

AESD
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Winter 2020

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YOUR TAX DOLLARS AT WORK

Thanks to your support of bonds and overrides, Avondale ESD continues to provide excellent and outstanding teachings.

Examples of impact of your support of the bond include numerous projects across all of the district's campuses. Projects included playground restorations, soccer field installation, addition of dance room, floor renovations, parking restoration, exterior weatherization, library restoration, among other works.

Thanks to the community, AESD students are welcomed into bright campuses daily. Your approval of the M&O Override will be able to maintain full-day kindergarten, provide funding to maintain and/or reduce class size, ensure continuation of enrichment courses, sustain funding for special needs students, nurses, paraprofessionals, social workers and so much more. Avondale ESD is excited to continue being a leader in public education and sharing more of how your contribution is making a difference in children's lives.

KIDS AT HOPE WEEK

Every morning, AESD students recite the Kids at Hope pledge - a reminder that affirms everyone is capable of success... no exceptions!

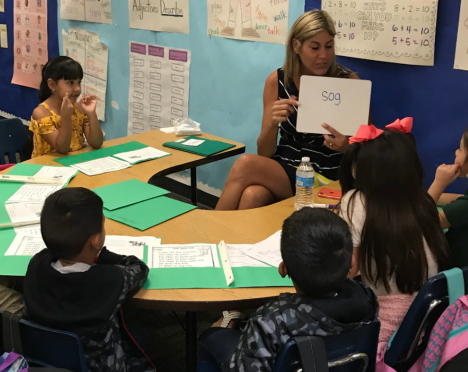
The district celebrated a week of Kids at Hope in November. Every grade level in the district learned about the importance of believing in yourself and the four destinations - home & family, education & career, community & service and hobbies & recreation.

AESD collaborated with the Arizona Diamondbacks, NASCAR and ABC who all sent videos to our schools with messages about the four destinations and how they all apply Kids at Hope traits in their daily lives and careers.



CLICK TO WATCH
Carson Kelly from the Diamondbacks share his message to AESD students

CLICK TO WATCH
ABC's Danielle Learner talk about the importance of community & service



21ST CENTURY AGRANTS

Two AESD schools have received the 21st Century Community Centers Grant. Through this targeted grant, Michael Anderson School and Avondale Middle School are able to provide Beyond the Bell programming for students in grades 1st through 8th.

This includes specific academic tutoring, academic enrichment and activities like dance, art, STEAM and opportunities for collaboration of parent/family engagement.

Avondale Middle School will begin offering enrichment opportunities for students and families. Enrichment classes will consist of exercise classes, magic class, and cooking classes. Families also have the opportunity to participate in take and go cooking and paint nights. AMS will provide cooking or art supplies for the family to engage in a fun and interactive evening via zoom.

AESD continues to provide these opportunities virtually to students Monday through Thursday. To register, contact your school's principal to learn more.

*Photos from AESD archives.

STRONGER TOGETHER

In a year of unprecedented changes, one thing that has stayed constant is the continual support of AESD's community. AESD's community partners have helped tremendously whether by providing additional hot spot locations, hundreds of school supplies, appreciation gifts to our teachers and so much more. AESD would like to shout the amazing partners who have made a difference at AESD:

- Faith based organizations Palm Valley, Skyway, Mission, Compass
- Larry H. Miller
- Valley of the Sun United Way
- Kiwanis of Litchfield
- Goodyear Pebble Creek Rotary
- Chick fil A Goodyear
- Avondale & Goodyear first responders
- School PTSA/PTO
- Avondale Goodyear Education Foundation
- School Connect
- Arizona Service Project
- Avondale & Goodyear Mayors
- AESD Governing Board



15 DAYS OF DECEMBER

Tune in to AESD's social media for the 15 Days of December celebrating All Things Avondale!