



# REID TRADITIONAL SCHOOLS' Painted Rock Academy



Dear Parents/Guardians:



Welcome back! We have completed our first year of school, and we are very pleased with what a great year it was. Thank you all for your cooperation and a special thank you for your excitement and positive attitudes. I am sure this is going to be a terrific year, and we look forward to many more wonderful years to come.

You should be so proud of your children, who come in daily with smiles on their faces, excited to learn. Their teachers, in turn, have expressed that same excitement and enthusiasm. With all of this going for us, we can't help but have a successful and enjoyable year.

I am also happy to announce that we will have our first parent meeting of the year on September 5, 2012, at 6:30 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room. PROP (Painted Rock Organization of Parents) has already been busy organizing events and encouraging parents to get involved. We hope you will take part in the upcoming events.

We have also made some improvements in the parking lot, and we want to thank you for your cooperation. Please remember to pull as close to the curb as possible when waiting in line on Banff so vehicles can get by. Also, the cones in the front of the school are there to keep that area free from traffic. The area in front of the office is for deliveries and drop offs for children requiring walkers or wheelchairs.

Once again, we are looking forward to a wonderful year. Thank you for choosing us as your educational partner and allowing us to work with you and your children.

Sincerely,  
Leslie Szostak  
Principal



In an effort to minimize paper use, all informational memos about what is happening on campus will be emailed to your primary email address. Please check to make sure that you have not inadvertently blocked Painted Rock Academy's email.

Also, if you do not have email capabilities, please contact Mrs. Stradling, our school secretary, in the front office so she can change your profile to receive paper copies of all information going out via the internet.

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### CONTACT US

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Phoenix, AZ 85023

[www.PaintedRockAcademy.com](http://www.PaintedRockAcademy.com)

**Office (623) 466-8855**

Attendance: ext. 172

Receptionist: ext. 172

Principal/ Asst. Principal: ext. 176

Nurse: ext. 179

Parent Room (PROP): ext.153

### Important Dates

#### September 2013

- 2 No school - Labor Day
- 4 Volleyball Game (Away) 4:30 p.m.
- 5 Flag Football Game (Away) 4:30 p.m.
- 5 PROP meeting 6:30 p.m.
- 6 Spirit Day
- 9 Morning Assembly 8:15 a.m.
- 11 Progress Reports go home
- 17 Flag Football Game (Home) 4:30 p.m.
- 19 Flag Football Game (Home) 4:30 p.m.
- 23 Morning Assembly 8:15 a.m.
- 24 Volleyball Game (Away) 5:00 p.m.
- 26 Flag Football Game (Away) 4:30 p.m.
- 26 School Board Meeting 6:00 p.m.  
District Office
- 27 Early Release 12:15 p.m.

## Health Office News

Mrs. Linda Winters, R.N.



- ☺ In order to help keep all of our children healthy, please remember that children must be fever-free for 24 hours before they may come back to school.
- ☺ Please do not allow your children to carry any medicine with them, including over-the-counter medications. All medicines need to be checked in and stored for your child in the Health Office.
- ☺ Please be sure to send a water bottle with your child on a daily basis. We want to be sure to keep the students well hydrated.

### Early Release

September 27th is an early release day.

**Hot lunch will not be served;** please send a sack lunch with your student.

Here are the school hours for these days:

Half Day Kindergarten: 8:00 a.m.-11:05 a.m.

Full Day Kindergarten-8th grade: 8:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

**P.M. Preschool is from 1:00-3:30 p.m.**

### Lunch Menu Update

Our hot lunch program is a big success. The lunch menu for October will be sent home with your student soon. You can also find the lunch menu online. Print it off and send it in with your student with exact payment. You must sign up for the full month and pay for the full month. Lunch orders are due September 13th with the exact amount. If your student is not going to have hot lunch on a certain day please make sure to send a sack lunch with your child.



Also, we would accept donations of peanut butter, jam or jelly, and bread for students who have forgotten their lunches. We charge \$1.00 for an *emergency* PB&J sandwich. If your child receives one, please pay this amount as soon as possible.

### After School Enrichment Classes

These classes are offered after school by Arizona Instruction. Arizona Instruction has been offering enrichment classes at Valley Academy for the past five years and has served students at Painted Rock Academy for a year. They have also served students statewide for two decades. The classes available are:

Tuesdays: Drawing, Arts and Crafts, K-8th grade

Wednesdays: Jr. Sports Club, K-4th grade

Thursdays: Dance, K-8th grade

More details and registration forms can be found at the front office.

### Attendance

If your child is absent, please remember to call the attendance line at (623) 466-8855 ext. 172, by 9:00 a.m. Please leave and spell the first and last name of your child. If this information cannot be understood, we will be unable to excuse the absence. If you wish **to request homework**, please do so at that time. Teachers must be given appropriate time to gather the work. Homework requested after *11:00 a.m.* will not be available until the next day. The homework can be picked up in the office at the end of the school day. Thank you.

### Dress Code Reminder

Students at Painted Rock Academy should be well groomed and neat in appearance. All clothing is to be well fitted and in good repair. Upon walking the campus, several things have been noticed that need to be brought to the forefront.

- Earrings must be simple and not hang below the earlobe.
- Shorts must be no shorter than the middle of the thigh and no longer than the middle of the knee.
- Fabric sashes may not be worn in lieu of a belt.
- Students are not permitted to wear eye shadow, mascara, or eyeliner.
- Only one bracelet maybe worn at a time.
- It is recommended that boys have their hair length cut above the collar.
- Solid, uniform color socks must be worn.

Non-compliance of the dress standard will result in disciplinary action. Please help enforce the dress code by checking your child's attire before they leave the house.



## Newsletter



Dear Painted Rock Families,

Welcome back to what is going to be a fantastic school year at Painted Rock Academy. The first few weeks of school have gone very smoothly, and we look forward to everything falling right into place.

We wanted to remind everyone of a few procedures to help ensure student safety. If you are dropping your children off, please enter campus through the Banff driveway (southwest corner of campus) and continue driving around to the north side of the building and drop your children in the loading zone near the Activity Room/PE doors. Please continue forward and exit the campus onto 25<sup>th</sup> Drive.

We also wanted to remind you that if you are picking your children up after school, please wait for them outside the Art Room. Please refrain from waiting for your children by their classrooms.

If you are picking up your children through the drive-through pick up line, please enter campus through the Banff driveway (southwest corner of campus) and continue driving around to the north side of the building to the pick-up zone. If you are waiting in line, please pull over to your right as far as possible to let other traffic continue. Have your name placard in the windshield, and we will help your child into the car. Please continue forward and exit the campus onto 25<sup>th</sup> Drive

Please do not enter campus from 25<sup>th</sup> Drive. This is an exit only driveway.

Finally, we ask that if you are parking in the neighborhood to pick up or drop off your children, please be courteous of our neighbors and do not block their driveways. If you are allowing your child to cross the parking lot, they must be accompanied by an adult. Pedestrians crossing the drive-through area is unsafe and our campus safety is a top priority.

Thank you for your help in making our campus operate smoothly. We are excited for the school year and look forward to seeing you on campus!

Kind regards,

Miss McMillan  
Assistant Principal

### **Board Meeting**

The Board of Directors meets on the fourth Thursday of each month unless otherwise posted. All regular meetings are open to the public, and parents are welcome to attend. Board Meetings are held at the Reid Traditional Schools conference room at 14841 N. Black Canyon Highway. If you wish to contact members of the Board, you may send a letter to the school or leave a message at the Reid Traditional Schools office, (623)478-2344.

## 2013-2014 Painted Rock Academy Teachers & Staff

### Administration & Office

Ms. Mitchell - CEO  
Mrs. Szostak - Principal  
Miss McMillan - Asst. Principal  
Mrs. Stradling -Secretary  
Mrs. Winters- Health Office  
Mrs. Marshall -Receptionist  
Mrs. Cruz - Receptionist

### Support Staff

Mr. Garcia - Maintenance  
Mrs. Harrison - Food Service Manager  
Mrs. Bunch - Food Service Assistant

### Preschool

Mrs. Neville (4 yr.)  
Mrs. Qualls (3 yr.)

### Kindergarten

Ms. Kylo  
Mrs. Magid  
Mrs. Venugopal

### First Grade

Ms. Crahan  
Mrs. King  
Mrs. Mitchell  
Ms. Tucker

### Second Grade

Mrs. Miller  
Ms. Pruitt  
Mrs. Reed

### Third Grade

Mrs. Harper  
Mrs. Molloy  
Mrs. Goshow

### Fourth Grade

Mrs. Mayes  
Mrs. Henry

### Fifth Grade

Miss Christian  
Ms. Scrip

### Sixth Grade

Mrs. Horacek  
Mrs. Roberts

### Seventh Grade

Mr. Bauer  
Mrs. Wolpert

### Eighth Grade

Mrs. Del Giorno  
Mrs. Walker

### Special Area Teachers

Mrs. McDermott - Art  
Ms. Alfieri - Computers  
Mr. Raetz - Music  
Mr. Mitchelson - P.E.  
Mrs. Vallelonga - Spanish  
Mrs. Singh - Resource Aide  
Ms. McGinnis - Speech  
Mrs. Tenold - Library  
Ms. Galaviz - Boulder Club

### Aides

Mrs. Goudie  
Ms. Uhlving  
Mrs. Orozco  
Miss Marshall  
Mrs. Saucedo  
Mrs. Fellars  
Mrs. March  
Mr. Baca  
Ms. Follmar



Get to know the Painted Rock Academy Teachers.

Teacher resumes are available for review in the front office.

Welcome to all our great Faculty and Staff!



### And now, a word from our Government ...

As a public school, Painted Rock Academy is asked to make our families aware of certain state and governmental notices. Here they are, in a nutshell:

*AZ HB2732*-stipulates that 3rd grade students who obtain a score on the reading portion of the AIMS test that demonstrates the pupil is reading far below the third grade level may not be promoted from the third grade.

*Federal Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)* - Parents are allowed to inspect school records and have an expectation of privacy in educational matters. For more information on FERPA rights, check out the *For Parents/ Special Education* area of our website, or ask the school office for assistance.

*IRS Form 990* - A copy of the school's non-profit tax return is available in the school office upon request.

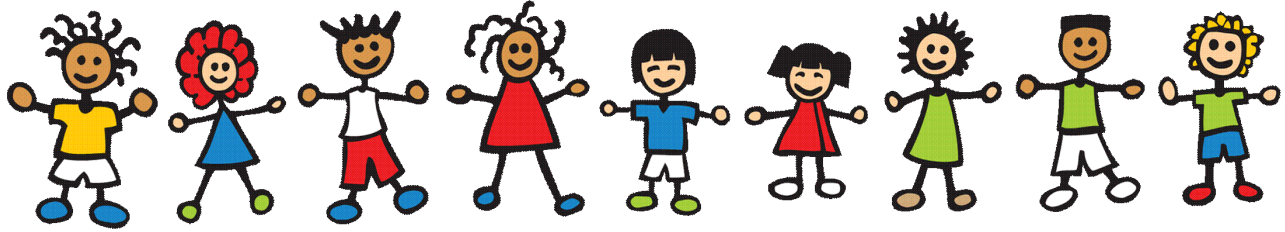
*Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA)* - The school has been inspected for asbestos and certified to be asbestos free. The required AHERA Management Plan and inspection materials are available in the school office.

*Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)* - Students with disabilities are entitled to a copy of procedural safeguards. For more information, check out the *Academics/ Curriculum/ Special Education* section of Painted Rock Academy's website, or ask the school office for assistance.

*McKinney-Vento Act* - Special guidelines on the enrollment and education of homeless children are outlined in the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act. For more information, see [www.ed.gov](http://www.ed.gov).



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