



HDMS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL/DIRECTOR, MR. ERIC

HDMS students will spend as many as eleven formative years on the HDMS campus! Whether your adolescent-age student has attended HDMS for one year or many years, the question of where they will transition to high school can be a stressful one.

Our area is fortunate to have MANY choices when it comes to public high schools. We're pleased to announce that HDMS will be hosting our first ever High School Choice Night this Thursday, November 2, 2023 from 5pm-7pm. Representatives will be onsite from several WCSD Schools as well as Local Charter High Schools:

- Academy of Arts, Careers and Technology (AACT) - WCSD
- Academy for Career Education (ACE) - Charter School
- Alpine Academy College Prep High School - Charter School
- Coral Academy of Science High School - Charter School
- Damonte Ranch High School - WCSD
- Encompass Academy - Charter School
- TMCC High School - WCSD



Although this event is intended for families with adolescent-aged students, any interested HDMS family is welcome to attend. We hope to see you there.

Sincerely,
Mr. Eric

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 11/2/23: 5:00-7:00 ADOLESCENT HIGH SCHOOL CHOICE NIGHT
- 11/5/23: DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS (CLOCKS TURN BACK 1 HOUR)
- 11/10/23: VETERAN'S DAY - NO SCHOOL
- 11/13/23: 3:30 GREEN TEAM MEETING
- 11/14/23: 10:00 RUBY BRIDGES WALK TO SCHOOL DAY
- 11/15/23: MONTESSORI THROUGH MY EYES
- 11/16/23: 5:30 PTO MEETING
- 11/17/23: 9:00 2ND CUP OF COFFEE WITH ADMIN
- 11/20/23-11/24/23: THANKSGIVING BREAK - NO SCHOOL
- 11/29/23: 5:00 HDMS BOARD MEETING
- 11/30/23: 4:30 NNLC LITERACY NIGHT
- 12/6/23: 4:15 JEDI COLLABORATIVE MEETING
- 12/7/23: 4:30 MUSIC RECITAL (PACIFIC MIST PRIVATE MUSIC STUDENTS)
- 12/8/23: 6:00-8:00 HDMS WINTER FAMILY DANCE
- 12/14/23: 5:30 PTO MEETING
- 12/18/23-12/21/23: SPIRIT WEEK
- 12/20/23: WINTER CELEBRATION
- 12/22/23: STAFF WORK DAY - NO SCHOOL
- 12/25/23-1/5/23: WINTER BREAK - NO SCHOOL



A MESSAGE FROM OUR ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL, MISS KALEIGH

What is the Montessori Checkerboard?



At 31.75"L x 17"W, the Montessori checkerboard is among the largest Montessori materials available. This material is found in both Lower and Upper Elementary classrooms. Initially, the checkerboard allows children to visualize and create numbers up to the millions. The checkerboard is also used by students for practicing and learning multiplication with multiple digits.

TIME CHANGE!

DON'T FORGET TO FALL BACK.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS 11/5/23

FREE BREAKFAST & LUNCH MENU

Our full breakfast and lunch menu can always be found on our website at <https://www.hdmsreno.com/free-school-lunch-breakfast/>

Please notify the front desk and your child's teacher if you anticipate a tardy and need a hot lunch ordered. If no order has been placed in advance, the cutoff time for ordering a hot lunch is 10:00AM.

30 Belgian Waffle w/ Organic Agave Syrup, Fruit & Milk	31 Fruit & Cream Overnight Oats & Milk	1 French Toast Casserole w/ Fruit & Milk	2 Quesadilla w/ Fruit & Milk	3 Yogurt parfait w/ Granola & Fruit plus Milk
Spaghetti w/ meat sauce (veg. option Marinara) w/ Fruit & Milk	Chicken Quesadilla (Veg. Option is Cheese Quesadilla) w/ Fruit & Milk	Veggie Pizza (Vegetarian) w/ Fruit & Milk	Cheese enchiladas (Vegetarian) w/ Fruit & Milk	Toasted Turkey & Cheese Sandwich (Veg. Option is Cheese Sandwich) w/ Fruit & Milk
6 Belgian Waffle w/ Organic Agave Syrup, Fruit & Milk	7 Fruit & Cream Overnight Oats & Milk	8 French Toast Casserole w/ Fruit & Milk	9 Quesadilla w/ Fruit & Milk	10
Pesto Chicken Pasta (Veg. option is Pesto w/veggies) w/ Fruit and Milk	Bean & Cheese Burrito (Veg.) w/ Fruit & Milk	Pepperoni (Vegetarian) w/ Fruit & Milk	Mac & Cheese w/ Fruit & Milk	

HIGH SCHOOL CHOICE NIGHT NOVEMBER 2ND



High School Choice Night

Thursday 11/2/23 5:00-7:00 PM

Adolescent Families- Come learn about the many incredible choices for high school in our area!

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RUBY BRIDGES WALK TO SCHOOL DAY NOVEMBER 14TH

Six-year-old Ruby Bridges stepped into the history books in 1960 when she integrated William Frantz Elementary School in New Orleans, becoming a national icon for the civil rights movement. Ruby is alive today and 69 years old.

Today her story continues to inspire the next generation of leaders to end racism together —One step at a time.

On Tuesday, November 14, 2023, all of HDMS will be gathering in the school parking lot at 10:00 AM. We will walk around the block from Fantastic Drive to Cannan Street to Silverada Blvd. We will be wearing purple and we have flags and banners to bring awareness to Ruby Bridges' contribution to civil rights and the relative recency of desegregation of schools.

The students at Rita Cannan Elementary will be joining us on the walk!

RUBY BRIDGES WALK TO SCHOOL DAY

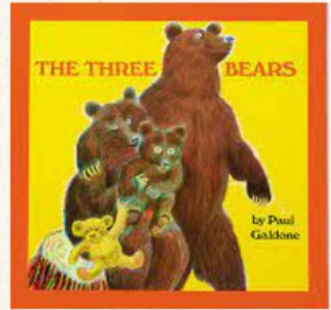
WALK
to SCHOOL DAY

in proud partnership with AAA

FAMILY READING NIGHT NOVEMBER 26TH

NNLC Family Reading Night is tonight, November 26, 2023 at 5:30 Sign up [here](#).

FAMILY STORYTIME



HIGH DESERT MONTESSORI SCHOOL

November 30, 2023 at 4:30pm

In the Library

Join us with your children as we read The Three Bears and enjoy a fun activity. We will give out a bag full of goodies to all families.

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED.
SCAN THE QR CODE TO SIGN UP



For More Information Contact:

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Brought to you by:
Northern Nevada Literacy Council
Family Reading Program



LIFETOUCH IN-STUDIO PICTURE DAY DECEMBER 2ND

Missed Picture Day?

Join us for our in-studio makeup day on

Saturday, December 2nd

at our studio in Reno, Nevada located at:

80 E. Patriot Blvd, Reno, 89511

No appointment needed!

Walk in anytime 11am-1pm

We are offering Fall Picture Day Photos.

Everyone is invited -- even if Lifetouch isn't your school's picture day provider.

Preorder your package by visiting **MYLIFETOUCH.COM** and entering the following code:

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*Please note that no school services will be provided from these photos (ID Cards, Promotion Certificates, etc.)

Questions? Email us at byterritory@lifetouch.com or call us at 775-851-0441.

Lifetouch

HDMS WINTER FAMILY DANCE!

**ALL AGES ARE WELCOME!
DESSERT & PHOTO INCLUDED!**



FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2023

6:00–8:00 PM

\$10 PER PERSON



[HTTPS://WWW.EVENTBRITE.COM/E/HDMS-WINTER-FAMILY-DANCE-TICKETS-749980079607?AFF=ODDTDTCREATOR](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/hdms-winter-family-dance-tickets-749980079607?aff=ODDTDTCREATOR)

Purchase
Family Dance
tickets [HERE](#)



SCAN ME

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

**Volunteers
needed**

We are looking for several parent volunteers to help in elementary classrooms for one hour (1:45-2:45) on the following days so that the classroom assistants can attend a training: Please contact your child's teacher to help.

11/28/23, 12/19/23, 1/23/24, 2/20/24,
3/12/24, 4/23/24, 5/21/24

Trans Youth Support Group



TRANS YOUTH SUPPORT GROUP P2P

Weekly Meetings



Open to all trans, nonbinary, and gender nonconforming youth. Open discussion and drop-in based. Supervised. Under 18.

When:Thursdays @ 5-6pm
Where: Our Center 1745 S. Wells Ave, Reno NV 89502.
If you are interested in going, Please email Ms. Mary and she will email back a permission slip, drop-off and pick-up guidelines as well as answering questions. -mary@hdmsreno.com

NOTES FROM THE PTO

There is still time to get your tickets for our 50/50 raffle! \$50 per ticket for a chance to win \$5,000! Use this link to buy as many tickets as you'd like to increase your odds.

- Upcoming PTO Events
- PTO Meeting via Zoom (click here to join Zoom meeting) 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM Thursday November 16th
 - Brews and Bites February 24th
 - Bocce Ball February (date TBA)
 - Spring Picnic May 19th

Keep in touch with all PTO events/activities by visiting us on Facebook, on our website or by joining our GroupMe chat. Our GroupMe chat is a great place to help rideshare to/from school

50/50 RAFFLE

The PTO is selling raffle tickets for our 50/50 raffle. We have 200 tickets available at \$50 per ticket. You can buy as many tickets as you'd like.

GRAND PRIZE

\$5,000

Scan the code to buy tickets!

NOTES FROM THE JEDI COLLABORATIVE

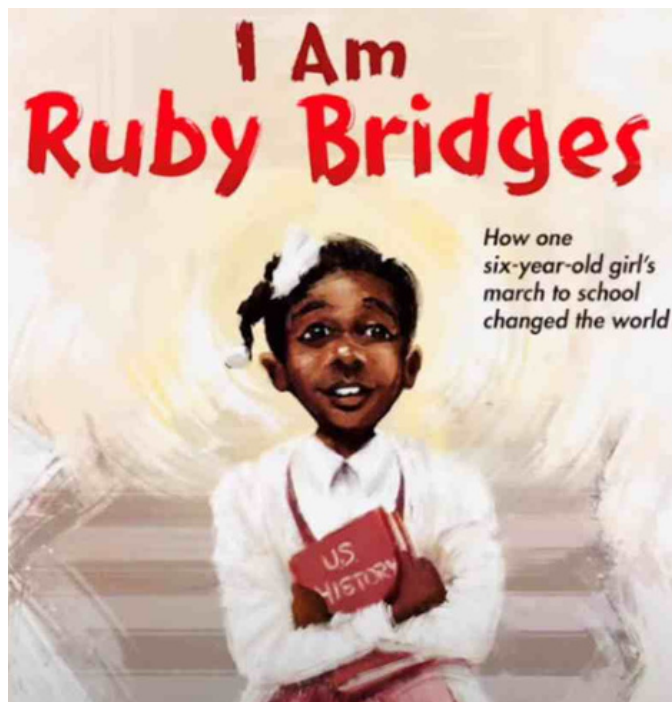
In Preparation for the Ruby Bridges Walk

"This beautifully illustrated, real-life story follows young Ruby Bridges, the first African American child to integrate schools after the Brown vs. Board of Education victory, enjoy!"

[Youtube Read Aloud: I Am Ruby Bridges](#) | [Kids Read Aloud Books](#) | [Classroom Read Aloud Books](#)

Other resources and books about Ruby Bridges:

- [Through My Eyes](#) by Ruby Bridges
- [The True Story of Ruby Bridges](#) by Robert Coles
- [Separate is Never Equal: Sylvia Mendez and Her Family's Fight for Desegregation](#) by Duncan Tonatiuh
- [Talking to Kids About Race and Racism](#)



Definition of the Week

Allyship: an active verb; leveraging personal positions of power and privilege to fight oppression by respecting, working with, and empowering marginalized voices and communities; using one's own voice to project others', less represented, voices ABC's of Social Justice

Maria Montessori was a JEDI

"She (Dr. Montessori) went on to spend much of her professional life caring for children in poor, underserved communities where she noted similarities—not differences—among little ones of various classes and socioeconomic circumstances. When she spoke of children, as she did often, she didn't differentiate among race or gender or ability. Instead, she referred to them collectively as "both a hope and a promise for mankind." - The Montessori-Minded Mom

Mark Your Calendar

Ruby Bridges Walk to School Day: Tuesday, November 14th from 10-11 am. Come walk with us!

JEDI Collaborative Meeting: December 6th from 4:15-5:15 pm. Please fill out this survey if you are interested in attending or getting involved.



Resources

Following up on last month's focus on disability awareness focus: Child Find (preschool) - The objective of Child Find is to identify, evaluate and provide appropriate services for any Washoe County child between ages of 3-5.

High Desert offers Special Education Services. Talk to your teacher if you have concerns.

LOST & FOUND

Lost and Found will be donated on Friday, November 3rd. Please have your child check the rack for lost belongings.



PRIMARY PROGRAM

The primary children had so much fun participating in mining for silver and gold! Happy Nevada Day!!



Happy
NEVADA DAY!



ELEMENTARY LEVEL

VIRGINIA CLASSROOM

We have started our unit on polar regions in the classroom and I worry that it is downright polar weather. Please remember to write your child's name inside clothing.

Dates: Montessori through my Eyes is November the 15th.
Thank you to Arlo's mom for completing the slide show for me. It was a huge help.

Many children are home with a stomach bug. We are cleaning as best we can.

For Nevada Day we did Apple tasting and recorded our observations. Then we graphed the favorite and Golden Delicious was the winner. Thank you to Kynzie's grandparents for the apples. We loved it.

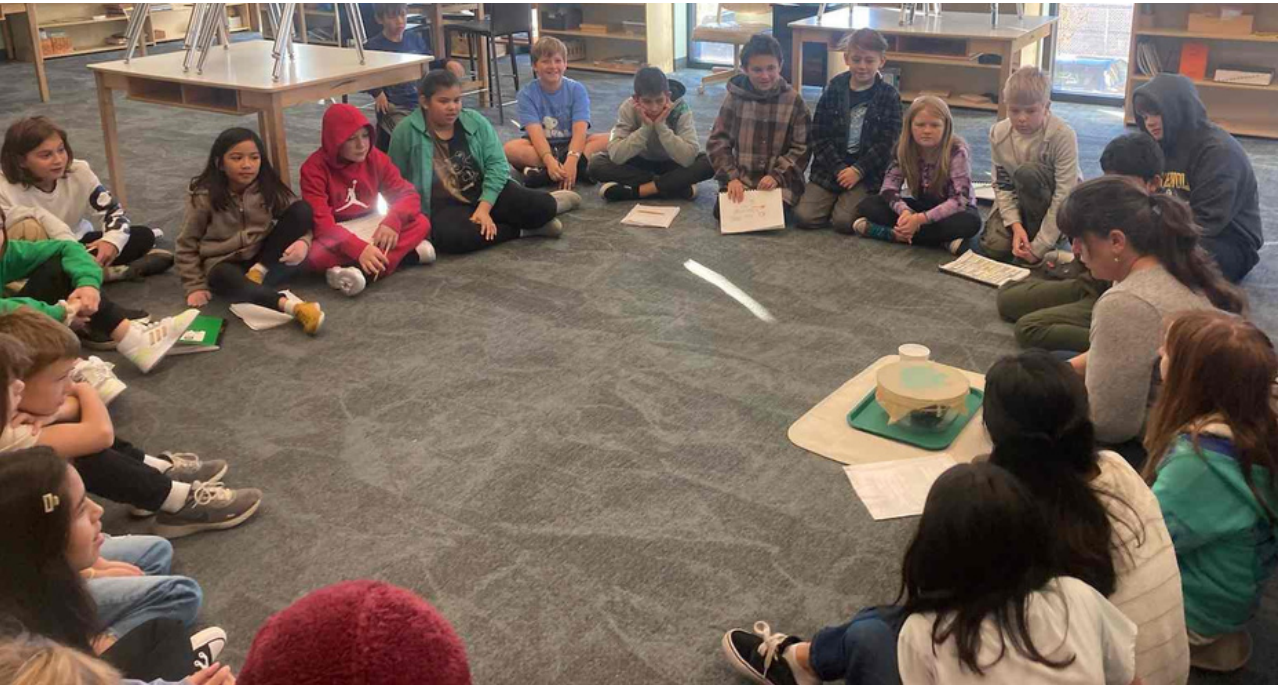


SIERRA CLASSROOM

In science we are learning about light and sound energy. This week students were able to make hypotheses around and view how sound is processed through vibrations. Students are working through experiments about light and sound as well.

Upper elementary is in the process of planning another Family Dance to be held in early December! Please be on the lookout for more information about this wonderful event. The funds raised during the event is used to provide scholarships for Upper elementary Science Camp. It is our goal to take all upper elementary students to Science Camp this year!

Please remember that candy is not allowed at school, it does not follow our nutrition guidelines. In the Sierra class, if candy is found, it will be confiscated and parents will be notified and reminded of this rule. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.



Pictured: Whole class lesson showing how sand vibrates differently through a variety of hurtz both low pitched sounds and high pitched sounds.

ADOLESCENT LEVEL

ADOLESCENT SCHOOL COMMUNITY PROJECTS

School Community Projects group walked around the block collecting trash.



ADOLESCENT BOWLING CREATIVE EXPRESSION CLASS



ADOLESCENT HIKING CREATIVE EXPRESSION CLASS



YOGA CLASS

YOGA

Nov. & Dec.
Yoga Session
Nov. 2 – Dec. 14

HDMS Library
Yoga Mats Provided
"Trilingual" Classes:
English/Spanish/Sanskrit





<https://forms.gle/adx2x6qhauDmXgzTA>

Children's Yoga
(5- to 8-year-olds)
Thursdays 3:30-4:20 pm

Stretch & Flow
(Adult-paced class)
Fridays 3:30-4:30 pm

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FREE FAMILY ART FESTIVAL W/ ARTS FOR ALL NEVADA

Arts for All Nevada's annual Holiday Family Arts Festival is almost here! This free family event is bursting at the seams with exciting things to do - from visits with Santa, to ornament-making, to holiday art projects, to tasty treats, there's something fun for everyone!

Lake Mansion Arts & Cultural Center
250 Court St. & Arlington Ave.
Reno, 89501 United States
775-826-6100 ext. 2#



Holiday Family Arts Festival

NOVEMBER 11 | 10AM-2PM
LAKE MANSION ARTS & CULTURAL CENTER
250 COURT STREET, RENO NV

CREATIVE ART STATIONS
ORNAMENT-MAKING

A FREE BOOK FOR EVERY CHILD FROM SPREAD THE WORD NEVADA
VISIT WITH SANTA CLAUS
ART PROJECT WITH NOTE-ABLES MUSIC THERAPY SERVICES
TREATS TO PURCHASE FROM TUKTUKYUMYUM
EXPLORE THE HISTORY OF LAKE MANSION WITH PATTY CAFFERATA

FREE. NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED.