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# LAHS Newsletter

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Laguna Acoma Jr. / Sr. High School

## Principal's Desk

Dear Laguna Acoma School  
Community,

Now that most of the Winter storms have passed, Spring is making its entrance in New Mexico. One sign of the season is the Spring allergies many of us experience. Soon the warmer temperatures and moisture in the ground will once again create the environment where living things will grow and develop.

I feel that schools are a lot like gardens in this respect. We can't *force* a plant to grow and likewise we can't *force* a child to learn. The best we can do is to create an environment in which we can provide the most fertile conditions to promote learning. We promote the positive factors that enable our students to learn and attempt to reduce or eliminate the negative factors.

I am not saying that our students are like plants—they are far more complex than that. What I am attempting to share is that in the same way a gardener nurtures his garden, we as educators, nurture our educational environment to cultivate learning. The Spring growing season reminds me of that responsibility.

Some very important activities are coming up. The New Mexico State Testing is coming up this Month. From April 22 - May 10 we will be administering this test to Grades 7-11.

It is critical that your child attends school everyday during this testing window. Please do not schedule any appointments or activities that would cause your child to miss school on these days.

This test is the test that our students, school and community is evaluated by from the New Mexico Public Education Department so it is important that each child is present and does the best he/she is capable of doing.

Please make sure your child get adequate rest during this time. Teachers are preparing the students for this test and I am confident that we will demonstrate good results.

Your help and support of your classroom teacher is most appreciated.

Thank you for your continued support of Laguna Acoma Jr. Sr. High School.

Dr. Richard Yzenbaard

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*When you put your talents to work  
for the good of the community,  
you are helping the world.*

*Oscar Arias Sanchez*



### Other dates to remember:

- April 9 — Know The Truth  
Student Presentations  
- Commercial Tobacco  
- Media Literacy
  - April 12 — Jr./Sr Prom 6PM—12PM  
Single — \$20.00  
Couple — \$25.00
  - April 15 — 5:30 PM Laguna Police  
Staff / Student B-Ball Games  
Free Admission
  - April 16— Parent Advisory Meeting  
6 PM Everybody Welcome
  - April 19 — Good Friday  
NO SCHOOL
  - May 1— Early Release. Students will  
be dismissed at 1:30
  - May 3 — Teacher Inservice,  
NO SCHOOL for Students
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## STUDENTS WITH PERFECT ATTENDANCE FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2019

Note: PERFECT ATTENDANCE means: No Absences (excused or unexcused), No Tardies, No Early Check-out. Congratulations to all these students. We plan to have a special recognition ceremony for Parents & Student on Thursday, April 18 @ 2:15 in the Cafeteria.

### 7th Grade

Zayiah Dailey  
Sarah Lewis  
Xana Mariano

### 8th Grade

Sonya Hinshaw  
Elon Holtsoi  
Jaidyn Tsosie

### 9th Grade

Aiden Aragon  
Mattew Bautista  
Neil Kelsey  
Terrence Littlewolf  
Leticia Marquez  
Derek Rueben

### 10th Grade

Jaylin Abeita  
Dylan Arkie  
Jacine Bahe  
Ezekiel Bautista  
Jasper Jones  
Layton Lucero  
Alenna Scott  
Jordan Torivio  
Ariana Valdez  
Page Vicente  
Nicholas Whitehawk

### 11th Grade

Erika Estevan  
Jacob Garcia  
Cyrus Gutierrez  
Utahna Histia  
Joseph Kie  
Taya Kie  
Naomi McGee  
Danielle Natseway  
Joshua Platero  
Lynae Torivio

### 12th Grade

Thomas Aragon  
Jasmine Kie  
Isaiah Thomas

## COUNSELING CORNER

Students & Parents: There is about a month left for seniors and not much longer than that for underclassman if you subtract testing. Please talk to teachers about any grades D or below and get your make-up and/or work in and get grades up ASAP!!!!



### Reminders:

ALL Edgenuity students need to be finished with their course(s) by May 2nd!!!!...less than a month away!

ACT this weekend!!! Print your tickets and be on time!!!

Pre-registration, credit review, and Next Step Plans continuing this month.

Hope everyone has a wonderful and safe Easter Break!! Make good choices...Always!!!

### Dates to Remember

April 13--ACT  
April 22--Earth Day  
April 27-28--Senior Trip  
May 2--MS Orientation  
May 2--Edgenuity Deadline

May 3 – Staff Appreciation Day: Students NO SCHOOL  
May 4 – SAT  
May 6-7 – Senior Finals

## Laguna Acoma Teen Health Center at LAHS

The Laguna/Acoma Teen Health Center makes going to the doctor as simple as walking down the hall.

Presbyterian Medical Services is proud to announce the opening of the Laguna/Acoma Teen Health Center. In partnership with the Laguna Acoma Jr./Sr. High School, our common goal is to increase educational success by providing physical and mental health care that creates a more positive overall school climate that allows students to stay in school and learn. Services will coincide with the beginning of the 2018/19 school year and will be provided at the health suite adjacent to the school library.

As the newest School-based Health Center offered by Presbyterian Medical Services, the

Laguna/Acoma Teen Health Center will focus on meeting the needs of students and school employees through a full range of services. Patients can be treated for acute illnesses, such as flu, wellness exams including sports physical, chronic disease management and other comprehensive services. Mental health assessments and individual counseling will be provided to assist those dealing with anxiety, stress, depression, substance use and trauma. With an emphasis on prevention, early intervention and risk reduction, school-based health centers counsel students on healthy habits and how to prevent injury, violence and other threats. The Laguna/Acoma Teen Health Center will be open during school hours on Tuesdays, Wednesdays



and Thursdays.

The establishment of the Laguna/Acoma Teen Health Center was made possible through a collaboration between the community, the school district, the Laguna Health Corporation and Presbyterian Medical Services. We are excited to provide excellent, accessible, trusted health care and information for our students and educators in the area.

## Educators Rising

Congratulations to those Educators Rising students who qualified to compete at the National Level: Riley Antonio, Iliana Harjo, Melvina Herrera, Olivia Poncho, and Aaron Romero.

Way to represent LAHS!

