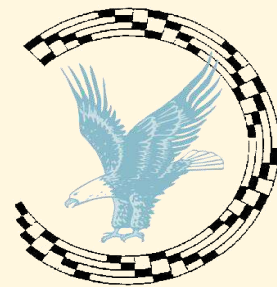


Blackwater Community School

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BIG NEWS

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Quality Education Begins Here!

August 09- 20, 2021

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Upcoming Events

Monday - 08.09:

(Lunas)

Tuesday - 08.10:

ASP/GATE

(Go:k-Thash)

Wednesday - 08.11:

Early Dismissal- 1 pm

(Vaik-Thash)

Thursday - 08.12:

ASP/GATE

(Gi:ik-Thash)

Friday - 08.13:

(Vialas)

NO SCHOOL- Teacher In Service Day

Monday - 08.16:

(Lunas)

Tuesday - 08.17:

ASP/ GATE

(Go:k-Thash)

Wednesday - 08.18:

Early Dismissal- 1 pm

(Vaik-Thash)

Thursday - 08.19:

ASP/ GATE

(Gi:ik-Thash)

Friday - 08.20:

(Vialas)

Have you checked out the website lately?

1. Download the QR Code reader app in your Apple or Google Play store (Free to download!)
2. Scan the code! →
3. Check out the BWCS website and stay in the loop!



GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY HOTLINE

FOR COVID-19

(520)550-6079

Fall Break



Monday 10/04 - Friday 10/15

August 19th 5:30 pm

Title 1 Night

Join us for our first Title 1 event of the year, Thursday, August 19th!

This will be a virtual event beginning at 5:30 pm.

This night will serve as an opportunity to voice your questions and concerns as well as share any successes and triumphs you may have experienced in the first month back at school.

Zoom links and meeting information will be emailed out as we near the event day!



"Your identity is your most valuable possession. Protect it."

~Elastigirl

The Incredibles

From the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents & Guardians

On behalf of our staff and administration, I would like to welcome your child and yourself for a new school year of 2021-22. Thank you for continuing your trust in Blackwater Community School/Akimel O'Otham Pee Posh Charter Schools in the educational journey of your child. We always appreciate your on-going support. It has always been my pleasure and honor to work with Gila River Indian Community and its students and Community members.

As you know our school is well-known for its academic achievements as well as for offering extra-curricular programs to all our children including tribally funded programs such as Cheer-leaders, Student Council, Gardening/farming, Students Attendance Incentives programs. Our school strongly supports in revitalizing and promoting our GRIC Culture and Language. Our Tribal administration has been providing special funds to teach and promote our community culture and language. We proudly offer the language and Culture classes to all our children.

We are very fortunate that we have dedicated, caring, and passionate employees at our school who go above and beyond to assist our younger students to achieve their best potentials in all areas.

This year will be our first school year where our staff and students will be really enjoying a brand-new school with state-of-the-art ventilation system, technology, and brand-new multi-purpose Building. I want to thank Bureau of Indian Education (BIE) and our Community Council for providing us the necessary funding to realize this long-standing dream of our parents and community.

As you all know, the pandemic of Covid-19 and associated risks are very much present in and around our Community. Blackwater school is working diligently to ensure all our employees and students are safe. We offer free masks, gloves, and sanitization related supplies throughout the school campus. School offers free and reduced meals to our eligible students and also offers mid-day healthy snacks to all our preschool and kinder students.

Our school offers in-person as well as virtual learning opportunities to all our students and parents, even though we strongly believe the elementary or early grades students are best served by offering them in-person classes. Please keep in mind the safety of our students and employees is our first and foremost priority. We are more than happy to offer virtual classes to your child if you as a parent decides to go that direction. Please keep in mind, that situation adds more responsibility on you to continue too support your child academically at home, by making sure your child attends all virtually classes every day from start to finish. School will provide all the materials and supplies including digital device to accomplish daily objectives as laid out in the teachers' lesson plans.

From the Principal's Desk

Special Note about the safety of Your Child:

Our school has been working very closely with the Tribal health department. We will be following the student safety guidelines as provided to us by the THD as well as any new guidelines coming from the CDC. Please read the following simple guidelines that we just received from the school nurse's office:

Tribal Health Department: Regarding positive tests at the school, contact tracing information will be sent to GRIC Tribal Health Department. The quarantine dates will be followed as recommended by the THD.

These guidelines are recommendations by the GRHC Pediatric Director Dr. Dolasa and Dr. Viji Murugavel:

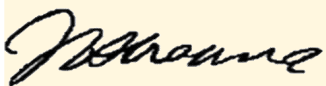
- If a student is seen in the nurse office for illness and they have Symptoms of COVID19 (CDC) they will be sent home and asked to get a covid19 test done on day 1. If they are negative they will need to get a 2nd test done on Day 5; if negative they may return to school.
- If a parent would like to get a surveillance test for their child (and the student DOES NOT have symptoms) if the result is NEGATIVE, the student may return back to school.
- These are guidelines and each case is unique and depends on multiple circumstances.

Let us all work together to ensure your child and all school employees are safe while we educate our young children at school and at home. Please visit our School's website to get the updated information at:

<https://www.bwcs.k12.az.us>

Please feel free to contact our school at (520)215-5859, should you have any questions or need additional information about our safety guidelines as we go through this pandemic period. Thank you again for your strong support to our school. We appreciate it very much.

Sincerely,



Jack Sharma (Principal)

August 2021 Lunch Menu

MON

TUE

WED

THU

FRI

9

BBQ Chicken Sandwich
 ⇒ Fries
 ⇒ Fruit
 ⇒ Milk

10

Chimichanga
 ⇒ Lettuce/cheese
 ⇒ Fruit
 ⇒ Milk

11

Hot Dogs
 ⇒ Chips
 ⇒ Baked Beans
 ⇒ Fruit
 ⇒ Milk

12

Pizza
 ⇒ Celery
 ⇒ Fruit
 ⇒ Milk

13

GRIC In Service



16

Chicken Nuggets
 ⇒ Fries
 ⇒ Baked Beans
 ⇒ Fruit
 ⇒ Milk

17

Taco & Beans
 ⇒ Lettuce/cheese
 ⇒ Fruit
 ⇒ Milk

18

Cheeseburgers
 ⇒ Fries
 ⇒ Baked Beans
 ⇒ Fruit
 ⇒ Milk

19

Spaghetti
 ⇒ Celery
 ⇒ Fruit
 ⇒ Milk

20

Pizza
 ⇒ Carrots
 ⇒ Fruit
 ⇒ Milk

23

Popcorn Chicken
 ⇒ Fries
 ⇒ Fruit
 ⇒ Milk

24

Tamale & Beans
 ⇒ Lettuce/cheese
 ⇒ Fruit
 ⇒ Milk

25

Corn Dogs
 ⇒ Fries
 ⇒ Baked Beans
 ⇒ Fruit
 ⇒ Milk

26

Mac & Cheese
 ⇒ Celery
 ⇒ Fruit
 ⇒ Milk

27

Pizza
 ⇒ Carrots
 ⇒ Fruit
 ⇒ Milk

30

Chicken Nuggets
 ⇒ Fries
 ⇒ Celery
 ⇒ Fruit
 ⇒ Milk

31

Taco & Beans
 ⇒ Lettuce/cheese
 ⇒ Fruit
 ⇒ Milk

