



# DESERTFOOTHILLSNEWS

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**Ms. Susie Smith**  
**Principal**  
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**Mr. Steve Whycott**  
**Assistant Principal**  
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## A Message from Ms. Smith

As we come to the close of another school year, it is with great pride and pleasure that I congratulate our 8<sup>th</sup> graders on their promotion to high school and our 7<sup>th</sup> graders on their successful year. It has been an amazing year guiding your child through the most influential years of adolescence with the DF staff. We are proud of our students' academic and social growth, and we wish each family a safe and healthy summer.

## WESD Summer Academy

**Summer School will be held from Tuesday, May 30 – Thursday, June 15, 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**  
There is no charge for the program with breakfast and lunch included as well as bus transportation for our regular bus routes. Space is limited and students are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis, so please register today. For more information, contact Mr. Stefanic at (602) 896-5554.

## Promotion

*Friday, May 19, 2017*

*Team Phoenix & Team Wolves*

*9:15 - 10:15 a.m. in the gymnasium*

*Team Eclipse*

*10:45 - 11:45 a.m. in the gymnasium*

## Change of Date for

## May Site Council & BEST Meetings

Please note that due to the Promotion Dance on Wednesday, May 17, 2017, our Site Council and BEST meetings for May have been changed to **Wednesday, May 10, 2017, at 5:15 & 6:00 p.m.,** respectively.

Principal Susie Smith

- Promotion tickets will be distributed on Wednesday, May 3, 2017, in homeroom classes. Each 8<sup>th</sup> grader will be given five tickets for the ceremony. If your family would like more than five tickets, your child can request additional tickets in homeroom. If your child does not need five tickets, please have your child return the extra tickets to the homeroom teacher.
- Parking is limited at the ceremony. Please allow time to find a parking place in the surrounding neighborhood and be sure to obey all parking signs. Cars parked illegally have been ticketed and towed in the past. There are two ceremonies, so we ask that all students and parents exit the gym immediately following the ceremony.
- **Dress Code:** Please wear nice school attire. Girls may not wear strapless dresses, halter dresses, or revealing clothing such as short shirts or low-cut tops. It is recommended that boys wear dark pants and button up shirts. ***Please do not purchase gowns or rent tuxedos for this event.***

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## May 2017 Calendar of Events

5/3	Early Release	2:30 p.m.
5/4	Leadership Field Trip to N. Mt. Park Girls Softball PV @ DF	4:45 p.m.
5/5	Apex Run Fundraiser	3:00 p.m.
5/8	Girls Softball Playoff Games ASA Spring Play	4:45 p.m. 5:00 p.m.
5/9	Girls Softball Playoff Games 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Spring Play	4:45 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
5/10	Early Release Speech Try-Outs – Café Site Council B.E.S.T	2:30 p.m. 2:45 p.m. 5:15 p.m. 6:00 p.m.
5/11	Track @ Thunderbird H.S. 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Spring Play	4:45 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
5/15	Yearbook Distributed	
5/16	Castles & Coasters Field Trip (8 <sup>th</sup> Grade)	
5/17	Promotion Dance	6:00 p.m.
5/18	Yearbook Signing Promotion Rehearsals Talent Show	2:00 p.m.
5/19	Promotion Ceremony Teams Phoenix & Wolves Promotion Ceremony Team Eclipse	9:15 a.m. 10:45 a.m.
5/23	Last Day of School	

To view Desert Foothill's online calendar, insert the URL address below into your Internet browser,  
<http://desertfoothills.wedschools.org>;  
click on Desert Foothills Calendar.



### **MEDICATION PICK UP**

As the school year comes to an end, please be sure to pick up your child's medication in the health office by 3:00 p.m. on the last day of school. The District policy prohibits the transportation of medication to and from school by anyone less than 18 year of age. All medication left unclaimed will be destroyed.

### **OPEN ENROLLMENT**

Seventh Grade Parents: please return the Open Enrollment forms mailed to you if your child will be attending Desert Foothills for the 2017-2018 school year. If you have moved into our attendance area and no longer require an Open Enrollment form, or if your child will not be returning to DF next school year, please call the office at 602-896-5500 to let us know. Thank you!

### **NOT RETURNING**

If your child will not be attending Desert Foothills for the 2017-2018 school year, please contact the front office at 602-896-5500 and let us know. Thank you!

### **IT'S NOT TOO LATE YEARBOOK PRESALES**

Don't miss out. Third quarter is almost over and yearbooks will be here before you know it. Hurry and order yours now. Supplies are limited. Order forms are available in the office. Return your order form and \$25 to Mrs. Lee in the front office.

**Last Day of School is Tuesday, May 23, 2017.  
This is an *EARLY RELEASE* day at 2:30 p.m.**

### 2017-2018 School Year

**School Starts ~ Monday, August 7, 2017  
Walk-through Orientation for 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> graders  
Wednesday & Thursday, August 2 & 3**