



## ACE Charter High School

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### Helping ACE Eagles to Soar!

This new school year we have had many positive changes, including being recognized by the *Arizona Charter Schools Association* as having three years of continuous school improvement! The rigorous standards embraced by our teachers, our students and the staff have helped our students and school to do better than ever! GO ACE EAGLES!

ACE has many new programs and resources like PowerSchool and coming soon Study Island for Math. As part of meeting the new standards and to help students grow academically, teachers are providing more directed instruction in the classrooms, more discussions, and more project based learning. Credit Recovery and Accelerated Classes are still available in all subject areas. Juniors and Seniors who need to catch up on credits or to accelerate to meet their graduation goals should schedule a Graduation Plan Meeting through the front office. We want our students to meet their own personal graduation goals and have the skills needed for success in a challenging job market and for post-secondary education.

A new National School Lunch program is making sure all our students have healthy hot lunch each day and time to socialize between learning. The two lunch periods will be combined into one starting this Monday, at 11:40pm.

ACE has welcomed a new Social Studies department with Mr. Tom Rautert and Mr. John Priest, who is also the new basketball team coach. The Science department has a new member with Mr. Tim Kennedy, who will be starting an Environmental Club soon. Former science teacher, Ms. Jennifer Fimbres is now full time Assistant Principal for Curriculum and Instruction. The Math Department also changed with the addition of Mr. Armen Sarrafian, our new Geometry teacher, who is helping students to meet the rigorous Arizona College and Career Readiness standards!

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### Upcoming Events

#### September 15 - 2:30pm

Mary Jo Stinnett shares her 105 years of life stories in the MPR/Cafeteria

#### September 17<sup>th</sup> – 4:30pm

Title I Parent Meeting

#### September 26<sup>th</sup>

ACE Eagles Basketball Game

#### October 10<sup>th</sup> – No School

End of Quarter 1 Progress Reports will be mailed!

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### ACE Eagles meet their Goals! Red Cross Blood Drive Success!

Students, staff and community members donated blood at ACEHS on Sept 4<sup>th</sup>. We beat our goal with a total of 29 units donated! GO EAGLES! The drive was ran by student volunteers and the Community and Culture class members who did a great job! Donors received a t-shirt and, of course, cookies and juice! Join us for our next blood drive on December 4<sup>th</sup> and the gift of life! Contact Ms. Ruddick or Ms.Fimbres to sign up!

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## Volunteer Opportunity

### United Way Day of Caring, October 25, 2014

Mr. Kennedy and Mr. Rautert will be meeting a group of ACE High School student volunteers to assist in the United Way Day of Caring on October 25<sup>th</sup>. Tentatively, we plan to meet students at the Pima County Animal Care Center (4000 N. Silverbell Rd.) to walk the shelter dogs.

Students should arrive by 8:15 AM, and can be picked up by 11:00 AM. Volunteers are to receive a t-shirt for their service. Water will be available. Volunteers must wear closed-toe shoes and comfortable clothes. The deadline to sign up (in Rooms 120 or 121) is October 15<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions, see or email Mr. Kennedy or Mr. Rautert.

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### This Month's Featured Class - Arts and Crafts with Mrs. Ryan

Double crochet . . . glue gun . . . skein . . . chain stitch . . . perspective...

These are just a few of the words that you will hear if you enter Mrs. Ryan's 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> period Arts & Crafts electives class. This is a course designed to promote pride in accomplishment, creativity, confidence and teamwork. We are focusing on the creative process and how to make items that will reflect each student's individuality. The students are currently learning to crochet and will also be making many Christmas items, learn to draw and paint as well as make jewelry.

**To volunteer or donate materials, please contact Mrs. Ryan**

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Please contact Lucy or Marcy at 520-628-8316 to update your mailing address and phone numbers before Quarter 1 Progress Reports are mailed. Help us to keep you connected!  
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*All Teachers are available for Extended Learning "6<sup>th</sup> period" Tutoring from 2:35 to 3:40pm on Mondays, Tuesday, Thursdays and most Friday's! Take advantage of this time to work 1 to 1 with your teachers to get extra help, make up missed assignments, work on credit recovery classes, or to accelerate!*

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## Community & Culture Class Updates

**The Community & Culture Class have been hard at work these first weeks back to school. We held our first Spirit Week during the week of MAP benchmarks and provided nachos on Friday to thank the school for their completion of these important assessments. The Aquaponics Project is making progress and we are looking forward to participating in this new opportunity. On Monday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, the class will be providing refreshments for our special guest Mary Jo Stinnett as she shares her 105 year old life story with the school. Mr. Kennedy and his students have arranged for this amazing lady to share some of her time with our students.**

We have many fun activities planned for the upcoming year for the class, our school and families! Please contact Mrs. Ruddick to participate or get more info on how to be a part of the ACE community!  
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**Coming in October!  
Information about a Parent Night Dinner, how to get signed up for PowerSchool, and information about Parent/Teacher Conferences, and much more!**