



News from the Nest November 2020

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Eagle Events

- 11/4 Early Dismissal @ 12:45
- 11/11 No School
Veterans Day
- 11/18 Early Dismissal @ 12:45
- 11/25 Early Dismissal @ 12:45
- 11/26-11/27 No School
Thanksgiving Break
- 12/2 Early Dismissal @ 12:45

From the desk of Mrs. Rosales...

All of our Ironwood Eagles have returned to the nest! We now have all of our kindergarteners through fifth grade students in classrooms with their teachers and their peers. The learning and laughter we hear as we walk through classrooms warms our hearts! Keeping our students and staff safe and healthy is what we are striving towards. Thank you for your support at home in keeping your child(ren) healthy.

Ironwood is looking for volunteers to join our PTO Board—no experience needed! Our PTO is looking forward to supporting teachers and raising money to purchase needed items for students, teachers and the school. Volunteering is a great way to show your kids that you take an interest in their education. It not only benefits your children; you also benefit by making our school a more positive place. Even if you have not been involved in the past, it is never too late to start. Through your modeling, relationship building, support, and encouragement, you will be helping in ways that will reap numerous benefits for everyone.

As Thanksgiving approaches, it is a time we reflect on what we are thankful for. We are thankful for the families who chose to bring their child(ren) to Ironwood, the support we have from parents and family members, the dedicated teachers who work hard to provide a safe place to learn, and the support we receive from the Casa Grande community—for this, we are truly thankful.

Partners in Education,
Robin Rosales, Principal

It is not too late to sign up for parent alerts for your child's school issued device.

<https://help.bark.us/en/articles/3807544-how-to-activate-your-parent-portal-account-bark-for-schools>



Nurse Notes

We want everyone to be safe and stay healthy at school. We hope you will join us in the fight to prevent the spread of Coronavirus at school, at home and in our community.

One of the ways to do that is to wear a mask in public. Everyone will need to keep their masks on all day except to eat or drink, or in special circumstances. Here are some guidelines about how to wear and take care of your mask:

WEAR YOUR MASK CORRECTLY TO PROTECT YOURSELF AND OTHERS, TOO!

- Wash your hands (or use hand sanitizer) before putting on your mask and every time you take it off
- Holding **only** the ear loops or ties that wrap around your head, put your mask on over your face
- Your mask should cover your nose **and** your mouth at all times
- Your mask should fit snugly against the sides of your face and below your chin, but it should be comfortable enough to wear all day long
- **Don't** put the mask around your neck or up on your forehead
- **Don't** touch the mask, and, if you do, wash your hands or use hand sanitizer to kill germs

***If you have problems with your mask at school, such as, feeling like you can't breathe, your mask hurts, it keeps falling off, or it gets dirty or wet, tell your teacher and they will try to help you.**

TAKE OFF YOUR MASK CAREFULLY WHEN YOU GET HOME!

- Untie the strings behind your head or stretch the ear loops to remove your mask
- You can put your mask in a plastic Ziploc baggie to store it
- Handle your mask only by the ear loops or ties
- Be careful not to touch your eyes, nose, and mouth when removing your mask
- Wash your hands immediately after removing your mask
- Ask your parents to wash your mask regularly to kill any germs
- Consider having 2 masks in case something happens to one of them
- Don't forget to make sure you have a clean mask for school tomorrow!

Drop Off and Pick-up

Thank you for your patience as we strive to improve the drop off and pick up process.

We are asking that parents pull forward to the **DROP OFF HERE** sign possible before stopping to let their student(s) in or out of the car. Stopping at the corner in front of the doors and gates causes the line to back up onto Colorado Street.

We also ask that students already have their belongings, including technology, mask, lunch, and water bottles packed up and ready to go. Students trying to find their items slows down the line considerably.

Thank you for your help in making this process as smooth as possible.



Technology at Home

With devices going home daily with students, here are some fun and educational activities they can do:

- ⇒ iReady- reading practice at the student's skill level
 - 15 minutes a day
- ⇒ STMath- math practice on grade level standards that uses fun games
 - Kinder and First- 10 to 15 minutes a day
 - Second through Fifth- 20 min. a day
- ⇒ Zearn- math practice that includes math facts , lessons, and problem solving
 - 30 minutes a day
- ⇒ EPIC- thousands of books and activities
 - The Ironwood librarian's code is **wch1503**

Please remember to charge and clean the device nightly and send it to school each day.