

Academy of Math & Science

June 2011 Newsletter

Greetings!

As part of our commitment to ongoing communication with parents, students, and the community, we are excited to share the latest edition of the Academy of Math & Science's electronic newsletter with you.



News

AMS Expands!

Due to a year of exceptional student academic performance and accolades, the Academy of Math and Science is experiencing unprecedented increased enrollment for the 2011-2012 school year. Because of the enrollment increases, we have several great new AMS teachers who are excited to start the year with the mission of making the 2011-2012 school year the best year yet!

New Early Release Days

In order to provide a better education for AMS students, this upcoming school year will have seven half days and three full days devoted to AMS staff professional development. During these sessions, teachers and staff will participate in training focusing on effective instructional strategies with an emphasis on providing rich content and curriculum.

Please be sure to mark these days on your calendars.

Half Days: August 26th, September 16th, November 18th, December 21st, January 13th, February 3rd, and May 25th.

Full Days: October 14th, March 9th, and April 27th.

You may also see the calendar attached under "Events" below which lists all important dates for the 2011-2012 school year.

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Summer Learning Tools

Attached are summer reading lists and information about using Accelerated Reader.

If you are new to Accelerated Reader, we encourage you to take a moment to familiarize yourself with this wonderful program designed for students for the purpose of maintaining and enhancing their reading skills. Please see the information attached [here](#).

In addition, we are including a resource of educational websites sorted by grade level to encourage summer learning. Please take advantage of these great tools to encourage knowledge retention over the summer months.

Please visit the links below for access to these wonderful learning tools:

[Elementary Summer Reading List](#)

[Middle School Summer Reading List](#)

[Middle School Subject-Specific Summer Reading List](#)

[High School Subject-Specific Summer Reading List](#)

[Educational Websites for Grades K-12](#)

Academic Summer School Update

The Academy of Math and Science is offering a summer school program focused on math and reading. This fun and engaging program will incorporate music, P.E., and computer activities designed to increase the academic performance of all students enrolled in the program.

The program runs for three sessions at only \$30 / session. The session dates are listed below.

- First session - June 15th through June 28th
- Second session - June 29th through July 13th (There is no school on July 4th in observance of Independence Day.)
- Third session - July 14th through July 27th

Each day begins at 8:00 a.m. and runs until 1:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Students must bring their own lunch each day. Sessions are filling up quickly, so please contact the school at (520) 293-2676 as soon as possible to enroll. The registration form for summer school can be found [here](#).

AMS!

**Now
Enrolli
ng
for
2011-
2012!**

If you are the parent of a new or returning AMS student, don't forget to complete your [registrat
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packet](#) and return it to the front desk as soon as possible!

New students should also bring in a copy of their birth certificate and vaccination forms.

Due to an increase in

eccentricities found within her imagery and subject matter and finds beauty in the strangest locales." When not teaching, you can find her creating art in her basement studio located in the old warehouse district in downtown Tucson. AMS is fortunate to have such a hardworking, inspiring, accomplished, and "can do" art teacher.



"Giraffe Girl" by Tracy Brown

"Art enables us to find ourselves and lose ourselves at the same time" - Thomas Merton

Events



Calendar

Take a look at the [calendar](#) for a list of all 2011-2012 school year important dates.

Other News



Volunteer with AMS!

Volunteering is a great way to give back to AMS students and families!

We actively seek individuals to volunteer at the school to help enhance our programs and services.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Melisa Davis at mdavis@amstucson.org, or by calling 293-2676.

With another successful school year past, all of us at AMS are working hard to make the following school year even better! If there is anything I can do to assist you or your child, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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