Superintendent's Report
February 12, 2026

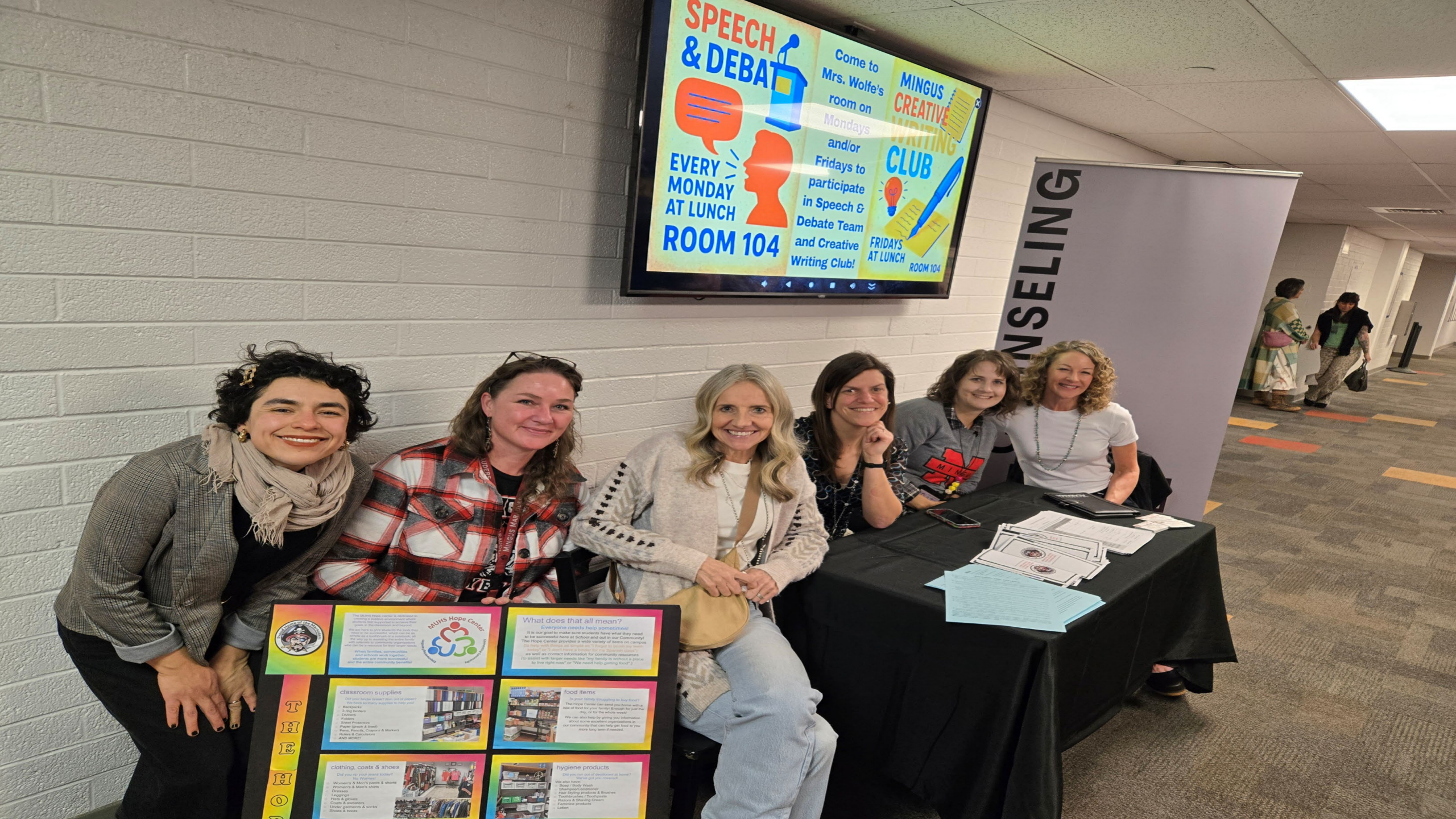


RECOGNITION

Future Freshman Night

- Tuesday January 13, 2026
- Future Marauders and their families came from around the Verde Valley to learn about our academic programs, athletics, clubs, and organizations
- Faculty, staff, coaches and current students showcased their programs with parents and students from partner schools and beyond
- Future students came from Clarkdale Jerome, Cottonwood Community School, Dr. Daniel Bright, Oak Creek School, Mountain View Prep, Immaculate Conception School, Beaver Creek School, Desert Start, and homeschool




SPEECH & DEBATE
EVERY MONDAY AT LUNCH
ROOM 104
Come to Mrs. Wolfe's room on Mondays and/or Fridays to participate in Speech & Debate Team and Creative Writing Club!
MINGUS CREATIVE WRITING CLUB
FRIDAYS AT LUNCH
ROOM 104
NSELING
MUHS Hope Center
What does that all mean?
Everyone needs help sometimes!
classroom supplies
food items
clothing, coats & shoes
hygiene products
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HIGH TEAM
OVERALL
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GRAPHIC
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Join Our
Leadership
Team

RECOGNITION

Outdoor Education and Conservation CTE Program Approved

- September 25, 2025-Passed by the Mingus Union Governing Board
- January 6, 2026 –approved by the VACTE Board
- January 14, 2026 --Mingus' application for a Local Occupational Program approved by ADE
- Recruitment of Students Happening on Campus and at Future Freshmen Night
- Working with Industry Members Designing Curriculum Currently
- Outdoor Ed and Conservation I classes set to start in FY2027 (Fall 2026)





Mingus Union

OUTDOOR

EDUCATION AND CONSERVATION

RECOGNITION

Arizona Thespian Festival

- January 19-20, 2026 Phoenix Convention Center
- Mr. Ball served on the State Theatre Board for the first time this year
- Arizona Thespian Festival, two-day event, in which MUHS Theatre Students participated in many theatre and tech theatre related workshops, watched main stage performances put on by other schools, and competed in various competitions that were both acting and tech based
- During the closing ceremony, Lexi Williams and Emily Gummo-Wagner were chosen to represent the North region. They performed their superior winning scene from Regionals (Oct.) are eligible for National Competition in Indiana this summer
- ATORT received Gold Honor Status for their achievements from the 2024-2025 school year

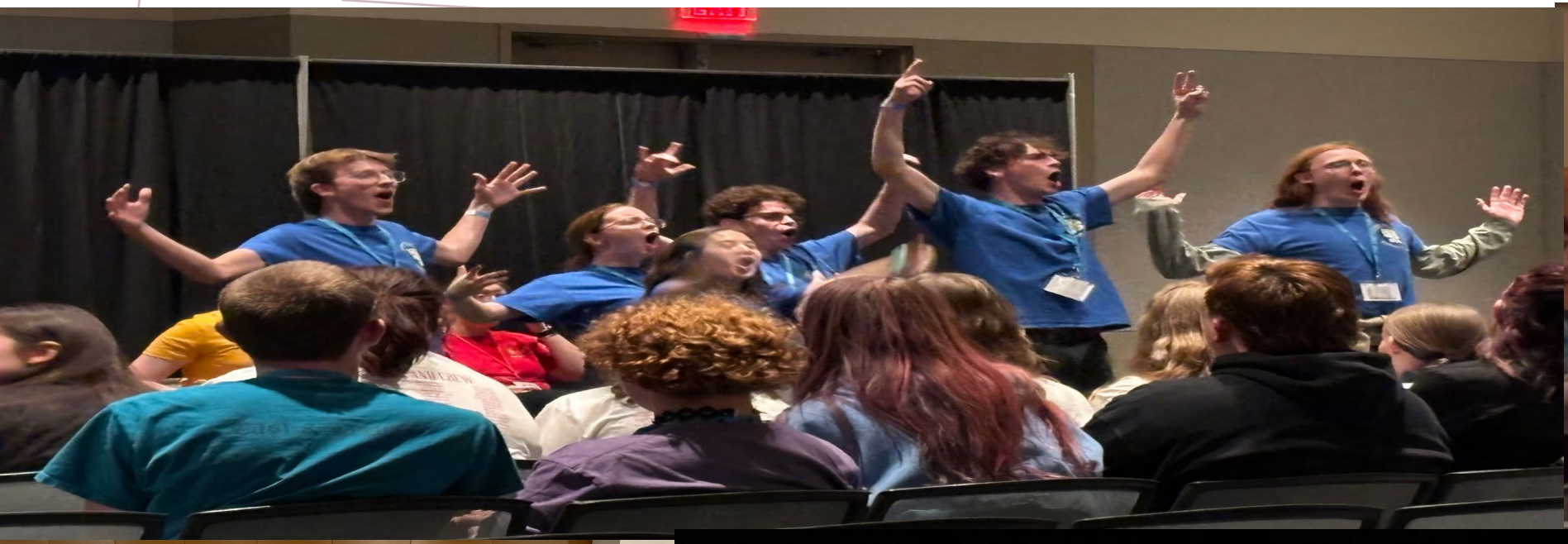


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Arizona Thespian Festival

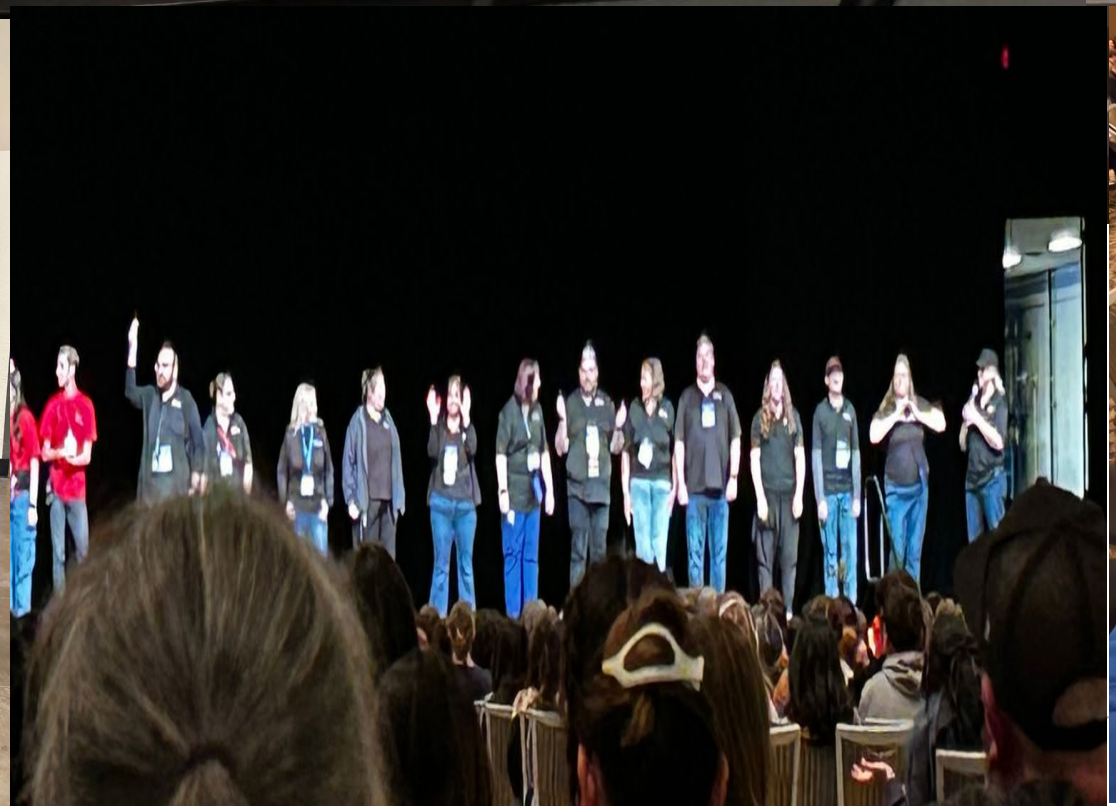
- Students who participated in dance workshops led by Broadway professionals Jake Swain and Susie Carroll either auditioned for or were invited to attend a weeklong theatre intensive in New York known as “Open Jar.” Continuing High School students have the chance to take the High School intensives and graduating seniors have the chance to take the College intensives
- **TECH CHALLENGE**: Students participated in a technical theatre challenge comprised of six categories: light hanging, audio cable relay, props quick-change, costume quick-change, knot tying, and tape down. Mingus Union was represented by two teams:
  - “Friendship is Magic” (volunteer team consisting of Sabine Briggs, Ani Novak, Charisma Sanchez, and Emily Gummo-Wagner) getting 19th place overall and 6th place in the costumes category
  - “Equestria Girls” (stagecraft class team consisting of Jack Murphree, Seneca Couyancy, Paola Barron, and Ava Fransk) getting 45th place overall and 7th place in the props category
- **IMPROV TOURNAMENT**: Students from ATORT’s improv team “Juicebox Boyz” participated in an acting tournament based on audience approval and engagement. They made it to the second of three rounds and managed to finish in 5th place. This is their third year participating. 2025-2026 members include: Eden Everitt, Caleb Thompson-Cope, Cade Coughlin, Oliver Schilz, Cole Castro, and Alia Sharif






EXIT










OpenJar




EXIT



RECOGNITION

PRIDE AND PREJUDICE

- ATORT recently closed the 3rd major production of the year, Jane Austen's "Pride and Prejudice"
- Audiences laughed, cried, and adored this production and the hard work of our students
- This show called for many new and exciting skills, such as British accents, *very* quick set changes, and gorgeous regency hairstyles
- Many costumes were hand-sewn by Holly Behlow



RECOGNITION

PRIDE AND PREJUDICE

- The production included regency ballroom choreography created by Carla Renard
  - 38 Crew Members
    - Costume Crew led by Vic Johnson and Emily Gummo-Wagner
    - Make-up Design by Melanie Rodriguez
    - Props/Set led by Jack Murphree and Ava Frank
    - Sound Design by Jacob Bogda and Charisma Sanchez
    - Lighting led by Ian Laas
    - Stage Management led by Sabine Briggs, Cole Castro, and Echo Fae
- 30 Cast Members; notably featuring Emma Laas and Jayce Lawler as the classic characters of Elizabeth Bennet and Mr. Darcy

























RECOGNITION

Mingus Union HOSA-Future Health Professionals

- January 23, 2026 Yavapai Community College Clarkdale
- Northern Region HOSA Regionals
- Kate Poole & Alicia Chavez Molina
- Students competed in HOSA related events to try and qualify for State Competition (April 2026)




Yavapai College
In Honor of Faculty
hosa future health professionals
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Founded in 1976
hosa ARIZONA future health professionals
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RECOGNITION

Skills USA Regionals and Top Tech

- Mingus Union Auto
- 1/24/2026 & 1/28/2026
- **Top Tech** at Universal Technical Institute in Avondale
- **Regionals** for Skills USA, Yavapai College, Prescott campus



RECOGNITION

Mingus Union Auto

- January 28, 2026, Regional Skills USA competitions
- January 24, 2026, Top Tech
  - Electrical
  - Parts Identification
  - Written Test
  - Use of All Data
- **Regionals**
- Second Place Cameron Walker
- **Top Tech 6th place winners**
- Cameron Walker and Jordan Watson

(Both students won a $2,000 scholarship to Universal Technical Institute (UTI)





MINGUS UNION AUTO

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MARAUDER MECHANICS

RECOGNITION

Arizona State University Impact Corps

- Builds a network of excellent teachers across the state, identifying bright spots in Arizona's school system, and highlighting the important work school teams are doing
- ASU Impact Corps strives to better understand what factors, strategies and decisions have helped facilitate the success of school teams so that other schools across the state can learn from those examples



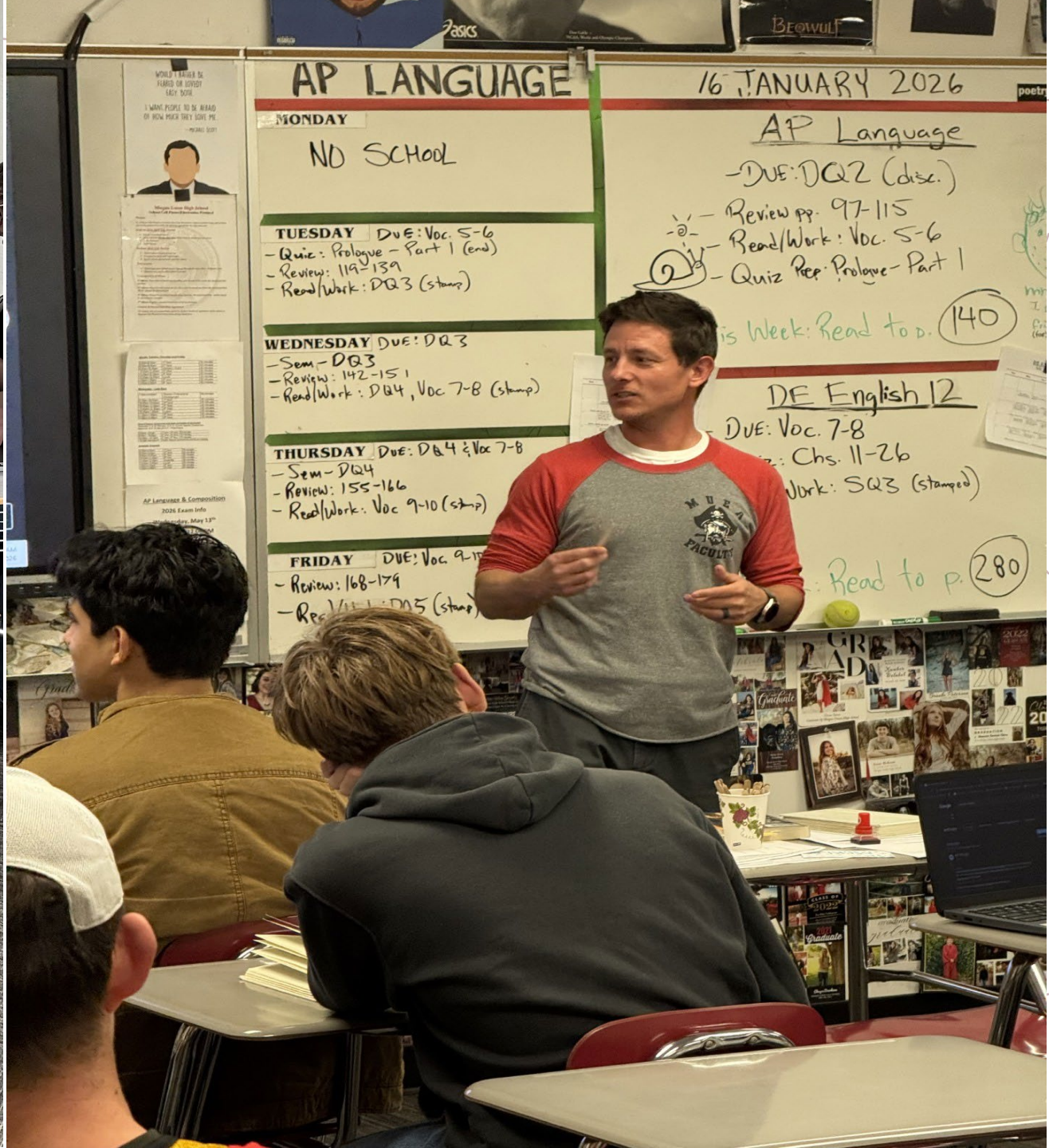
RECOGNITION

ASU Impact Corps

- ASU Helios Decision Center for Educational Excellence
- Mingus Union High School has been identified as a potential participant due to the high performance of our former students in ELA and Engineering courses across the state of Arizona's 3 public universities: ASU, NAU, and Univ. of Arizona
- Invitation to the individual teachers to apply to the 2026 cohort




DEBATE TEAM
MINGUS SCHOOL COUNSELING TEAM


AP LANGUAGE
16 JANUARY 2026
MONDAY
NO SCHOOL
TUESDAY DUE: Voc. 5-6
- Quiz: Prologue - Part 1 (end)
- Review: 119-139
- Read/Work: DQ3 (stamp)
WEDNESDAY DUE: DQ3
- Sem - DQ3
- Review: 142-151
- Read/Work: DQ4, Voc 7-8 (stamp)
THURSDAY DUE: DQ4 & Voc 7-8
- Sem - DQ4
- Review: 155-166
- Read/Work: Voc 9-10 (stamp)
FRIDAY
- Review: 168-179
AP Language
- DUE: DQ2 (disc.)
- Review pp. 97-115
- Read/Work: Voc. 5-6
- Quiz Prep: Prologue - Part 1
is Week: Read to p. 140
DE English 12
DUE: Voc. 7-8
Chs. 11-26
Work: SQ3 (stamped)
Read to p. 280

RECOGNITION

9th Grade Success Grant Recipient
Arizona Department of Education

Mingus Union High School District--our initial application for the FY26 9th Grade On Track grant has been approved for **Mingus Union High School**

Amount awarded:

Year 1: $40,050.00 Year 2: $40,050.00

Year 3: $40,050.00 Year 4: $40,050.00

Year 5: $40,050.00

Total Amount Awarded: $200,250.00



RECOGNITION

Funds to support implementation in four broad categories:

- Highly Effective 9th Grade Success Teams
- Proactive & Data Driven Interventions
- High Quality Instruction
- System of 9th Grade Transition Supports

Grant Writer: Genie Gee

Grant Budget: Lynn Leonard

CENTER for HIGH SCHOOL SUCCESS

RECOGNITION

Center For High School Success Showcase Event

- January 22, 2026—Camelback High School, Phoenix Union H.S. District
- Due to MUHS' high rate of on-track 9th graders and success
- Freshmen House Leaders (Ms. Lyons & Ms. Selna) and along with Principal Beery and Director of Student Support Services Wesbrock, attended the Showcase event
- This gave the Mingus' team an opportunity to compare our 9th grade success processes and accomplishments with other schools, both in Arizona and across the nation



RECOGNITION

Verde Valley Young Artists' Showcase

- January 20 – February 12, 2026
- An annual student Art Show sponsored by the Yavapai College Visual Arts Department
- A juried art show where the students have to apply with their artwork before being admitted to the show; All high schools in the Verde Valley were invited
- Yavapai College Awards 3 scholarships to take Art Classes at the college level











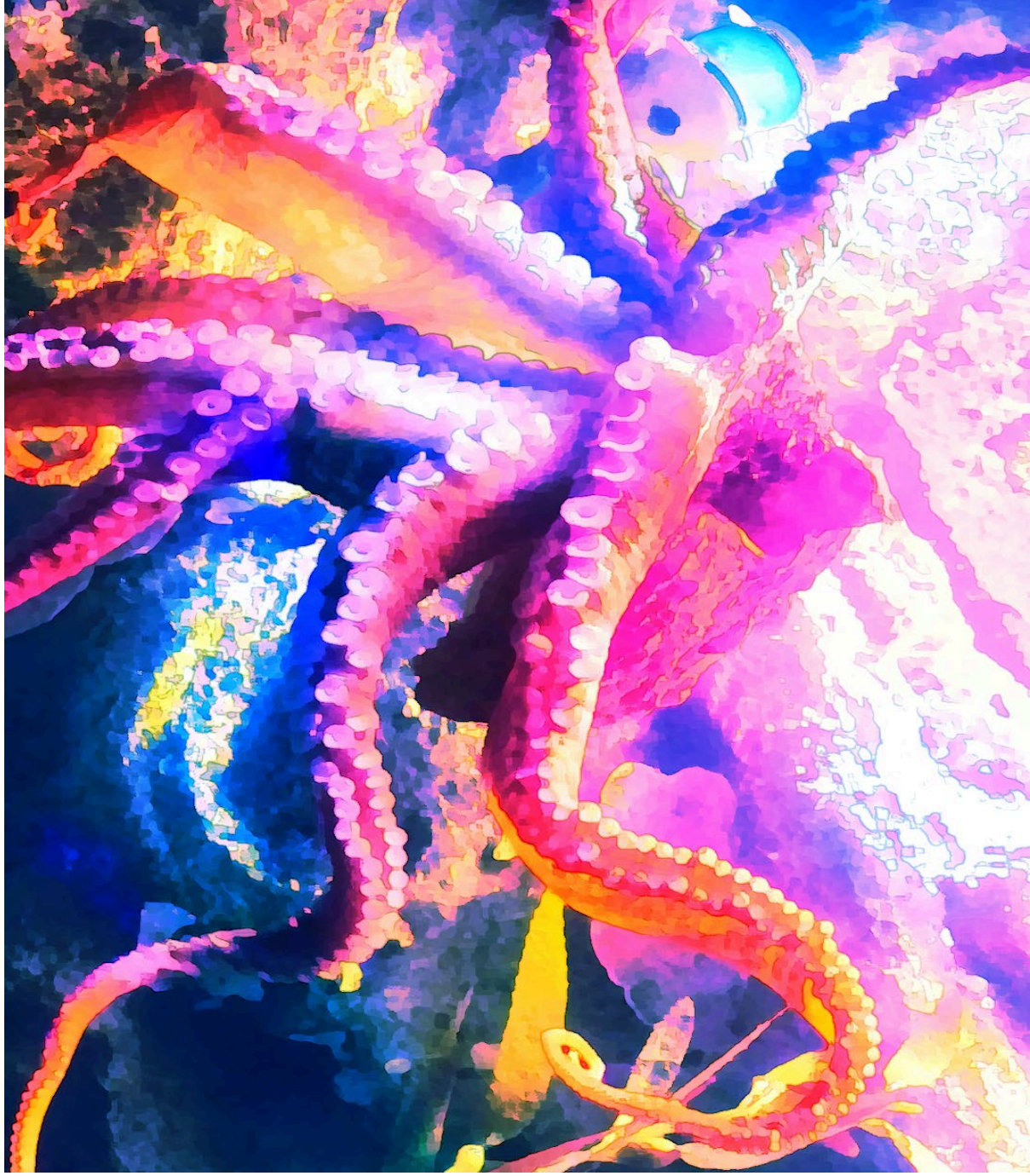


Mingus Award #1

“Octopus”

Digital Painting printed on silk

Alissa Amundson, 12th Grade



Mingus Award #2

"Mount Factory"
Linoleum Block Print

Cairo Cook, 11th Grade



Mingus Award #3

“Diving in Motion”
Paper Mache Sculpture

Jesse Boggs, 10th Grade



RECOGNITION

Boys Basketball Senior Night

- Tuesday, February 10, 2026
- Defeated Flagstaff HS Eagles 57-51 in a thrilling comeback from being down 10+ points in the 1st quarter
- Congratulations to the Seniors, we wish you well




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BASKETBALL

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Girls Soccer (Post Season)–** Tonight vs Sahuarita
- **Marauder for a Day–** February 17, 2026 Beaver Creek
- **Unified Basketball—**February 19, 2026 3:00PM Turquoise Pearls vs Pink Parrots
- **Unified Basketball**—February 24, 2026 3:00PM Violet Buccaneers vs Turquoise Pearls
- **Softball vs Eastmark–** February 25, 2026 3:30PM
- **Board Work Session** – February 26, 2026 5:00PM



THANK YOU

Mingus Union High School District #4

