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

Greetings Mustang Families and happy Friday,

This week we tackled AASA writing in all grade levels. Next week begins AASA testing for reading and math will be the following week. We have been going over testing protocols and behavior expectations. Did you know if students disrupt the testing environment or have their phones out during testing their test could be invalidated? Please remind your students of the importance of this test and support us in helping our students grow. Additionally, be sure that students get a good night's rest the night before testing, eat a good breakfast the day of testing and bring a fully charged chromebook. Do your best Mustangs and make us PROUD.

We have some amazing events coming up this last quarter of the school year. Mark your calendars for Color Wars, Future 5th Grade Night, 8th grade promotion and more!

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

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

ARTS, ATHLETIC, ACTIVITIES & ACADEMICS

ATHLETICS

Games are in full swing. Check our social media for times and locations

ARTS

High school programs are performing through the end of the year. Check out your student's high school schedule to support the arts.

WCHS: Bye, Bye Birdie started April 2
SRHS: Band Concert April 29



Upcoming Events

AASA testing - reading is next week

More From Officer Moore

Happy Friday Mustang families,

I wanted to reach out with a quick reminder about the speed limit in school zones. It has come to my attention after several neighborhood residents approached me about the speed in and around the school during morning and afternoon drop-off. As a reminder, the speed limit is 15mph in the school zones and citations/fines are double the cost for this violation. I understand it can be hectic in the morning, however due to the community concerns patrol motors could be asked to saturate the area for enforcement due to the issue.

To ensure this does not happen, please keep your speed in the school zones at the posted sign limit of 15mph. You will see me floating around to different spots in the morning to ensure everyone on foot is safe and there is no egregious speed through the area.

Thank you for your time and partnership on this issue so we can keep all the kids and Countryside residents safe!

I hope all of you have a wonderful weekend.

Thanks again
Officer Moore #2255
SRO Ashton Ranch Middle

ACADEMICS

AASA Testing Dates:

Reading: April 9, 10

Math: April 15, 16

We will be running an alternative schedule to accommodate testing. School hours will not be impacted.

Want to help your student prepare for AASA? Check out these resources from Arizona Department of Education:

[AASA Sample Tests, Tutorial and Student Readiness Tool](#)

8th grade summer learning iSchool opportunities - please see our ParentSquare and social media info for options and requirements.

CAMPUS REMINDERS

Mean behavior or bullying? We are seeing an increase of students being mean to others. When does it turn into bullying? According to our handbook, bullying may occur when a student or group of students engages in any form of behavior that includes such acts as intimidation and/or harassment that:

- A. Has the effect of physically harming a student, damaging a student's property, or placing a student in reasonable fear of harm or damage to property.
- B. Is sufficiently severe, persistent or pervasive that the action, behavior, or threat creates an intimidating, threatening, or abusive environment in the form of physical or emotional harm.
- C. Occurs when there is a real or perceived imbalance of power or strength.
- D. Or may constitute a violation of law

We do not tolerate mean behavior or bullying. Please discuss with your student it is never ok to make someone else feel bad....and when it turns to bullying it's against the law.

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

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