

# CGCS Newsletter

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## ALPHA SOCIETY

Students in grades 5-12 can qualify annually for Alpha Society. Students must pass the AASA exams in ELA and Math and AzSCI if applicable. Any new students to CGCS who come from out of state, need to provide test results to qualify. Students may have monthly activities/field trips for qualifying. A passing grade is a grade of Proficient or Highly Proficient on their exams. Way to go Alpha students!!

## SCHOOL ABSENCES

Make sure your child is attending school daily. Your child must attend 75% of the day to be counted for attending school. Students must be in school from the ages of 6-16 by Arizona law. **If your child is absent, please call the front office between 8AM and 10AM.** Please make appointments on Wednesdays after 1:30 dismissal time. Wednesdays are early release but are still very important for your child to attend as we do regular assessments to make sure your child is performing at grade level. Students arriving late need to be signed in by a parent.

## ATTENDANCE AWARDS

Students consistently coming to school every day will be eligible for special awards/raffles/prizes. Make sure your student does not miss out on an opportunity to win big each quarter for our perfect attendance raffle. It takes parents to make sure school is a priority for our growing and developing students.

## DRESS CODE

Students need to be in a school T-shirt and school appropriate attire every day. **White shoes and mostly white shoes are not allowed and students are required daily to participate in activities that may involve dirt and/or mud so please do not send them in shoes that cannot get dirty.** No hoop earrings, only studs, and please no pants with skin showing above the knee. PJ Pants are not allowed at school and only high school is allowed to wear light makeup, lower grades are not allowed to wear makeup at school.

## McKINNEY-VENTO HOMELESS ASSISTANCE ACT

The school is responsible for ensuring that homeless youth have access to the same free and appropriate public education it provides other children. If your family situation had **changed** to one of the following situations, please contact Mr. Jones; living in a motel, campground, car, park, or doubled up with another family due to loss of housing or economic hardship.

## T.U.R.T.L.E.S. & WHALES EXPEDITION – COSTA RICA

Juniors and Seniors leave for Costa Rica on September 9<sup>th</sup> and will return on September 19<sup>th</sup>. Students will be studying the Sea Turtles as they come on shore and lay their eggs and study whales and how they travel in pods. Student will also do some rainforest study while they are there.

## PICTURE DAY – September 5th

Students not in school for picture day will not be in class pictures, there are no retakes for class pictures. Students NOT in school uniform will also not be allowed to participate in picture day or class pictures.

## INCOME GUIDELINES FROM

This form is required by the state to be filled out for **each student**. A new copy is going home on **Tuesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>** and we need ALL families to fill this out for each student that attends CGCS. These forms help our school qualify for grants & federal programs!

## BUS RULES & STUDENT CONDUCT

Remind your child of the bus rules and student conduct while on campus. If you have not already done so, please read over the student handbook so that you and your child are aware of our policies in regards to conduct.

### *Important Dates*

September 1	No School – Labor Day Break
September 5	School Picture Day
September 9-19	Costa Rica Turtles/Whales Trip
September 12	K-1 Movie Madness
September 19	2 <sup>nd</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup> Gr. Movie Madness
September 26	All Grades Pool Event
October 10	LAST DAY of Quarter 1
October 13-24	Fall Break – No School
October 27 – 31	Spirit Week – details to come
October 31	Book Blast All Grades