

On Tuesday, January 16, 2024, we celebrated our Academic Achievements for our second quarter. Students were presented with award certificates to celebrate their academic achievements. Awardṣ award certificates to celebrate their academic achievements. Awards
were presented for $2^{\text {nd }}$ quarter Attendance, Highest GPAs, OnTarget/Proficient/Advanced student assessment Middle of Year. Assessment (MOY) results, Citizenship, \& Class Subject Honorss. Congratulations to our Honor recipients. We hope to present even more honor certificates in March 2024, for our 3rd quarter academic achievements. Keep in mind we offer after-school tutoring for those students who may want more time or help with their classroom assignments. There is also a direct correlation between attending classes every day and high academic achievement.


## SPRING ASSESSMMENT SEASON

Greetings! From your counselor's office, $3^{\text {rd }}$ Quarter is when we will have to stay focused on your school work. Testing for our $8^{\text {th }}$ graders will begin on April $3^{\text {rd }}$, with the $8^{\text {th }}$ Grade Science State Assessment. All students will be testing on April 8th, and 9th, 2024 with the nmm-msSA Summative Math/ELA Assessment.


## SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING

Ya'at'eeh, Hello,
We are happy to announce the following Capturing Kids Heart Leadworthy Character Traits for the spring semester.
January is RESPECT month where students and teachers will be working on activities together that show what it means to "give honor and value to ourselves and others"
In February, we will be working on KINDNESS by learning appropriate behaviors with friends and how to be compassionate to others. We will be sending out many cards this month.
In March we will be working on COURAGE. Followed by PERSEVERANCE in April. Learning about Perseverance is a challenge for our young Falcons. We will need our parents and guardians help with this character trait. In the month of May we will end the semester with INTEGRITY.
All the CKH Leadworthy Character Traits are introduced on Monday and Tuesday in Advisement class. The students are encouraged to practice these character traits and make it a part of their daily routine. When you see your child showing these traits: empathy, selfdirection, teamwork, responsibility, and all of the above mentioned. Let your child know that you appreciate their efforts and affirm their actions.
We see many students helping one another, holding doors, writing tootles and affirmations to one another. We are proud to see these young Falcons using what they learn to better our school community and we hope it carries on in the home.
Amelia Joe-Chandler


The New Mexico Public Education Department realizes the value in the Next Step Plan (NSP) process and how it supports our $8^{\text {th }}$ Grade students' college and career goals. Every spring, we have each $8^{\text {th }}$ grade student do a personal, written plan. The purpose of this plan is to target the students' post-secondary interests, and set forth the studies he or she will complete during high school in order to be on track for graduation. Later this semester, parents/guardians of $8^{\text {th }}$ graders will have an opportunity to review and sign their child's plan. We look forward to working with you on this.
Upcoming Activities:
National School Counseling Week - February 5-9, 2024
Middle School students will be pre-registering for next school year's electives soon. Parents, be on the lookout for your child to bring home the course registration form.
March 21, 2024, Career Expo for $8^{\text {th }}$ graders at San Juan College.
Spring Tests/Assessments:
April $3^{\text {rd }}-8^{\text {th }}$ Grade Science Test
April $9^{\text {th }}-10^{\text {th }}-$ ALL Students. The BIG Test! NM-MSSA!



Habit 1-Be Proactive: You 're In Charge
I am a responsible person.
I take initiative.
I choose my actions, attitudes, and moods.
I do not blame others for my wrong actions.
I do the right thing without being asked, even when no one is looking.
Habit 2-Begin with the End in Mind: Have A Plan I do things that have meaning set goals.
I do things that have meaning and make a difference.
I am an important part of my classroom and school.


Habit 5-Seek First to Understand Then to be Understood:
Listen Before You T alk
I try to see things from their viewpoints.
I try to see things from their viewpoints.
I listen to others without interrupting.
I share my opinions and ideas.
Habit 6- Sypergize: Together Is Better I know that everyone is good at something
Everyone needs to get better at something We can all learn something from each other
helps to create better ideas than what one person can do alone.


Habit 7- Sharpen the Saw: Balance F eels Best
take care of my body by eating right, ex excising and getting sleep.
learn in lots of ways and lots of places, not
I take time to help others.


We are on our 3rd Attendance Challenge this school year. This
Ord challenge started on January 22, 2024 and will end on February 16, 2024.
Our young FALCONS are making every effort to come to school and do their part to better themselves by doing the academic, elective, work given to them every day by their teachers.
The first incentive treat was given out on Friday, January 26, 2024.

The second week started on 1-29-2024 and ends with a treat on 2-02-2024.
We will continue with week 3 and week four.
On February 16, 2024 when the challenge ends we will celebrate all the perfect attendance winners with popcorn and a movie during their Social/Emotional Advisement time.
The first week of the challenge our results were at $78 \%$ of the student body came to school at $90 \%$ or higher. 127 students did not miss school or missed one day out of the week.
We are looking forward to raising that number as we move forward with weeks 2, 3, and 4.
Thank you parents and guardians for encouraging our Falcons to come to school.
Our teachers and staff appreciate you. The Attendance Team
NBS OFFICE
REMINDERS:

- No Check-Outs after 2:30 p.m. unless you present a Valid Doctors Appointment Slip.
- ALL Student absences require a written notice (Dr.'s Note, Parent/Guardians Note. Etc).
- All MESSAGES for students for after-school routine, like Pickups, ride the bus, change buses, etc. NEED to be requested before 2:30 p.m. This gives us enough time to deliver messages to student (s). Mon-Fri by 2:30 p.m. Early Release Days by 12:30 p.m.

