



Deer Valley Unified School District

Dear Mountain Shadows Families,

Today is Crazy Hair day! Go to our FaceBook page, Mountain Shadows Lighthouse Leaders, to view pictures of some of today's students and teachers with Crazy Hair!



### IT IS MORE THAN A MEAL APPLICATION!

Have you completed a meal application for the National School Lunch Program (NSLP)? Our school lunch program can do more than just provide free and reduced-priced meals. Meal applications help for schools to be eligible to receive Pandemic EBT benefits, help maintain school funding for student programs and services, reduced registration fees for academic tests, free or reduced fees for athletics, discounts on college application fees, eligible for discount internet access, and free or reduced school meals. Turn in your meal application today to take advantage of these additional benefits and ensure your school continues to receive funding! To complete an NSLP – application:

[www.dvUSD.org/mealassistance](http://www.dvUSD.org/mealassistance).

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15 IS A FULL DAY OF SCHOOL**



### STUDENT-LED CONFERENCES – WEEK OF OCTOBER 18

Students and teachers invite parents to join them for Student Led Virtual Conferences during the week of October 18-22. Thursday, October 21 and Friday, October 22 are Half-Days of school; school releases at 12:05 both days. Lunch will be served and transportation provided for bus riders as on a regular day. Please arrange to pick your students up from school at 12:05 for non-bus riders.

***Please note NO Pre School classes on Thursday, October 21 due to our Half-Day schedule.***

Be looking for your invitation, paper or electronic, from your teacher(s) to schedule a day and time. You can always reach out to a teacher to schedule a time too.

**October 22, Spirit Day – Disney Day**



## SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR COMING SOON OCTOBER 25 TO 29, 2021

<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/mountainshadowselemschool>

**Check out the Mountain Shadows Book Fair Homepage now!**

We are excited about our upcoming book fair! An opportunity for students of all ages to build their home libraries. A Win-Win for all of us as our library also benefits from all purchases. Thank you!

Two ways to purchase – Cash/Check and eWallet. Click the link above to set up an eWallet  
Virtual Book Fair option – Click the link above for on-line purchasing



## TAX CREDIT INFORMATION

It is officially fall! This is the last quarter of the year when we begin to think about Tax Credit donations. Your school tax credit donation can impact the lives of all of Mountain Shadows students. **Please consider Mountain Shadows for your donation this year.**

The Arizona tax credit program (A.R.S. 43-1089.01) allows a tax credit of up to \$200 for individuals and up to \$400 for married couples. This is a dollar for dollar tax credit. It reduces your tax burden; who does not want that!

To donate to our school, go to: <https://www.dvusd.org/Domain/2806> Thank you



## KINDERGARTEN PREVIEW NIGHT 21-22 SCHOOL YEAR NOVEMBER 4

Parent of future kindergarten students are invited to join Mountain Shadows kindergarten teachers and principal, Dr. Gilbert, at 6:30 PM for a Virtual Kindergarten Preview Night on 11/4/2021. Do you know a future kindergartener? Please let those friends and relatives know about our event!

Children entering kindergarten must be five (5) years old by August 31. An original copy of the birth certificate is required at time of registration. All children are required to have all of their immunizations by Arizona law. DVUSD requires current immunization records for students upon registration. In addition, Mountain Shadows requires proof of residency upon registration. Questions, please contact [Brienne.Peck@dvusd.org](mailto:Brienne.Peck@dvusd.org) or 623-445-4306.



## **PARENT-TEACHER-STUDENT ASSOCIATION – PTSA**

Our PTSA is in a re-building period. We have Board positions available and would like YOU to help us out! If you are interested in the opportunity to be involved at your child(s) school campus, please contact PTSA at [msptsa2@gmail.com](mailto:msptsa2@gmail.com). Your involvement can be as little or as much as you are willing to contribute.

Click on this link <https://mailchi.mp/75d8527aaab3/msptsa-call-to-action> for a few more details.



## **HABIT HOWL AWARD \*NEW\***

Student leaders are now eligible to be nominated by a staff member for going “above and beyond” in our school community. Students receive special delivery of a Habit Howl certificate with their picture taken and displayed in the school lobby. What a way to feel special! Encourage your child to display their leadership skill – Begin with the End in Mind by providing help to a student or staff and going the extra mile. They just might be noticed and be rewarded!



## **OCTOBER CALENDAR**

October Lunch Menu – see attachment

October 8, 29 – 2 PM PLC Early Release Days

October 8 – Crazy Hair Day & End of 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter

October 11 & 12 – NO SCHOOL – Holiday

October 15 – Full Day Friday Release at 3:30 PM

October 18/22 – Parent Teacher Conference Week

October 21 & 22 – Half Days-Release Time 12:05 PM

October 21 – NO SCHOOL FOR PRE K STUDENTS

October 22 – Disney Day, End of 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter, Report Cards Go Home

October 25/29 – Library Book Fair Week



**School Information:**

Office Hours: The school office is open Monday-Friday from 7:30 AM – 4:30 PM

Registration Hours: Register M-F 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM

Main Number: 623-445-4300

Attendance Line: 623-445-4390

Health Center: 623-445-4310

Cafeteria: 623-445-4314



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Sincerely,

Andrea Rojas

Mountain Shadows Secretary