

The Husky Herald

The Monthly Newsletter for Horizon School and ATEC West

2022-2023



October 2022

Hello Horizon and ATEC West Community!

We would like to celebrate our terrific teachers and fabulous families who participated in parent-teacher conferences last month. A spectacular shout-out to our amazing parent support groups at Horizon and ATEC-West. They prepared a delicious dinner for our starving staff. Your hard work and dedication are greatly appreciated!

This year our team is reading the book *Culturize* by Jimmy Casas. Our goal is to nurture a positive culture at both sites and in each classroom. We believe as a result of intentionally improving our culture, our school will experience improvement in the three areas of focus described in last month's newsletter. 1) School Wide Achievement, 2) Student Group Achievement, 3) Student Connection.

Each week, every school team discusses the same section of *Culturize*. During our meeting, we set a goal to deliberately improve our culture. In the first chapter, "Be a Champion for Every Student", we set the goal to focus on the 3 R's: Relationships, Relationships, Relationships. Our action step for this goal is taking specific time to visit with each student and staff member, while seeking to understand.

Our team looks forward to making connections, building relationships, and improving our culture. Thank you for the opportunity of working with your incredible kids!

Happy Fall Y'all!

Dan Heaps, Principal

Suzanne Palmer, ATEC West Transition Program Administrator

Important Items

Halloween Activities on Oct 31:

- **Horizon:**
 - **Parade:** We are having a costume parade at 1:00pm. Any and all parents/guardians are welcome to come and participate! After the parade, classes will have several activities planned to do in their individual classes.
 - **Costume Contest:** We will have a costume contest with awards!
- **ATEC West:**
 - **Dance and Activities:** We will host a Halloween dance at ATEC West, as well as other activities in classes from 12:00-1:00 on Halloween.
 - **Costume Contest:** ATEC West will also be holding a costume contest!

Fundraiser Thank You! Thank you for all of your support with our parent group fundraiser! We raised a little over \$1100 with all of the clothing that was donated!

HIRING: ATEC West Job Coaches We are currently in need of hiring 1 job coach for ATEC West. If you know anyone who might have interest and would be a great fit to help our ATEC West interns, please send them this link:

<https://www.applitrack.com/alpineschools/onlineapp/JobPostings/view.asp?FromAdmin=true&AppliTrackJobId=5406>

School Facebook Page: We use social media at our school to post about important dates, highlight what's happening at our school, and more! It's a private page to protect confidentiality. Please consider requesting to be a member of our page! Link: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/289655102455482>

Dates to Remember

October 11	Horizon Fire Drill @ 10:30am
October 12	End of 1st Quarter
October 13-14	Fall Break–No School
October 17	Teacher Professional Development Day–No School
October 19	Picture Retake Day
October 24	School Community Council Meeting @ 12:30 pm
October 31	Halloween Festivities (see description above)