



Deer Valley Unified School District No. 97

School News

SIERRA VERDE SCHOOL

CHAMPION'S CHATLINE

NEWS FROM SIERRA VERDE SCHOOL & PTSA

OCTOBER 11TH, 2007

From the School



Tues. Oct. 23rd Red Ribbon Kick Off, Wear Red Day

Red bracelets and pencils will be passed out to all students- Students should wear bracelets all week.

Wed. Oct. 24th Put a Cap on drugs

Pay \$1.00 to wear your cap today. Money will be donated to "Mother's Against Drugs."

Thurs. Oct. 25th Show School Spirit Drug Free

Wear school colors, purple & green.

Fri. Oct. 26th Use your head, Don't do Drugs

Crazy hair day.

Mon. Oct. 29th Team up against drugs

Wear your favorite team jersey or shirt.

Tues. Oct. 30th Friends help friends not do drugs

Dress like your friends day, twins, triplets & more.

Wed. Oct. 31st Follow your dreams, Don't do drugs!

Wear your pajama's.

Prizes will be given out every day!

Listen for your name to be called out over the morning announcements, if you are wearing your bracelet, you can come to the library to choose a fun prize.

Tax Credit Program

Well, another year is almost over. Soon it will be tax time again. Thanks to all of you who have already contributed to the school tax credit program. For those of you who have any questions, please come see me in the front office, or talk to your tax preparer. If you bring your check in by December 20th, and you have your taxes done right away, you'll have that money back in no time! If you do your own taxes with a program like Turbo Tax, and you want proof that this really works, run a dummy copy using the tax credit and not using it. You will see for yourself that you get all that money back AND you get to designate where YOU want it to be spent.

Married couples filing jointly can deduct \$400.00 this year, with singles taking \$200.00. Please see me if you have any questions. Please keep in mind December 20th is our last school day before the winter break. You can make your donations in the school office up until 4:00 p.m. that day, and at the Deer Valley District Office from 8 a.m. to noon on December 31st, in the boardroom.

Thank you in advance for your generous support of our school.

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Sierra Verde Accounting Clerk

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Support Sierra Verde NJHS & Thomas J. Pappas School

The National Junior Honor Society at Sierra Verde is hosting our 6th annual school-wide collection to benefit Thomas J. Pappas, a school for children of homeless families. The school is located in downtown Phoenix, and it provides nutritional meals and food boxes to families as well as hygiene kits and clothing for the students. Each year, the NJHS has been able to deliver large amounts of clothing, shoes, and household items with the help of your donations.

Your help is needed once again! This year, the TJP School has specific needs based on the students and families they service. Currently, their greatest needs are shoes of all sizes, specifically athletic shoes. We are also requesting donations of gently used cold-weather clothing such as elastic-waisted long pants, long-sleeve or sweat shirts, sweaters, jackets, etc. In addition to these much needed clothing items, TJP is also in great need of NEW toiletries such as shampoo, soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste, or any other hygiene items. Cold medicine, band-aids, and facial tissue are also in need.

The collection will **begin Wednesday, October 3rd** and continue for two weeks. Wednesday, October 17th will be the last day to bring in donations. **Please send all donations to your child's classroom.**

*Please help us support the children ...
together we make the difference!*

For Your Calendar

OCTOBER 11th - OCTOBER 19th

- Thursdays, Bank Day at Lunch in the MPR (No Bank Day on 10/18)
- Thursday (11th), Literacy Night, Grade Pre-K - 3rd, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m., MPR
- Friday (12th), End of First Quarter
- Friday (12th), Band Concert, 6:00 - 6:30 p.m., MPR
- Fridays, Breeze Freeze sold after school at 3:30 p.m.
- Monday (15th), Cookie Dough Sale Starts (see article)
- Wednesday (17th), Final day for Thomas J. Pappas School donations (see article)
- Thursday (18th), Early Release, Teacher Conferences
- Friday (19th), Early Release, Teacher Conferences

UPCOMING EVENTS

- October 23rd, Cookie Dough Order & Money Due!
- October 23rd - 31st, Red Ribbon Week (see article)
- October 25th, Picture Retakes
- October 31st, Final Day for Year Book Presale!!
- November 2nd, PTSA Ice Cream Social & Auction @ 6:30 p.m. (see article)
- November 9th, Movie on the Lawn @ 6:30 p.m.
- November 12th, No School, Veterans Day

Cookie Dough Sale - October 15th - 23rd

Student Council presents our traditional cookie dough sale. We are offering "Arizona Gold" cookie dough's BEST of the BEST!—Arizona's number one cookie dough! You cannot find these items in stores, and the price is just \$10 each! Along with the 10 cookie dough flavors that can be frozen for over six months, you will see many other delicious frozen products to choose from. Make sure you stock up!



Monday, October 15th Sale Starts!

**Tuesday, October 23rd Orders & Money Due!
Cash Only, No Checks Accepted.**

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16th Delivery Day
2:30 – 6:00 pm in the MPR**

Please make arrangements for you or someone else to pick up your order at this time. No storage available.

No door to door selling is allowed without adult supervision.

From the Cafeteria

Half Day Lunch: Thursday, October 18th & Friday, October 19th are half days and we will be serving a sack lunch on an ordering basis. If your child is going to daycare after school, please make sure that you either send them with a lunch or order them one. Grades K – 3rd forms will be coming home on Thursday 10/11 or Friday 10/12. Please fill out this form and return it to the cafeteria by Wednesday, October 10th. Grades 4th – 8th sign up sheets will be available on Tuesday 10/16 & Wednesday 10/17 at both cashiers. Please make sure they sign up for a lunch if they need one. We will make an announcement both mornings to remind them. Lunch cost is \$1.90 and includes: Corn Dog, Carrots w/ranch, Apple Slices, Cookie, along with milk and/or juice.

Lunch Accounts: Every student has an account set up already with their student ID number. You can get it started by sending a check and/or cash anytime, please include your child's name and/or student ID# on the check and/or envelope. For a nominal fee you can also add money to an account anytime on line with the EZ Pay system (EZSchoolPay.com). Sign up is easy! You will need their ID number to set up the account. (Sorry, we cannot give ID numbers out over the phone). Once you have signed up with the EZSchool pay system, you can check their account balance anytime. We can also set up a **Family Account** which allows your children to share the money on the account.

If you have any questions or concerns, please give us a call at (623) 376-4814. Thank you for giving us the opportunity to serve your children daily.

School Information

School Website: <http://sierraverde.dvusd.org>

District Website: www.dvusd.org

Sierra Verde PTSA Website: www.sierraverdeptsa.org

Character Counts Website: www.azcharacterfoundation.org

School Attendance Line: 623-376-4890 (available 24 /7)

Safe Schools Hot Line: 623-376-3262

Sierra Verde's Evacuation Site: Christ's Church of the Valley
7007 West Happy Valley Road



Sierra Verde's Character Counts Program Highlights First Grade!

This week we are highlighting First Grade! Here are ways that Mrs. Kuhns, Mrs. Kohler, Mrs. Leota, and Mrs. Legg are promoting our Character Counts program at Sierra Verde:

- Celebrating Pillars of the Month
- The Pillar of "Citizenship" was the highlight for September
- teaching lessons on Character Counts through Social Studies
- implementing a behavior plan based on the Six Pillars and consistently using the language
- using student planners and stickers that are focused on the Six Pillars

Feel free to visit the Character Counts website for more ideas and information that you can use at home.

www.azcharacterfoundation.org

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Ice Cream Social and Auction

The PTSA is sponsoring an Ice Cream Social and Auction – live and silent! Mark your calendars for **Friday, November 2nd**. This is an event you do not want to miss!

In addition to the PTSA providing items for the auction, teachers will be participating also. **ANY MONIES RAISED BY THE BASKETS / ITEMS DONATED BY THE THEIR CLASS WILL GO DIRECTLY BACK TO THE TEACHER!** The funds raised by the PTSA items will be added to our fundraising goal to support educational grants that supplement supplies and equipment for our children.

Some of the items that will be auctioned off include:

- Tickets to Disneyland
- \$100 Arrowhead Country Club Spa Gift Certificate
- Girly Girls Make Over for Two
- Baseball Tickets & Trading Cards
- Restaurant Gift Cards
- Baskets Donated by the TEACHERS!
- Many, many more!

The Ice Cream Social and Silent Auction begins at 6:30pm and the Live Auction at 7:00 p.m. Tickets for the Ice Cream Social are \$3 in advance and \$4 at the door. Tickets will go on sale in front of school Monday, October 22nd.

We still need volunteers to help the night of this event. If you would like to help or have any questions about the event, please contact Michele Bonner at 623-825-9336 or secretary@sierraverdeptsa.org.



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