



THE FALCON FLYER

HERITAGE ELEMENTARY | WILLIAMS CAMPUS | MARCH 2024

UPCOMING EVENTS

MARCH 5

- Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Half-Day, No After-School Program
- Report Cards Given Out at Conference

MARCH 6

- Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Half-Day, No After-School Program
- Report Cards Given Out at Conference

MARCH 7

- Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Half-Day, No After-School Program
- Report Cards Given Out at Conference

MARCH 11-15

- Spring Break, No School

MARCH 25-29

- Arizona Science Test, Grades 5 & 8

APRIL 1-26

- Arizona State Testing, ELA and Math, Grades 3-8

**MARCH'S CHARACTER TRAIT:
CARING FOR OTHERS**

PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

Sign-up for your parent/teacher conference with your student's teacher. The conferences are scheduled to take place on March 5-7, after 12:00 when the students are released. Parents will receive their student's report card from the teacher at the conference. Each conference will last a maximum of 15 minutes and will be focused on your student's progress and ideas to be successful through the remainder of the school year. NOTE: There will be NO after-school Kids Club the three days of the conferences.

MARCH'S CHARACTER TRAIT: CARING FOR OTHERS

The *Oxford Dictionary* defines caring as "the provision of what is necessary for the health, welfare, maintenance, and protection of someone or something." This means you should show compassion, understanding and consideration for others. Caring also means that you treat others with honesty, loyalty, respect, and fairness. A person who truly cares for another or about something important to them will often feel an emotional response to both the pain and the pleasure of others. So, this month, show someone you care!

MARCH STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

Grades KG-1 – Itsayana Sofia S.

Grades 2-3 – Jeilyn H.

Grades 4-5th – Jackson R.

Grade 6 – Carlos D.

Grades 7-8th – Rhyon A.

ARIZONA STATE TESTING

Arizona State testing for ELA and Math for grades 3-8 will start on April 1 and will continue until April 26. We're certain our students will all get great scores! Here are some testing tips for students to keep in mind when taking the state tests:

- Get a good night's rest before test days
- Eat a healthy and nutritious breakfast the morning of test days
- Read through each question thoroughly
- Always check your work
- Relax—you're going to do great!

FOCUS ON ATTENDANCE

Excellent attendance is one of the most important aspects of being a good student. Arizona state law states that absences are excessive when they are over 10% of the school year days. Our school year is 180 days, so no student should have over 18 absences for the entire school year. That would be a violation of the state law. Many of our students are already over 18 days of absences. Please make excellent attendance a priority for all our students!

SNOW DAY MAKEUP SCHEDULE

Because we used all five snow days this year, we will be in session on both April 26 and April 29 and will be full days of school. Both days will have our regular after-school Kids Club available.

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, 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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