September 2017



From the Principal's Desk Mr. Bauer, M. Ed., Principal

I am very excited to welcome everyone back for another year of learning and fun. Every school year brings remarkable achievements and milestones for our wonderful students who work so diligently throughout the year. In addition to our always rigorous curriculum, we will

continue to work with our wonderful parent organization, PROP, to bring our students the fun events they have come to expect: book fairs, PROPsicles, Caught Bee-ing Good, Field Day, Spring Fling, and more. Rumor has it, that students may even get another chance to hit me with a water balloon at an assembly if we meet our Boosterthon fund-raising goal. Thank you so much for being a part of the PRA family; I'm looking forward to another great year!

Do you want to know more about your teacher? All of our teachers' profiles are available for you to view in the school office.

Campus Safety

As always, our goal at Painted Rock Academy is to ensure that our campus is safe and running efficiently. In order for it to be safe and efficient, everyone must follow the school's safety practices including our preferred drop -off and pick-up procedures. Here are some important suggestions that will make traffic flow safely and smoothly so that everyone's day can continue with ease.

- Give yourself plenty of time to follow the correct dropoff and pick-up procedures.
- If you need to park in a spot, please select one on campus by entering through the southwest driveway off Banff.
- Please do not enter campus using the east "exit only" driveway on 25th Drive. It is for exiting traffic only!
- Please be cautious when driving on campus and through the neighborhood because children are present.
- Please do not park/drop students off in the roundabout in front of the office. This area is reserved for handicapped student drop-off and pre-school drop-off only.
- Please have proper identification while on campus (parent badge/green placard/visitor sticker).

Upcoming Events

PROP Meeting Thursday, September 7th at 8:15 A.M. in the Parent Room.

Progress Reports Go Home Wednesday, September 13th Peter Piper Pizza Family Night Friday, September 15th 4:00 - 8:00 P.M. Come and

enjoy pizza, have fun and support our school at Peter Piper Pizza on 3rd Street & Bell.

Early Release/Staff Development

Friday, September 22nd at 12:15 P.M. See the staggered Release schedule on the website.

Reid Traditional Schools and

Painted Rock Academy Board Meetings Thursday, September 28th at 6:00 P.M. School board meetings are open to the public, and parents are welcome to attend.

More information for sports game schedules coming soon!



Traffic Reminders



Just a few friendly reminders:

- Please remember if you are waiting in the pick-up line to stay to the right, near the curb, to help ease neighborhood traffic congestion.
- Please do not block driveways or intersections. Our line will be long so please make sure you are allowing residents to get into or out of their driveways.
- Please remember this is a residential neighborhood with many families and children. Please drive slowly and cautiously and be courteous.

We have been very pleased with the patience, understanding and support of so many parents. We appreciate your positive comments as we all continue to work to provide the safest campus for our students.

New Awnings Installed

PROP was able to fundraise enough money to have awnings put over the bleachers and the drop-off/pickup zone. We are so grateful for all the support PROP provides to our school. Thank you so much!





And now, a word from our Government ...

Meet Nurse Blanca

Hello Painted Rock Academy families,

My name is Blanca Aguirre, I am happy to introduce myself as Painted Rock

Academy's new school nurse. Born and raised in Arizona, being one of seven children, it's my second nature to help children learn about being healthy and the healing process. I have four years of work experience at Phoenix Children's Hospital as a Patient Care Technician all while going to Nursing School and being a single parent of two teenagers who are now in college. I look forward to

working with the great staff members and students at Painted Rock Academy.



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 AzMERIT 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 Other Services 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 Other Services 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 <u>www.ed.gov</u>

CALENDAR



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Aug. 27	28	29	30	31	1 Spirit Day & Morning Assembly 8:15 A.M.	2
3	4 No School Labor Day	5	6	7 PROP Meeting 8:15 A.M.	8	9
10	11	12	13 Progress Reports Go Home	14	15 Family Fun Night @ Peter Piper Pizza	16
17	18	19	20	21	22 Early Release/ Staff Development 12:15 P.M.	23
24	25	26	27	28 Board Meeting 6:00 P.M.	29	30