



THUNDERBOLT MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 1, 2021

UPCOMING EVENTS

- December 1 Choir Concert, 6:00 p.m.—Gym
- December 2 Early Release Day, 1:00 p.m.
Panda Express Fundraiser
- December 8 Band Concert, 6:00 p.m.—Gym
- December 9 Early Release, 1:00 p.m.
- December 10 Spelling Bee, 3:00 p.m.
- December 14 School Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
- December 15 Papa Murphy’s Pizza Fundraiser
- December 16 Early Release, 1:00 p.m.
- December 17 NO SCHOOL
- December 20-January 2 WINTER BREAK

DRESS CODE REMINDERS

As cooler weather arrives, we have a few dress code reminders:

- ◆ Students may not wear their own jacket inside the building, they must wear a standardized hooded sweatshirt or layer clothing. Sweatshirts are available to purchase for \$27
- ◆ Pants and jeans cannot have ANY rips, frays or tears above the fingertip.
- ◆ No pajama bottoms or pajama lookalikes
- ◆ No slippers

SPELLING BEE

The Thunderbolt Spelling Bee will be held on December 10th in the cafeteria beginning at 3:00 p.m. Check-In begins at 2:45.

Transportation is not provided and parents are encouraged to attend.



Winter Break
NO SCHOOL
December 20th -
January 2nd

**No School
December 17th
Teacher Inservice**

REPORT CARDS

Second quarter report cards will be sent home with students on Wednesday, January 5th. 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.

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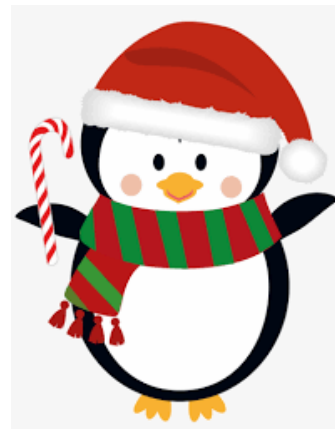
NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY

Invitations to complete a Candidacy Packet will be sent in January. At the middle school level, a full semester of grades are required according to national guidelines. Students meeting the following prerequisites will be invited in January to complete a candidate profile form. Students are eligible to become candidates if they:

- ◇ Maintain the minimum GPA of 3.5 each quarter (potential candidates selected from those with 3.5 GPA in both Q1 and Q2).
- ◇ Exemplify good citizenship. Must receive a Satisfactory grade in all classes. No N's or U's.
- ◇ Exemplify good attendance. Students should have less than 8 unexcused absences for 1st semester.
- ◇ No disciplinary concerns or referrals.

After we receive first semester final grades, citizenship, attendance and behavior information, the qualifying students will receive forms to complete. This will hopefully occur the 2nd week of January. They will have approximately one week to complete and return them.

The Candidate Profile Packets are assessed according to the NJHS ideals of scholarship, character, service, citizenship, and leadership. Candidates are selected and formally inducted during 3rd quarter and participate in individual and charter related service activities.



We are an official Toys for Tots collection site. Please send in a NEW, UNUSED, UNWRAPPED toy between now and **December 3rd** to support local families who may be struggling to provide gifts for their children this holiday season. We appreciate your donation and support for our community.

TOYS FOR TOTS, COINS FOR LOTS!

The holidays are happier when you can give. Many of our students can't give a whole toy for our Toys for Tots drive, but they should feel they did something to help make someone's season merry and bright!

Now through December 3rd, NJHS will be doing a coin drive for Toys for Tots! "Toys for Tots, Coins for Lots"! Each day, we will ask students during their first hour class if they have a donation of coins (bills are allowed too!) Even if every student brings in a quarter, we should have enough money to shop for several toys to add to the toy drive. Every little bit helps.



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. We appreciate all you do and for all your support.

**Our next Booster Club meeting is
Tuesday, December 7th at 5:00 p.m.
in the Thunderbolt Library**

EDUCATIONAL TOUR CLUB MEETINGS

MANDATORY STUDENT MEETINGS
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1 & 15, 7:00 a.m.



December 1st, 6:00 p.m. in the Gym



December 8th, 6:00 p.m. in the Gym



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.**



Counselor Corner

Enjoying the Holidays with your Tween

Holidays are a time of enjoyment and fun for all. However, with more guests around the house and older siblings arriving for the holidays, things can be stressful at times. Middle School children love to be with the family but they feel stress too. Here are some helpful tips to help everyone during this time of year.

- **SPACE** - Give your tween space to regroup. Their brain is still learning and developing and they need time to rewind, adjust and figure out things for themselves. Their older brother or sister that returned from college has grown into a young man or woman that may be different to them. Grandparents are getting older which may change the family dynamics. They need to figure out what they are feeling and not be told how to feel.
- **FOOD** - Let them have a say in where you are going for dinner, or what you are making. Now that they are maturing, it is a good time to let them help with fixing a dish to share. It helps build self-esteem.
- **GIVE** - Tweens are self-absorbed; that is the nature of a tween. That is okay but for them to grow, teach them to give back. They can do something easy like donate clothes or old toys to Goodwill. Have them make cookies for a neighbor or friend. Some of their friends may be alone while their parents are working, have them invite them over for dinner. Remind your child they receive when they give.
- **TECH** - Too much time on technology can keep a tween away from their family and friends. Have them use it in moderation. You can use as a reward and it can be helpful to keep track of them. One suggestion is to limit time, always. Check Instagram, snapchat and see what your child is looking at, talking to and what they are posting. The holidays are a good time to let your child start a photo journal of family gatherings. Then they can share it with the family and friends.
- **HUMOR** - Remember you were a tween once. The best modeling you can do is to laugh at yourself and teach them to laugh. Life can be serious as a tween; peers are hard on them. Teach them to find the humor in most situations. If you do it yourself, they will learn from you. Help them to find the humor in situations if they get upset.

Enjoy the season, and enjoy your tween. You will look back someday and wonder, "When did my little one grown up?" You helped to form that mature young person and should be proud of the person they are becoming.

Thunderbolt Middle School

“Adopt a Child” Giving Tree

Our tree is bare.
If you would like your
child to receive a gift,
please contact our
counseling office. Your
student will remain
anonymous.

If you would like to be a recipient of a gift from the Giving Tree, please contact the counseling office at 854-7224. A counselor will be in contact with you to get detailed information. If you would like to adopt an angel off the tree, please take one and bring your gift (along with the angel) to the counseling office no later than **December 15th by 3 PM**. Gifts will be distributed to our TBolt students and families on December 16th.

Where: Thunderbolt Counseling Office

When: November 15th – December 15th

Time: 8 AM – 3:30 PM



BOYS BASKETBALL

<u>DATE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>OPPONENT</u>	<u>H/A</u>	<u>SITE</u>	<u>TIME</u>
12/2/2021	THURS	NEEDLES	A	NEEDLES	4:00 (AZ)
		MOHAVE VALLEY JR.			
12/9/2021	THURS	HIGH	H	THUNDERBOLT	4:30PM
12/13/2021	MON	TELESIS	A	TELESIS	4:30PM
12/16/2021	THURS	FOX CREEK	A	FOX CREEK	4:30
		MOHAVE VALLEY JR.			
1/4/2022	TUE	HIGH	A	MOHAVE VALLEY	4:30
1/6/2022	THURS	BLACK MOUNTAIN	A	BLACK MOUNTAIN	4:30
1/11/2022	TUE	WHITE CLIFFS	A	WHITE CLIFFS	4:30
1/19/2022	WED	NEEDLES	H	THUNDERBOLT	4:30PM
1/27/2022	THURS	FOX CREEK	H	THUNDERBOLT	4:30
				LEE WILLIAMS (WHITE CLIFFS)	
1/22/2022	SAT	7TH/B TEAM TOURNEY	A	CLIFFS)	TBD
2/5/2022	SAT	8TH/A TEAM TOURNEY	A	MALC	TBD

Games subject to change

GIRLS BASKETBALL

<u>DATE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>OPPONENT</u>	<u>H/A</u>	<u>SITE</u>	<u>TIME</u>
12/2/2021	THURS	NEEDLES	H	THUNDERBOLT	4:30PM
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				LEE WILLIAMS (WHITE CLIFFS)	
1/15/2022	SAT	7TH/B TEAM TOURNEY	A	CLIFFS)	TBD
1/29/2022	SAT	8TH/A TEAM TOURNEY	A	MALC	TBD

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ShopWithScrip®

By December 6th

The holiday season is rapidly approaching. Everyone loves getting gift cards as holiday gifts, plus they're a great way to budget holiday spending. You can raise money for our school while crossing off your gift list. Thunderbolt Middle School is partnering with Shop With Scrip, a gift card fundraising company, that supports our school by donating a percent of each gift card purchased. There's no extra cost to you, plus you save the time and effort of searching for particular cards.

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Log onto www.shopwithscrip.com or download the RaiseRight app on your phone. Select join a program, register, and enter our enrollment code: **LBL19D9935247**. Once you complete the enrollment form, verify your account and securely pay with a credit card at checkout or link a bank account through Presto Pay before you shop. **If you don't wish to pay on-line, cash or checks payable to Thunderbolt Booster Club may be given to Sue Blanchard in the Thunderbolt office by December 6th.** ScripNow E Cards will be delivered immediately once on-line payment is received. Physical cards will be delivered by December 15th.

If you have any questions please call Sue Blanchard at 854-7224 or email susan.blanchard@lhud.org.





Help Us Raise Money For:

Thunderbolt Middle School

20% of event sales will be donated



When

Thursday, December 02, 2021
All Day: 10:00 AM to 9:30 PM

Where

Panda Express located at:
Lake Havasu & Palo Verde PX 205 N. Lake
Havasu Ave. Lake Havasu City AZ 86403
(928) 453 - 0012

How to Order



Online

PandaExpress.com or the App.
Enter 330093 in the promo code box

or



In-Person

Bring paper flyer or show it on
your smartphone

Order ahead or on the event day Thursday, December 02, 2021



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

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

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15TH

20% of ALL *in-store* sales will go to the school

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

**RAISE
SOME
DOUGH!**

A white piggy bank icon with a red dollar sign on its side, positioned to the right of the text.

It's not too late to order school pictures!
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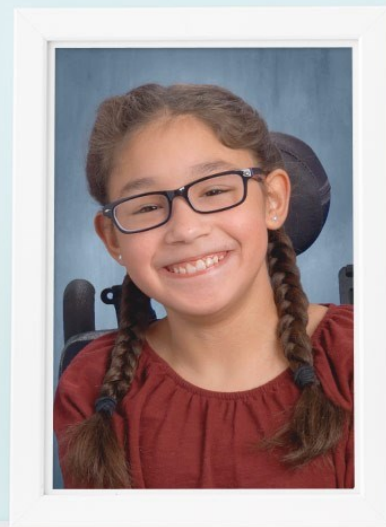
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