



# TIGER PRIDE POST

Monthly news from  
Vista del Sur Accelerated Academy

**November 2021**

## Upcoming Events

- November 4th Site Council in Library  
5:30-6:00 p.m. & PTO  
6:00-7:00 p.m.
- November 9th Picture Retake
- November 9th Governing Board Meeting at 5:30 p.m.
- November 11th
- Veterans Day No School
- November 17th Early
- November 19th  
Fall Carnival
- Release at 12:00 p.m.
- November 24th-26th  
No School

## Principal's Note

Vista Parents & Guardians,

Our annual Fall Carnival is a go! We will have food trucks, vendors, games and obstacle courses for all ages to enjoy. The event will take place on November 19th from 5 to 8 p.m. Ticket sales will be available before school the week of November 15th at the front of the school or the night of the carnival. We hope to see you there!



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## Basketball & Softball schedule Games start at 4:30 p.m.

November 1st at Vista  
November 2nd at Laveen  
November 8th at Vista  
November 9th at Estrella foothills  
November 16th at Vista  
November 18th at Vista  
November 23rd at Vista



### Bus Passes

All bus riders must present their bus pass/student identification badge when they board and exit the bus.



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## What's Happening in Specials?

### **Spanish**

In Spanish class students in grades 4-8 have been working on their communication skills with conjugating verbs! A difficult concept for some, but our students are doing MAGNIFICO! Just like the younger grades - music is always used to help with learning. Just look up Spanish AR Verb Song AND Spanish Pronoun Song. The kids will sing it for you.

In grades K-3 our students are learning how to use physical movement to learn their vocabulary words. It's amazing how quickly they can recall the meaning of a word in English and Spanish with simple movements. We've learned colors, family, clothing, numbers, letters and days of the week. As always - music is incorporated into their learning. Basho and Friends have some great videos the kids love to hear and sing along with. Just find them on YouTube. You can also look up Learning Spanish with Johanna. She is loved by the kids and makes learning easy!  
Saludos!

### **P.E**

In PE for the month of November our 4th-8th graders will be starting the badminton unit. When our K-3rd grade students will start our volleyball unit.



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Here is what we are doing in music this quarter. K-2nd grade are working on the fundamentals of beat vs. rhythm and are demonstrating it through singing, dancing, and playing instruments. 3rd and 4th grade are learning about the treble clef staff and preparing to play recorders. 5th and 6th grade have started working on compositions and will be performing their pieces for their classes later this quarter. 7th and 8th grade are learning about music history and traveling through the most popular time periods starting with Medieval times and working our way up to Modern music.

### **Band**

Band students are busy preparing for our first concert of the year! (Tuesday, December 14, 6:00 pm in the gym). 5th grade just began working on Jingle Bells and My Dreydl. 6th grade is beginning to work on solos and concert songs, and 7-8th grade are preparing winter and Christmas favorites. Be sure to come and watch the students next month! We would love a huge audience!

### **Art**

8th is working on Sugar Skulls, 7th Peace Posters, 6th Magazine Zentangle Drawings, 5th Viking Longship Paintings, 4th Recreating "The Scream" by Edvard Munch, 3rd Fall Silhouettes, 2nd Monochromatic Color Scheme Fish, 1st Henri Matisse Apple Drawings, K- Cool and Warm Color Fall Leaf Art



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NJHS  
Toy Drive  
November  
1st - 30th

Please give  
donated gifts to  
teachers. NJHS  
will collect items  
once a week  
from classroom

**TOY  
DRIVE**

TO BENEFIT  
CHILDREN  
IN FOSTER CARE

**NEW TOYS & GIFTS  
FOR AGES 0-21**

Visit our Amazon wish list  
for some ideas!

[www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/OISWRTXZT9T8](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/OISWRTXZT9T8)

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## **Free and Reduced Price Meal Applications**

For the 2021-2022 school year, all students will receive healthy school meals at no cost, regardless of income. Families are still encouraged to submit a school meal application for free or reduced-price meal benefits because this information may be used for other programs, such as Pandemic-Electronic Benefit Transfer (P-EBT), Federal and State funding for your school, reduced registration fees for academic tests, free or discounted fees for athletic programs, discounted rates for internet service, and many more.

### **How to Apply**

Your child may qualify for free or reduced-price meal benefits. We strongly encourage parents & guardians to apply online through [EZMealApp.com](https://EZMealApp.com) to ensure a quick, safe, and contact-less application process. Applications must be submitted annually and may take up to 10 business days to process.

#### Online Menu

Our school menus have gone digital! Introducing Nutrislice, an interactive way to view your child's school menu.





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## A Note from the District Nurse...



**Please make sure that your child's emergency and health form is up-to-date. This provides the school with important information in case an emergency should arise. I encourage parents to speak with the Health Associate if your child has any medical needs or concerns.**

### TAXPAYERS CAN LOWER THEIR TAXES AND SUPPORT OUR STUDENTS!

You can send all your state taxes to the State of Arizona or make a contribution to a public school and receive a State Income Tax Credit for up to \$200 for tax payers who file a tax return as single or head of household and a maximum of \$400 for married couples filing jointly on your State Income Tax Return.

A.R.S. §43-1089.01 gives you this opportunity to help your local school. A tax credit, which is the dollar-for-dollar reduction of your tax liability, is better than a tax deduction, which only reduces your taxable income before taxes are computed. The tax credit is available to all Arizona taxpayers, regardless of whether they have children in school.

For more information, go to our website at <http://www.laveeneld.org/about-laveen/tax-credit> or call the school office.