



Great Teachers. Successful Students. Prosperous Community.

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Teacher Appreciation Week: May 6-12

Teacher Excellence Award Presentations

In honor of Teacher Appreciation Week, we're surprising FIVE Southern Arizona teachers with the Teacher Excellence Award!

Winning teachers will receive flowers, \$250 cash courtesy of <u>Helios Education Foundation</u>, a \$100 gift card to Jonathan's Educational Resources, and more!



Check our <u>Facebook page</u> for daily winner announcements!

Treasures 4 Teachers of Tucson special offers

Check out Treasures 4 Teachers of Tucson's social media pages starting May 5 to see what freebies and goodies are available for teachers.

Plus, free memberships are available for new members from May 1 to May 4!



Teacher Appreciation Day at Arizona Baseball on May 4

A limited number of FREE tickets are available for teachers to the May 4 Arizona Baseball game.

Tickets are available on a first-come-first-serve basis on the day of the game, limit two per teacher. School ID is required to receive the free tickets. Tickets will be available at the TVT table outside the stadium.

Sign up for text message notifications on the status of available tickets on game day.



Free treat for teachers at Jeremiah's Italian Ice on May 7

Jeremiah's Italian Ice will be giving out free small items to any teacher who visits the Oro Valley shop on May 7.

Teachers must show staff ID to receive their free treat.



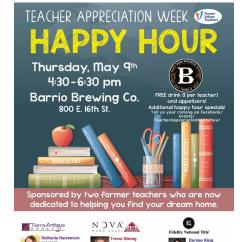
Teacher Appreciation Happy Hour on May 9

Teacher Appreciation Happy Hour at Barrio Brewing Co. from 4:30pm to 6:30pm on May 9. Free drink (one per teacher) and appetizers. Plus, happy hour specials.

This event is sponsored

by: <u>Bethanie Narramore - Tierra</u>
<u>Antigua Realty, Trevor Streng - Nova Home Loan</u>, and Fidelity
National Title.

Updates on this event can be found on the <u>Facebook event</u> page.



Nominate a teacher for the Raytheon Leaders in Education Award by May 12

RAYTHEON LEADERS IN EDUCATION AWARD



Nominations for the Raytheon Leaders in Education Award close on May 12 at 5pm! Only teachers who receive a nomination or self-nominate will be eligible to apply for the award. Winning teachers receive \$2,500 each! Plus, their school will also receive \$2,500!

The <u>Raytheon Leaders in Education Award</u> is designed to recognize the contributions of Pima County teachers. The program honors four exceptionally skilled and dedicated teachers in grades PreK (Early Childhood) through 12 in all content areas. Nominees are teachers who have gained the respect and admiration of students, parents, and colleagues, and who inspire students of all backgrounds and abilities to learn. They distinguish themselves as leaders and play an active and useful role in their communities and in their schools.

Teachers may be nominated by **anyone**: colleagues, administrators, parents, students, family members, organizations, or they may self-nominate.

Nominate one or more teachers HERE!

If you have any questions please email Teresa Hill at thill at thill

Purchase Jim Click Millions for Tucson raffle tickets from TVT



The 2024 Jim Click Millions for Tucson Raffle is going on now!

Tucson Values Teachers is currently selling raffle tickets to the Jim

Click Millions for Tucson. Tucson Values Teachers receives 100% of the funds raised through our <u>ticket sales!</u>

Tickets are only \$25 each or \$100 for five!

The Grand Prize vehicle is a brand-new Jeep Wrangler Rubicon 4xe Plug-in Hybrid! The second prize is two round-trip, first-class plane tickets to anywhere in the world, and third prize is \$5,000 in cash.

Good luck and THANK YOU for supporting TVT!

Purchase raffle tickets!

Register for the Nature Every Day Summit



What: Join us for the inaugural Nature Every Day Summit! A summit designed for early childhood educators eager to embrace nature-based education and play.

Who: Early childhood providers of the Southwest

When: June 8, 2024 9:00am-4:30pm Where: Biosphere 2: Oracle, AZ

Cost: \$175

Registration: www.natureeverydaysw.com

Join us if you:

Believe in the power of nature to inspire curiosity and creativity in children.

Want to overcome barriers and fears associated with outdoor learning.

Crave a supportive community of like-minded educators to collaborate and learn from.

Are ready to turn innovative ideas into actionable plans that will transform your schools or communities.

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Do you believe in the power of nature to inspire curiosity and creativity in children? Do you want to overcome barriers and fears associated with outdoor learning? Are you ready to turn innovative ideas into actionable plans that will transform your classroom?

Register today for the inaugural Nature Every Day Summit, to be held at Biosphere 2 on June 8 from 9am to 4:30pm. This summit is designed for early childhood educators eager to embrace nature-based education and play. The registration fee is \$175 per

Register!

Congratulations to our April Teacher Excellence Award winner



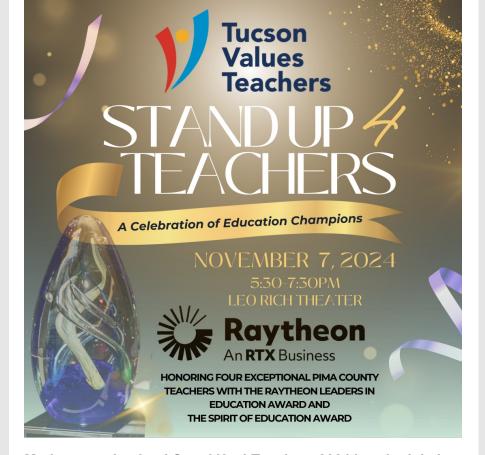
Congratulations to our April Teacher Excellence Award winner, Jennifer Davis!

Ms. Davis is the theater teacher at Marana High School in Marana Unified School District. Ms. Davis was nominated by several individuals, including many of her students!

In Hannah Rogers' nominating statement, she wrote, "Mrs. Davis is the best Theater teacher I've had. To me and many more who are in her class see her almost like a second parent that we can go to about stuff going on in our lives. She teaches theater in a way that her students enjoy what they do, even if it's work. She encourages me to be better than I already am and to take risks. She really gets us students and makes sure we are all being responsible and on task. Mrs. Davis is the teacher all students can't wait to see, morning or noon!"

"Jennifer Davis is one of the best teachers and people I have ever met," wrote Sophia Bedoni. "She is so talented and kind and encourages all of her students to do their best and offers support and advice. She always motivates students and makes sure everyone is safe and comfortable in her theatre."

Save the date for Stand Up 4 Teachers 2024



Mark your calendars! Stand Up 4 Teachers 2024 is scheduled for November 7 at the Tucson Convention Center's Leo Rich Theater.

Stand Up 4 Teachers is a celebration of education champions featuring the presentation of the Spirit of Education Award along with the Raytheon Leaders in Education Award, honoring exceptional preK-12 teachers.

Interested in being a Stand Up 4 Teachers sponsor? Learn more about event sponsorship opportunities here.

TREC Updates



TREC is proud to partner with more than 85 PD-providing organizations in the Tucson area, including the Center for Recruitment and Retention of Mathematics Teachers (CRR). Learn more about the CRR's upcoming IMPACTS Summer Institute here — open to K-9 educators, with participants receiving a \$250 stipend!



TREC is excited to announce that the PK-12 educators joining Cohort 5 of our Teacher Leader Program have been selected and will be introduced in their May newsletter next week! **And if you're not already receiving the TREC newsletter, sign up today.

Each month, you'll learn more about offerings like the Teacher Leader Program as well the many professional learning opportunities TREC partners provide Tucson-area teachers!

Upcoming Events and Deadlines

- Join us for Teacher Appreciation Night at UA Baseball on May 4.
- Stop by Jeremiah's Italian Ice on May 7 for a free small treat for teachers. Staff ID required.
- Join us at Teacher Appreciation <u>Happy Hour</u> at Barrio Brewing Co. on **May 9**.
- Support TVT for Ice Nights at Jeremiah's Italian Ice of Northwest Tucson on June 4.
- Register for the Nature Every Day Summit on June 8.
- Save the date: Stand Up 4 Teachers 2024 on November 7 at the Leo Rich Theater.



Receive Support from a Teacher Mentor

Tucson Values Teachers offers a FREE mentorship program to all PreK-12 teachers looking for additional support and guidance from teacher leaders with many years of experience.





Save with the Teacher Discount Card

Visit the Teacher Discount Card page to sign up for the 2024 card and to learn more about our business partners and the special discounts they offer for educators.

LEARN MORE

Vision:

Great Teachers. Successful Students. Prosperous Community.

Mission:

To inspire support of PreK-12 teachers in Southern Arizona through community collaborations that attract, retain, and celebrate teacher excellence.



PD Scholarships and Mini-Grants Available

Southern Arizona PreK-12 teachers may apply for a PD scholarship of up to \$250. PreK teachers are also eligible to apply for classroom mini-grants up to \$500!

APPLY NOW



TVT partners with ODP Business Solutions

ODP Business Solutions provides access to discounted supplies, equipment, and technology, providing Southern Arizona teachers with increased access to essential resources.

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