

WINDOW ROCK USD #8



NEWSLETTER



*We exist to ensure relevant learning for all students
to be successful in a multicultural society.*

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

July 31 - Meet The Teacher
Aug. 2 - 1st Day of School
Aug. 2 - Governing Board
Meeting, 6:00 pm
Aug. 24 - TMS 7th Gr. Program
Sept. 4 - No School
Sept. 7 - Early Release
Sept. 8 - No School
Sept. 13 - Governing Board
Meeting 6:00 pm



Reminder:
Every Wednesday
is an Early Release
Day for Students

July, 2017



WELCOME TO THE 2017/2018 SCHOOL YEAR!

Welcome to the new 17/18 school year! As our students and families are enjoying the warm, sunny days of summer, our faculty and staff are busy planning and preparing for their return to the classrooms.

There have been many changes and improvements completed within Window Rock Unified School District during the past two years and I am excited to continue the movement upward of our district.

This year's message is "Elevating to Excellence," translated to "Bikaa' Hadiikah." After two years of intense reorganization and foundation building, our schools and students are ready for the next level of achievement.

The District has updated all Reading, Math, Science, PE, and Music textbooks and curriculum. We are implementing additional

professional development to enhance our teacher's instructional skills. This year we will focus on digging deeper into the test scores to really determine the needs of our students to help them excel in their grade level. This is a very exciting time to be part of Window Rock Unified School District. So many exciting changes and new expectations are now in place.

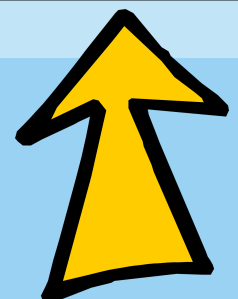
Best Wishes for a fantastic school year!

Superintendent Michalski

GREAT NEWS PARENTS!

You only need to purchase a backpack this school year for your children! The District will provide all basic school supplies for our students! We are here to educate our students and support our families!

Elevating to Excellence!
Bikaa' Hadiikah!



NEW PRINCIPALS AND ATHLETIC DIRECTOR!!

We have two new principals joining our leadership team this year. **Ms. Elissa James** is our principal for Tse'hootsooi Middle School. Ms. James is a very experienced principal, academic coach and teacher. She will be bringing a wealth of school improvement knowledge and leadership to our district. Next, **Mr. James Gordon** will be our new Tse'hootsooi' Primary Learning Center Principal. Mr. Gordon was our Human Resources Director who has transferred to the principal position. Mr. Gordon is also a very experienced school leader and educator who will bring structure to the school while building relationships. The District is very fortunate to have this two leaders joining our team for our students. Finally, **Mr. Bill McLaughlin** is our new Athletic Director. Mr. McLaughlin has been a successful basketball coach and leader on the court. We are looking forward to having him work with our students, parents, and community in building a stronger athletic department.



2017/2018 DRESS CODE

Students are free to wear appropriate clothing of their choice. The principal has the authority to determine if clothing is disruptive to learning or impacts student safety. In order to maintain adherence to this dress code policy, students may **not** wear the following:

- Shorts and skirts no shorter than 2 inches above the knee.
- Exposed shoulders or low neckline
- Clothing cannot reveal the back or midriff. These include but are not limited to: Sheer or Mesh tops Overly large openings at the neck or arms Off the shoulder tops Spaghetti straps Halter-tops or Tube tops Clothing or accessories with offensive pictures, symbols or sayings. These include but are not limited to: Demeaning statements Violent statements Sexual statements Racial statements Clothing that advertises or promotes tobacco, alcohol or other drugs.
- Jewelry or accessories that could be used to cause harm or injury to self or others.
- Any clothing with the intent to represent gang affiliation.
- Baggy or oversized clothing. Clothing may not be more than one size too large, to allow for one year's growth. No exposed undergarments
- No flip-flops.
- Hats or hoods are not allowed to be worn inside the school building at any time.
- Non-prescription glasses cannot be worn in the building or classrooms at any time.

A good general policy regarding the dress code is: If there is

ANY QUESTION about an item being inappropriate, DO NOT WEAR IT.

*"Shooting for the
gold can only
happen if you have
gold standards"*
Jerry Colangelo



If you allow your
child to carry a
cell phone,
laptop, or other
personal
electronic device,
please
understand that
the Window Rock
Unified School
District will not
assume
responsibility for
the loss of or
damage to
personal
property.

IT'S COOL TO BE IN SCHOOL

Our goal is to ensure the attendance of students and to promote a school culture of academic achievement. The parent or guardian is charged by law with responsibility for the student's consistent school attendance.

Parents need to call the school prior to 8:00 a.m. to inform the front office the following information: ·

- Parent's Name, · Student's Name, · Student's Teacher's Name, ·
- Reason for Absence (i.e. Flu, Strep Throat, Asthma Contact
- Phone Number

Parents need to verify absences in writing within 24 hours.

Parent's and/or guardians need to inform the school of any changes or corrections necessary to keep the contact phone numbers up to date.

Arrange for doctor and dentist appointments after school so the student may receive a full instructional day.

The school shall make a reasonable effort to promptly telephone and notify parents or guardians of an absent student within two hours after the start of school.

Student Tardies

A student will be considered tardy if he/she is not inside the classroom when the tardy bell rings (8:00 am). If a student abuses the tardy policy, appropriate disciplinary action will be applied.

Make-Up Policy

When a student is absent (excused), they will be allowed to make up assignments as follows:

- The student is responsible for getting all missed work from the teacher(s).



GO SCOUTS!

High School FALL Sports Practice Begins

Football- July 24, 2017

Volleyball and Cross Country- August 7, 2017

Middle School FALL Sports Practice Begins

Football – August 14, 2017

Volleyball

Cross Country

Required Physical Documents Needed

- AIA Physical 15.7A
- AIA Physical 15.7B
- AIA Physical 15.7C Concussion Acknowledgement
- High School Concussion Certificate- Brainbook
- Emergency Form
- Participation Fee \$20.00

Documents will need to be Complete and on File with the Athletic Office before you can begin Practice.

Any questions you may call 928-729-7011/7013.



Congratulations to Hannah Smiley!

Hannah signed a 4 year Softball Scholarship to Bacone College



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Bikaa' Hadiikah!

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