### Calendar

March 8-May 8:

Tempe Campus Read-a-thon

**April 8:** Get your Solar Eclipse glasses out!

April 19: Early Release, 2pm April 20: Prom

May 3: Movie Night May 6-10: Teacher Appreciation Week



## What's Hoot-ening?

April Edition

AZ Aspire Academy STUCO Newsletter

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#### **Art & Literacy Night at Queen Creek**

In March, the Queen Creek Campus kicked off National Reading Month with an Art & Literacy night! They had an incredible turnout - students showed off their artwork while participating in some awesome activities - including trying out their aim in Archery!







#### 2024 Prom in the Enchanted Rose Garden

Where: AZ Aspire Academy
Tempe Campus
When: April 20, 7-10pm
Who: AZ Aspire Academy High
School Students. Guests from
outside AZ Aspire Academy must be
in High School and must be
escorted by an AZ Aspire student.

Dress Code: Formal
Tickets: \$15 at the door
\$15 for 1, 2 for \$20 presale.
Tickets are on sale now at your campus and may be purchased from your Student Council
Advisor or Campus Director.
Students will not be admitted without a ticket.

Song requests must be made by form by April 19th here: https://forms.gle/JhccXBCA3svS RCi18

## **Meet Your Teacher: Mr Rich from Tempe**

Mr. Rich loves music a lot. His all-time favorite band is Nirvana. Mr.Rich makes music in a band but as he's gotten older, he likes to make electronic music independently. His main genre of music is punk or metal. He also enjoys playing video games like Dragon's Dogma 2 in his free time. Mr Rich lived in the UK for the 1st half of his life. He and his

family moved to
Arizona to be near
family. One thing he
misses about the UK is
the sense of a tightknit community,
greater emphasis on
public transportation
and being in close
proximity to
people and places.



Scottsdale Campus has been learning all about animals for Earth Month!





#### **Dad Jokes with Kendall**

Are all math jokes bad? No, just sum.

Why don't skeletons fight each other? They don't have the guts!

How do you make an eggroll? You push it.

## Tree Facts with Julian: The Ponderosa Pine

The month's tree is the great Ponderosa Pine - one of the most fire resistant tree species in the world with a unique sweet smelling bark that many people say smells like butterscotch to vanilla. Arizona is actually home to the largest Ponderosa Pine Forest in the world! According to the USDA, the Ponderosa Pine develops a protective outer corky bark early in life allowing some young trees to survive very light-intensity surface fires. As it matures, the fire resistance increases. Mature Ponderosa Pines possess thick, exfoliating bark, which slough off when the bark is on fire. Presumably, this helps "take away" heat, thus reducing or preventing heat transfer and minimizing injury to cambial cells. Over long time periods without fire a thick mulch layer of bark develops at the base of trees, that when ignited can kill the Ponderosa Pine . Historically, frequent low-intensity surface fires prevented this bark mulch layer from accumulating

around mature trees. The Ponderosa Pine can survive for 300-600 years!



## Summer 2024

# EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR



TEMPE QUEEN CREEK VIRTUAL
LITCHFIELD SCOTTSDALE



**May 28-June 21** 

**Monday-Friday** 

Cost: \$3,000

## **Two Sessions Available:**

Morning Session 8:00am-12:00pm

Afternoon Session 12:00pm-4:00pm

Find out more about AZ Aspire Academy
Visit www.AZAspireAcademy.com or
Call: 480.420.6630

Email: info@azaspire.com

# Scan for Registration!



# Tempe Spring Read-a-Thon Current Minutes: 852

Our Read-a-Thon is still happening! Our goal is for each of our students to read 1 hour a week, and as a school, reach a total of 30,000 reading minutes to earn a school celebration!

Students can pick up a reading log anytime from an ELA teacher or Student Council Advisor and can turn in their Reading log once a week to win raffle prizes and other treats!

Look out for the Teachers vs. Students reading competition this month!
See the attached packet for more info.



#### **Movie Night at Tempe Campus**

AZ Aspire families had a blast at our last Movie night and Spaghetti Cook-off. We got to try so many amazing meatballs and sauces and later enjoyed some international-inspired food made by the Tempe Student Council. Shout out to our winners and their culinary skills - Jacob, Noah, Ben, and their families! Thank you so much to al whol attended!

Want to participate in our next movie night? Vote for your favorite "Star Wars" film at <a href="https://forms.gle/6CZtAb6ctVEfiNm88">https://forms.gle/6CZtAb6ctVEfiNm88</a> and be sure to put May 3rd on your calendar - we'll have Star Wars themed snacks, games, and prizes! All AZ Aspire campuses are invited to attend.

## Tempe Campus Read-a-Thon

March 8 - May 8th Read, Log, and Win Weekly Raffles, Top Reader Prizes, and a Campus Celebration!



