

# PAGE PRIDE, FAR AND WIDE

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## PAGE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

### A Common Thread: Finding Green in the Desert



Do you recognize the building in this picture? It could have been a challenge for you during our "Campus Cruising" series in the newsletter this school year because few people know what it is, where it is, what it does, and who gets to use it! This is the Greenhouse on Page High School's campus between the football field and old softball field. Built years ago with grant funding, it is owned by PUSD and maintained by the National Park Service (NPS) for use by NPS and the schools, although our schools haven't utilized it in a while! NPS is mandated to manage native plant species in areas where there is human-caused damage or disturbance and our greenhouse allows them to collect, grow, and maintain those native plant

species in a controlled environment. Volunteer opportunities exist for you to help out and learn about native plant species and, perhaps, learn how the greenhouse could be utilized for community and school projects. Contact Lonnie Pilkington with the Glen Canyon National Recreation Area (928) 608-6269 for information about what NPS is up to. There is also a Master Gardener program gaining momentum in Page through the Coconino County Cooperative Extension and you can contact Hattie Braun at (928) 774-1868 to learn about any upcoming events, grants, volunteer opportunities, and a local contact person for the program.



The indoor swimming pool on Page High School's campus will be closed once again this summer. Continuing issues with maintenance and safety for our students and community members using the pool will keep the

doors closed and the pool unusable. Should repairing and reopening the pool be a priority for PUSD? See the article on PAGE TWO for how you can have your voice be heard on this and other important subjects.

**Get Involved.  
Have Your Say.  
Make A Difference.**

**Read about our  
Strategic Plan  
and how you  
can help on the  
next page!**

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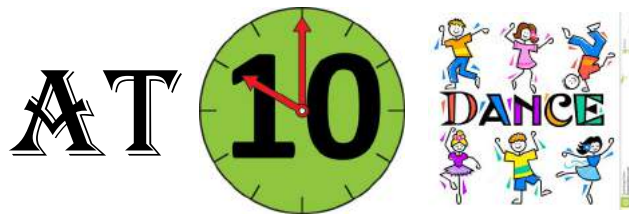
#### Find out FAST on Facebook!

- Page Unified Preschool: 39 likes
- Lake View Primary School Eagles: 219 likes
- Desert View Intermediate Bobcats: 167 likes
- Page Middle School Panthers: 299 likes
- Page High School Sand Devils: 2,598 likes
- Manson Mesa High School Falcons: 34 likes
- Page Unified School District: 425 likes



Superintendent Rob Varner is putting together a group of parents, students, educators, and community members to develop a Strategic Plan for Page Unified School District. What should the vision for PUSD look like? Learn about the budgeting process and how priorities are set. If our voting citizens pass the Capital Bond, how will that money be used? We need YOU to join us to make this a vibrant, cooperative effort with many perspectives represented.

Call Lynne Hoffman, our Executive Secretary, at (928) 608-4117 for more information and to add your name to the contact list for when the group convenes with the new school year.



Research shows that students who are late to school on a consistent basis when they are young often have poor attendance in later years. One tip to getting your child here on time is to set out clothes and backpacks the night before and keep a regular morning routine on school days. We want to see your child at school each and every day!

Don't delay, start today! With just a few weeks left for school, every minute counts and your plan put into action today will carry over for next school year!

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Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday	
<b>01</b>	<b>02</b>	<b>03</b>	PHS/PMS Orchestra Concert—CAB 6:00PM	<b>04</b>	<b>05</b>	College T-shirt Day— first Weds of the month  Awards Assembly—PHS  PTO—DV 4:00PM	Incoming 6th Grade Parent Night—PMS	<b>06</b>	<b>07</b>	SAT Test  Page Dance Ensemble Show—CAB	
<b>08</b>	<b>09</b>	<b>10</b>	Field Day—1st Graders 9AM at PHS football field  Field Day—2nd Graders 12PM at PHS football field  <b>Superintendent's Forum— District Office 4-5:00PM Board Meeting— District Office 5:00PM</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	Awards Assembly—PHS  Field Day—5th Graders 9AM at PHS football field  Field Day—Kindergarteners (Tawny) 12:30PM at LV  <b>Indian Education Council— PUSD Hogan 6:00PM</b>	Field Day—Kindergarteners (Stellar) 12:30PM at LV  Choir POPS Concert—CAB 6:30PM	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>		
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	Talent Show—DV 12:30PM  Spring Fling—LV	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	100% Celebration—LV  Awards Assembly—DV  Preschool Graduation 9:00AM  MMHS Graduation 6:00PM	<b>1/2 Day of School  Last Day of School</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	PHS Graduation 7:00PM	
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>Superintendent's Forum— District Office 4-5:00PM  Board Meeting— District Office 5:00PM</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	The Dancespace: Dances in the Desert— CAB 7:00PM	<b>28</b>	The Dancespace: Dances in the Desert— CAB 7:00PM		
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>									

Get your school event on this calendar! E-mail: [PRcontact@pageud.k12.az.us](mailto:PRcontact@pageud.k12.az.us)  
Find our most up-to-date calendars online at [www.pageschools.org](http://www.pageschools.org)

# CONGRATULATIONS !!



Congratulations to Jeff McIntyre (Counselor) and Alva Yazzie (Custodian) for their tireless efforts and dedication to excellence in their respective positions. Whether striving to build strong relationships with students and staff or demonstrating a fantastic work ethic, both have gone above and beyond the call of duty for our school district. Each month, PUSD selects a certified and classified staff member to receive Personal Recognition in District Education (PRIDE) and Mr. McIntyre and Ms. Yazzie were recognized during the April 12th Governing Board meeting.

Also honored were students from each school who are succeeding and demonstrating PRIDE behaviors—Positive, Respectful, Involved, Determined, and Excellent. Shandiin Johnson, Nolan McCormick (left), Valerie Huynh, Cora Tsosie, and Christie Shepard were awarded for the month of March and all deserve a shout out for their role model worthy actions this school year!

## Campus Cruising

**From last month: Where is this?**



Skylight meetings have been a staple at Page Middle School for years, providing a large, bright, localized spot for each grade level to easily congregate. Found at the end of the grade level hallways, skylights such as this one from the 8th grade hall have seen generations of students pass below them, discussing everything from student council elections to tragedies to awards...and providing a great spot to advertise rules, school initiatives, and inspiration!



Thank you for all your answers, guesses and conversations about our Campus Cruising this school year! It's been fun highlighting our campuses and remembering our history.

Stay tuned for next school year!