

Magdalena School Newsletter

November 2020

From Dr. Haven

Who would have thought that during such a challenging and demanding times in our lives would we need to look for guidance for blessings that we sometimes take for granted.

Thanksgiving is a season for gratefulness and thanks for the many gifts that we have although the current environment doesn't seem to show us that right now.

One of the many great things that Magdalena schools has is having the opportunity to teach your child through the many challenges of learning modes that our teachers have to utilize. Believe me when I tell you that I have never seen such a dedicated and committed group of professionals such as this teaching staff here at Magdalena. They have been working hard in providing the best learning experience that they can in their classrooms with the barriers that they have encountered. In order to enhance that desire to improve our schools, I am pleased to announce that we have named Mr. Jory Mirabal as the Elementary School Principal effective immediately. I am confident he will do an excellent job with the Elementary School Staff and Students.

During this season of thanks we hope that this newsletter finds your families and loved ones well, safe, healthy, strong and tough during these difficult times with this pandemic. Once again I am always available to listen to your concerns or suggestions to help us get through this difficult time in our lives. I can be reached at (575) 854-8013.

Dr. Glenn Haven, Superintendent

Conversations with Mrs. Clark

Happy Thanksgiving! I want to give thanks for all that you do. The pandemic has changed much of what we do each day and sadly those wonderful people in the community that we will no longer see. We have had some very hard losses in our community and it has affected us at school too. Each loss has been difficult on so many levels. I still want to say how important it is to keep your children on a good schedule for learning. School is one of the most consistent and reliable forces in your child's life. This is one way to continue to keep some normalcy and contact with their peers. Some students are staying locked in dark houses all day and now that the colder months are coming, it is important to help them connect, help them find ways to ask their teachers questions. The teachers are longing to hear from many of the students. Especially those whose grades are suffering right now. Loving thoughts to our students who lost a loved one this last week!
Mrs. Clark, Middle/High Principal

Perfect & Faithful Attendance

Congratulations to all the students who earned (remote) faithful and perfect attendance for the 1st 9 weeks!!! We are *super, dupe*r proud of you for staying connected with your teachers. Keep up the good work :)

Drawing Winners Are:

Elementary:

Perfect Attendance Winner: Caleb Guerro

Faithful Attendance Winner: Gabriel Romero

Mid School:

Perfect Attendance Winner: Josiah Candelaria

Faithful Attendance Winner: Ayden Herschbach

High School:

Perfect Attendance Winner: Alix Bennett

Faithful Attendance Winner: Daniel Martinez

P-EBT

Parents and School Food Authorities (SFA's) now have the ability to go to YesNM portal to look up their student's information on P-EBT. P-EBT is on the bottom right side of the webpage. If the parent has the **student ID** number and some additional student identifying data, they will be able to verify, validate, and/or change the student's address and get a new P-EBT card issued and mailed to the proper address without contacting the PED or HSD.

Link to YesNM

<https://www.yes.state.nm.us/yesnm/home/index>

Direct Link to change

address: <https://www.yes.state.nm.us/yesnm/pandemic/pebt?execution=elsl>

IT Log

Did you know your Technology Department manages over 1000 ports connecting computers and networked devices campus wide? The campus network consists of optical and copper networking cables and associated ports which support the computer and phones in your classroom as well as the door access, cameras and building systems. Keeping these ports operating and information flowing in and out of the harbor so everyone can do their work is the job of the technology department. The current network is nearing 7 to 9 years in operation. Currently, work is underway to bring new life and stability into a system that has served Magdalena Schools well for a number of years while bringing new opportunities to when, where, what, how, why and who connects to those 1000+ ports more securely and quickly than before!

Fall Break

Students and Staff will be on Break November 23rd-26th. Classes will resume on Monday, November 30th.