

**THUNDERBOLT MIDDLE SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER
SEPTEMBER 1, 2021**



UPCOMING EVENTS

- September 1 Q1 Progress Reports Home
- September 2 Early Release, 1:00 p.m.
Student Council Meeting, 7:00 a.m.
- September 6 No School—Labor Day
- September 8 ETC Student Meeting, 7:00 a.m.
Booster Club Meeting, 4:00 p.m.
- September 9 Early Release, 1:00 p.m.
- September 10 Picture Day
- September 16 Early Release, 1:00 p.m.
Soda Therapy Fundraiser 10:00-6:00
- September 21 Early Release, 1:00 p.m.
School Board Mtg, 6:00 p.m.—D.O.
- September 22 ETC Student Meeting, 7:00 a.m.
Papa Murphy's Fundraiser

LUNCH ACCOUNTS/APPLICATIONS

Even though currently all lunches are free for all students, we encourage you to renew or apply for free or reduced meals to determine Title Funding and P-EBT qualifications. Please submit your application on line at Family.Titank12.com.

The cafeteria has some ala carte items available to purchase. Please note that Taher has a NO CHANGE policy. Any money given to a cashier for any purchase that has change coming, will be put on the student's account. No change will be given back.



PROGRESS REPORTS

First quarter progress reports will be sent home with students on Wednesday, September 1st. If you have any questions or concerns please email your child's teacher directly. We encourage you to utilize ParentVue to monitor your students' grades online consistently throughout the year. If you need assistance with logging in to your account, please contact our office.

UPDATE PERSONAL INFO

Please make sure to keep the office updated of all personal information such as telephone numbers, email address, home address, custody changes, and emergency contact information. We make every effort to keep the most current information on file in the event of an emergency and for the safety of your child. When making a change of address, please provide us with new proof of Arizona residency to match the current address.

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Screenings

Vision and hearing screenings will be conducted during the school year. If you do not wish your child to participate, please call or send a note to the school nurse.

Lice

The nurse is always on the lookout for lice. Please take the time to check your student's hair for these little insects. Contact the nurse for information about lice and how to rid your family of them. They do not fly or jump. They crawl. They cannot live more than 24-48 hours without a host. They feed on human blood. Your student is most likely to get lice when sleeping overnight at someone's house or sharing hair brushes. Pets do not get or carry human head lice. Signs to watch for: Itching, Nits, Visible Lice. Parents should check their students head before or after any sleepovers or camps. Remember, it will take several weeks for signs of lice to become obvious.

Health Conditions

If your child has a change in their health, a new diagnosis or a new medication, please notify the health office. We will add it onto their history.

Medication at School

Students are NOT allowed to carry any type of medication on them while at school. All medication must come through the Nurse's Office, brought in by the parent/guardian.

We continue to ask for help to keep everyone safe.

**** COVID-19 cases are increasing in our community.****

Please consider the following when attending family or community events:

★ **Stay home when appropriate - fever, cough, been exposed to COVID-19, or are awaiting COVID-19 test results.**

★ Social distance and wear a mask at school or community events as you're able.

★ Practice frequent hand hygiene

★ **FIRST LAYER OF DEFENSE IS STAYING HOME WHEN APPROPRIATE!**

If YOUR student OR a member of the household is awaiting COVID test results, keep your student home.

DIRECT LINE TO OUR ATTENDANCE OFFICE IS 854-7277

The direct line to our Attendance Office is 854-7277. A message can be left on this number 24/7. Any time your student is absent or tardy to school we must receive an excuse. To avoid receiving an automated phone call from our calling system, please excuse an absence before 9:30 a.m. You may also call in advance if you know of a future absence or you can leave a message after hours.

Homework requests are only made only if a student is absent two or more consecutive days. If you request homework, please make every effort to pick up the packets in a timely manner.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY SUBSTITUTES NEEDED

Are you looking for part-time work to earn extra money?
Become a Substitute Teacher or Para Professional Substitute for the Lake Havasu Unified School District.

We are continually looking for qualified and flexible substitutes

- ◆ On-line Application Process
- ◆ Automated system-job assignments
- ◆ Get first hand information when full-time positions become available

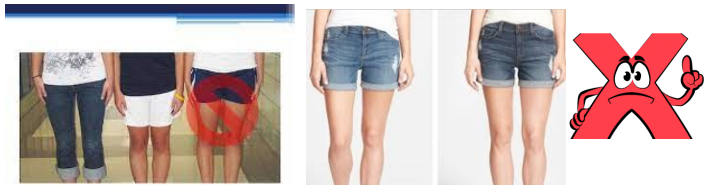
For more information contact Viviana Rowe at 928-505-5900.

DRESS CODE REMINDERS FREE DRESS DAYS

We are seeing daily dress code violations. PLEASE review the student handbook located on our website at <https://thunderbolt.lhusd.org> and adhere to the district policy. Our most frequent violation is having holes or frays above the finger tip and shorts or skirts length being above the fingertip.

During the year, there will be times when students earn free dress days. On free dress days please keep in mind the following dress code reminders:

- ALL shirts MUST have sleeves—NO tank tops, T-back tops, spaghetti straps, strapless tops, backless tops, tube tops, beachwear, muscle shirts with deep cut-outs under the arms.
- Do NOT wear clothing that exposes the midriff or cleavage
- No see-through clothing
- No LHHS Shirts
- No pajama bottoms or pajama lookalikes
- No clothing that reveals undergarments
- Modesty is the key!



Reasons to Visit Your School Counselor

counselors' CORNER

Counselors here at Thunderbolt are available for many reasons. We are trained in all aspects of emotional health, social and academic issues. We have tools to help students be successful and how to deal with stressful situations in life. We are limited on the time we can spend due to other obligations, but are always willing to lend a hand and an ear and guide you to outside resources.

Everything that is said in our office, stays in our office. We will only share information if a student feels it needs to be shared with a friend, teacher or a parent. There are legal requirements we do have to follow which means we do have to report if a student says they are going to hurt themselves, hurt someone else, or someone else is hurting them. Please make an appointment before or after school, ask a teacher to see one of us, or a parent/guardian can contact us.

Reasons to see your school counselor:

- Have someone listen for a few minutes without judgement.
- Discuss friendships, exams, and stress from home.
- Take advantage of a quick vent session if needed.
- Counselors are advocates for students and can teach coping, study, and organization skills.
- A counselor can help students through the steps of resolving a conflict.

If you would like to contact the counseling office, please call 854-7477 or contact us at our email address:

Libby Tarr
7th Grade Counselor
elizabeth.tarr@lhusd.org

Tara Stauffer
8th Grade Counselor
tara.stauffer@lhusd.org





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- Access near real-time grades and attendance
 - Teacher Contact

How do I connect?

Contact the front office for your activation key & instructions on how to sign up

Access through the Internet and many mobile devices.

- Online from your computer (computers are also available in the front office)
- Download Free Mobile App (available on iPhone and Android devices)

*Note that each parent and student will receive his or her own separate activation key, if he or she is listed in our records system.

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Picture Day
is Coming!



School Name: Thunderbolt Middle School

Picture Day Date: Friday, September 10

Picture Day ID: EVT93WH3D

**WATCH FOR PICTURE PACKETS TO
COME HOME THIS WEEK. PICTURES
MAY BE ORDERED ON-LINE OR
EXACT CHANGE MAY BE SENT IN
ON PICTURE DAY IN THE ENVELOPE
PROVIDED.**

THUNDERBOLT BOOSTER CLUB/VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

The Thunderbolt Booster Club consists of staff and parents whose goal is to help support our school wherever there is a need to enhance the educational process. This is also an opportunity for parents and staff to share our celebrations, challenges, and concerns. The Booster Club focuses on simple fundraising projects, such as supporting local restaurants and businesses with group nights. The funds we raise are used to support our teachers, students, and athletes in areas not included in the school's budget. One of our current goals is to look into getting a score board for our beautiful new football field so we are able to have games on our campus. One way you can help, is by supporting those fundraising nights whenever possible. We appreciate all you do and for all your support.

We value our volunteers. If you are interested in signing up for some of our project based opportunities, please contact our office at 854-7224 or email susan.blanchard@lhusd.org and we'll add you to our list. Some areas we need help are: working the snack bar during sporting events, organizing fundraisers, assisting with fundraisers, folding shirts, doing laundry, cut out kindness chain links, cleaning up lost and found, making copies, helping with teacher appreciation week, helping during 8th grade career day, making cricut posters or designs, etc.

**The Booster Club will meet quarterly with the first meeting being held
Wednesday, September 8th at 4:00 p.m. in the Thunderbolt Library.
We hope to see you there!**

Make A Difference



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Do you shop Amazon?

An easy way to earn money for our school that doesn't cost you anything is by using Amazon Smile for your on-line shopping needs. Just go to www.smile.amazon.com

If you have ever shopped on Amazon.com you know how convenient it is and how much you can find. You will continue to shop the exact same way that you always do. The only difference is that when you first log on, it will ask you to choose a charity to donate to. Choose **Thunderbolt Booster Club** and that's it! A percentage of your total will be donated directly to the school. Once you bookmark the page, you won't have to ever remember to do anything again. You can also continue to use your current account if you already have one.



We are proud to help
Thunderbolt Middle School
with their fundraising efforts

Join us at Papa Murphy's
(2231 McCulloch Blvd N)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22,
20% of ALL *in-store* sales will go to the school

33% of ALL *online* sales will go to the school
(www.papamurphys.com)



THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH
10:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m.
2049 W. Acoma Blvd. #B

Have you tried Italian Soda? Delicious!
Join us as we help Soda Therapy celebrate
their one year anniversary!
20% of all sales will be donated to
Thunderbolt!
Thank you for your support!

THUNDERBOLT VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE 2021-22

DATE	LOCATION	TIME
Tues August 31	Home vs KAOL	4:00 pm
Thur Sept 2	Home vs KMS	6:30 pm
Wed Sept 8	Away vs KAOL	4:00 pm
Tues Sept 14	Home vs White Cliffs	4:30 pm
Thur Sept 16	Home vs Needles	4:00 pm
Mon Sept 20	Home vs Wallace	4:30 pm
Thur Sept 23	Home vs Black Mountain	4:30 pm
Mon Sept 27	Away vs Wallace	4:30 pm
Thur Sept 30	Home vs Mohave Valley	4:00 pm
Tue Oct 12	Away vs Fox Creek	4:30 pm
Sat Oct 16	7th/B Team Tourn	TBD
Tue Oct 19	Away vs KMS	4:30 pm
Sat Oct 23	8th/A Team Tourn	TBD

THUNDERBOLT CROSS COUNTRY SCHEDULE

DATE	LOCATION	TIME
Sat Sept 11	Away @ White Cliffs	9:00 am
Sat Sept 18	Away @ Dolan Springs	9:00 am
Sat Sept 25	Mark Weston Invitational Bridgewater Links Golf Course	10:15 am
Wed Sept 29	Ray Reynolds Invitational Windsor Beach	5:15 pm
Wed Oct 13	Away @ Centennial Park	1:30 pm

THUNDERBOLT FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

DATE	LOCATION	TIME
Wed Sept 1	Home vs Wallace (LHHS)	6:30 pm
Wed Sept 7	Home vs Wallace (LHHS)	6:30 pm
Mon Sept 13	Away @ Mohave Valley	4:30 pm
Wed Sept 22	Home vs Black Mountain (LHHS)	6:30 pm
Wed Sept 29	Home vs Needles (LHHS)	6:00 pm
Mon Oct 11	Home vs White Cliffs (LHHS)	6:30 pm
Playoffs (tentative)		
Wed Oct 20	First Round Playoffs (A Team)	TBD
Wed Oct 27	Championship (A Team)	TBD

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With all
your mind.
Believe
With all
your heart.
Achieve
With all
your might.



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August 26, 2021

Dear Parents or Guardians:

Under section 11112(e)(1)(A) of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) reauthorization, Title I, schools are required to provide parent notification when a teacher does not meet Arizona appropriate certification requirements.

Although the below teachers,

Arthur Valentine, 7th Grade English, Matthew Sepulveda, 7th Grade Math

Justin Harrison, 7th Grade Math, Richard Stickney, 7th Grade Science

Cameron Gagnon, 8th Grade Math, Stephanie Thompson, 8th Grade Science

Joe Casey, 8th Grade Social Studies, Roger Viscaino, Spanish are valued members of the faculty at Thunderbolt, they do not yet meet the requirements for being an Arizona appropriately certified teacher. All above mentioned teachers are currently completing the necessary steps to meet the requirements for full certification as soon as possible.

LHUSD has an evidenced-based, student-focused teacher induction program that all the above mentioned teachers are participating in. They are on staff because he/she possesses the knowledge and disposition that teachers must have to support students, an understanding of our mission and a passion for education and serving students and families. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at 854-7224.

Sincerely,

Gordy Hall
Principal
Thunderbolt

Dr. Rebecca Stone
Superintendent
Lake Havasu Unified School District



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26 de agosto de 2021

Queridos padres o Guardianes:

Bajo la sección 11112 (e) (1) (A) de la reautorización de la Ley Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), Título I, las escuelas deben notificar a los padres cuando un maestro no cumple con los requisitos de certificación apropiados de Arizona.

Aunque los siguientes profesores,

Arthur Valentine, inglés de séptimo grado, Matthew Sepúlveda, matemáticas de séptimo grado

Justin Harrison, matemáticas de séptimo grado, Richard Stickney, ciencias de séptimo grado, Cameron Gagnon, matemáticas de octavo grado, Stephanie Thompson, ciencias de octavo grado

Joe Casey, estudios sociales de octavo grado, Roger Viscaino, español son miembros valiosos de la facultad de Thunderbolt, aún no cumplen con los requisitos para ser un maestro debidamente certificado de Arizona. Todos los maestros mencionados anteriormente están completando los pasos necesarios para cumplir con los requisitos para la certificación completa lo antes posible.

LHUSD tiene un programa de inducción de maestros centrado alrededor del estudiante y basado en evidencias. Todas las profesoras mencionadas son están participando. Están en el personal porque posee el conocimiento y la disposición que los maestros deben tener para apoyar a los estudiantes, una comprensión de nuestra misión y una pasión por la educación y el servicio a los estudiantes y familias. Si tiene alguna pregunta, no dude en comunicarse conmigo al 854-7224.

Atentamente,

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