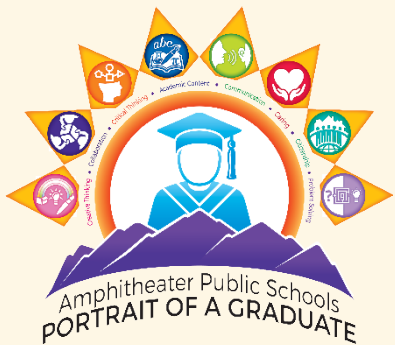




March 22, 2022

# Superintendent's Report





# Around the Schools



Congratulations to our Amphitheater High School Cheer and Basketball teams for winning gold medals at the Special Olympics State Competition. The basketball team beat Peoria High School and West Point High School to win gold.





# Around the Schools



A group of students at Canyon del Oro High School surprised their teacher and coach, Michelle Gerard, with a new fridge and items to stock it, thanks to Walmart. The students each wrote to Walmart to ask for help in doing something special for Ms. Gerard. Just before break, Walmart and the students surprised Ms. Gerard with the gifts, the students' letters and some media attention. KOLD and KVOA were on hand to share this wonderful story.







# Around the Schools



Holaway Elementary School held its Jump for Heart event before break to celebrate healthy activities and raising money for the American Heart Association. Great job, Coyotes!



Copper Creek Elementary School students and even some staff members put their talents on display at the school's Variety Show a couple weeks ago. The show featured singing performances, dance, gymnastics and comedy.





# Around the Schools



Painted Sky Elementary School (left) and Donaldson Elementary School (above) celebrated the conclusion of their Step It Up fundraisers with a Day of Awesomeness at each school. Students at both schools had a great time with inflatables, games and activities to celebrate their work in supporting their schools.





# Around the Schools



With instruction from Chef Jean Gowen, our Pima Community College dual enrollment students from Ironwood Ridge High School have been learning the skills and techniques required for creating beautiful and delicious pastries. The students are in Ironwood Ridge's Advanced Culinary Arts program.





# New Amphi Family Member!



WELCOME to Thomas Daniel Kitchen and CONGRATULATIONS to Carol Tracy Kitchen, Mesa Verde Principal, and her husband Don (not pictured)!



# Rio Vista Elementary Robotics



The Rio Vista Robotics Club recently introduced JACZBOT, an articulating robot, which the students built from scratch. JACZBOT is 1 of 5 such robots built in the U.S. and is the only such robot built by elementary students in the U.S.

JACZBOT amazed the crowd with complicated functions, including mirroring the movement of students. Students used 3D printers to make JACZBOT's limbs, torso, legs, head and face.

JACZBOT is coming to a Board Meeting near you.





# Odyssey of the Mind



- The international problem-solving and critical-thinking competition is back!
- 25 District teams competed at the regional tournament and 17 are advancing to State.
- Four Teams won Outstanding OMER Awards: the AMS Classics Team – two students rising to the challenge and competing notwithstanding the absence of several other team members; the AMS Vehicle Team – just one boy carrying the entire performance and spontaneous competition when his teammates were also absent!
- Harelson Performance Team – After a very late start due to organizational difficulties beyond their control, in just 5 and 1/2 weeks they created sets, costumes, props, and a script and learned their lines in time to perform on Saturday!
- Harelson Performance Team Coach- Outstanding OMER Award: when teacher Robyn Yewell learned there were OMERs without a coach she stepped in and, while already coaching a team at Cross, rearranged her life to make time to coach the Harelson team as well. Way to go Robyn!
- Rio Vista Classics Team - Ranatra Fusca Award (the highest possible): This team's clever dialog and amazing sets and costumes wowed the judges with their outstanding creativity!



# Summer Institute

The District will be offering about 60 courses for administrators, teachers and classified employees this summer. Offerings include training in:

- Middle School Science
- ALEKS – A Personalized Approach
- Assistive Technology Apps
- Brain Research & Science of Reading
- Crisis Prevention Intervention
- Integrated ELD Implementation
- REACH Curriculum
- Engaging Students in Data and Graphs
- Engineering is Elementary
- Everyday Math
- Schoology
- Gifted 101
- Earth and Space Science Integration
- HMH Into Literature
- IEP Guide Steps
- Implementing Personalized Learning
- Trauma Training
- Modifying Curriculum in Special Education
- National Board-Certified Teacher Workshop
- Office 365







# BOOST/ETC

The District will hold its annual BOOST (Building Outstanding Organized Success Teachers) session July 18-21 and the Effective Teacher Conference on July 27-28 for teachers new to Amphitheater. Some of the highlights:

- Briefing from our Amphi Attorney
- Intro to the Strategic Plan and Portrait of a Graduate
- Human Resources Orientation
- Instructional Technology Primer
- Special Education Teacher Orientation
- ELD Teacher Orientation
- Introduction to ALEKS
- Overview of Assessments in Amphi
- Intro to Culturally Responsive Teaching
- Classroom Management & Student Engagement
- enVisionmath 2.0: An Introduction for Middle School Math Teachers
- Everyday Math 4.0: An Overview for Elementary Math Teachers





# On the Road!

Bethany Papajohn, principal at Painted Sky Elementary School, is fulfilling a lifelong dream to ... drive a school bus! Ms. Papajohn's father had a renovated school bus he used for church, and young Bethany always wanted to get behind the wheel.

She has now earned her CDL permit, and with the help of Transportation Director Norma Frye George, Ms. Papajohn has clocked about half the miles she needs to earn her license. She said she has so much respect for bus drivers and all of the training and hard work they do before they can transport our students.

Once she is road-ready, Ms. Papajohn plans to drive students to field trips, with a goal of taking each class on at least one field trip every year.







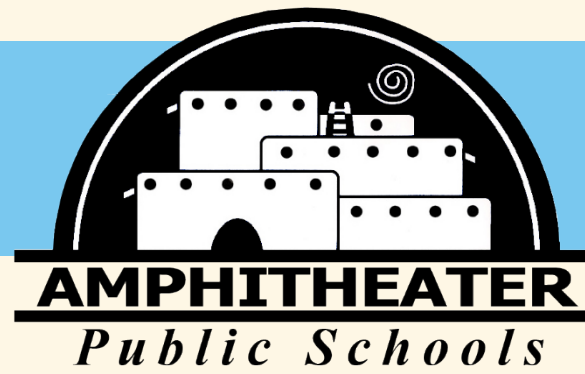
# Upcoming Event



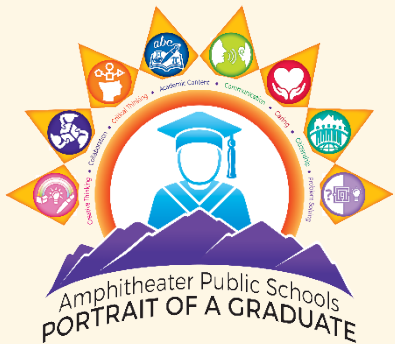
Reminder: The Amphi Foundation's annual gala is back this year! The event is a key fundraiser for the Foundation, which is an incredible support and resource for our schools.

In fact, the Foundation has invested more than \$1 million in Amphi schools over the past 5 years.

You can find ticket information and learn about sponsorships and other ways to support the gala at [amphifoundation.org](http://amphifoundation.org).



# Pandemic Update






# Pima County Metric Charts

## COVID RISK

LOW

Pima County has a low COVID-19 Community Level



*Pima County average daily COVID-19 cases for previous week, per 100,000:*

16 Mar.	77.92	
9 Mar.	121.36	

▼ 35.8 percent decrease

COVID-19 cases per 100K people in the past seven days	Criteria met	Criteria not met
Percent Positivity	77.92 cases	
	4.11 percent	
New COVID-19 admissions per 100k in previous seven days	Criteria met	Criteria not met
Percent of inpatient beds occupied by a COVID-19 patient	5.4 admissions	
	3 percent	
Timely case investigation	Criteria met	Criteria not met
Five years and older with complete initial vaccine series	100 percent	
	71.8 percent	

# Amphi District Cases -- Last Two Board Meetings and Currently



March 22



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Active cases in Employees

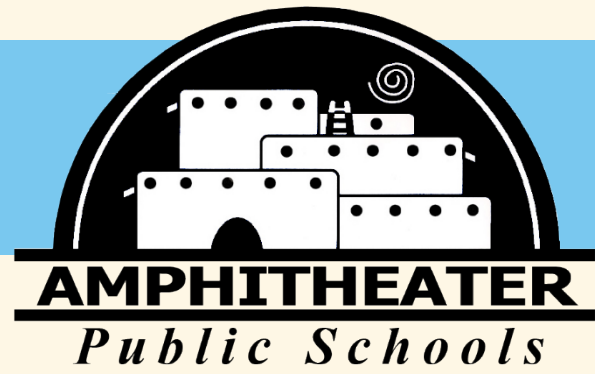
Equates to .00% of Employees

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Active cases in Students

Equates to 0.00% of the Student Population





Questions?

