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Sahuaro Update January 23, 2024

Good Evening Sahuaro Students and Families:

Fine Arts Recognition

It was truly a great weekend to be a Cougar. On Saturday, Feb. 20, there were two major fine arts events: Arizona HS State Solo and Ensemble Festival, and Southern Regional Festival of Theater (SAFT).

Music students participated in a judged festival for ratings and feedback for the Solo and Ensemble Festival.

Intermediate and Advanced Guitar Orchestras scored the highest possible ratings of "Superior"! Both groups are excited to compete in the 2nd Round and try to repeat last year's final ranking of "Best in Class"!

The choirs had several students perform a vocal solo, all with success! Charlotte Holter and Azia Stricklin received a "Good" rating. Kaiana Anderson, Alayah Briscoe, Destiny Chew, Jacob Gaudet, Darla Nava-Rivera, Jonas Page, Violet Salcido, and Adam Singer received an "Excellent". Valerie Juarez, Emily Scholz, and Shelly (Essa) Stokan received a "Superior", which qualifies them to compete in the 2nd round in the state!

Emma Leyva (band student) performed a trumpet solo and received a rating of Excellent!

Theater Arts spent the day at the U of A competing at SAFT. Three students competed in monologues and each student received a superior, Hajir Atiyah, Victoria Larson, and Shelly (Essa) Stokan. Two students participated in a solo musical and earned an excellent rating, Shelly (Essa) Stokan and Charlie Harmon.

We applaud both our exceptional fine arts students and their dedicated directors. This weekend's performances are truly a testament to their hard work, talent, and commitment.

No School Tomorrow

Just a friendly reminder that tomorrow, there will be no school as our District has scheduled a Professional Learn Day. Regular classes will resume as scheduled on Thursday.

TUSD School Quality Survey

We would like to inform you that on Monday, January 29, our District will be sending out our annual School Quality Surveys (SQS) via email to all families. We kindly request that you take a few moments to complete this important form. The results we gather from these surveys play a crucial role in refining our focus and making strategic decisions for the upcoming school year. Your feedback is greatly appreciated and invaluable to us.

Elective Fair

Our Elective Fair, originally scheduled for this week, has been postponed to next week on Tuesday, January 30. This event will provide students with a valuable opportunity to discover various course options available to them, such as Fine Arts, Career & Technical Education, College Credit, Advanced Placement, Honors, Culturally Relevant, and more. The fair will be held during lunchtime in our auditorium courtyard.

Despite this change, our school's start time will remain the same and we will have a single lunch period. Please see the provided bell schedule for further details.

Thank you,

Roberto A. Estrella, Principal

Elective Fair Bell Schedule

Period 0	7:47-8:35
Conference	8:00-8:35
Period 1	8:40-9:33
Period 2	9:38-10:31
Period 3	10:36-11:29
Lunch & Elective Fair	11:34-12:16
Period 4	12:21-1:14
Period 5	1:19-2:12
Period 6	2:17-3:10
Period 7	3:15-4:23