot @ Coors & Montano

Approximate Drop-Off Times (Varies based on traffic)

Calvary Church	4:00 PM (M-TH)	12:00 PM (F)
Redlands Park	4:10 PM (M-TH)	12:10 PM (F)
Defined Fitness	4:20 PM (M-TH)	12:20 PM (F)

**Bus #2 (SA40; Driver: Keith)**

- Stop 1 (7:00 AM) Petco @ Eubank Blvd NE & Lomas Blvd NE
- Stop 2 (7:20 AM) Lowe’s @ Paseo del Norte & San Pedro NE
- Stop 3 (7:35 AM) Paradise Hills Church @ 4700 Paradise Blvd NW

Approximate Drop-Off Times (Varies based on traffic)

Paradise Hills Church	3:45 PM (M-TH)	11:50 AM (F)
Lowe’s	4:00 PM (M-TH)	12:05 PM (F)
Petco	4:20 PM (M-TH)	12:25 PM (F)

**Bus #3 (SA42; Driver: Lucille)**

- Stop 1 (7:25 AM) East Side of Walgreens @ 2200 Unser Blvd NW
- Stop 2 (7:35 AM) Taylor Ranch Public Library @ 5700 Bogart St NW, 87120
- Stop 3 (7:45 AM) The Trails (Hailey Ratliff) Community Park @ Rainbow Blvd & Tree Line Ave

Approximate Drop-Off Times (Varies based on traffic)

Trails Community Park	3:40 PM (M-TH)	11:40 AM (F)
Taylor Ranch Library	3:50 PM (M-TH)	11:45 AM (F)
Walgreens	4:05 PM (M-TH)	11:55 AM (F)



# SUBSTANCE USE PREVENTION EDUCATION

## Talking to Your Kids About Vaping



Become educated and know the facts. There are a lot of myths about vaping, and two-thirds of teens do not even realize e-cigarettes have nicotine. Become comfortable with the information and express care and concern.



As with anything else you may speak to your children about, put yourself in their shoes. Consider their viewpoint. Youth and teens face significant peer pressure, especially through social media. Relate to them using empathy and understanding. Imagine the obstacles and pressure they may face.



Avoid lecturing, scare tactics, and using fear. Take a calm and open approach to speaking with them. Ask questions, or ask them what they know about vaping. Avoid casting judgment.



Make this conversation frequent; it should not be a one-time talk. Kids should be able to speak to you openly about what they are facing, which is accomplished by having frequent conversations.



Help your child manage stress and peer pressure. Provide them with resources that can help them manage peer pressure. Follow up with them frequently.



## PARENT'S GUIDE TO VAPING

### Tips for Parents



[www.learnwithSUPE.org](http://www.learnwithSUPE.org)

## Learn the Health Effects of Vaping

Health officials have pointed out that vaping nicotine poses serious and avoidable health risks. Exposure to it at a young age causes long-term harm to brain development.

Other health risks may include some of the following:

- Addiction because e-cigarettes contain nicotine.
- Nicotine can worsen anxiety and depression and create sleeping problems.
- E-cigarettes can lead to smoking regular tobacco cigarettes.
- Users are exposed to cancer-causing chemicals.
- It can lead to chronic bronchitis and lung damage.

## Resources To Help Parents

