



# NEWSLETTER

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## MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS COMPETE IN FFA

This year our 8th graders are able to take several classes at the high school. A couple of those classes, welding and Intro to the Science of Agriculture, are taught by Mrs. Mariah Johnson. By taking Mrs. Johnson's classes students are able to join the high school FFA team. We have five middle school students that joined: Marcos Casaus, Josefina Gauna-Casaus, Cordell Castillo, Richard Lovato, and Danielle Moody. They will travel to various judging competitions and participate in a variety of competitions.

**We are proud of the students that are representing Cuba Middle School!**

## CONGRESSWOMAN LEGER-FERNANDEZ VISITS CUBA SCHOOLS

On Friday, February 25, 2022 Congresswoman Leger-Fernandez stopped by Cuba Middle School during her visit to our district. During a short assembly with students she shared her path to becoming a Congresswoman and her desire to help New Mexicans. Students were able to ask some questions and presented her with some cards.



Picture Courtesy of Victoria Dominguez

## VALENTINE'S BINGO



**Cuba Middle School students had a great time playing bingo and winning prizes!**

In December we had planned a holiday bingo but when the school went remote, plans changed. After winter break we still wanted to do something fun for the students so we decided to make it a Valentine's bingo. Prizes had been generously donated by middle school staff, so we wanted to make sure as many students as possible went home with something. We added a raffle to increase the chance of winning so at the end of the day many students went home with art sets, candy, gift cards, lotions, and much more.



## HISTORY PROJECTS WITH MR. CRESPIN

Mr. Crespin's history classes created some great projects. The 7th graders are studying the American Revolution of 1760-1785 in their U.S. History class. Their project was to build a US village of the times. It was to include several small intact homes, a church, plus a couple of Native American Longhouses.

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## KEY DATES

**March 16 - Hair Cut Day**

**March 16 - Parent Conferences**

3:30 pm - 7:00 pm

**March 17 - Parent Conferences**

8:00 am - 4:30 pm

**March 18 - No School**

**March 21 - 25 - Spring Break**

# TRACK SEASON

It is time to move into spring sports and get ready for track and field. Our 8th grade students will be part of the high school team and travel to all the track meets. The first meet will be March 5, 2022 in Farmington, NM.

## 2022 Track Schedule

Date	Meet	Location
03/05/22	Farmington Early Bird	Farmington
03/12/22	Jemez Valley Invite	Jemez
03/19/22	Dulce Invite	Dulce
04/09/22	Harry J. Hayes Invite	Bloomfield
04/22/22	Aztec Invite	Aztec
04/23/22	Aztec Invite	Aztec
04/30/22	District Track Meet	Sandia Prep
05/06/22	State Track Meet	Albuquerque
05/07/22	State Track Meet	Albuquerque

Our middle school track and field athletes are:

Jill Campbell  
 Marcos Casaus  
 Josefina Gauna-Casaus  
 Andrea Gouripaga  
 Derrick Herera  
 Melyaj Herrera  
 Abriana Largo  
 Miley Lopez  
 Richard Lovato  
 Jasmine Moody  
 Anelisia Sala  
 Dylan Sandoval  
 Cara Toledo  
 LaDainian Wilson



**Good Luck Rams!**

# FEBRUARY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

Student	Reason	Recognized By
Innette Thomas	Innette always promptly turns in assignments, participates in class, and is a model student in mathematics class.	Richard Armentrout
DaeShawn Sandoval	DaeShawn has been working to keep up in his work and has been helpful with his peers in class when they need help. He keeps an eye out for any missing assignments. He is very respectful to everyone in class. Well mannered student.	Chastity Barragan
Zoie Augustine	Zoie has been a fantastic help to her peers sharing her expertise in drawing animations. She gives tips to achieve authentic work. She walks around the classroom helping her peers without being asked to do so.	Rainy Begay
Jasmine Moody	For her outstanding work and participation in class	Scarlet Churchhill
Denyale Sandoval	Always being polite, respectful, and friendly.	Olivia Casaus
Stephan Sam	Stephan has an encouraging competitive personality, He likes to share his knowledge in many different areas of his interest. He is improving on asking for help on assignments. He is a respectful young man with positive energy.	Cassandra Crespin
Caleb Cayaditto	Caleb has made many improvements this semester. He is applying himself more academically and focusing on completing his classwork.	Grace Graves
Jarette Woody	He takes responsibility for his learning. He is a conscientious, hard-working student.	Andrea Irangan
Jill Campbell	Very active during class, participates, and takes the initiative to complete her work.	Carl Moreno
Autumn McCauley	Autumn is a bright ray of sunshine!	June Vigil
DeMarein Lewis	DeMarein has several qualities that make his positive attitude really stand out for February Student of the Month. First of all, he has demonstrated a desire to learn whether he is at school or at home. Even when things seem to become a little more challenging, DeMarein perseveres and doesn't give up on any task he is asked to complete. His willingness to work with others and his kindness has a great impact on his classmates. Being responsible, showing a willingness to learn, and embracing his education are all qualities of this very deserving Student of the Month!	Coleen Meihack

# STUDENT SUCCESS - WITH MS. TRISH

This month at Cuba Middle School our focus is:

## PERSEVERANCE

The ability to overcome obstacles and failures in pursuit of a long-term goal. Also referred to as **GRIT**.

1. Staying with the task and not giving up.
2. Showing commitment, pride, and a positive attitude in completing tasks.
3. Trying again and again.
4. Being patient and willing to work hard.

## Ways to Improve Perseverance in Students:

1. Belief in each student's ability to achieve.
2. Expect them to finish what they start. Not "if" but "when."
3. Avoid accepting excuses for unfinished work.
4. Give positive feedback when a child puts forth extra effort.
5. Encourage students to take responsibility for themselves and make constructive choices.

# SNOW CREATURES

Students in 6th-12th grade had fun with the Remote Day SEL activity for ZOOM BOOM!

1st Place - Howdy

2nd Place - Meow

3rd Place - Happy Snowman



# CONGRESSWOMAN LEDGER-FERNANDEZ



Pictures courtesy of Congresswoman Ledger-Fernandez team.

# HISTORY PROJECTS WITH MR. CRESPIN (CONTINUED)

The 8th graders are studying European geography and culture in their World History class. Their project was to build a European village based on the time of the 1700's. It was to include several homes, a church, a castle, and a rock wall around the village that was used for protection.

Mr. Crespin said, "Mrs. Cathy Romero, his educational assistant, was a tremendous help." Cathy set the projects up in the lobby for display and had them judged by a team of employees. The winners are:

	8th Grade - World History	7th Grade - US History
<b>1st Place</b>	Daisy Beyale, Cara Toledo, Tatyanna Harold	Marshall Maestas
<b>2nd Place</b>	Jasmine Moody and Melyaj Herrera	Nolan Elwell
<b>3rd Place</b>	Marcos Casaus, Richard Lovato, and Derrick Herrera	Ziara Irangan

All winners will receive a prize (to be determined) for their outstanding projects. In addition, all students who participated will also receive a small token of appreciation.

Thank you very much to all students who participated in the history village projects!!!



