



GRIFFIN CHRONICLE

UPCOMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY 17

No School (Presidents Day)

FEBRUARY 19

Girls Basketball Game 4:30 p.m.
(Away Mountainville Academy)

FEBRUARY 24

Girls Basketball Game 4:30 p.m. (Home)

FEBRUARY 27

Girls Basketball Game 4:30 p.m. (Home)

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MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

approved! What this means is our eighth-grade students will now have priority enrollment at REAL for ninth-grade. We believe REAL's mission and model align so well with the Athlos model, and we couldn't be happier about the opportunities this partnership will offer our students!

As always, working with your children has been such a joy, and I look forward to the rest of the school year and all that next year will bring.

Sincerely,
Mandy Kartchner

Dear Athlos families,

As we continue on into 2020, we are already excitedly planning for our upcoming 2020-2021 school year.

One of our efforts has been in building our programming and offerings for middle-school students. With our new SERVE focus, we will be offering more in-school and extracurricular opportunities around science, engineering, recreation, volunteerism, and entrepreneurship.

We are also excited to announce that our matriculation partnership with REAL Salt Lake Academy has been



Staff Spotlight

ELIZABETH SHIELDS

THIRD GRADE TEACHER

It is always a great day to be a third-grade teacher at Athlos Academy! I'm Liz Shields and this is my first year at Athlos. I am a former junior high math and music teacher.

My teaching philosophy is that my students will know I care about them and I believe in them and will expect their best work. I'm lucky to live within walking distance of the school and love seeing my students around town!

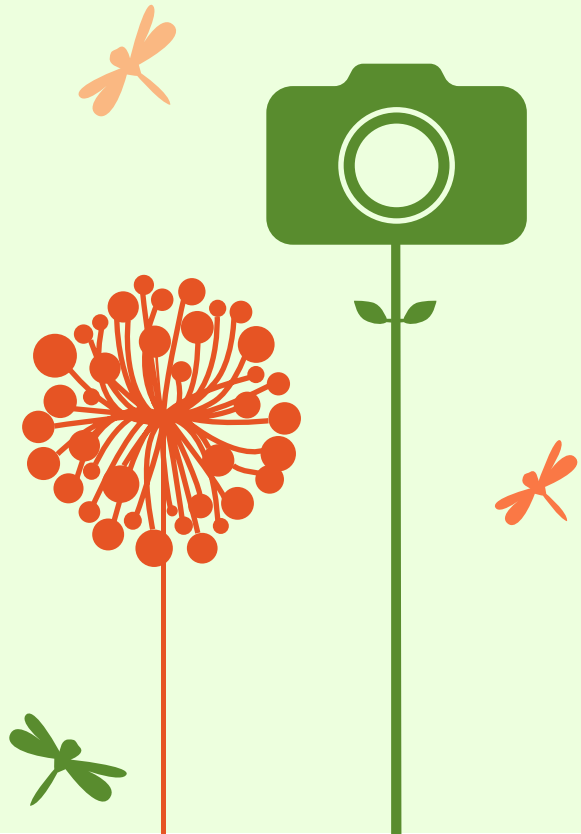
When I'm not at school, I play hand bells with Bells on Temple Square. My husband and I have four kids - two of whom are getting married this year!

My favorite character trait is optimism. A smile and a little caffeine and I can take on anything my young friends have to throw at me! I absolutely love teaching.



SPRING PHOTOS!

Lifetouch will be coming in for spring photos on March 10. Students can wear best dress or uniforms in these photos. They may only dress out of uniform if they are having their photos taken. This is an optional photography session for your students. It is enjoyable to see a student's transformation from fall to spring. Spring photos are also a wonderful gift for grandparents, aunts, uncles or any other family members. Ordering information will be coming home soon with your students.



Athlos Performance Character Class

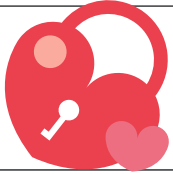
Athlos Academy is proud to provide our Performance Character class for upper grade students. Performance Character is an important part of our curriculum and three pillar model. Our lower grades participate in learning performance characteristics such as optimism, humility, courage, and initiative everyday in the classroom. The lower grades discuss these traits every morning and afternoon with both their teachers and peers during huddle time.

Our upper grade classmen receive the special opportunity to dive into a deeper understanding of social and emotional intelligence with Ms. Martin. Building awareness and practices in performance characteristics allows students to create a strong sense of community in their classroom. Performance characteristics such as optimism and courage are closely linked to abiding success in college and career readiness.

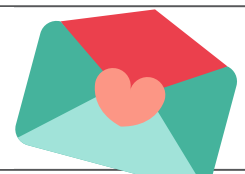
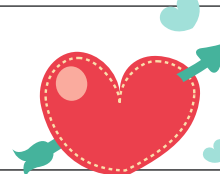
Ms. Martin describes the performance characteristic class as a space meant to inspire students to want to be better people and to serve others. This class provides students with the opportunity to highlight each performance characteristic with a project. For Valentine's Day our students took the initiative to come up with anonymous valentines for students to buy and share with others in order to lift each other up. Students in the Performance Character class used their creative skills to create scrunchies and wristband valentines with cheery quotes and puns. Mr. Airhart said, "Year 2020 is the year of being kinder and gentler" and our students have done just that through the performance characteristic class.



Student Meal Prices		Student Drink Prices		ATHLOS ACADEMY OF UTAH FEBRUARY MENU					
Breakfast: \$1.60 Reduced Breakfast: 30¢ Lunch: \$2.60 Reduced Lunch: 40¢		Milk: 30¢ Juice: 30¢ Water: 30¢		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
3	B: Pancakes or Cereal w/ Toast L: Teriyaki Chicken or Hot Ham & Cheese Sandwich	4	B: Zucchini Bread or Cereal w/ Toast L: Beefy Nachos or Quesadilla	5	B: Biscuit & Gravy or Cereal w/ Toast L: Hamburger or BBQ Pulled Pork Sandwich	6	B: Croissant Sandwich or Cereal w/ Toast L: Orange Chicken or Italian Sub	7	B: Breakfast Corndog or Cereal w/ Toast L: Pizza Rippers or Turkey Sandwich
10	B: Waffle Bites or Cereal w/ Toast L: S & S Chicken or Baked Potato w/ Ham & Cheese	11	B: French Toast or Cereal w/ Toast L: Street Taco or Taco Soup w/ Chips	12	B: Hot Oatmeal w/ Hash Brown or Cereal w/ Toast L: Athlos Sub Sandwich or Mandarin Salad	13	B: Waffle Stacker or Cereal w/ Toast L: Chicken Cordon Bleu or Chicken Haystacks	14	B: Yogurt Parfait or Cereal w/ Toast L: Rib-B-Q Sandwich or Turkey Sandwich
17	NO SCHOOL	18	B: French Toast Sticks or Cereal w/ Toast L: Quesadilla or Chicken Fajita	19	B: Cinnamon Roll or Cereal w/ Toast L: Philly Cheese Steak Sandwich or Beefy Mac	20	B: Muffin or Cereal w/ Toast L: Waffle-N-Chicken Strips or PB&J	21	B: Bagel w/ Hard Boiled Egg or Cereal w/ Toast L: Pizza or Turkey Sandwich
24	B: Pancakes or Cereal w/ Toast L: Orange Chicken or Italian Sub	25	B: Banana Bread or Cereal L: Beefy Nachos or Soft Flour Taco	26	B: Biscuit & gravy or Cereal L: Cheeseburger or Baked Potato w/ Ham & Cheese	27	B: Coissant Sandwich or Cereal L: NEW Chicken Potato Bowl or Chicken Drum Stick Dinner	28	B: Breakfast Corndog or Cereal L: Hot Dog or Turkey Sandwich



*Will you be my
Valentine?*



*Salad bar, fresh fruit, and milk offered daily. *Menu items subject to change.



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Lunch Account Reminder

Parents, please pay close attention to your children's lunch accounts. We are having a lot of students with a negative balance. If you need help with Breakfast and Lunch meals, please fill out a Free & Reduced form to see if you qualify. You can fill this out at any time through out the school year. Thanks for your support with our lunch program.

Teacher Requests

Dear Parents,

If you would like to make a teacher request for the upcoming school year, please send these in no later than February 28 to mkartchner@athlosutah.org. The administration will review requests as class lists are created for next year and make accommodations as needed. Please note that requests are not a guarantee of placement. Many factors are taken into account when placing students and administration does its best to find the best fit for your child.

Sincerely,
Mandy Kartchner



PTO ANNOUNCEMENTS

We Need YOU!

We are in the process of looking for next year's PTO Board. If you are interested in helping out, descriptions of positions and forms are on the school website under Parent Resources and PTO. Forms are due by March 13. **All commitment levels are needed.** More information is available by talking to a current PTO Board Member or emailing the PTO at AAUPTO@gmail.com.