

## ASHTON RANCH WEEKLY DISPATCH

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## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE RANCH, AN "A" RATED SCHOOL

Greetings Mustang Families and happy Friday,

Each year, Ashton Ranch takes the previous year's data to create goals for the year. These goals are presented to the DUSD Board as well as Arizona Department of Education. Our goals drive everything that we do here at The Ranch and focus on academics, safety and community. For academics our goal is to see a 3% growth in our AASA scores for math, ELA and AzSci. Our safety goal is to increase student engagement in the classroom and reduce referrals. Finally, our community satisfaction goal is to increase our positive response on the student, staff and parent surveys sent out by the district. Last year's goals were met, and even exceeded in some areas, which resulted in our **A rating**. To ensure that we meet our goals this year, we beg that you have a conversation with your students regarding the importance of doing their best and being **Mustang PROUD** on campus at all times. Thank you in advance for supporting our goals and partnering with us to ensure that Ashton Ranch maintains the coveted **A rating**.

**MISSION:** ASHTON RANCH MIDDLE SCHOOL CULTIVATES A CULTURE OF STUDENT SUCCESS.

**VISION:** ASHTON RANCH MUSTANGS WORK TOGETHER TO DEVELOP A SAFE, CARING ENVIRONMENT TO MEET HIGH EXPECTATIONS FOR ALL.

**PROUD VALUES:** POSTIVITY-RESPECT-OWNERSHIP-UNITY-DETERMINATION

I hope you have the most amazing weekend. Take time to be kind and as always - PROUD to be a Mustang!

Ms. Parachini, PROUD principal



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# ARTS, ATHLETIC, ACTIVITIES & ACADEMICS

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## ATHLETICS

Congratulations to all who made basketball (boys and girls), soccer (boys and girls) and cheer teams! Games times and locations will be announced soon.

## ACADEMICS

The countdown to AASA is now!  
AzSci Benchmark Feb 25, 26

## ARTS

Don't forget to mark your calendars for the Festival of the Arts on March 8, 2025.

Good luck to our band and orchestra who will be competing in the ABODA festival next month.

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## More From Officer Moore

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Hello Mustang families!

hope everyone is having a wonderful week! A couple of items have come to my attention in reference to campus safety I wanted to address.

If your student rides a bike to school, please ensure they are walking it across the crosswalks, this also applies to scooters. On several instances students have fallen into the roadway or run into other pedestrians/students walking during morning or afternoon traffic.

Additionally, if your student walks home west bound from the school and walks through the park, please ensure they are not staying at the park. Recently criminal damage has been found at the park and students are reporting other students causing the damage. The park west of the school is owned by the Ashton Ranch community HOA and not a public park. They have stated they will aid in prosecution for damage to the park if an offender is identified. Please help us keep the park clean, damage free, and safe for the residents who pay dues for access.

Finally, I wanted to send another courtesy reminder about drop-off. If you drop off your student in the morning, please ensure you are doing it in the drop off line at the south side of the school and not in the roadway. Although this issue has been better, we still have parents dropping students in the roadway near crosswalks obstructing bike lanes. When this happens, you become a traffic hazard. Please help us keep all students safe by using these designated areas for drop off.

Have a wonderful weekend and stay safe!

Thanks again  
Officer Moore #2255  
SRO Ashton Ranch Middle



## Upcoming Events

DUSD Honor Band Concert Feb 22  
Student Town Hall Feb 24  
Gifted conference Feb 21  
AASA testing - April

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## CAMPUS REMINDERS

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In this section we address student behavior concerns that we see happening or increasing in numbers on campus. We want to ensure we are providing the best environment fore student safety and education for our students.

It's February in Az and that means spring has sprung. As the weather warms up, please review the district dress code for appropriate attire. Many times students wear a jacket to school which is shed over the course of the day revealing attire that is not in dress code.

As a reminder, students who are out of dress code will be offered the opportunity to change into a dress code appropriate item.

You can find the [Student and Parent Handbook](#) online.

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