



# SPECIALTY CLASSES NEWSLETTER

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## Welcome Back, Coyotes!

On behalf of the Desert Heights Charter School Specialty Team, we are happy to welcome you to the 2016-17 school year! We are looking forward to a productive partnership with you to ensure our children can achieve their highest potential. We recognize that in order to be successful, our children need encouragement from both the home and school. We know a strong partnership with you will make a great difference in the classroom. As a team, we share the responsibility for our children's success and want you to know that we will do our very best to carry out this important task.

We wish to thank you for your support and look forward to meeting each and every one of you.

### The DHCS Specialty Team

Coach Blackburn, Mrs. Boyd, Mrs. Martin  
& Mrs. Nolan



## ART

Welcome Back, DHCS Art Classes! My name is Mrs. Boyd, and I have been the Art Teacher at Desert Heights for 16 years. I am so excited about seeing all my little artists again.

During the first month of school, all students will be designing their art folders. We will also be discussing our upcoming art projects for the Arizona State Fair & Art Show.

I use an online art museum called 'Artonia'. Please take the time to sign up your child, as you will be able to view their projects, or purchase them as fantastic gifts. Forms will be coming home in the Tuesday Folder.

As always, if you have any questions, please feel free to email me.

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## LIBRARY

Welcome back to school! I hope everyone had a wonderful summer. My name is Mrs. Nolan, and I have been the Librarian here at DHCS for the past 11 years.

Students K-4th grade will have Library at least once a week, where we will have story time, library exploring time, and then time to check out books. Our 3rd & 4th grade classes will also start learning basic typing and computer skills this year during Library.

During the school year, I host two Book Fairs. It is always an exciting time for our students, so be on the lookout for information to come!

Wishing everyone an exciting new school year!

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## MUSIC

As our school year begins, I would like to welcome you and your child(ren) to music class here at DHCS. My name is Mrs. Martin, and I have been a part of the Desert Heights Family for 15 years. I am ecstatic to have the privilege of being back on this campus sharing my love for music with our community.

I am so excited to get started and want to take this time to celebrate the hard work your child will put in during the school year, as well as the skills that they will develop through their experiences in their ensemble.

The lifelong benefits your child will obtain through music education will expand beyond the classroom, and are transferable to every other academic subject.

~Musically Yours

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## P.E.

I'm Coach B. I have worked as a P.E. Instructor here at DHCS for 16 years. I am looking forward to working with all of your children, and teaching the basics of physical education and sports.

**Kinder & 1st** - We will start the year working on gross motor skills, hand-eye coordination, strength-building, and getting to know each other.

**2nd—4th** - The upper elementary students will be working on hand-eye coordination, strength and conditioning, and rhythmic foundations.

We will always try to have FUN learning the basics and getting used to being back in school.

Welcome Back!

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