

West Point Weekly News for October 19, 2026

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SCHOOL NEWS

WEST POINT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Week of October 19, 2026

Hello West Point Wildcats!

Welcome to this week's edition of the Wildcat Weekly News! We're excited to share the latest happenings and updates from our school community to keep you informed and engaged.



West Point News

Reminder about Bringing Snacks to School

Beginning in the 2026–2027 school year, the **Arizona Healthy Schools Act** prohibits public schools from serving, selling, or allowing third parties to sell ultra-processed foods on campus during the regular school day. Where does this apply?

This requirement impacts food and beverage items across the entire campus, including:

- School breakfast and lunch programs
- Seamless Summer Option & Catering
- School stores, vending machines, and snack bars
- Birthday parties and student celebrations
- Classroom snack lists and rewards
- Fundraisers (Student Activities & Parent Support Groups)

Prohibited Ingredients:

Foods containing any of the following 11 additives or synthetic dyes cannot be served or distributed on campus during the school day:

- Potassium bromate
- Propylparaben
- Titanium dioxide
- Brominated vegetable oil
- Yellow Dye 5 or 6
- Blue Dye 1 or 2
- Green Dye 3
- Red Dye 3 or 40

Planning to bring a classroom treat?

All school events held during the school day—including birthdays and holiday parties—must follow these new state guidelines. If you'd like to send items to share with your child's class, please:

- **Choose from our approved snack list**, or consider fun non-food treats like pencils, stickers, or small favors.
- **Check ingredient labels carefully** to ensure none of the banned ingredients are listed.
- **Keep it store-bought**—homemade food items are not permitted.

Thank you for your partnership in keeping our students healthy and our school compliant!

Note for Families: You are always welcome to pack any lunch or snack items specifically for your individual child. However, **food shared with other students** must

comply with state guidelines.

OCT. 19–30 | Food Drive

The annual Valley View Community Food Bank drive begins on Monday, October 19th. Please bring in non-perishable food items through Oct. 30th.

OCT. 30 | Quarter 1 Honor Assemblies

We look forward to celebrating students who earned principal's list, Honor Roll, Perfect Attendance and SPARK Student of the Month. Invitations will go home next week.

Times:

9:15 AM: 7th & 8th grades

9:45 AM: 6th Grade

1:45 PM: 4th & 5th Grades

OCT. 19–29 | THE CANDY MONSTER RETURNS!

Candy donations officially begin Monday, October 19, when we return from break, and will help us stock up for Hall of Treats!

Because Hall of Treats is held after school hours, all candy is welcome for donations and does not need to adhere to the Arizona Healthy School Act.

WEST POINT ELEMENTARY ✨
FRIDAY, OCT. 30TH ✕

HALL OF TREATS & HALLOWEEN DANCE

HALL OF TREATS
WHAT: TRICK OR TREATING
IN THE HALLS OF WEST POINT
WHEN: FRIDAY, OCT. 30TH
TIME: 5:00-6:30 PM
COST: FREE

CANDY DONATIONS
ACCEPTED NOW

**PTSA
FAMILY DANCE**
WHEN: FRIDAY, OCT. 30TH
TIME: 6:00-8:00 PM
COST: \$5 PER STUDENT
OR FREE FOR PTSA
MEMBERS

JOIN THE PTSA
NOW AND SAVE!

Students must be accompanied by an adult.

✧ For everyone's safety and fun, all costumes must
comply with Dysart dress code policy (no pretend
weapons, please).

Parent Volunteers Needed for Halloween Dance

PTSA & Parent Volunteer Sign-Up

We have lots of ways to help, and you don't have to volunteer for the entire dance!

When: October 30th

Set-Up — 4:30–6:00 PM

Decorations, tables, concessions, activity stations, signs, and final preparations.

Check-In / PTSA Sign-Ups — 5:30–7:00 PM

Welcome families, check dance entry, and help families with PTSA membership if needed.

Concessions — 6:00–7:00 PM or 7:00–8:00 PM

Help sell and restock concessions.

Photo Prop Area — 6:00–7:00 PM or 7:00–8:00 PM

Help families take pictures using their phones and keep the photo area organized.

Tattoo & Activity Area — 6:00–7:00 PM or 7:00–8:00 PM

Help with temporary tattoos and other miscellaneous activities.

Clean-Up — 8:00–8:45 PM

Help us quickly reset the MPR after the dance.

Parents/PTSA can sign up by emailing westpointptsa@gmail.com, messaging us on Facebook, or letting your student's teacher know you'd like to help and they can get you in contact with us.



Monday, October 19

Day A Electives Schedule
Early Release @ 1:45 PM
Chess Meet @ Countryside, 5:30 PM
Softball Game @ Shadow Ridge, 5:00 PM

Tuesday, October 20

Day A Electives Schedule
Baseball Game @ Riverview, 6:30 PM

Wednesday, October 21

Day B Electives Schedule
West Point Site Council, 4:15 PM
Softball Game @ El Mirage, 6:30 PM

Thursday, October 22

Day A Electives Schedule

Friday, October 23

Day B Electives Schedule

Saturday, October 24

Cross Country High School Invitational
Meet @ Dysart HS



Oct 19-28

🍬 Candy Donation Drive for Hall of Treats

October 30

🏆 Quarter 1 Honors Assemblies
🍎 Hall of Treats, 5:00PM
👻 Family Halloween Dance, 6:00PM

November 6

🏠 Student Store

November 10

📅 Quarterly PTSA Membership Meeting

November 11

☂️ Veterans Day Holiday- No School

November 13

🎲 PTSA BINGO Night

November 20

🦃 Turkey Trot

November 23-27

🦃 Thanksgiving Break



PTSA News

- Membership- Join today! [HERE](#)
- Purchase Spirit Shirts [HERE](#)

OCT. 19–29 | THE CANDY MONSTER RETURNS!

Send in candy donations to help us prepare for Hall of Treats! **Class contests will be announced soon!**

HALL OF TREATS | OCTOBER 30

It's almost time for one of our favorite nights of the year!

Hall of Treats

Friday, October 30

5–6:30 PM

Come dressed up, collect some treats, and have some Halloween fun before heading over to the dance!

HALLOWEEN DANCE | OCTOBER 30

The fun continues immediately after Hall of Treats!

Halloween Dance

Friday, October 30

6–8 PM

Dance admission is **\$5 per student — OR FREE for PTSA members!**

AND IT'S MEMBERSHIP DRIVE TIME!

Join PTSA before Oct 30th and receive a free mystery bag at the door full of goodies! Did you know by joining PTSA your student(s) get **FREE admission to BOTH the Halloween AND Valentine's dances?!** Regular admission is \$5 per student, per dance. See just some of the savings below!

1 Student — **\$8** → Save \$2

2 Family of 4 — **\$15** → Save \$5*

3 Family of 5 — **\$20** → Save \$10*

*Savings based on 2 guardians attending
(if only 1 guardian & more students then
there is even more savings!)

**Already a member? You get a free
gift and the free dance admission
too!** No additional steps required, just
give your name at the door.

**Membership also helps us continue
funding school events, programs,
improvements, and support for our
students and staff.**

We have a fun month ahead, Wildcats!

**Every person. Every family. Every
piece matters.**

If you have any questions, please let
them know. Questions?

Email westpointpts@gmail.com



Parent Portal

Online Lunch Accounts

NEW Lunch Menu starting 9/1/2026

Student Handbook

School Calendar

Preschool Calendar

registermyathlete.com

2026/2027 School Goals



At West Point, we are committed to continuous improvement through our Integrated Action Plan. Our school has established goals focused on three key areas: student achievement, instructional excellence, and family engagement.

Goal 1: Student Achievement

By the end of the academic year, West Point will increase student proficiency in Math, English Language Arts, and Science by at least 3% as measured by State Testing and Acadience end-of-year assessments.

Goal 2: Instructional Excellence

By the end of the academic year, all West Point teachers will strengthen instructional effectiveness by implementing gradual release lesson design, increasing student engagement, and delivering standards-aligned instruction. Success will be measured at 80% or higher through formal and informal classroom observations using the Dysart Instructional Protocol.

Goal 3: Family Engagement

By the end of the academic year, West Point will strengthen family engagement by maintaining or increasing both the number of school-sponsored family events and family participation rates.

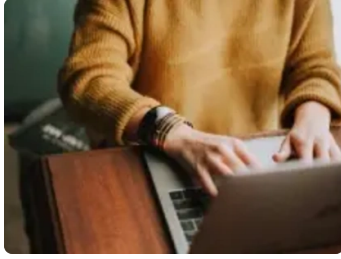
Our Integrated Action Plan includes specific action steps and ongoing progress monitoring to ensure we stay focused on achieving these goals.

How Can Families Help?

Families play a vital role in our success. You can support these goals by:

- Encouraging positive attendance habits
- Setting academic goals with your child
- Supporting learning at home
- Participating in family engagement events throughout the year

Thank you for your continued partnership and commitment to the success of our students. Together, we can help every Wildcat learn, grow, and thrive!



Contact info

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact us. You can reach out via the following ways:

- 623-876-7750
- westpoint@dysart.org
- www.dysart.org/westpoint
- Direct Message Principal Amy Mikos through ParentSquare

School Hours

Monday- 9:00 - 1:45 PM

Tuesday-Friday- 9:00 AM - 3:45 PM