



GRIFFIN CHRONICLE



MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

Dear Parents,

Can you believe that the middle of the school year is already here? While we are busy celebrating our successes, we are also looking at areas we can improve in now and for the upcoming year. I appreciate parent feedback and look at it closely to determine how I can best serve families. Please know that I continually strive to make Athlos Academy the school your children want to attend! I see the three pillars being honored each day and there is continual growth in academics, character and athletics. Today you will receive your intent to return for the 21'-22' school year. I hope that each and every one of you will join us again next year! I am honored that you allow me to direct your children.

Sincerely,
Mandy Kartchner
Executive Director

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ATHLOS JUNIOR HIGH

Athlos Academy of Utah is now enrolling *junior high* students in grades 7-9.



DEAR ATHLOS FAMILIES,

YOU CAN HELP ATHLOS ACADEMY GROW SO THAT WE CAN CONTINUE OFFERING OUR UNIQUE MODEL OF EDUCATION FOR THE WHOLE CHILD. INVITE YOUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS TO OUR OPEN HOUSE ON **FEBRUARY 11**. THE BOARD WILL BE HOSTING TOURS, THE STUDENT COUNCIL WILL WELCOME GUESTS, AND CLASSROOMS WILL BE OPEN. HELP YOUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS DISCOVER THE ATHLOS EDGE!



Athlos Academy
UTAH

DISCOVER THE

ATHLOS

EDGE

A TUITION-FREE PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

**NOW
ENROLLING
GRADES
K-9**

OPEN HOUSE

Thursday, February 11, 5-7 p.m.

Hosted by the Board of Athlos Academy

Take a tour with a Board member, meet the Student Council.

Visit classrooms, meet teachers and learn about our winning combination of academics and athletics.

Discover a school where your child is prepared for high school and beyond. Discover a school with STEM, sports, and electives that ignite the imagination for your child's future.

Easy parking, refreshments, giveaways, and more!



PREPARED MIND

HEALTHY BODY

PERFORMANCE CHARACTER



Athlos Academy
UTAH

DESCUBRA LO QUE
LA ESCUELA DE

ATHLOS ACADEMY

LE PUEDE OFRECER

Una escuela charter publica de matricula gratuita.

**AHORA
INSCRIBIENDO
LOS GRADOS
K-9**

EVENTO ABIERTO AL PÚBLICO

Jueves, 11 de febrero, 5-7 p.m.

Presentado por la junta de la Academia de Athlos

Haga un recorrido con un miembro de la Junta,
reúname con el Consejo Estudiantil.

Visite las aulas, conozca a los maestros y
aprenda sobre nuestra combinacion ganadora
de académicos y atletismo.

Descubra una escuela
donde su hijo esta
preparado para la escuela
secundaria y mas alla.
Descubra una escuela con
STEM, deportes y optativas
que encienden la imaginacion
para el futuro de su hijo.

**Fácil de parcar el carro,
refrescos, regalos, y
mucho más!**

MENTE PREPARADA

CUERPO SANO

FUNCION DE CARACTER





INTENT TO RETURN – LET US KNOW YOUR PLANS FOR NEXT YEAR

IT IS ALREADY TIME TO START THINKING ABOUT THE UPCOMING SCHOOL YEAR! WE ASK THAT YOU PLEASE CHECK YOUR EMAIL OR TEXT THAT WAS SENT TO ALL FAMILIES. ALL PARENTS ARE ASKED TO FILL OUT THE "INTENT TO RETURN" FORM FOR THE 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR.

WHERE DO I FIND THE FORMS?

THESE FORMS ARE LINKED IN THE EMAIL AND TEXT THAT YOU RECEIVED. CHECK YOUR EMAIL OR YOUR PHONE FOR A TEXT FROM THE SCHOOL.

HOW DO I COMPLETE THE FORMS?

PLEASE COMPLETE ONE FORM PER STUDENT (GRADES K-8).

- IF YOU WOULD LIKE YOUR CHILD TO RETURN TO ATHLOS FOR THE 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR, PLEASE SELECT "YES."
- IF YOU HAVE CHOSEN FOR YOUR CHILD TO ATTEND ANOTHER SCHOOL FOR THE 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR, PLEASE SELECT "NO."
- IF YOU HAVE AN INCOMING KINDERGARTNER, YOU WILL NEED TO FILL OUT AN APPLICATION. BE SURE TO INDICATE THAT YOUR INCOMING KINDERGARTENER IS A SIBLING OF AN ALREADY ENROLLED ATHOS STUDENT.

WHAT IS THE DEADLINE?

WE ASK THAT YOU PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR INTENT TO RETURN FORMS AND KINDERGARTEN APPLICATIONS BY JANUARY 29.

ONE MORE TIME, WHERE DO I FIND THE FORMS?

THESE FORMS ARE LINKED IN THE EMAIL AND TEXT THAT YOU RECEIVED THIS WEEK. CHECK YOUR EMAIL OR YOUR PHONE FOR A TEXT FROM THE SCHOOL.

MEET THE TEAM:

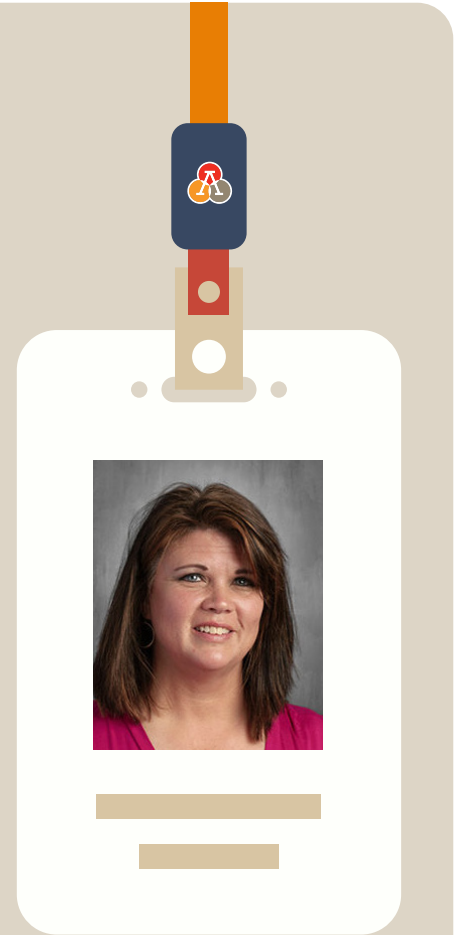
MRS. WHITTAKER

4TH GRADE TEACHER

I was born and raised just outside Dallas, Texas. Even after living in Utah for 35 years, I am a true Texan. I love being outside gardening, tinkering in my flowerbeds, hiking, or just relaxing while watching my granddaughters play. Family is the most important thing in my life. I have 4 grown children, 4 wonderful bonus children (in-laws), and 3 granddaughters - with 1 more coming in May.

I have been an Advanced EMT since 1993 and still love this work. Teaching has been a dream since I was a child. I have many family members in this profession over the generation and am very proud to continue this great work. I have become the "Mom" of hundreds of students over the years because once they are in my class, they are my people. I will always have a special place in my heart for each and every student who I've had the honor to teach.

I love teaching at AAU because the students are receiving more than just an academic education, with our Performance Character Traits (PCT) they are learning the important values of being an adult. The PCT I feel is the most important is integrity. This one can be difficult because many people don't want to hear the truth, but it is the foundation of learning to trust others. Integrity touches us in every area of our lives - from home to school to career.



MIDDLE SCHOOL UPDATES

With the start of 2nd semester, we wanted to make you aware that there will be some schedule changes in the upper grades (6th-8th). They will still be attending the same classes, just the order that they attend each class may change. In addition, some switches in homeroom will also occur for 2nd semester. Please check PowerSchool for any changes. Please reach out if you any questions.

THE MORE YOU KNOW



COLDER TEMPERATURES ARE HERE.

Please dress your kids accordingly. They will be going out to recess as usual. We do still have some donated Athlos jackets available if your student needs one. Call the front office to see if there is a size available for your student.

Run the Athlos Network!

4,800 miles



JOIN THE CHALLENGE

STUDENTS, STAFF AND ATHLOS FAMILIES ARE INVITED TO RUN THE ATHLOS NETWORK. THE ROUTE CIRCUMNAVIGATES THE THREE ATHLOS ACADEMY SCHOOLS AND HEADQUARTERS, FROM MINNESOTA TO LOUISIANA TO UTAH TO IDAHO. THIS IS PART OF THE HEALTHY BODY PILLAR OF ATHLOS ACADEMY.

HOW TO ENTER:

Share your miles and activity type with (contact). He/She will keep track of miles and choose winners at the end of the month. Most importantly, be sure to share your photos on social media using the hashtags #athlosnetrun and #teamathlos and send photo submissions to social@athlosacademies.org.

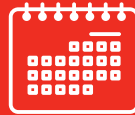
PRIZES!

\$25 Amazon Gift Cards for 2 students and 2 staff members



DEADLINE: FRIDAY, JANUARY 29, SEND YOUR MILES TO [SOCIAL@ATHLOSACADEMIES.ORG](mailto:social@athlosacademies.org) AND MAKE SURE TO MENTION ATHLOS ACADEMY OF UTAH!

PTO



PTO EVENTS

Jan 18th - 29th - Teacher Supply Drive:

We will be accepting donations to restock our teachers for the rest of the year, please check with your teacher, FB and your teacher morale booster to find out what your teacher needs.



THINGS TO LOOK FORWARD TO!

Feb -Virtual lip sync battle will happen in Feb check fb and flyers for more info. Get creative, get the cameras out and become a star! The videos will be posted and voted on later in the month.



WANT TO HAVE YOUR VOICE HEARD AND BE PART OF THE PTO? WE ARE LOOKING TO FILL POSITIONS THROUGH JAN LET US KNOW IF YOU ARE INTERESTED AND WE WILL BE HAPPY TO CHAT WITH YOU.

AAUTPTO@GMAIL OR CALL BONNIE 801-688-7481.