



# GRIFFIN CHRONICLE

## Save The Date

**May 13** PTO event

**May 18** Governance Committee Meeting

**May 19** June 4 Griffin Days

**May 20** Finance Committee Meeting

**May 21** Eighth Grade Lagoon Day

**May 27** School Board Meeting

**May 31** Memorial Day – No School

**June 2** Field Day

**June 3** Kindergarten Graduation

**June 4** Pillars Committee Meeting, Last Day  
of School

## MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

Dear Parents,

Thank you to everyone who celebrated our teachers during Teacher Appreciation Week! From the snack cart, lunch and cookies organized by the PTO to the special words of kindness for our teachers – it was heartwarming to see all the support for our dedicated teachers.

I appreciate parents who took the time to share their thoughts with the Board on next year's schedule. We received 130 responses and

appreciate each of you who took the time to respond. We will let you know once the Board decides next year's schedule.

I'm looking forward to finishing the year strong and making sure our students are prepared for next school year. Please feel free to contact me if you have any thoughts or questions.

Sincerely,  
Mandy Kartchner  
Executive Director



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# MASK REQUIREMENT FOR K-12

According to the latest update from the Department of Health, K-12 mask-wearing and safety measures are in place through the end of the school year.

To that end, please remember to send your child with at least one mask and an extra one in case needed during the day.

PLEASE SEND YOUR CHILD WITH A WATER BOTTLE AS WELL.

We are running out of extra masks and water bottles at the front desk. If anyone would like to donate either masks or water bottles, we would welcome donations! Thank you!



## POWERSCHOOL REGISTRATION UPDATE

Parents can login to PowerSchool to update their information for next school year. Please do this to help our school plan for next year.

[STUDENT & PARENT SIGN IN](#)

# MEET THE TEAM:

## SARA LARSON

### KINDERGARTEN TEACHER

Hi! My name is Sara Larson. This is my first year at Athlos Academy. I graduated from the University of Utah in 2019 with a bachelor's degree in early childhood education. My favorite part about being a teacher is knowing that I can make a positive difference in children's lives. I want my classroom to be a safe, caring environment where students can become confident learners.

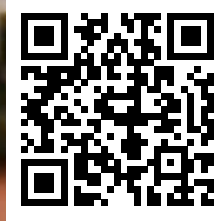
I grew up in Utah. My favorite activities include hiking, boating, photography and being around animals. I was a dancer for 16 years. My love of teaching began when I worked at dance and gymnastics studios.

My favorite Performance Character Trait is optimism. Optimism is about having a growth mindset and never giving up. My students work on overcoming obstacles to become better each day. It is amazing to see how resilient young children can be when they believe in themselves.





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## PARENT SURVEY:

## FIELD TRIPS FOR NEXT SCHOOL YEAR

Athlos Families,

To enhance the Athlos model and provide students with real-world learning opportunities outside the classroom, we would like to offer field trips next year for each grade level. We need your feedback on family interest and ability to pay a field trip fee.

We would like to offer one Healthy Body/Performance Character field trip and one Prepared Mind field per grade per year (this would be two field trips per grade per year). Field trips would include hiking, outdoor recreation and local arts and culture.

### THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF WHAT TYPES OF FIELD TRIPS WE ARE CONSIDERING OFFERING NEXT YEAR.

#### HEALTHY BODY/PERFORMANCE CHARACTER FIELD TRIPS MAY INCLUDE:

Red Butte Gardens

Big Cottonwood Canyon Snowshoe  
Tour

Wilderness Survival Challenge and  
Geocaching

Team Building and Ropes Course  
Adventure

Ogden Nature Center

#### PREPARED MIND FIELD TRIPS MAY INCLUDE:

Hogle Zoo

Discovery Gateway

The Leonardo

Living Planet Aquarium

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Space Center Mission

**PLEASE TAKE THE SURVEY AND LET US KNOW YOUR  
FEEDBACK ON FIELD TRIPS FOR NEXT SCHOOL YEAR!**

**TAKE SURVEY HERE**