



THE PEÑASCO POST

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Schedule:

Saturday, February 10

Games start at 1PM

The newsletter, now called The Peñasco Post, is a publication of the Peñasco High School journalism class. Please share any story ideas, calendar events or staff/student shout outs to snoll@penascoisd.com.



J O B S

Job Opportunities in the Community

By Walter Trujillo

Currently in the community of Peñasco, there are limited jobs available for teens.

The reason there aren't many jobs for teens is because of age restrictions for the jobs that require you to be 18 or older. The jobs that are available are Subway at the pueblo (call (575) 613-7468 for more info) and with the afterschool program (contact Community Schools Coordinator Donna Rudolph) for more info.) Currently Sipapu is not hiring because they are already fully staffed and Sugar Nymphs Bistro is going to be hiring in the spring.

FILM PRIZE

BY MANNY VELARDE, TYELOR YAZZA, ZAYDRIAN CORDOVA

WHERE- CONVENTION CENTER, ABQ

WHEN- APRIL 6-7, 2024

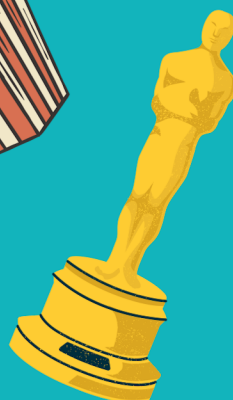
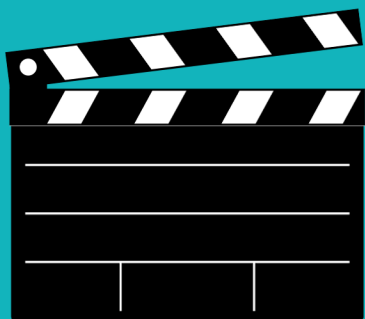
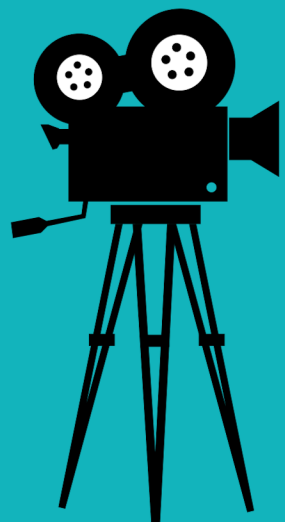
FILM PRIZE NEW MEXICO WAS STARTED IN LOUISIANA DURING THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR AND CAME TO NEW MEXICO IN 2021.

FILM PRIZE IS A COMPETITION FOR MS AND HS STUDENTS. STUDENTS HAD TO SUBMIT PROOF OF CONCEPT, AND FIVE FILMS FROM PISD WILL BE SUBMITTED.

THIS YEAR THERE ARE 5 FILMS BEING MADE IN PENASCO.

1. EBE- MANNY VELARDE
2. THE HAUNTED HORROR CAMP- ZAYDRIAN CORDOVA
3. HECHO A MANO- JOURNALISM CLASS
4. PROTECT THE WATER- AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM
5. CULINARY ARTS PROFILE- CHEF MARQUEZ

LAST YEAR THE FILM "ZOMBIE GARDEN" MADE BY PENASCO STUDENTS WON AT THE FESTIVAL. THIS YEAR, PISD WILL RECEIVE \$10,000 IN EQUIPMENT TO HELP FUTURE DIRECTORS MAKE THEIR FILMS. GOOD LUCK TO ALL FILM MAKERS!



Bringing Families Together Through Literacy Night

By: Isabella Trujillo

On Wednesday, February 7 the middle school/high school will host a Literacy Night for students and their families. It will take place in the commons area from 5:30-7. Dinner will be served with food prepared by Chef Marquez and his culinary students, and guest speakers Dr. Amy Franklin and Miguel Santistevan will give presentations as well.

Dr. Franklin will speak on the five SEL components--identity, belonging, agency, collaboration, and curiosity--and talk about how they connect to literacy. Families will have the opportunity to see their students' work, and some students will even read original poems written by Ms. Ortiz's and Ms. Noll's students. "The purpose of this evening is to celebrate all the excellent work our students are doing in their classes at this time. We really want parents to see all the great projects that students have been doing in their classes, with a focus on reading and writing," Ms. Noll says. Mr. Bustos says this will help students and families "so that we are able to showcase our work and all the good things we are doing at our school."

Teachers have been collaborating on different projects this year, and this is a time to show that work. Parents and families are encouraged to attend so they can have the opportunity to see all the great things happening in our classrooms. There will also be books for students and their families up for grabs, so be sure to attend!

Save the date !!!



School **SPOTLIGHT**

By: Kaileb Atencio

Peñasco has been selected as one of the top 25% of schools in New Mexico, otherwise known as a Spotlight School. A couple of our journalism students interviewed Peñasco's high school principal, Mr. Rick Bustos, about our spotlight school. After being asked how being a top 25% school will benefit us, he answered: "It's a big accomplishment for our students and staff. We are here because of our students who want to learn and our teachers. It will help us by bringing a more positive vibe. We are as good as other schools whether we're a small or big school." Our talented students have embarked on groundbreaking projects, showcasing creativity and ingenuity. It is heartening to see our achievements recognized and celebrated beyond our community.

CULINARY ARTS UPDATE WITH CHEF MARQUEZ-

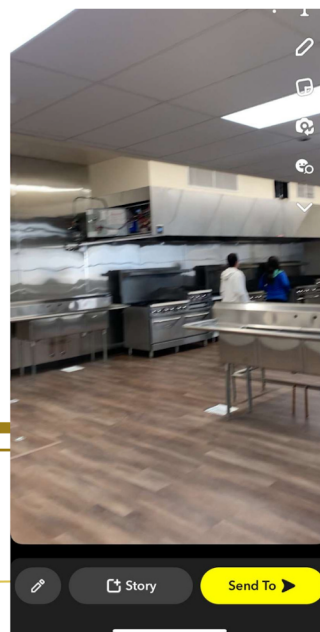
BY- GAGE PACHECO AND FABIANA PACHECO

CHEF MARQUEZ IS A NEWER MEMBER OF THE PISD STAFF WITH THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR BEING HIS 2ND YEAR AT OUR SCHOOL. HAVING A CULINARY CLASS IS ONE OF THE REASONS.

JAZMYNE ROMERO, WHO IS TAKING CULINARY ARTS THIS SEMESTER, SAYS " THE KITCHEN IS DELAYED DUE TO A MISSING DISHWASHER, AND WIRING PROBLEMS ABOVE THE STOVE."

THE STUDENTS MIGHT NOT BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE COMPETITION AS THEY DON'T HAVE A BIG ENOUGH ROOM TO PRACTICE IN.

HOPEFULLY THE NEW ROOM WILL BE FINISHED SOON SO THE STUDENTS CAN CONTINUE LEARNING.



JAZZY & LYSSA

MS. ESQUIBEL THANK YOU<3

THANK YOU FOR
HELPING
WITH SFA AND IMPROVING
IT FOR THE CHILDREN.

YOU HAVE DONE SO
MUCH FOR THE KIDS
AND WE'RE
VERY GREATFUL

Yay Ms. Esuibel!!!

FOCUS
ON WHAT YOUR
CHILD LIKES

RECOGNIZE AND
CELEBRATE HIS
SUCCESS



student spotlights



ALYSSA IS TAKING 4 COLLEGE CLASSES WHICH ARE ENGLISH, HISTORY, INTRO TO ART AND PUBLIC SPEAKING. ALYSSA DOES COLLEGE CLASSES SO THAT SHE CAN GET A HEAD START AND FIGURING STUFF OUT BEFORE GOING OUT. ALYSSA REALLY LIKES HER PUBLIC SPEAKING CLASSES SINCE IT IS IN PERSON AT THE COLLEGE .

ALICIA IS TAKING 5 COLLEGE CLASSES WHICH INCLUDE 2 PSYCHOLOGY, HISTORY, ENGLISH AND PUBLIC SPEAKING CLASSES (WHICH IS IN PERSON AT THE COLLEGE) ALL CLASSES ARE THROUGH NORTHERN AND UNM TAOS. SHE DOES COLLEGE CLASSES SO THAT SHE IS ABLE TO GET HER DEGREE BY THE TIME SHE GRADUATES TO AT LEAST HAVE A STEPPING STOOL WHEN SHE GOES OUT.



JAYLENI IS TAKING AN INTRO TO EMS AND A PUBLIC SPEAKING CLASS. THE EMS IS GOING TO HELP HER IN HER FUTURE JOB SO THAT'S WHY SHE IS DOING IT. JAYLENI IS DOING COLLEGE CLASSES SO THAT IT GIVES HER AN OPPORTUNITY TO SEE WHAT COLLEGE IS REALLY LIKE.



HOMECOMING DETAILS

Homecoming Festivities

VALENTINE'S DOOR DECORATING
COMPETITION
CLASS POSTERS
CLASS CHANT
CLASS FLOAT
PEP RALLY GAMES
SPIRT WEEK PARTICIPATION

Pep Rally

FEBRUARY 8TH
TIME: 2:00-3:00

Spirit Week

2/5 MONDAY: MISMATCH MONDAY

2/6 TUESDAY: TEACHER SWAP

2/7 WEDNESDAY: ATHLETE VS. MATHLET

2/8 THURSDAY: PANTHER PRIDE!

Homecoming Court

KING AND QUEEN: SENIORS
PRINCE AND PRINCESS:
JUNIORS/SOPHOMORE
DUKE AND DUCHESS:
FRESHMEN/8TH GRADE
COUNT AND COUNTESS: 7TH
AND 6TH GRADE

Saturday February 10, 2024

GAME: PEÑASCO VS MORA

DANCE: MIDDLE SCHOOL GYM

*MIDDLE SCHOOL WINNERS CAN ATTEND
THE DANCE