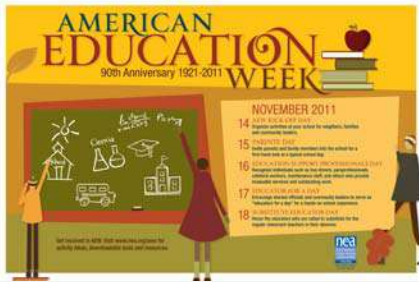


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American Education Week

Spotlights the importance of providing every child in America with a quality public education, and the need for everyone to do his or her part in making public schools great. For more information go to:

<http://www.nea.org/home/19823.htm>

Survey Online

What better way to celebrate American Education Week (November 13-19) than by hearing from educators? CEA has developed an online survey that they are asking all certified employees to complete by 11:59 p.m. on Friday. You can find the survey here:

<http://www.chandlerrea.org/superg/>

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CUSD Bands Sweep State Festival

CUSD schools swept the top four spots at the State Division II marching band championships Saturday at Glendale Community College. Basha High won the title, edging second-place Chandler, third-place Hamilton and fourth-place Perry. There was considerable buzz in the stands about Chandler Unified's placement atop the competition. Congratulations to the band directors -- Matt Kozacek of Basha, Sheryl Kitamura of Chandler, Lisa Brandt of Hamilton and Paul Koch of Perry -- on a great season for showcasing our high schools.



Two District Football Teams Advance

Two district football teams advanced to Friday night's Division I state semifinals. Hamilton defeated visiting Chandler, 28-0, while Basha upset previously unbeaten Brophy, 32-29, at Phoenix College on Thursday night.

Next up: Basha takes on Desert Vista at Mesquite High and Hamilton plays Desert Ridge at Chandler High, in a rematch of last year's state championship game. Kickoff for both games is set for 7 p.m. Friday. The championship game will be held at 2 p.m. November 26 at the University of Phoenix Stadium in Glendale.



District Night of Recognition: Nov. 30

The CUSD Night of Recognition for the fall semester will be held at 6:30 p.m. November 30 at the Chandler Center for the Arts. Festivities will include a performance by the Perry High Jazz Band, presentation of colors by the Chandler High Air Force Jr. ROTC, National Anthem by Hamilton High.

Apple Achievement Award Winners

Here are Apple Achievement Award winners as selected by the District PRIDE Committee:

Shannon Moxley, Andersen El. ♦ Susan Jernigan, Basha El. ♦ Janny St. Onge, Bologna ♦ Michelle Anderson, Conley ♦ Jill Raj, CTA Freedom ♦ Jessica Pfau, CTA Goodman ♦ Paul Davis, CTA Independence ♦ Barbara Aldecoa, CTA Liberty ♦ Angie Rivas, Erie ♦ Maria Hernandez, Frye ♦ Dawn Norstrom-Zuber, Fulton ♦ Norma Meza, Galveston ♦ Stephanie Shuey, Haley ♦ Vanessa Barutha, Hancock ♦ Carolyn Cafiero, Hartford Sylvia Encinas ♦ Tony Novak, Hull ♦ Yesenia Gutierrez, Humphrey ♦ Lori Jo Peters, Jacobson ♦ Sladjana Larson, Knox ♦ Lauren Romero, Navarrete ♦ Nichole Kogel, Patterson ♦ Erika Gagnon, Riggs ♦ Heather Tawney, Ryan ♦ Lynn Basko, Sanborn ♦ Belinda Basher, San Marcos ♦ Toni Lucas, Santan El. ♦ Karen Van Allen, Shumway ♦ Danette St. Vincent, Tarwater ♦ Angie Neal, Weinberg ♦ Lora Schumacher, Andersen Jr. High ♦ Miguel Martinez, Arizona College Prep – Oakland Campus ♦ Gloria Poulson, Bogle Jr. High ♦ Shannon Suiter, Payne Jr. High ♦ Omer Zubechevich, Santan Jr. High ♦ Katie Dial, Willis Jr. High ♦ Charles Anthony, Hamilton Prep ♦ Renee Clancy, Basha High ♦ Andrew Valuikas, Chandler High ♦ Kathleen Royal, Hamilton High ♦ Derwin Coleman, Perry High ♦ Dan Kroeger, Chief Hill Learning Academy ♦ Martha Stallknecht, Community Education ♦ Dorothy Gonzales, District Office ♦ Gina Vukovich, Instructional Resource Center ♦ Miriam Mackey, Ira King Transportation Yard ♦ Rocky Indovino, PHS Transportation Yard

Outstanding Volunteers

Dana Crownover, Andersen El. ♦ Jennifer Moore, Basha El. ♦ Debra Swindler, Bologna ♦ Jason Heinkel, Conley ♦ Jennifer Munstermann, CTA Freedom ♦ Kimberly La, CTA Goodman ♦ Ganjana Ticlo, CTA Independence ♦ Susan Witt, CTA Liberty ♦ Pamela Stephens, Erie ♦ Ines A. Honne, Frye ♦ Shay Halcomb, Fulton ♦ Magali Favela, Galveston ♦ Valerie Clinton, Haley ♦ Wendy Stevenson, Hancock ♦ Jackie Miller, Hancock ♦ Jennifer Hall, Hartford Sylvia Encinas ♦ Leslie Croyle, Hull ♦ Ricardo Felix, Humphrey ♦ Margaret Nevarez, Jacobson ♦ Danny Glass, Knox ♦ Shelley Weight, Navarrete ♦ Delcina Jones, Patterson ♦ Maria "Pecca" Kauitzsch, Riggs ♦ Kellie Carrico, Riggs ♦ Chris Delasandro, Ryan ♦ Diana Jemison, Sanborn ♦ Alex Gonzalez, San Marcos ♦ Erin Northrup, Santan El. ♦ Kathy Pardo, Shumway ♦ Jason Poole, Tarwater ♦ Denise Klarin, Weinberg ♦ Justin Krasucki, Andersen Jr. High ♦ Kristine Bowling, Arizona College Prep – Oakland Campus ♦ Lisa Powell, Bogle Jr. High ♦ Roberto Quezada, Payne Jr. High ♦ Emma Totten, Santan Jr. High ♦ Diane Wilfley, Willis Jr. High ♦ Victoria Kreil, Hamilton Prep ♦ Michael Labrum, Basha High ♦ Lydia Maranville, Chandler High ♦ Bruce Culver, Hamilton High ♦ Diane Craig, Perry High ♦ Ken "Chief" Hill, Chief Hill Learning Academy.

Superintendent's Student Citizenship Winners

Rachel Pearlstein, Andersen El. ♦ Valeria Cosilion Valdes, Basha El. ♦ Hannah Faulkner, Bologna ♦ Billy Bolger, Conley ♦ Collin Hoag, CTA Freedom ♦ Braiden Solomon, CTA Goodman ♦ Taylor Heetland, CTA Independence ♦ Sara MacFadden, CTA Liberty ♦ Brianna Harder, Erie ♦ Soledad Alvarez, Frye ♦ Paula Aguilar, Fulton ♦ Vanessa Rosas, Galveston ♦ Wendy Jensen, Haley ♦ Ian Graham, Hancock ♦ Mayci Vannasap, Hartford Sylvia Encinas ♦ Nina Krolak, Hull ♦ Hayden Swanson, Humphrey ♦ Monet Tam, Jacobson ♦ Ryan Jundt, Knox ♦ Faith Shumway, Navarrete ♦ Isabel Garewal, Patterson ♦ Oakley Seiter, Riggs ♦ Hannah Bashford, Ryan ♦ Whitney Foster, Sanborn ♦ Jackelyn Hernandez, San Marcos ♦ Issac Thompson, Santan El. ♦ Ava Hamilton, Shumway ♦ Christopher Loo, Tarwater ♦ Mickenzie Fookes, Weinberg ♦ Tallia Cowell, Andersen Jr. High ♦ Allison Corona, Arizona College Prep – Oakland Campus ♦ Iris Chang, Bogle Jr. High ♦ Molly Ogden, Payne Jr. High ♦ Kelsey Mo, Santan Jr. High ♦ Jordan Bradbeer, Willis Jr. High ♦ Anna Carson, Hamilton Prep ♦ Samantha Bonar, Basha High ♦ Katanna Smith, Basha High ♦ Brianna Sanchez, Chandler High ♦ Stephen Bergauer, Hamilton High ♦ Alex Gasca, Perry High ♦ Xavier Ortiz, Chief Hill Learning Academy.

Important Dates

November 7-18

Trip Reduction Contest

Forms due to Patti Kalesz on November 29. Drawing will be held on December 7. Refer to Oct. 24 [staff report](#) for more information.

November 13-19

American Education Week

For more information [click here](#).

November 14

Creative Expression

Competition entries due. Refer to Sept. 6 [staff report](#) for more information.

November 16

Educational Support

Professional Day First celebrated in 1987 after NEA's Representative Assembly called for the creation of a way to honor contributions of school support staff. National ESP Day is a time to strengthen support and respect for these colleagues.

November 18

Substitute Educators Day

This day honors the educators who are called upon to replace regularly employed teachers.

November 29

Trip Reduction forms due to

Patti Kalesz Forms must be turned in no later than 4:30 p.m.

November 30

District Night of Recognition

at 6:30 p.m. at the Chandler Center for the Arts.



PHS Students Learn Driving Skills

Perry High School students participated in the Ford Driving Skills For Life program on Friday. Students benefited from a powerful message at an assembly and some like, Lisa Crandall, pictured here, participated in a driving challenge.



CUSD Partners with Grand Canyon University

CUSD is now a member of Partners in Learning, Leading and Serving (PLLS). This partnership with Grand Canyon University offers a number of benefits to staff, students and schools.

The partnership provides a variety of opportunities such as discounts on degree programs and professional development, access to featured partner events and priority consideration for supplemental employment opportunities. Please note that if you are a current GCU student, the 10 percent PLLS discount will apply to all of your future classes as long as you are continuously enrolled in the program. To learn more about the partnership and how it may benefit you please visit the [website](#) and see the [benefits guide](#). The website will be updated with new benefits over time so check back periodically.

Tarwater Teacher Lauded

Jennifer Huot, who teaches children with autism at Tarwater Elementary, was selected as a Arizona Cardinal "Hero in the Classroom" recognition. Jenn is one of 24 teachers state-wide selected for this recognition. She won this award for the work she does with autistic students at Tarwater. As a result of Jenn being selected, she and three guests attended a recent Cardinals-Rams football game. Jenn also received a Patrick Peterson jersey, and four VIP sideline passes.



A Look at What's Going on Around the District:



- Hancock Elementary** student council sponsored by teachers **Erinn Walker**, **Mary Julia Albert** and **Sam Postle** participated in the Coins 4 Kidz fundraiser for Matthew's Crossing Food Bank. Hancock raised the most money -- \$1,016.83-- and was awarded the \$100 prize.
- Galveston Elementary** first grade teachers **Allison Davis** and **Socorro Tapetillo** spoke at the NCTM regional conference in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Their presentation focused on developing number sense and improving numeric operations as it relates to primary students.
- Hamilton High School** football team helped a mom in need. The mom is a single mom who had given birth on Nov. 3, checked out of the hospital on Nov. 4 to find eviction notice on her condo with the locks changed. She did not pay October's rent and lost her job in September. She has three other children in elementary school and the newborn. She had from 9-5 on Saturday to empty her condo. She hadn't packed and having just given birth, could not lift or carry. Coach Steve Belles found out at around 4 p.m. Friday and at 11 a.m. the next day, there were about 50 Huskies players at her door. The boys worked all day and moved her into some temporary housing in Ahwatukee.
- Sisto Rosales**, assistant wrestling coach at **Chandler High**, was inducted into the Arizona Chapter of the National Wrestling Hall of Fame on Nov. 6. Sisto is the third coach from Chandler to make the Hall, following John Carlson and Dennis Gurecki.
- Congratulations to the **Willis Junior High** symphonic band and director **John Studzinski** for being selected to perform at this year's Arizona Music Educators Conference on Feb 3 at the Phoenix-Mesa Marriott Conference Center. The group is selected by a CD audition and by having a received high rating at state band festivals throughout the past several years. They will be performing for the annual conference attended by music educators and musicians from around the state. Only one Junior High band is usually selected to perform so, this is a great honor for both Willis and the Chandler District.



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Educational Equity Compliance

Chandler Unified School District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or age. The Title IX coordinator is Jeanette Polvani, 812-7660, and the Section 504 coordinator is Diane Bruening, 224-3732. Address: 1525 W. Frye Road, Chandler, AZ 85224

Governing Board

Agenda for Wednesday, November 16

5 p.m. — Executive Session

- Consider its position and instruct its representatives regarding negotiations with employee organizations regarding the salaries, salary schedules or compensation paid in the form of fringe benefits of employees of the public body

6 p.m. — Study Session

- Perry High School, STEM diploma

7 p.m. — Business meeting

Action Items

- Consent agenda

Information Items

- Student activity, auxiliary operations and tax credit reports
- Food service financial statement July 1- September 30
- Board Policy revision, Exhibit KB-EB
- CUSD Governing Board agenda roadmap
- Superintendent comments
- Governing Board comments

Agendas available online 24 hours prior to the meeting at:
www.chandler.k12.az.us/school-board.html

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