

Paseo Pointe News

602-304-2040

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<http://paseopointe.laveeneld.org/>

A message from the Ms. Pashley...

I cannot believe we are wrapping up our first quarter of the 2017-2018 school year! It's been an amazing start so far. The Paseo Pointe PTA and DLI Committee organized our first Hispanic Heritage Month celebration, if you didn't attend our family night or parade you missed out!

Parent Teacher Conferences will begin soon after fall break, and information about upcoming concerts and festivals will be communicated soon. In addition, our basketball and softball teams will wrap up their successful seasons.

The fall season is here as well, that means students will be wearing light jackets and sweaters. Just a reminder, if worn in class they must be uniform colors. Also don't forget those student IDs, they are part of the uniform!

Thank you for a great start to the school year!

October dates to remember...

October 2-4—Galileo Testing

October 2—Basketball & Softball vs Desert Meadows

October 4—Basketball & Softball at Trailside Point

October 6—End of First Quarter

October 9-13—Fall Break No School

October 16—Classes Resume

October 16—November 17 – Boxtop Contest

October 17—PTA Meeting 6:00 in the library

October 18—Early Release

October 19—Picture Retakes

October 23-27—Book Fair

October 23-27—Red Ribbon Week

October 23-27—**Parent Teacher Conference Week**

October 26—Parent Teacher Conferences-Early Release

October 27—Parent Teacher Conferences-Early Release

October 27—\$1 Dress Down





Student ID Cards

Beginning in August 2017, all students attending Laveen schools will be required to wear a student identification badge at all times while on campus or on the bus. In addition to serving as school identification, the badges will contain a bar code for students to use as they go through the cafeteria line. Students utilizing Laveen's bus transportation will also swipe their badge as they board and exit the bus.

Replacement ID Costs:

ID Card \$2.00

Badge Sleeve \$1.00

Basic Lanyard \$1.00



Excellent Attendance Equals Better Students

There is a strong correlation between good attendance and high student achievement. Help your child be successful by making sure that they are at school daily and on time. Our front gates open at 6:50 and the bell to line-up rings at 7:20. We look forward to excellent, on time attendance from all of our students.

Student Absences

If you need to call your child in late or absent, please call the attendance line at 602-304-2040, option 1. Please leave the first and last name of the student, their teacher's name, the reason for the absence, and who is calling.




Taxpayers can lower their taxes and support our students!

You can send all your state taxes to the State of Arizona or make a contribution to a public school and receive a State Income Tax Credit for up to \$200 for tax payers who file a tax return as single or head of household and a maximum of \$400 for married couples filing jointly on your State Income Tax Return.

A.R.S. §43-1089.01 gives you this opportunity to help your local school. A tax credit, which is the dollar-for-dollar reduction of your tax liability, is better than a tax deduction, which only reduces your taxable income before taxes are computed. The tax credit is available to all taxpayers, regardless of whether they have children in school.

For more information, go to our website at <http://www.laveeneld.org/about-laveen/tax-credit> or call the school office.





Gifted Education News - October 2017

Gifted services are provided at each school in the Laveen District. Instruction for gifted students K-8 is individualized through differentiated instruction in the classroom on a daily basis. The deadline to submit the paperwork for fall gifted testing is October 31, 2017, to the Gifted Instruction Coach on your campus.

This year's gifted focus study is "Discovering My Place on the Map - Developing Geo-literacy." This year students are learning about their place in the world in their gifted enrichment classes. We invite you, their parents and family to take their learning beyond the classroom and into your home. For example: Post a map on your refrigerator and learn the places and landmarks. Consider a different culture or country to study with your family. How about learning another language? Start a "Continent of the Month" exploration - You could start with the largest or the smallest continent and explore all seven continents in seven months. You could create Continent Boxes and gather items to place in each individual box. Items might include: currency, flags, animals, landmarks (man-made and natural), artifacts, postage stamps, etc.

In addition, the gifted program will have family nights based on the theme. On Monday, November 27th for the Gifted Enrichment Night Childsplay will be presenting the play "Tomas and the Library Lady" at Laveen Elementary School at 6:30 p.m. The semi-annual Parent Pad meeting will take place prior to the play.



McKinney-Vento

In a temporary living arrangement? Are you currently experiencing temporary living arrangements due to eviction, job loss, or a traumatic event? Laveen Elementary School District offers services to families through the federal McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act. The Act requires that children and families who are in a temporary living situation be offered services and supports. Please contact Delphina Avila at 602-237-9100, ext. 3051, or at davila2@laveeneld.org to inquire further about qualifying for this program.

Morning Nutrition = Student Success

To help guarantee the success of our students, please encourage your child(ren) to join us every morning beginning at 6:50 am for a free nutritionally balanced breakfast. A healthy breakfast is the first step to academic success.

