

NEWSLETTER



FOR A GOOD THINGS IN EDUCATION AWARD





MESSAGE FROM YUMA COUNTY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT TOM HURT

You might notice a lot of upcoming events being put on from our office. That's one of our goals right now: bringing high quality professional development right here to Yuma. We have great teachers here and want to be able to support them as they continue to grow.

If there's specific training your school or district is looking at, please reach out. We've sent out some surveys to see what topics are of most interest but I know things can change.

As we head into the end of the school year, I thank you for working hard every day to serve the many students in our community. We could not function as a society without your work.



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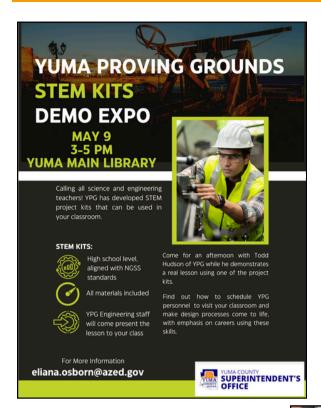
CERTIFICATION ASSISTANCE

In April we were able to take part in a targeted outreach training about ADE certification. It can be daunting for anyone to navigate the many different types of teaching credentials in our state, especially for those who haven't gone through traditional training programs.

During summer months, the ten person ADE certification team fields hundreds of phone calls each day.

A few tips:

- Use the email contact form at <u>https://www.azed.gov/educator-</u> <u>certification/educator-certification-contact-</u> <u>form</u> and your question will be pre-sorted, making a response more likely to come quickly.
- Emergency teaching certificates are not available on-line; districts have to contact ADE directly for these forms.
- Work experience can be met by long-term substituting that adds up to 72 weeks and doesn't need to be consecutive.
- Eliana Osborn is available to walk through the process with those in need on Tuesday mornings or Thursday afternoons in our office.



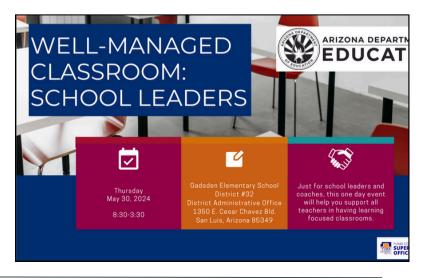


May

Professional
Development
Opportunities
in Yuma

Please visit our
Facebook events or
website events listing
for registration
details.





SCHOOL DISTRICT SPENDING ANALYSIS

Ever wonder how your school district spending looks compared to other similar districts around the state? Or how spending trends have changed over the past 20 years? Then you might want to check out the website for the Arizona Auditor General where you can search by district or spending category. The biggest change happening? Increased nonclassroom spending and changes to state and federal contributions.





MAY 8 IS ASBA TRAINING FOR SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATES IN THE CRANE BOARD ROOM

UPDATED WEBSITE --DFTAILS

If you have visited the Yuma County School Superintendent's Office website since April 1, you've noticed some changes. Thanks to the help of Matt Molenar and the team at MGM Design we hope that this new iteration will be more user friendly and offer more resources for all of our stakeholders, both schools and the community.

You might also have noticed a new name. We'll be transitioning to Yuma County Education Service Agency, one of our legal names, over the next few years. This will better represent what our office and staff do. In case you were curious, of the 15 counties in Arizona half use the ESA name and half are called the County Superintendent's Office.

CURRENT CANDIDATE

FILINGS YUMA COUNTY

2024 Election STATEMENT OF INTEREST FILINGS

Yuma Elementary Dist. #1

Jeff Stoner Cori Rico Faith Klostreich Emilia Cortez

Adele Hennig

Wellton Elementary Dist. #24

David Rodriguez

Somerton Elementary Dist. #11

Cristina Clark

Gadsden Elementary Dist. #32

Brian De La Hoya Tadeo De La Hoya Patricia Toledo Mark Concha Nieves Riedel Jarmy Rodriguez

Crane Elementary Dist. #13 Michael Richards

Danny Farar Robert Scarborough Jim Colby Audrey Garcia Keli Osborn

Antelope High School Dist. #50 Nydia Monge

Laura Noel Michelle Iones Robert Taylor Gregory Marlatt

Hyder Elementary Dist. #16

Yuma Union High School Dist. #70 Rosalie Stafford Edward Thomas

Chris Larson David Lara Shelley Mellon Carlos Gonzalez Virginia Legros Brian Martin Lizeth Servin

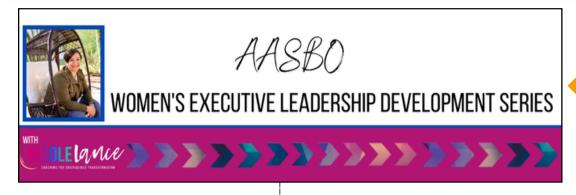
Mohawk Valley Elementary Dist. #17 Southwest Technical Education Rectika Dhawan

Gina Richmond Carlos Farnsworth Magdalene Ann Taylor

Phillip Townsend Charles Wesner Marlon Alaniz Jr.

Arizona has more than 15,500 farms and produces 5.8 billion eggs each year. Arizona grows enough cotton each year to make more than one pair of jeans for every person in the United States.

Source: National Agriculture in the Classroom



Click image for details

GOVERNOR VETOES BILL TO MAKE SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS PARTISAN

Senate Bill 1097 was vetoes by Governor Hobbs on April 16. In her letter explaining the veto, Hobbs wrote:

"This bill will further the politicization and polarization of Arizona's school district governing boards whose focus should remain on making the best decisions for students. Partisan politics do not belong in Arizona's schools."

County Superintendents from all over the state worked to make sure that Governor Hobbs understood the detrimental impact SB 1097 would have on our communities.

STATE MIGRANT MEETING

Arizona Western College hosted the annual SMPAC--State Migrant Education Parent Advisory Council meeting. More than 200 participants from around the state were in attendance to learn and elect leaders. Thank you to all who work supporting this important program in our community!

Women make up 50% of the U.S. population but only 25% of the tech workforce. Combined, Black and Latinx individuals make up 30% of the nation's population but just 15% of the tech workforce. AZ Cyber programming centers belonging and access so those underrepresented in STEM are supported as they pursue digital careers.

The AZ Cyber Initiative is a non-profit dedicated to unlocking opportunities for young people who are interested in cyber and emergent technology. We collaborate with workforce partners across the state to offer programs that provide career-connected and work-based learning experiences, leading to quality digital jobs that help young people achieve their dreams.

AZ Cyber partners with K-12 schools and educators to bring cyber awareness and education into every classroom – not just IT classes. We offer professional development and Cyber Bootcamps for educators who seek to incorporate career-connected learning into their lessons. Two Cyber Camps are taking place in Yuma this summer.

If you are interested in training for your school or staff, please reach out to our office. We're open to bringing training here to the county.

