

Blackwater Community School

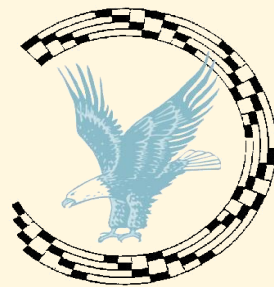
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BIG NEWS

(Ge'e -Haichaagith)

Quality Education Begins Here!



November 22, 2021-December 5, 2021

Suam Mashath /Sko:mag Mashath

Upcoming Events

Monday - 11-22:

(Lunas)

Virtual Learning

Tuesday - 11-23:

(Go:k-Thash)

Virtual Learning

Wednesday - 11-24:

(Vaik-Thash)

Virtual Learning

Early Dismissal-12 Noon

Thursday - 11-25:

(Gi:ik-Thash)

Thanksgiving-No School

Friday - 11-26:

(Vialas)

Thanksgiving-No School

Monday - 11-29:

(Lunas)

Virtual Learning

Tuesday - 11-30:

(Go:k-Thash)

Virtual Learning

Wednesday - 12-1:

(Vaik-Thash)

Virtual Learning

Early Release- 1 PM

Thursday - 12-2:

(Gi:ik-Thash)

Virtual Learning

Friday - 12-3:

(Vialas)

Virtual Learning

Have you checked out the website lately?

1. Download the QR Code reader app in your Apple or Google Play store (Free to download!)
2. Scan the code! →
3. Check out the BWCS website and stay in the loop!



GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY HOTLINE

FOR COVID-19

(520)550-6079

Bulletin Board

Remember early release at Noon on Wednesday, November 24, 2021. Happy Thanksgiving to all the parents and students. Lunch will be from 10:45 to 11:30 !!

No School November 25 and 26 for Thanksgiving!!



"You're braver than you believe, and stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think." -- Winnie the Pooh
(Pooh's Most Grand Adventure)

Principal's Letter

Dear Parents and Guardians

It is hard to believe that we are almost close to the Christmas time while Thanksgiving is just around the corner. As we all know it has not been easy on our students, parents and teachers while going through Virtual Learning mode. The primary reason for this situation is the safety & health of our students, faculty and community members at large. We really appreciate all the support we are getting from the Tribal Council, parents and guardians.

School administration has been working diligently with the Community Council to come up with a plan whereby hybrid-Learning may become a reality very soon. We have another meeting scheduled with GRIC Education Standing Committee and Health & Social Committee on November 24, 2021 to finalize the hybrid learning Plan. If it is approved, we will be contacting you to let you know as to when and how we will implement this new hybrid plan. There is a strong possibility that we may be able to open the school under this new plan on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays for on-site learning (in-person) and on Wednesdays and Fridays it will be virtual learning. School administration will continue to offer virtual learning for all those families who may not feel safe to send their children for in-person learning.

I would highly recommend to you all to start thinking about getting your child vaccinated on a priority basis. Our Community has already started offering kids vaccination shots from last couple of weeks. Please read the attached flyer for more information.

Our School staff members have been waiting very patiently to see our students on campus for in-person learning. I want to send my heartfelt thanks our teaching staff, all parents, and Community Council for exhibiting a strong commitment to the safety and well-being of everybody. We will continue to provide the best quality education to all our children enrolled at our school. As you all know Blackwater School is best known for its caring staff, strong academic teaching and learning place, and having small classroom size that enables our teachers to focus on each child's unique learning style. In short, "We have the Best School in the West".

I wish you all a safe, Happy and fun-filled Thanksgiving Break. Please feel free to contact the school administration, should you have any question or suggestions. Again, thanks for all your continuing support to our school, we appreciate it very much.

Regards,

Jagdish Sharma

Principal

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A FAMILY FRIENDLY, COVID-SAFE, VACCINATION EVENT.

Saturday, November 20, 2021
10 am – 5 pm

Sacaton Boys & Girls club
116 South Holly Street
Sacaton, AZ 85147

Boxed lunch
to first
300
participants

COVID-Safe Health Fair

Behavioral Health Services • Dental • Optometry
School Health Services • Public Health Nursing • CPAO • GRBC
Boys & Girls Club • Tribal Health • Tribal Education • Community Services

Receive promo items (water bottles, bracelets, toothbrushes,
dental floss, toothpaste, sunglasses and more) and educational handouts.

Flu shots will also be available.

Children ages 5+ are eligible to receive the Pfizer vaccine.
Have you received your vaccine and need a third dose booster?



Who Can Receive Pfizer or Moderna Third Booster Shot:

1. Individuals between the ages of 18 and 64 with a chronic health condition (such as Diabetes, heart disease, obesity)
2. All individuals 65 years or older
3. 18 to 64 years of age where frequent institutional or occupational exposure to COVID-19
4. Residents of a Long-Term Care Facility or other aggregate setting



What If I received the Johnson & Johnson (Janssen) Vaccine?

All individuals that received the Johnson & Johnson (Janssen) Vaccine two (2) months prior are eligible to receive a booster of the Moderna vaccine.

Gila River and Ak-Chin Indian Communities enrolled members and those who reside in their households (regardless of tribal affiliation), all Federally-recognized tribal members, GRIC Essential Employees and their household members, and Community Enterprise Employees and their household members.

All children must be accompanied
by a parent or guardian.

Please remember to follow safety guidelines:

- Masks are required
- Physical distance by maintaining six (6) feet distance at all times
- Wash your hands and/or use hand sanitizer



**COVID-19 GENERAL
INFORMATION**



GRHC COVID-19 HOTLINE
(520) 550-6079



GRHC.ORG/HUB



Get Vaccinated!



COVID-19 and Flu Vaccines Available

NOVEMBER 2021

11/12	Sacaton Boys & Girls Club	9 am – 3 pm
11/13	Sacaton Boys & Girls Club	9 am – 3 pm
11/15	Sacaton Boys & Girls Club	9 am – 3 pm
11/16	Sacaton Boys & Girls Club	9 am – 3 pm
11/17	Sacaton Boys & Girls Club	9 am – 3 pm
11/18	Sacaton Boys & Girls Club	9 am – 3 pm
11/19	Sacaton Boys & Girls Club	9 am – 3 pm
11/20	Sacaton Boys & Girls Club <i>Covid-safe Family Vaccine Event with Health Fair & Take-a-way Lunch!</i>	10 am – 5 pm
11/22	Sacaton Boys & Girls Club	9 am – 3 pm
11/23	Sacaton Boys & Girls Club	9 am – 3 pm
11/23	D6 Service Center	9 am – 3 pm
11/24	Sacaton Boys & Girls Club	9 am – 3 pm
11/24	D6 Service Center	9 am – 3 pm

**You may also visit a GRHC Primary Care Department for vaccines.
Walk-in or schedule an appointment by calling (602) 528-1482.**

Dose 1 / Dose 2 Eligibility:

GRIC and Ak-Chin Indian Community tribal enrolled members and their household members, all federally recognized tribal members, GRIC essential employees and their household members, and community enterprise employees and their household members. All individuals 5 years and older. Parent or guardian consent is required.

Dose 3 Eligibility:

1. Individuals between the ages of 18 and 64 with a chronic health condition (such as Diabetes, heart disease, obesity)
2. All individuals 65 years or older
3. 18 to 64 years of age where frequent institutional or occupational exposure to COVID-19
4. Residents of a Long-Term Care Facility or other aggregate setting
5. Ages 12 and over with weakened immune system

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