

2021-2022

August Newsletter



Upcoming Calendar Events:

- August 18th—First Day YPS FSA 3-4pm
(After-school Sports on Wednesday)
- August 23rd—First Day of Preschool
- August 26—PTO Skate Night, 5-7pm
- September 6th—LABOR DAY: No School

NOTEWORTHY EFFORTS:

Cherry Creek Store and Rim Country Distributors — Donated all the buns for the Open House. Thanks for your support!

Josh, Starla, Ray - Worked on a Friday and Saturday to repair the YPS well to insure fresh water for drinking, cooking, and flushing. Wonderful job, guys!

Guy McGill — Volunteered, from the community, to assist with needed mowing. The recent rains (Thank goodness!) created an emergency situation and Mr. McGill harvested all the new lawn he could. Thank you so much; you really made Open House enjoyable!

Young Public Library Board — Donated a book to each of the YPS students. The Library Board believes that being able to hold a book while reading is a wonderful sensory feeling. They remind all of us that there are

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YPS Community News

2021-2022: *Reconnecting for Our Future*

New Year “Kicks-Off” with Open House! More Action Coming...

2021-2022 began with an Open House/Meet the Teacher picnic, highlighted by a community-wide kickball game. After visiting classrooms and meeting the teachers, everyone in attendance celebrated the donation of books to each student by the Young Public Library Board, learned about the new Wednesday after-school sports program: YPS Fitness, Sports, and Athletics, and the PTO monthly activity plans. Any YPS Community member is invited to participate in the YPS FSA and the PTO activities. Watch for updates and notifications on the new website (www.youngschool.org) and in the Monthly Newsletters.

Following guidance from the Governing Board, Superintendent-Principal Patrick O'Donnell and the YPS staff are implementing a 10-year Strategic Plan. This first year focuses on improving the appearance and efficiency of the buildings and grounds, as well as improving the academic offerings. You will notice various contractors around campus, as well as activity on the grounds. We are continuing to reduce clutter, which has built up over the years.

Mr. O'Donnell is welcoming and open to meeting each member of the YPS Community. His desire to move YPS forward is evident as seen in the efforts so far. His ears are open and he wants to hear ideas and concerns. Please make a point to connect with Mr. O'Donnell.

2021-2022 Academic Year

Guidelines for COVID and Related Issues

(As Created by the Board on August 9, 2021)

The Young Public School Governing Board, having reviewed current COVID-19 related legislation, Centers for Disease Control guidance, actions taken by Governor Doug Ducey, and information from The Arizona School Boards Association, as well as being aware of YPS community preferences, provides the following guidance to all members of the YPS Community:

- **Masks:** To wear or not wear a facial mask is an individual preference and neither instance will elicit negativity towards the individual. This individual mask decision applies to anyone on campus or school property or at school sponsored events.
- **Physical Distancing:** Planning and decisions will allow social-distancing, as appropriate.
- **Cleaning/Sanitizing:** COVID-19 level cleaning and sanitizing of the District will continue.

UPDATES

We started the new year with 48 students in K-12

Our new SRO is Deputy J. Lahti

We are adding a new program for 2-6 grades to develop positive decision-making

Community Members are encouraged to be a part of our Citizenship Character-building at 7:45 every morning, at the flagpole.

Current Openings:

-Bus Driver, PT (or FT with Custodial)

-Teacher, Jr/Sr High Science-Math

If you are interested in applying, please email Stephanie for an application: srider@youngschool.org

Position details have been posted at the school, around town, as well as on our website. If you are interested in working or volunteering with us, please let us know.