



NEWSLETTER



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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

It's hard to believe that November has come and gone, and now we are entering December. The last day of the semester is December 17th. I ask that you encourage your students to finish the first semester strong, and to turn in all their assignments to ensure they pass all their classes.

CISD will be on winter break starting December 20th through December 31st. All staff will return on January 3, 2022 and all students on January 4, 2022. Have a good winter break.

If you have any questions or concerns do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you.
Arsenio Jacquez
Principal

DECEMBER FUN

- Tuesday - December 14**
Deck the Halls - Door Decorating.
- Wednesday, December 15**
Wear PJ's to School
- Thursday, December 16**
Wear Santa Hats to School
- Friday, December 17**
Ugly Christmas Sweater Day

PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Cuba Middle School would love to have a monthly parent led meeting. We want to hear feedback about what is working or not working and any suggestions you have that will help make our school year successful!

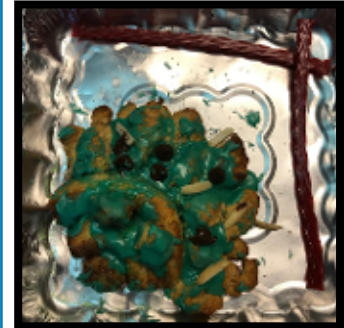
Next Meeting

December 14th 3:30 - 4:30
Middle School Library

READING AND COOKING

BY ELAINE JACQUEZ

My students completed a unit in our Language Resource class titled "The Gorgon's Head." It is the adventure myth of Perseus and his quest to kill Medusa and return her head to the evil King Polydectes. This was just a fun way to wrap up the unit.



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Bookmarkers created by Mrs. Eichwald's Poster/Bookmarker Reading Club



KEY DATES

- December 17th
Half Day of School
- December 14th
Parent Advisory Committee Meeting
- December 20th - January 3rd
No School - Winter Break

BASKETBALL SEASON

Basketball season has started! Our middle school girls are being coached by Gilbert Dominguez, Sr. and have played some great games already.

The Girls Team: Daisy Beyale, Chloe Cowboy, Kaylene Curley, Josefina Gauna-Casaus, Arianna Gordo, Andrea Gouripaga, Nevaeh Lewis, Shayla Montoya, Jasmine Moody, Maya Pinto, Olivia Ramos, Anelisia Sala, Karianna Sandoval, Cara Toledo, Tamika Trujullo, Hanna Woody, and Releigha Woody.



The boys team is being coached by Jared Meastas and they had a great first game.

The Boys Team: Marcos Casaus, Casar Dominguez, Nolan Elwell, Ayden Garcia, Derrick Herrera, Martin Herrera, Richard Lovato, Marshall Maestas, Garrick Roe, Dylan Sandoval Nephi Sandoval, and LaDainian Wilson.

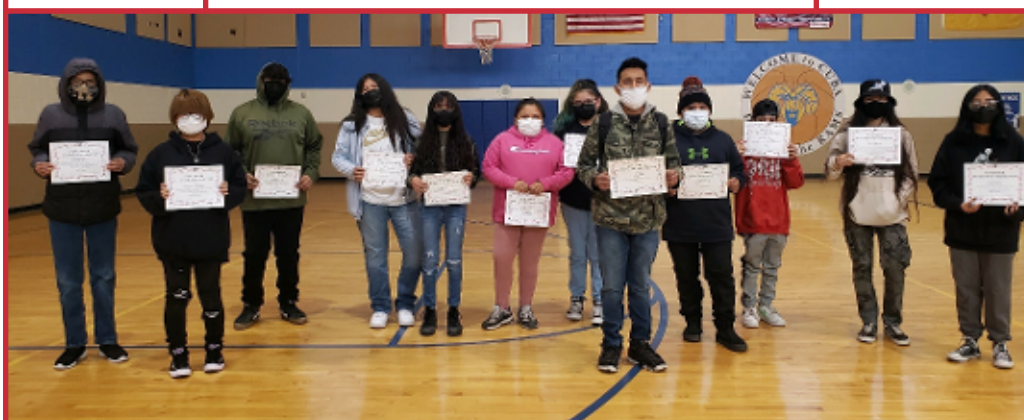


Managers: Adaya Montoya and Mona Cordova

Middle School Basketball Schedules can be found on the school's website.

NOVEMBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

Student	Reason	Recognized By
Denale Sandoval	Participation, inquisitive nature, advocates for her own education.	Richard Armentrout
Macryrie Bahe	Has been respectful to everyone in class, gets assignments completed, and has made great improvement. Nizhó ní yee' Shiyá zhí .	Chastity Barragan
Nashaun Secatero	Nashaun is a confident student, his passion for art is visible. He takes his time to apply his creative abilities. He does not speak negatively about his work, but he tries and tries again.	Rainy Begay
Hanna Woody	Hanna is supportive of other students and she actively participates in class discussions.	Scarlet Churchill
Dawon Teller	He is always holding the door for others and patiently waits for all to go by. He is kind and respectful when he interacts with others.	Olivia Casaus
Lynette Thomas	Helpful and respectful with her classmates and teachers. Diligent with her studies.	Cassandra Crespin
Jaylene Toledo	Jaylene is a very quiet, yet hardworking student. She is always completing her work on time and doing her best work. She puts time and effort into her studies and it shows.	Grace Graves
Daisy Beyale	She went out of her way to help a young lady that got injured. She showed empathy and stayed by her side, kept her comfortable, and kept her mind off the pain. So charismatic. Job well done.	Shanell Gordo
Maya Pinto	Good attitude, disciplined, and focused on her work. Polite and respectful.	Andrea Irangan
Ayden Garcia	For being responsible.	Archie Jacquez
True Toledo	Always having a good sense of humor.	Elaine Jacuez
Jewels Woody	She is very friendly and has a great personality. She brings a lot of positivity to her peers.	Johnelle Montoya
Akayla Yazzie	Great student, quiet, hard working, keeps up with assignments, always has a great attitude.	Ray Sisneros
Cara Toledo	Positive attitude, excellence in science, leadership qualities	Thomas Sullivan
Justin Cordova	Most improved academically and most improved attitude.	June Vigil
Lanna Martinez	Lanna is helpful, great with the younger passengers, friendly, and a great person.	Kelly Maestas



PICTURES FROM NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

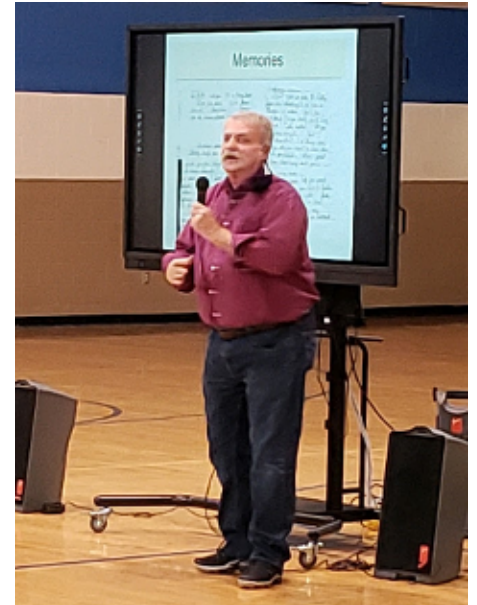
Cuba Middle School would like to thank the district's Indigenous Education Team: Raphaelita Phillips, Lavern Wagner, and Rose Etsity for bringing in some great guest speakers and incorporating days for students to wear their traditional Dine outfits and moccasins.

Navajo Nation Vice President Myron Lizer with Principal Mr. Jacquez.

Photo Courtesy of Raphaelita Phillips



Students in their beautiful traditional outfits.



Poetry Reader: Dr. Sigmund Boloz



Navajo Nation Vice President Myron Lizer visits a middle school classroom.

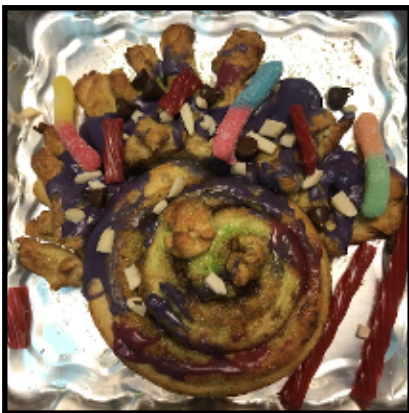
Photo Courtesy of Raheliata Phillips



Dr. Audra Etsitty-Platero, Ed.D., with Mr. Jacquez, and Mrs. Casaus

READING AND COOKING CONTINUED

BY ELAINE JACQUEZ



NEW TEACHER ON CAMPUS

Greetings All! It is my absolute pleasure to be joining the staff here at Cuba Middle School. My name is Coleen Meihack and I have lived in New Mexico for the past seven years. My teaching experience began in 1986, so I have been in education for quite some time. I am so excited to begin my new adventure and look forward to meeting and getting to know each one of you.



COUNSELORS CORNER

The holidays are fast approaching and it is hard to believe that 2022 is just around the corner. Students and teachers are looking forward to some time off from school. Remember, the holiday season can be a fun time for family and friends, but it can also be a time of stress and anxiety. Try to keep the holidays simple and focus on sharing some holiday traditions. The holiday break can also be a good opportunity for learning. Teach your child about your family customs or traditions. Maybe you can share a family story that has been passed down or make an old family recipe. Remember the holidays are a time of celebration. The middle school will celebrate the following:

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A fun creation by Dawon Teller



Motivational Bulletin Board at CMS

10 WAYS TO GET PEOPLE TO LIKE YOU



BE YOURSELF

Just be yourself. It's the only way to make a real impression. Don't try to be someone else. Be who you are and people will love you for it.

LOOK UP WHEN WALKING

Your feet will still be there, the people you are passing may not.

SMILE

A simple way to make yourself seem more approachable.

SAY HELLO

Even if you don't know the person say hello. It forces them to acknowledge you and creates an interaction they will remember.

GO OUT OF YOUR WAY

Do something nice for someone else without them asking.

STAND TALL

An open posture and body language does a lot for the way people approach you.

LEARN PEOPLE'S NAME

By remembering a name someone feels they are important to you. Learning a name is a great way to get to know someone.

LISTEN, REALLY LISTEN

Don't just say "uh-huh" but take note of what the other person is saying. It shows you care and you are interested in what they have to say.

DON'T LIE

Getting caught in a lie can greatly decrease the way others see you.

ALWAYS BE RESPECTFUL

A negative memory of you can stick with someone for a long time.

SAY THANK YOU

Be appreciative all the time with everyone you meet.

All of us at Cuba Middle School would like to wish you all a wonderful and safe winter break!

