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## Students Want to Eat Outside

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#### By: Camy H. Editorial

Do you want to be able to eat your lunch outside? This question was asked recently to several seventh and eighth grade students. Most students support the idea of enjoying their lunch in the courtyard, however, we are not allowed to even though the Student Handbook states, "7th and 8th grade students may eat inside the cafeteria **OR** in the middle school courtyard." Even though it is stated in the Handbook as a rule, not eating outside is still enforced. Students aren't even allowed to bring their drinks outside unless it is water.

This discussion was brought up after a Wilson student posted the handbook rule on social media. Since then there as been a lot of questions as to why not? One point brought up in an interview with Mr. Ripp was that students leave their trash behind when they eat outside. Seventh Grader, Lucy N., said there is less trash because kids have to sneak their food outside so they must throw their trash away to not get caught. This shows that kids are capable of not creating trash and if they would give us a chance, we can prove it. Mr. Ripp said that we might get a trial run next quarter and if we are responsible and not take this privelege for granted we might be able to eat outside.

## Welcome Mrs. Hayes

We would like to welcome Mrs. Hayes to the Wilson family. Mrs. Hayes is our new Assistant Principal. Prior to coming to Wilson, she worked at Donaldson Elementary as a reading interventionist for seven years (a reading interventionist is someone who helps improve someone's reading skills). Mrs. Hayes has also taught kindergarten to third grade at previous schools. She has also been an administrative designee, which means she substitutes for the principal when the principal is absent.

Mrs. Hayes views the dress code as that she would like to enforce the dress code to be stricter that way students can focus on their academics, not their outfits. While there are two schools in the Amphi School District that have school uniforms, Mrs. Hayes believes that students shoud not be forced to wear school uniforms. She believes that students should feel free to express themselves througth their clothes as long as they are following the dress code.

Some of Mrs. Hayes hobbies include being active with her family, reading, and occasionally running half marathons. She strives to take student and teacher advice to heart and help make Wilson a caring environment for all. By: Lucy W. and Emily S.



Assistant Principal, Mrs. Hayes



**Welcome New Teachers:** Ms. Busby – Seventh and Eighth Grade Social Studies, Mr. Morris, - Sixth, Seventh and Eighth Grade Math



## **Chili Cook-Off**

#### By: Eden C.

Games, performances by the Wilson Jazz Choir, food trucks and more were all the attractions at this year's chili cook-off. Students had a chance to pie teachers like Mrs. Finch or try to dunk Mr. Ripp, Mr. Pieroway or Mr. Smerz in the dunking booth. Adults had the chance to win prizes at the silent auction, while the younger kids had fun getting their face painted or jumping in the jumping castles. With all this fun, we can't forget what this event is named after, the chili. With several different and unique types of chili it was hard to try them all. Winners were announced for those classes who had the "best" chili, and the winners were Mrs. Maspero's class for middle school and Mrs. Price's class for elementary. The Chili Cook-Off closed out the month-long fundraising event held by PTO. Over \$41,000 was raised which means Mr. Ripp has to get a More on that story when it pink mohawk. happens.





# **Student Spotlight**

By: Eden C.



MEET KAILEE G. This twelve year old seventh grader is a talented artist. Kailee's favorite things to draw are Disney characters especially Mickey Mouse. She learned to draw and do art when she would visit her grandma, who is also a talented artist. She says her grandma also taught her how to paint and what types of paints to use, as well as other creative projects involving art.

Kailee creates or decorates everything from t-shirts to canvas shoes. She likes to give her creations as birthday presents for her friends or use them during spirit week. One of her favorite drawings is one of Dumbo because she likes elephants. "I like drawing and art because I can draw whatever I want and because there are endless way to create art."

# **Student Council Elections**

The students have voted and the results are in for the Sixth Grade Student Council elections. Posters plastered the sixth grade hallway prior to election day as the candidates asked their peers for their votes. The election was competitive and each candidate had to give a speech which was put on the announcements. The newly elected officers are: Brandon D., President; Sydney J., Vice President; Sofia E., Secretary; Maddy D., Treasurer.



# Library Gets New Maker Stations

#### By: Amelia C.

The Wilson Library and foyer stairwells are looking a little better these days thanks to the Amphi Foundation and the PTO. Students were pleasantly suprised when they arrived to school back in August to find new tables, stools and a 75 inch big screen televison in the library. According to Principal Sullivan, Wilson received a grant from the Amphi Foundation to help purchase the maker stations. The maker stations, a new trend for teachers and students, are meant for students to build stuff out of recycleable material, blocks or play dough. Mrs. Juric, the Librarian says that the goal is for teachers to bring their students to the library to do maker activities. So far sixth graders have taken advantage of this new found space. Several students gather during lunch to do yarn projects as well as oragami or to play chess.



You might have also noticed new "book" stickers on the foyer staircases. These cool stickers which were paid for by the PTO have age appropriate book titles such as "Where the Wild Things are" by Maurice Sendak for elementary and "The Giver" by Lois Lowry for middle school.

These new upgrades are very cool so be sure to check them out!





# Sports News By: Adriene Z.

First Quarter sports wrapped up their seasons. The Wilson football team finished their season with a 3-3 record. Their biggest win of the season was against in district rival Coronado. The Wranglers demolished the Cougars with a score of 50-14 under the lights at IRHS.

Girl's Softball finished the season with a winning record of 8-2. The Wranglers were led my pitcher Mia G., Several girl's on the team had never played an organized sport before, but they proved they could compete with all the schools.

The Tennis team had a new coach this year. Coach Novinski's boy's team finished 3-2 and the girl's team finished 2-3.

On Oct 7, 2019 the Wilson Cross Country team wrapped up their season at the Northwest League Championships held at Tortilita Middle School. The league consists of 10 schools this year with the addition of two new middle schools- Twin Peaks K-8 and Dove Mountain CSTEM K-8. Wilson boys finished 6th and the girls placed 4th overall. The top athletes which carried the team in points include Brady R. (7th overall) followed by Gage R., Isiah E., and Adam B. For girls, top finishers included Lucy M. 2nd Overall female, followed by Sara G., Kailyn S., and Sofia E..











## Did You Know? Facts Teacher Edition

**Reviewed By: Lila G.** 

Every issue the Wilson Voice will have a Did You Know? section where I will reveal ten interesting Wilson facts. This issue includes interesting facts about our teachers and Staff

Did you know that?

- 1. Ms. Swisher was a student teacher in Great Britain
- 2. Mr. Linn has traveled to twenty-seven countries, three continents, and forty-five out of the fifty states
- 3. Ms. Hayes, our new Assistant Principal has been with the Amphi District for 20 years.

### What is the Leadership Class? By: Savana D.

Leadership is a first period class taught by Mr. Linn. This isn't an ordinary class where you sit and take notes for fifty minutes. During Leadership, you are always on your feet and on the go. Whether you are helping out elementary teachers, doing our school recycling or working on one of the many committees, eveyone is busy. One of the main things the Leadership students do is plan all the spirit weeks and pep assemblies. This consists of choosing themes and games for the kids to participate in. New this year was a Rock Paper Rock Sissors tournament. Winners won a \$15 gift card. The first dance of the school year is on October 25th.

The Leadership class is made up of students that were recommended by their teachers as well as the Seventh and Eighth Grade Student Council Officers. Students say this class is fun and a great way to improve your leadership and communication skills.

- 4. Mr. Pieroway coached the Men's Basketball Team for Pima Community College.
- 5. Mrs. McGowan has three horses.
- 6. Ms. Fritton has been to eleven countries.
- 7. Mrs. Busby was asked to co-present at the Space Exploration Educators Conference.
- 8. Mr. Vasquez knows how to play the guitar.
- 9. Mrs. Silvas is a competitve runner.
- 10. Mrs. Maspero has been to Europe, Napal, Japan, Russia, and Mongolia.



#### Dog Breeds Word Search

Find the names of various dog breeds hidden in the puzzle.

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### Board Game Club By: Jack P.

Do you want to make new friends, have fun, and get some snacks as well? Then Board Game Club is just for you! In this exciting club you will be able to enjoy, play, an eat with new people. Board Game Club meets on Wednesdays after school and it's run by Mr. Grantham. He started this club so students who love to play board games and interact with each other have a place to go. Games from strategy to luck are played and students are allowed to bring their own games such as nintendo switch. Mr. Grantham is the perfect person to talk to about video games such as Vr to the wiiU.





First student to turn in this puzzle completed and correct wins a prize!