Bulldog Nation,

We have had an amazing start to the school year. Our students and staff are working hard every day to prepare for current and upcoming learning. Additionally, all our parents and family members are working hard as well. How do we know? Because our students are coming to school ready to learn! We haven’t seen this much participation at Galileo in a long time. Our chronic absenteeism (missing 10% of the year or more) is one of the lowest of all middle schools in our district. Each day for the first 20 days of school, we have been giving students a small gift to thank them for coming to school each and every day. Our school is a better place with your student at Galileo School of Math and Science. Thank you for all the support and come by to see the incredible growth of our school.

Ken Miller
Principal
Galileo School of Math and Science

NURSES NOTES

Flu season is almost here!

Flu shots are available now to anyone 6 months or older.

The flu vaccine is available at most doctor’s offices, chain pharmacies and they are FREE at El Paso County Health Department while supplies last for those 6 months to 18 years old. The vaccine will not always eliminate the flu, but usually shortens the duration and severity of symptoms. Flu season typically runs October thru March but can start earlier and run later than that.

For more information on flu, visit: https://www.elpasocountyhealth.org/services/influenza-flu

Symptoms of the flu can include fever, cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, muscle or body aches, headache, chills, fatigue and sometimes vomiting and diarrhea (more common in kids). *Some people with the flu will not have a fever.

Prevention to Stop the Spread of Germs*:

● Try to avoid close contact with sick people.

● While sick, limit contact with others as much as possible to keep from infecting them.

● If you are sick with flu symptoms, CDC recommends that you stay home for at least 24 hours after your fever is gone except to get medical care or for other necessities. (Your fever should be gone for 24 hours without the use of a fever-reducing medicine.)

● Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Throw the tissue in the trash after you use it.

Wash your hands often with soap and water. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand rub.

● Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth. Germs spread this way.

Clean and disinfect surfaces and objects that may be contaminated with germs like the flu.

https://www.cdc.gov/flu/protect/preventing.htm
ABSENCES ARE EXCUSED FOR ANY STUDENT WHO:

Is temporarily ill

Has an absence approved by a school administrator

Is enrolled in an independent or parochial school

Who is absent for an extended period due to a mental, physical, or emotional disability

Has been removed from school for a disciplinary action

Possesses a qualified current work permit

Is in the custody of law enforcement

Is pursuing a school-sponsored work study program under appropriate supervision

Is being home-schooled in an approved home-school program

Any other reason set forth in school policies or provided by law

ABSENCES WILL NOT BE EXCUSED FOR THE FOLLOWING TYPES OF REASONS:

“My student’s grandparents are coming to town, and we want to take a family trip to the top of Pikes Peak.”

“My student overslept because she had to work late last night.”

“My student had to watch his younger brothers and sisters.”

“My student needed to finish his English project, so please excuse him from classes while he studies in the library.”

“My kids needed a day with me so we can spend time together.”

ATTENDANCE INFORMATION

PLEASE READ

A student is tardy if they arrive to class within the first 10 minutes of a marking period. A student is considered absent if they miss the first 10 minutes of class.

When a student misses more than 10 percent of any marking period, whether excused or unexcused, they are chronically absent from school. When a student misses any part of a school day, with no excuse provided by the parent/guardian, the student is truant. Students who are “skipping” school or class regularly, or who are absent from school for reasons that do not meet the statutory criteria above, are truant from school. Habitually truant students are those students who have four or more days of unexcused absence of school in a month, or ten days of unexcused absence in one year. Chronic absenteeism and truancy affects a student’s achievement and may delay a student’s academic progress. Students and parents/guardians who willfully violate this policy may be subject to disciplinary action at the school and through the judicial process.
Mrs. Gross’ 6th grade science class has been actively participating in taking care of our school garden with our master gardener Ms. Renelle.

We have helped her weed, add mulch and water all the beds as well as the areas around the beds. Each period rotates to the garden throughout the week.

The students have been working well collaboratively. They share great conversations and enjoy finding new species in the garden. The Galileo garden provides fresh fruits and vegetables for our kitchen, Galileo families and community.
Open gym for girls basketball will be held from 7:15 – 8:20 on Wednesdays. No physical needed for open gym.

Boys basketball will have open gym every Thursday morning from 7:15-8:30. All boys must wear basketball shorts and proper shoes to be allowed to participate. No physical needed for open gym.

Wrestling season has started. If you are interested you will need a physical. Practices are over at 5:30. See the attached page with the scheduled meets.

Bulldog Bots are back. If you are interested in building and program robots. Have you wanted to design and print something on a 3D printer? Come learn about all the new and cool tech stuff here at Galileo! Robotics/Tech club starts meeting on Tuesday September 24th. Permission slips are in the office or can be printed from the Galileo website.

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Title One Night

Thanks to all those who attended our Title One Night. We had a great briefing explaining Title One and our state funding. We had a BBQ dinner and raffled off 4 - $25 gift cards, 4 shirts and some lanyards.

As the Garden Grows

The Garden is feeling the chill of Fall set in. As we prep for winter we are proud to look back on a wonderful season. Over the Summer the Garden received many updates as we added a brand new walkway, trees and flowers. The students and staff have been showing their support by helping maintain the grounds and harvesting produce. We are hoping to keep the momentum going all year. We are happy to announce we will be updating our greenhouse in October. If you would like to be a part of our garden project, volunteer or donate. Please contact Galileo for more details.

Renelle Palmer
Master Gardener
Galileo School of Math & Science
renelle.palmer@d11.org
"Plant a seed, grow a mind."
This is the front office bulletin board. The intention and impact we are hoping for is to catch the attention of students and make them think about where their future is taking them. Showing some of the colleges and university’s available to them, along with the help of AVID, their futures are wide open for “the places they’ll go!”.

Cindy and Carleen
### 2019-2020 MIDDLE SCHOOL WRESTLING SCHEDULE  
(SIXTH, SEVENTH, AND EIGHTH GRADES)

**SEASON:** September 16 - November 9 (8 WEEKS)

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**Beginner TOURNAMENT**  
Saturday, October 5 @ TBD 9:00 am

**DISTRICT CLASSIC (A-SQUAD:**)
**WEIGH INS ONLY (4:30-5:30 P.M.)**  
FRIDAY, Nov. 8 @ Mitchell

**WRESTLING ALL DAY (BEGINS AT 8:00 AM)**  
SATURDAY, Nov. 9 @ Mitchell