



REID TRADITIONAL SCHOOLS' Painted Rock Academy



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Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are well on our way to completing a very successful first year at Painted Rock Academy. It has been an amazing first year! The collaboration among students, parents, and staff has been fantastic. You play such a significant role in the academic success of your child/children.

According to research from the Southwest Educational Development Laboratory, "When schools, families, and community groups work together to support learning, children tend to do better in school, stay in school longer, and like school more" (2004). The research goes on to say that "students with involved parents are more likely to:

- * Earn higher grades and test scores, and enroll in higher-level programs;
- * Be promoted, pass their classes, and earn credits;
- * Attend school regularly;
- * Have better social skills, show improved behavior, and adapt well to school; and
- * Graduate and go on to postsecondary education" (Henderson & Mapp, 2002).

We ask that you continue to support your student(s) academically at home. Remember to study weekly spelling words, practice phonograms nightly, and review math facts on a regular basis. Together, we can provide your child with a wonderful educational experience.

Below are many websites that can help your student master needed skills.

Thank you again for making our first year at PRA so successful!

~Miss McMillan
Vice Principal

<http://www.funbrain.com/>
<http://www.kidsmathgamesonline.com/>
<http://www.coolmath-games.com/>
<http://www.azed.gov/standards-development-assessment/aims/support-materials/>
<http://www.azed.gov/wp-content/uploads/PDF/AIMSDPAcolor.pdf>
<http://www.factmonster.com/>
<http://www.funenglishgames.com/>
<http://funschool.kaboose.com/>

In addition, you can visit our homework helpers page on the school website.
<http://paintedrockacademy.com/index.php/homework-helpers>

Important Numbers

Main Number: (623) 466-8855
 Reception Desk: ext. 172
 Attendance: ext. 172
 Nurse: ext. 179
 Parent Room (PROP): ext. 153
 Principal/Asst. Principal: ext. 176
 Fax: (623)455-3270

Important Dates

February 2013

- 1 Spirit Day
- 1 6th – 8th Grade Dance
- 5 Boys' Basketball Home Game
- 6 Progress Reports
- 7 PROP Meeting 6:30 p.m.
- 11 Morning Assembly 8:15 a.m.
- 15 Classroom Parties
- 15 Early Release 12:15 p.m.
- 15 Parent Teacher Conferences
- 15 Waiting List Lottery
- 18 No School - Presidents' Day
- 25 Morning Assembly 8:15 a.m.
- 28 Board Meeting 6:00 p.m.



From the Nurse's Office
Linda Winters, R.N.



The best way to prevent getting sick with colds and/or the flu is to wash your hands frequently during the day. Also, please remember that students must be fever free for a full 24 hours in order to return to school.

Cafeteria Donations Needed!

The lunch room is always in need of donations of creamy peanut butter, jelly and bread. Please make sure your student has a lunch, whether it be hot lunch or a sack lunch. We charge \$1.00 for an emergency PB&J sandwich. If your child does receive one, please pay this amount as soon as possible. Thank you!

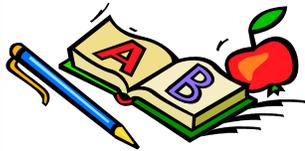


Please remember that students may not sit in the office to be picked up after school. They either need to be picked up through the pick up line or in the Art room. Please remember to have your Parent ID or blue placard to pick them up; otherwise you will need to sign in and get a visitor's badge in the front office. Thank you.

Do you have a particular fitness expertise you would like to share with our P.E. classes? If you are a yoga instructor, a martial arts master, or a leader in any area of fitness and would like to share your time and talents with the students at Painted Rock, please contact Jeff Mitchelson at jmitchelson@paintedrockacademy.com or call the school office. We are constantly striving to enhance our programs, and volunteers are always greatly appreciated!



Waiting list applications for 2013-2014 School Year



We are now accepting student applications for the 2013-2014 school year. Siblings of current students have priority above the other names on our waiting list. Please fill out a waiting list form in the front office or online if you plan to enroll additional students at Painted Rock Academy next year, including pre-kindergarten and kindergarten students.

Classroom Valentine's parties will be held on Friday, February 15th at 11:15 a.m. A visitor's badge or a Painted Rock Academy picture ID must be worn while on campus. Please remember that it is against Painted Rock Academy's policy to bring small children, siblings, and/or friends of students on campus while visiting the classroom parties. We ask that no red colored drinks are served at classroom parties, and don't forget that all food must be store bought. Please respect our campus rules and have fun at the parties!



Board Meeting

The Board of Directors meets on the fourth Thursday of each month unless otherwise posted. All regular meetings are open to the public, and parents are welcome to attend. Board Meetings are held at the Reid Traditional Schools conference room at 14841 N. Black Canyon Highway. If you wish to contact members of the Board, you may send a letter to the school or leave a message at the Reid Traditional Schools office, (623)478-2344.



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Spirit Day 6 th - 8 th Grade Dance 4:30-6:30 p.m.	2
3	4	5 Boys' Basketball Home Game 4:30 p.m.	6 Progress Reports Go Home	7 PROP Meeting MPR 6:30 p.m.	8	9
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