

October, 2022

# LEARNING TODAY, LEADING TOMORROW



## Welcome to Fall!

- Thank you all for taking the time to meet with us during Parent Teacher Conferences. We enjoyed the opportunity to share your child's progress with you. As always, please let us know how school is going for your child. We welcome your comments.
- While we recognize that Halloween is a fun tradition for many, it is not a holiday that is celebrated by everyone. As a school we do not celebrate Halloween, but you will find that many classrooms will celebrate fall by decorating pumpkins, or working on fun fall crafts. In addition we will enjoy a school wide fall festival on Friday, October 28th.

Thank you for your continuous support.

## Reminders:

- Fall Break - School in recess:  
Monday, October 10th - Monday, October 17th  
(School Resumes on Tuesday, October 18th)
- Fall Festival - Friday, October 28th

## Directors' Note

It is October, and we couldn't be happier about the first quarter at New Vistas. We have so many incredible things to look forward to in October. This month, students in Preschool-Kindergarten are learning about Germany and making continued progress in reading, math, writing, and science. Ask your child about the fun that happened in Lemonade Lane this month, as students completed their study on Arizona.

Our hard-working students in grades 1-6 have completed rounds of reading and math assessments. Teachers, parents and administration have reviewed data from standardized tests and curriculum-based assessments and created goals for this year. Students in 4th grade started the Latin curriculum for the first time, and students in 5th and 6th grade are finalizing topics for their National History Day projects.

After a well-deserved break, we will end this month with a Celebration of fall, that will include special treats and activities for all students.

There is truly no place like New Vistas!

Carol Elias and Kristi Roher

# Sneak Peek:

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## Class Service Projects

- **Follow Your Heart Animal Rescue:** Mrs. Nelson; Mrs. Patel; Mrs. Balderas / Mrs. Crowder
- **Phoenix Children's Hospital:** Ms. Andrews; Ms. Herrera; Mrs. McSweeney
- **Lighthouse for Hope:** Mrs. Hart
- **Better Life for Kids:** Mrs. Shechter/Mrs. Balderas
- **Adopt a Family:** Mrs. Fenner / Mrs. Schottke
- **Project Night Night:** Mrs. Grismore; Ms. Hollingshead; Mrs. McLean
- **Saving One Life Animal Rescue:** Mrs. Hochhaus/ Mrs. Moyzes; Mrs. Walsh / Mrs. Hindall
- **Ronald McDonald House:** Mrs. Moyzes / Mrs. Hibner
- **Animal Shelter Dog Toys:** Mrs. Moore / Mrs. Blunt
- **Kitchen on the Street:** Mrs. Lira / Mrs. Devine
- **Hospital School at Cardon's Children Medical Center:** Mrs. Orlik
- **Book in a Bag:** Mr. Ben / Ms. Berlin; Ms. Berlin / Mrs. Nesheim
- **PMD Walk:** Mrs. Trepanier / Mrs. Rabo

## Field Trip



Our Students in Grades 2-4 enjoyed the first field trip of the year, for "one of a kind educational experience." The show, The Science of Magic gave our students an opportunity to witness how magicians use science to create their illusions.

Students were engaged and amazed as they learned science can be used in the most unexpected places, and unusual ways.



September was busy and exciting in our three amazing Kindergarten Classes. They kicked off the beginning of the new school year with an Ice Cream Special. The Students enjoyed tasting different flavors, and had fun making their own ice cream sundae and then describing it; working on an ice cream craft; and playing pin the cherry on the ice cream.

To wrap up September our busy Kindergarteners celebrated Johnny Appleseed's birthday by creating a day of apple fun. Our Kindergarteners had the opportunity to taste a variety of apples, work on fun arts and crafts projects and play some fun apple games throughout the day.

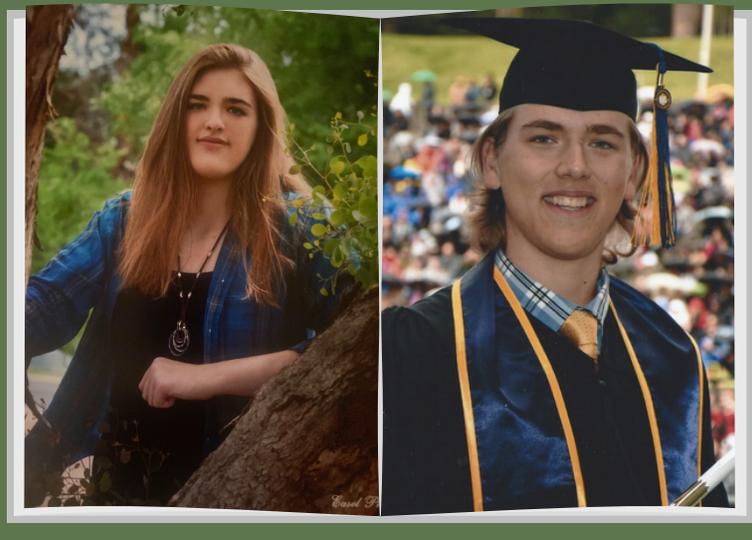
## Our Gratitude Wall

*"Gratitude turns what we have into enough." This board serves as a reminder to show gratitude for all the people in our lives, and for all the gifts and blessings bestowed upon us. Gratitude makes NVCE our Happy Place.*



# Spotlight:

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## New Vistas Alumni: Where are they now?

Our School plays an important role in shaping the lives of our students, who then go on to become successful alumni with promising careers and incredible role models for our current and prospective students. Our October Spotlight section is enriched by not one but two of these incredible NVCE alumni.

Arianna and Luc LaLonde developed a great work ethic early on while still at New Vistas. A hard working and dedicated student, Arianna received a full ride academic scholarship to the University of Utah, where she studied Computer Science with an emphasis on Entertainment Arts and Engineering. Arianna had completed enough AP courses during her time at Chandler High School, that she was considered an academic junior after only one summer session at the University of Utah.

According to her mother, Jacquelyn LaLonde, Arianna has leveraged the foundation of hard work and academic excellence she received at NVCE. She will be graduating with honors, (Phi Kappa Phi and Tau Beta Pi), with a master's degree in Biomedical Engineering at the University of Utah in December.

Luc LaLonde, attended University of California at Berkley, where he studied Material Science and Engineering. While at Berkeley Luc interned at the Lawrence Berkley National Laboratory researching the next generation super conductor for the Large hadron collider.

Luc graduated with a master's degree in Material Science and Engineering at Berkeley. He now works for Bright Path Labs, an innovative pharmaceutical manufacturer, helping to create a new way to make medicine.

We are so proud of both of them and we are really excited to see what the future holds.

*We just heard this week that two of our graduates are semifinalists in the **National Merit Scholarship Program**. Congratulations **Saba Shakir and Humza Choudhry**. We are so proud of you!*



### NWEA MAP Testing





## Manners Matter!

### Four Easy Ways to Teach Kids How to Behave

In all parts of their lives, children with great manners have a powerful advantage over those who do not. They make friends easier, get along better with their teachers, and eventually make much better employees and spouses. Here are four techniques that will give your child this life-long gift:

**Tip No. 1: Make a list.**

Sit down with your kids and make a list of the specific behaviors polite people display. Have fun with this activity. Your written list might look something like:

- Say "please" and "thank you"
- Eat with their mouths closed
- Burp in the privacy of their own rooms
- Say "excuse me"
- Hold doors open for people

**Tip No. 2: Model these manners.**

Children learn much more from our actions than from our words.

**Tip No. 3: Provide kids what they want only when they use manners.**

When parents use Love and Logic, they don't waste their breath lecturing about good manners. Instead, they very politely refuse to provide what their kids want unless they hear a sweet "please" or "thank you" and see the other behaviors on their "manner list."

For this to work, parents must respond to requests with polite sadness instead of anger or sarcasm. For example, a parent might say in a sad tone of voice, "This is such a bummer. We can't go to the movies today because you need more practice with manners first."

A parent who sets this limit, avoids anger or sarcasm, and holds firm by staying home will see a very upset child in the short-term and a much happier, more responsible one in the long-term.

**Tip No. 4: Expect them to repay you for any embarrassment they cause.**

If your child continues to be rude, he or she may need to repay you for the embarrassment or inconvenience created. With genuine empathy and sadness, a parent might say, "How sad! Your rudeness at Aunt Mary's house really drained the energy out of me. I've been too tired to clean the bathrooms. When you get them done, I'm sure I'll feel a whole lot better."

If the child refuses or forgets to do the chore, wise parents don't lecture or threaten. Instead, they quietly allow their child to "pay" for their bad manners with one of their favorite toys.

Thousands of parents have transformed manner monsters into polite kids who are a pleasure to be around. At one Love and Logic seminar, a parent commented, "When I used these tips, my boys almost immediately started to shape up. They even warned one of their rather rude friends who was visiting: 'Better stop burping ... Our mom's gonna make you do chores.'"

Give these Love and Logic tips a try, and see how much fun parenting can be!



People who are really successful implementing this skill purchased [Love and Logic Magic When Kids Drain Your Energy](#)

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