



## *Inside the Issue*

### **STAY CONNECTED!**

Stay connected and involved! See what events are happening in October!

### **THE MONTHLY RECAP**

Recap and reflect with us!

### **CAMPUS NEWS**

Stay updated with the latest in AAEM news!

## **A NOTE FROM PRINCIPAL RAMIREZ**

Welcome to first issue of the Scorpion Scholar for the 2020-2021 school year! We are grateful for this school community and the dedication you have given to support your children during this distance learning experience. gave us beautiful reminders about friendship, respect, and partnership. It feels wonderful to begin the school year as a family and most importantly continuing the amazing work our teachers and staff have committed to in serving your children.

We encourage you to stay connected to the latest news and updates that come your way! This will ensure the ultimate success of your child through the duration of this school year! Our school year began on July 23rd and we have so much to celebrate!





## FRONT OFFICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

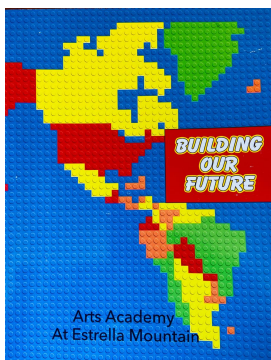
### *Pictures*

Spring 2020 pictures are in! Please come by the front office to pick up your child's Spring class and individual pictures.

Front Office Hours

M-Th 7:30-4pm

F - 7:30-2pm



### *Yearbooks*

2019-2020 Yearbooks are finally in! Please be sure to swing by the front office to pick up your order.

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## HELLO FROM THE AAEM ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM!

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# Safeguards

AAEM wants to ensure that our families know that internet safety is a priority. We have safeguards in place that will flag inappropriate usage of a student Chromebook. Parents/guardians will be immediately notified when an attempt has been made to access content that is deemed inappropriate.

## ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

Chronic absenteeism is widely defined as missing 10 percent or more of school days in a school year for any reason, including excused and unexcused absences. This can translate into missing

**15 or more**  
days per year or 3 days per month.

Students who are chronically absent in preschool, kindergarten, and first grade are much less likely to read at grade level by third grade—which would make them

**4 times**  
more likely to drop out of high school than proficient readers.

It starts early.  
More than

**10 percent**  
of kindergartners and first graders are chronically absent.

A student who is chronically absent any year between grades 8 and 12 is more than

**7 times**  
more likely to drop out.

On average, a college graduate is likely to live about

**9 years**  
longer than someone who has not completed high school.



## MOBY MAX!

Dear AAEM Families,  
In an effort to ensure we target the specific needs of your child, your teachers will be assigning assessments via Moby Max to complete. This assessment series includes:

- Adaptive assessment to target specific skills levels
- Prior year benchmark (grades 1-8) to identify achievement gaps. For example 1st grade will take Kinder benchmark to identify areas of opportunity for targeted support and intervention.

Please let us know if have questions regarding this process.



# Success means..

- Encouraging a structured routine that your child can follow each day
- Limiting distractions
- Making space for learning
- Staying connected with your child's teacher(s)
- Encouraging physical activity
- Resisting the urge to actively participate in your child's class(es) - our teachers are professionals!
- Making sure you are practicing self-care



## SCHOOL UNIFORMS

In preparation for in-person learning, uniforms can be purchased on our website at [shopaaem.com](http://shopaaem.com).

Although we are awaiting guidance from our local and state health officials regarding in-person learning, we wanted to provide you with information for uniform purchases.

The turnaround time is approximately 7 working days at the start of the school year due to the volume of orders.

We will notify parents as soon as possible once the decision for the safe return of our staff and students has been made.



# KINDER SPOTLIGHT

*Ms. Long*



*Ms. Minero*



*Mrs. Hintz*



*Mrs. Gonzalez*





# First Grade *Spotlight*



*Ms. Harbert*



*Ms. Love*



*Ms. Tolmachoff*



*Ms. Barr*