Sonoran Sky Family,

The holiday season is about spending time with loved ones. It is a season of celebration. Here at Sonoran Sky, we have an abundance of things to celebrate.

One major celebration is the passing of the Bond Election on November 2, 2021 with 55 percent YES votes. Thank you to the Pendergast Elementary School District community. This was a Bond Election for $53.5 million that will not increase taxpayer's tax rate. The District will utilize the Bond dollars in a number of different ways.

Another celebration is our students' progress with the DreamBox Learning Program. DreamBox is a math program that intelligently adapts to each child, letting them drive their own learning while giving parents and teachers in-the-moment data and valuable insights to ensure success. Each student has a goal of completing five lessons a week. In November, Sonoran Sky students completed an average of 9.9 lessons each! This made Sonoran Sky number ONE in the Pendergast School District!

Sonoran Sky also celebrates the “Read Better, Be Better” program. In this program, sixth, seventh, and eighth grade reader leaders are connected with young readers, usually third graders, to help inspire a love of literacy and learning. Students even received Read Better Be Better shirts!

The last celebration that I want to mention is our staff and students' use of the PBIS program. Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) is an approach schools use to promote school safety and good behavior. With PBIS, schools teach kids about behavior expectations and strategies. The focus of PBIS is prevention, not punishment.

Sonoran Sky students earn points for meeting behavior expectations. They can use those points to purchase prizes and privileges in their teachers’ classroom store, items from the Sonoran Sky School store, called the Comet Corner, and/or admission to monthly events, such as our November Turkey Trot and our upcoming December event, a Winter Wonderland Carnival. Be sure to check in with your students regularly and celebrate the PBIS points that they have received.

Love and Lysol,
Darla Baquedano
Principal

Covid-19 Mitigation Plan

We are still committed to taking as many precautions and safety measures as possible to protect our students, ourselves, and our community. At this time, masks are required by all staff and students on campus. Masks are officially required on all PESD campuses.

Pendergast School District regularly updates the district Covid-19 Mitigation plan to reflect CDC and WHO guidelines for a safe return to school. Please see our website www.pesd92.org for the most updated plan.

Please stay tuned to our District website, ClassDOJO, and emails for updated information regarding the 2021—2022 school year.
School Meals
Breakfast and Lunch service will be provided to your child at no cost to your family. If you choose to provide lunch for your child, please keep in mind we do not have means to cool or heat food from home. It is important to note that students may not share food items at any time.

Food Boxes
Every 1st Saturday of the month.
Line starts at 7AM
At Epworth United Methodist Church
4802 N 59th Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85033

PRIDE Club Before / After School Care Available
Pendergast School is proud to offer our premier before/after-school care for students. Our after-school program runs each day from 6am to school start and dismissal to 6pm for current Pendergast Students. There are first-come-first-serve scholarships available, as well as a sliding fee scale based on income. Please call 623-772-2322 or visit pbsd92.org for more information or to register.

SchoolStore Fundraiser
Thank you to all the families who have already participated in our SchoolStore fundraiser! We are on our way to reaching our goal, but we need everyone's help to make sure our teachers get the essential tools they need to help our students succeed. If your family has not participated, there’s still time!
This safe and easy fundraiser is 100% online so there is no face-to-face selling, collecting money, or delivering products. Your child will receive a prize just for participating, and more prizes will be awarded when goals are reached. Please help now. It really will make a difference. Go to https://www.schoolstore.net/sid.t?0000363459 to show our valued teachers your support.
P.S. Family participation is the key to our success, and we are counting on you!

COVID Pool Testing continues at Sonoran Sky
The best way families can support school testing is to provide their consent to allow their student to participate. Working together, schools and families can be advocates for community wellbeing; participating in pooled testing empowers you with data that can help safeguard the health and wellbeing of teachers, students, and your community.

What’s for Lunch?
Find out what's being served for breakfast and lunch at your school by accessing our new Online Menus >>

Tax Credit Donations
The Arizona Tax Credit Program allows each taxpayer to donate up to $200 for a single individual or a head of household per year to public schools and up to $400 if married and filing a joint tax return. That money can go directly to Sonoran Sky, reducing your taxes by the amount donated. Download the donation form here: English | Español