



# THE FALCON FLYER

HERITAGE ELEMENTARY | WILLIAMS CAMPUS | DECEMBER 2023

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### NOVEMBER 27-DECEMBER 15

- Food Drive

### DECEMBER 11-15

- Mid-Year Benchmark Testing

### DECEMBER 20

- Last Day of 2nd Quarter
- Report Cards Sent Home with Students
- Half-Day, No After-School

### DECEMBER 21-JANUARY 3

- Winter Break, No School

### JANUARY 4

- Classes Resume
- Quarter 3 Begins

**DECEMBER'S CHARACTER TRAIT:  
RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE WORLD**

## HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE

Our Holiday Food Drive kicked off on November 27 and will continue until December 15. The class with the most items gets a gingerbread decorating party! Please help those less fortunate and contribute so that everyone's holiday can be a happy one.

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## END OF QUARTER, EARLY RELEASE

The second quarter will end and report cards will be sent home with students on Wednesday, December 20, which will be a half-day with no after-school Kids Club. Parents should plan accordingly.

## WINTER BREAK

There will be no school from Thursday, December 21, to Wednesday, January 3, for Winter Break. We wish all Heritage families the happiest of holidays, and we look forward to seeing everyone back on campus on Thursday, January 4, ready to start the second half of the school year.

## SNOW DAY INFO

On snowy days, you will be informed of any changes to our regularly scheduled day by an automated phone call, ClassDojo, and Heritage Elementary Facebook page by 6:30 a.m.

There are 3 scenarios for snowy weather:

**Option 1:** A Snow Day – school is canceled

**Option 2:** Two (2) Hour Delay (10:00 a.m.) (with normal release time) - The van pick up schedule will be 2 hours delayed. - There WILL BE regular Before and After school care like normal. (7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.)

**Option 3:** Regular School Day schedule - There will NOT be a phone call if it is a regular day.

Please allow an additional 10 minutes for van delays due to ice and snow and slower travel.

See our [Snow Day](#) Policy for more information.

## DECEMBER'S CHARACTER TRAIT: RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE WORLD

This month's character trait is responsibility for the world. Showing responsibility means doing what needs to be done, possessing self-discipline, and being the type of person others can depend on. Being responsible also means being accountable for one's words, actions, and attitudes. Responsibility for one's home and oneself is a crucial component to success and should be practiced and displayed every day.

## STUDENTS OF THE MONTH (RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE WORLD)

Grades KG/1st - Matteo G.

Grades 2nd/3rd - Milah Rose M.

Grades 4th/5th - Arthur S.

Grades 6th - Mateo S.

Grades 7th/8th - Tyler G.

## TIPS FOR THE COMING WINTER

The cold weather is upon us; all students will need a proper outdoor jacket (not just a sweatshirt) for outside recesses when the temperature starts to drop. As it gets closer to winter, and we start to get snow, remember we do require snow boots for students to be able to have outside recess if there is snow on the ground. If you need help getting either of these things for your student, please let us know. Vans also run slower during winter due to ice and snow, which is why we always ask to be prepared with that 10-minute window around your scheduled pick-up and drop-off times.

## DRESS CODE REMINDER

We require students to adhere to our uniform dress code. Solid-color polo shirts in the school colors—red (not maroon), white, or navy blue—are acceptable, as are Heritage polo shirts which are available in the office for \$12 each. Slacks, shorts, jumpers, capri pants, and skirts in khaki or navy blue can be worn, but no other "bottom" colors are permitted. Uniforms should not be either excessively baggy or too tight.

## TAX CREDITS

You can donate up to \$200 for a single person, or \$400 for a joint return, to Heritage and get a school tax credit on your 2023 Arizona state taxes. Arizona law allows taxpayers to receive a tax credit for donations that benefit our students. A tax credit reduces what you owe in state taxes, dollar-for-dollar. For more information, including a printable form, please go to our website, [HESWilliams.org](https://www.HESWilliams.org), today!

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School hours: 8:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

Every Wednesday is a half-day. School ends for everyone (K–8) at 12 p.m.

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