

# ATHLOS GRIFFINS CHRONICLE

The place to learn all about our upcoming events and find out what's new at Athlos

## NOVEMBER DATES TO KNOW:

### NOVEMBER 2

- Picture Make-up Day

### NOVEMBER 3

- Governance Committee Meeting

### NOVEMBER 9

- PTO Meeting in Board Room  
9:00 a.m.

### NOVEMBER 18

- Finance Committee Meeting  
- School Board Meeting

### NOVEMBER 19

- Night of Reading  
4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

### NOVEMBER 24

- No School (Thanksgiving Break)

### NOVEMBER 25

- No School (Thanksgiving Break)

### NOVEMBER 26

- No School (Thanksgiving Break)



## CALLING FOR VOLUNTEERS!

Parents, contact your child's teacher to see how you can assist in class. We are excited to welcome volunteers back to school this year!

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

Parents, if you are looking for volunteer opportunities, please contact our Family Engagement Coordinator, Areli Olsen.

[aolsen@athlosutah.org](mailto:aolsen@athlosutah.org)

(801) 438-4619 ext. 9107 and join the PTO!

### SUBSTITUTES WANTED:

Looking for a job that does not require evenings or weekends and works with your child's school schedule? We pay up to \$112 per day for substitutes.

[athlosacademies.applytojob.com/apply/m7eXDcaT2t/Substitute-Teacher-AAU](https://athlosacademies.applytojob.com/apply/m7eXDcaT2t/Substitute-Teacher-AAU)



# NOVEMBER BREAKFAST/LUNCH MENU

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>1</b> B: Breakfast Burrito L: Rib-B-Q Sandwich Ham Sandwich PB & J Sandwich	<b>2</b> B: Waffle L: Chicken Nuggets Ham Sandwich PB & J Sandwich	<b>3</b> B: Apple Cinnamon Texas Toast L: Bean & Cheese Burrito Ham Sandwich PB & J sandwich	<b>4</b> B: Mini Pancake L: Cheese Burger Ham Sandwich PB & J Sandwich	<b>5</b> B: Muffin L: Cheese Pizza Pepperonie Pizza
<b>8</b> B: Cinnamon Roll Bites L: Chicken Sandwich Turkey Sandwich PB & J Sandwich	<b>9</b> B: Cereal L: Grilled Cheese Turkey Sandwich PB & J Sandwich	<b>10</b> B: Croissant Sandwich L: Orange Chicken Turkey Sandwich PB & J Sandwich	<b>11</b> B: Banana Bread L: Meatball Sub Turkey Sandwich PB & J Sandwich	<b>12</b> B: Bagel L: Chicken & Waffle Turkey Sandwich PB & J Sandwich
<b>15</b> B: French Toast L: Cheesy Breadsticks Ham Sandwich PB & J Sandwich	<b>16</b> B: Yogurt Parfait L: Corndog Ham Sandwich PB & J Sandwich	<b>17</b> B: Pop Tart L: Popcorn Chicken Ham Sandwich PB & J Sandwich	<b>18</b> B: Waffle Stacker L: Thanksgiving Dinner	<b>19</b> B: Pumpkin Bread L: Cheese Ripper Pepperoni Ripper
<b>22</b> B: Muffin L: Teriyaki Chicken Turkey Sandwich PB & J Sandwich	<b>23</b> B: Cereal L: Soft Taco Turkey Sandwich PB & J Sandwich	<b>24</b> No School	<b>25</b> No School	<b>26</b> No School
<b>29</b> B: Breakfast Burrito L: Pulled Pork Sandwich Ham Sandwich PB & J Sandwich	<b>30</b> B: Waffle L: Chicken Alfredo Ham Sandwich PB & J Sandwich			

- Fruit and Veggies are Served with Every Meal
- Free Breakfast and Lunch for All Students
- USDA is an Equal Opportunity Provider
- Menu items are subject to change

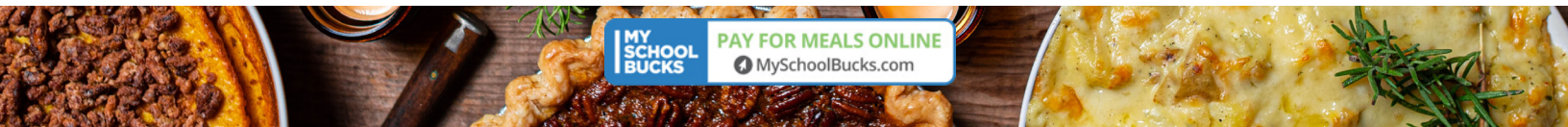
**Student Meal Prices:**

**Breakfast: \$1.60** | **Reduced Breakfast: 30¢**  
**Lunch: \$2.60** | **Reduced Lunch: 40¢**

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**Student Drink Prices:**

**Milk: 30¢** | **Juice: 30¢** | **Water: 30¢**



MY SCHOOL BUCKS PAY FOR MEALS ONLINE MySchoolBucks.com



**SHYLAH POIRIER**

## **MESSAGE FROM OUR INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

Congratulations to our special education team for all their hard work and dedication. They had a state audit on October 14 and passed with 100% compliance! This was a huge undertaking and spanned over a few days. There were interviews, observations, file checks and a lot of preparation and organization. This audit is a measure of our success and our commitment to serving all students at Athlos Academy of Utah. Together we can achieve excellence for all students!

## **KINDERGARTEN LUNCHES**

All Kindergarten students in PM and Extended Day classes will receive a sack lunch to take home. The meals will alternate between PB&J and turkey sandwiches, along with fruit, snacks and other times. All meals for all students are free of charge due to the federal waiver.



## **PTO**

PTO Membership drive will be the first two weeks of November. Be on the lookout for more information and prizes for those who get the most memberships!

**JOIN THE PTO!**

**WE ARE ALWAYS IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS. PLEASE JOIN US!**

See you at our meeting - Nov. 9 at 9:00 a.m.



# GRIFFIN GALLOP JOG-A-THON

We would like to thank everyone that came out to support our school at the Griffin Gallop! We had the most laps per student ran than any of the previous 4 years! We appreciate all the donations that we received and that are still coming in.

Nick Grundhauser, M.S., CAPE  
Athletic Performance Coach  
801-438-4619



## PROBLEM-SOLVING & ANSWERING YOUR QUESTIONS

Throughout the school year it is common to have questions regarding your child or something related to the school. Occasionally a problem arises. Who do you go to?

The best source of the information is the person closest to the situation: start with that individual.



For classroom questions:

Contact your child's teacher via phone or email. Remember that they are focused on instruction during the school day and will answer emails/phone after they are done teaching. For a directory, go here:

For school questions:

Contact the front office at (801)438-4619. Still can't get answers or need help resolving an issue? Contact the Interim Executive Director, Shylah Poirier.

If these methods fail to resolve an issue, parents have the right to follow the Communications and Grievance Policy Policies & Handbooks - [Policies & Handbooks](#).

<https://www.athlosutah.org/about-athlos/our-team/>



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# HOW DRIVELINE WORKS:

Driveline is an app that helps keep students safe at dismissal. It allows for students to be released from class at the end of the day in a very organized manner.

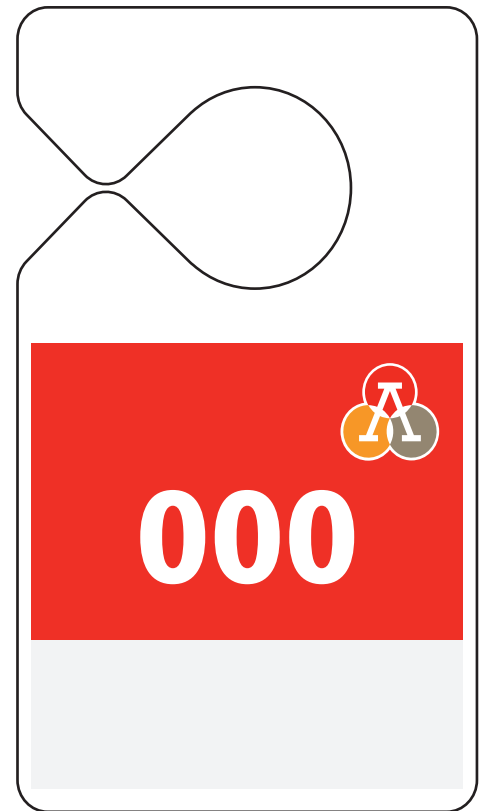
## HERE'S HOW IT WORKS:

1. Students will gather their materials at the end of the day and return to their seats.
2. Teachers will display the Driveline screen on the board at the front of the classroom.
3. As cars pull in the pick up line, a number will be entered into the app.
4. Once a number has been entered into the app, the associated student's (or students') name will pop up in the classroom.

- This is the teacher's cue to release that student from class.

\*Teachers will be stationed around the school to assist students in safely loading cars

[Student Safety - Athlos Academy of Utah \(athlosutah.org\)](http://athlosutah.org)



# HOW ARE WE DOING?

## NUTRITION, FRONT OFFICE & CUSTODIAL WANT YOUR FEEDBACK

This week families will receive a survey via text and email to help us improve the experience our families and staff have on campus. Your responses will help us improve decision making and processes on campus. There are three ways to take the survey:

1. This link: [AthlosUtahSurvey](http://AthlosUtahSurvey)
2. Text -look for the text sent this week
3. Email – look for the email sent this week

# WAYS TO HELP OUR STUDENTS & TEACHERS

## **BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION HOME**

Box Tops for Education ([boxtops4education.com](http://boxtops4education.com))

Use the Box Tops app to scan your store receipt, find participating products and instantly add cash to your school's earnings online. From playground equipment to technology to library books, your school can use this money to help teachers and students get the supplies they need.

## **AMAZON SMILE**

[AmazonSmile: You shop. Amazon gives.](#)

## **STUDENT SPOTLIGHT**



## **BRIGHTON, GRADE 6**

Brighton is in sixth grade at Athlos Academy. He has attended since he was in first grade, which was the year Athlos opened its doors! Brighton loves everything about Athlos. Outside of school, Brighton enjoys sports, especially baseball and football. He also loves to play Fortnite with his buddies. "Grit" is the Performance Character trait that has helped him most.

Through the pillar of Prepared Mind, Brighton's mom says he is ready to learn anything. At home, she says that the Healthy Body pillar has helped him want to be more active. Brighton's mom told us that she looks forward to seeing his cute smile after school every day!

**[Click Here to Have Your Child Featured!](#)**

We will feature Student Spotlights throughout the school year with photos and first names on our website, social media and emails. If you would like to participate, please complete [this form](#) and email a photo of your child to [hcrocker@athlosacademies.org](mailto:hcrocker@athlosacademies.org).

Help us celebrate the reason we are all at Athlos - our Amazing Athlos students!  
*Thank you for participating.*



## **UTAH PBS READING MARATHON**

Athlos Academy of Utah students will participate in the Utah PBS Reading Marathon. We will have drawings for books provided by the PTO and Scholastic Book Dollars.

Students will read 20-30 minutes every day for homework. All students from Kinder to sixth grade can earn an adventure pass from Utah PBS. See the link for all the fun things they can do.

For more information see this link:

<https://www.pbsutah.org/kids/reading-marathon/29th-annual-reading-marathon/>



# 29<sup>th</sup> Annual

# Reading Marathon

Be a Reading Superhero!

# READ 20 MINUTES

# EACH DAY!



## November 1-30, 2021

Challenge your kids, preschool through sixth grade, to read 20 minutes each day during the month of November. Track your minutes on the reading log on the back.

Submit your minutes for the whole month at [pbsutah.org/reading](https://pbsutah.org/reading) starting November 30 to receive your Adventure Pass. The pass includes tickets and coupons to your favorite museums, zoos, and activities around town.

**READING LOGS must be submitted by December 15, 2021!**



# MESSAGE FROM OUR ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

COACH JASON ROJAS

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My name is Jason Rojas and I am the new Athletic Director here at Athlos. This is my fourteenth year as a teacher and I have nine years of coaching experience in both middle school and high school sports, including tackle football, basketball, baseball, and track & field, in California, Arkansas, Texas, and Utah. In addition, I played college baseball, was a commissioned officer in the U.S. Navy, earned a Master's Degree in Sports Management, and hold a teaching license in both secondary English and School Administration.



**COACH JASON ROJAS**



After taking a year off of sports due to COVID, we are excited to again offer school-sponsored sports, and we compete in the Utah Charter and Small Schools Athletic League (UCSSAL), for the entire school year. I am personally looking at this 2021-22 school year as an extremely important and foundational year as we begin to rebuild our Extra-Curricular Sports Program.



We just finished our Fall sports season, which included Girls Volleyball and Coed Cross-Country. Our Boys Basketball team has kicked off the Winter season, with Girls Basketball starting just after the new year. When the weather warms back up this Spring, it will be time for Girls Soccer, Boys Volleyball and Coed Ultimate Frisbee. Please email me at [jrojas@athlosutah.org](mailto:jrojas@athlosutah.org), should you have any questions!





## SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



We would like you to consider sponsoring our athletic program here at Athlos. Your sponsorship allows us to lower the cost of student participation fees, provide uniforms athletes can keep at the end of the season, and make purchases that will improve our program. In exchange for your sponsorship, we will provide fence-line banners and advertisements in the Griffin Chronicle for your business. Please contact [jrojas@athlosutah.org](mailto:jrojas@athlosutah.org) for more information.

## WINTER BASKETBALL



The Athlos Boys Basketball team is coached by Real Salt Lake Academy Alumnus, Riley Pollard, who played under renowned coach, Dave Evans. Boys began play in the UCSSAL eighth grade Central Region at the end of October. Thank you to everyone who is coming out to cheer on our Griffins!

## GRIFFIN SPORTS DATES TO KNOW



### NOVEMBER 1:

- Channing Hall @ Athlos

### NOVEMBER 3:

- Athlos @ Mountainville

### NOVEMBER 8:

- Providence Hall @ Athlos

### NOVEMBER 10:

- Athlos @ Summit Ind.

### NOVEMBER 15:

- Summit Academy @ Athlos

### NOVEMBER 17:

- Channing Hall @ Athlos

### NOVEMBER 29:

- Maeser @ Athlos



TEAM PHOTOS TAKEN BY ATHLOS FOURTH GRADE TEACHER, STACY TONOZZI.



TONOZZI'S WORK CAN BE FOUND ON HER WEBSITE [HTTPS://LIGHTBOXJOURNAL.COM/](https://lightboxjournal.com/) AND ON INSTAGRAM [HTTPS://WWW.INSTAGRAM.COM/LIGHTBOXJOURNAL/?HL=EN](https://www.instagram.com/lightboxjournal/?hl=en)

## FALL SPORTS ROUND UP

Our Girls Volleyball and Coed Cross-Country team just wrapped up their Fall seasons. Our Girls Volleyball team was coached by third grade teacher, Carly Hooper, and fourth grade teacher, Arjay Lee. Coach Hooper and Lee did an amazing job with our girls, most of whom had never played volleyball before, helping them get to a point where we were competing against best teams by the end of the season.



Similarly, our Cross-Country team showed incredible improvement. Coached by our own Reading Specialist, Becky Austin, the team made big strides, qualifying two runners for the UCSSAL State Meet. 6th grader, Georgia Molloy, finished 27th, and Tucker Scranton finished 41st, despite losing one of his shoes during the race.





**ATHLOS PDF'S**

**CLICK THE LINKS**

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## **VACATION LEAVE**

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The state of Utah requires that parents/legal guardians excuse their students in advance for planned absences from school lasting more than four consecutive days, but not to exceed ten consecutive days. Your child's teacher and the Executive Director must be notified of the absence prior to leaving by completing **THIS FORM**.

## **2021-22 SCHOOL CALENDAR**

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The official school calendar includes non-school days due to holidays, staff professional development, conferences, winter break, and spring break. The calendar is available on the official school calendar page and as a printable PDF.

**[CLICK HERE TO LOOK AT THE OFFICIAL 2021-22 SCHOOL](#)**

## **PBS READING MARATHON REFERENCES**

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For more information see this link:

<https://www.pbsutah.org/kids/reading-marathon/29th-annual-reading-marathon/>

**[CLICK TO VIEW THE PBS FLYER \(ENGLISH VERSION\)](#)**

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