



## September Student of the Month



**Taylor Knox**  
Desert Mountain Elementary



**Lane Curtis**  
Frances Brandon Pickett



**Savannah Gunty**  
Gateway Polytechnic Academy



**Kaylynn Rogers**  
Jack Barnes Elementary



**Tiffany Watford**  
Queen Creek High School



**Sienna Pickett**  
Queen Creek Elementary



**Daisy Flores**  
Newell Barney Middle School



# LEADERSHIP IN QUEEN CREEK UNIFIED

## FIELD TRIPS:

As part of the Strategic Plan, QCUSD strives to offer students two quality field trips a school year. One example of a high-quality field trip is Junior Achievement (JA), paid for by the 2015 override. JA is a hands-on experience teaching students financial and economic principles needed to succeed in the real-world.

**QCE students  
attend Junior  
Achievement**



## Queen Creek Leadership Academy:

Members of the Queen Creek Leadership Academy met for the first time on September 15. The QCLA is a one-year leadership development program designed to recruit, train, support and retain high quality leaders who will help increase student and staff achievement.





## EMPLOYEE AWARDS



### 21st Annual Friend of Transportation Award

Each year the Transportation Department recognizes a District employee for outstanding service. Mr. Jeff Whiting is the award recipient for the 2015-2016 school year. As a member of the high school security staff, Mr. Whiting stays vigilant ensuring buses can get in and out of the school each morning and afternoon.

Transportation Director Edd Hennerley says without Mr. Whiting's help, they would not be able to maintain timely bus schedules. Mr. Whiting: the Transportation Department salutes you!



### CONGRATULATIONS!

Molly Jacobs, Director of the Queen Creek Performing Arts Center received the Community Star Award from the Queen Creek Chamber of Commerce. Here Molly is with Superintendent Perry Berry.



# RELAY FOR LIFE AT QCHS SEPT. 17 - 18, 2016

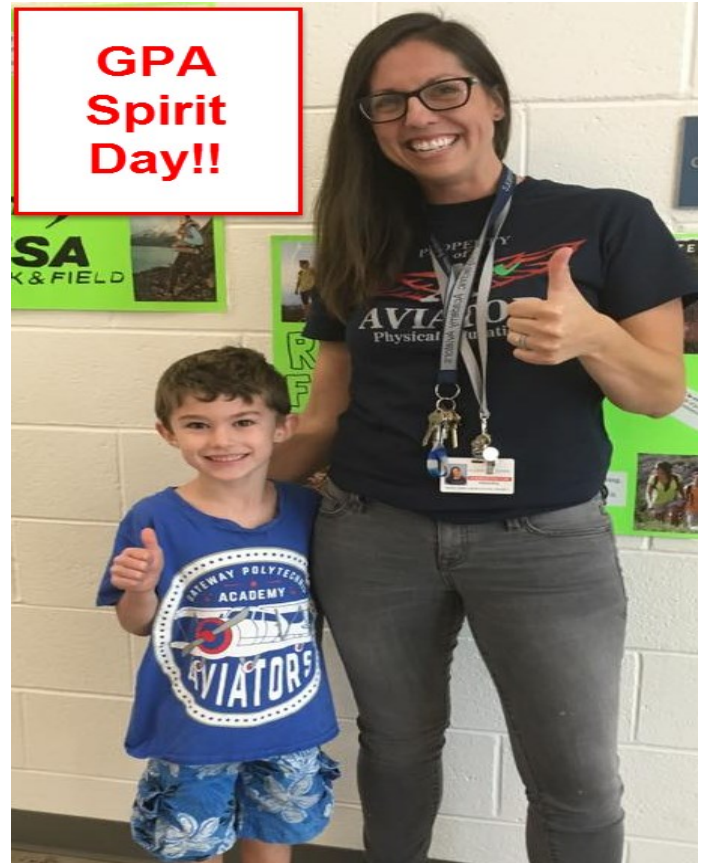




## SCHOOL HAPPENINGS



**Moon Lab at  
Queen Creek  
Middle School**



**GPA  
Spirit  
Day!!**



**New!!!!**

**Check out the new  
athletic ticket  
booths at Queen  
Creek High School.  
Go Bulldogs!!!!**

## COMMUNITY



# FOUNDERS' DAY



**SATURDAY  
SEPT 24  
5-9 PM**

**Founders' Park  
FREE PARKING  
Shuttle at QC Library**

- Battle of the Badge
- Pig Races
- Local Entertainment
- Lawn Games
- Cornhole Tournament
- Tot Spot (ages 5 and under)
- 4-H & Equestrian Zone
- Activities & Experiences



**QueenCreek.org/FoundersDay**

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## Queen Creek Schools Education Foundation

### Golf Tournament

Love to golf? Want to support students and teachers? The Queen Creek Schools Education Foundation will host their Ninth Annual Golf Tournament on Friday, **September 30, 2016** at Trilogy Golf Club at Power Ranch with a 7:30AM Shotgun start. Visit [www.qcusc.org/Education\\_Foundation](http://www.qcusc.org/Education_Foundation) for registration and sponsor information.

## FALL BREAK DISTRICT OFFICE HOURS

**OPEN: Monday, Oct. 3 - Thursday, Oct. 6**

**Monday, Oct. 10 - Thursday, Oct. 13**

**7 AM to 4 PM**

**CLOSED: Friday, October 7 and Friday, October 14**

## BOND Q & A

### **Q: Why doesn't QCUSD simply stop open enrollment to alleviate the overcrowding we are experiencing?**

**A:** We currently enroll about 15% of our student population through open enrollment. Each open enrollment student represents approximately \$5,000 and those open enrollment students that are turned down choose other schools to attend, as neighboring school districts do not cap their open enrollment.

Open enrollment students bring in approximately \$5,000,000 in revenues to our District annually, using the most current open enrollment figures available (from 2015).

With or without open enrollment students, statistical projections show that our facilities will still be inadequate to accommodate student growth within a few years. Capping open enrollment does not correct the problem.

### **Q: What happens if growth slows or does not match projections?**

**A:** Delaying construction and not selling the supporting bonds is always an option. Not selling bonds allows for assessed valuation in the district to rise and obviously does not increase indebtedness. Naturally, the district should not sell bonds unless there are approved, underlying projects that require funding.

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