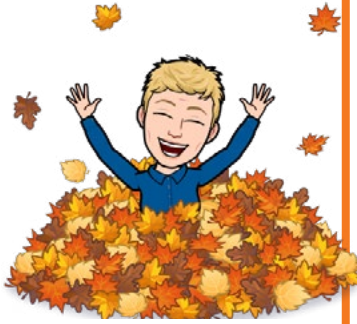


November

A note from administration...

It is nice to see the signs of fall, a fabulous balloon fiesta, cooler weather, the changing of the leaves, our Fall Festival and the upcoming holidays. As we head into the last 6 weeks of the semester, we want to focus on our relationship and collaboration with you, the parents and families of DATA. In this month's newsletter you will find a link to a parent survey addressing areas of interest and support you feel would assist you in helping your student. Please take a few minutes to complete it.



The success of any student depends on three factors: the efforts of the school, parents, and of course the student. All three are equally important and we know how important it is for all three to be on the same page. We encourage you to talk to your student, check progress in our [Tyler Parent Portal](#) and reach out to teachers if you have questions.

We also know that you are an incredible source of support for ensuring students are engaging in their classes and adhering to our behavioral norms. One of our concerns is the use of cell phones during class time. We want students to learn to use their phones responsibly and at appropriate times and expect them to put phones away when asked. Students who refuse to put away their phones are required to turn the phone into administration for the rest of the day. Please talk to your student about respecting the requests of faculty members and all adults at DATA.

Important Dates

Friday, November 5:

At-home work day for students

Sunday, November 7:

Daylight Saving Time Ends
(set your clocks back 1 hour!)

Monday, November 8:

UNM visit during advisory for seniors

Wednesday, November 10:

[Campus Specialities](#) returns during Flex
Advisory for Cap & Gown orders for seniors

Friday, November 12:

At-home work day for students

Thursday, November 18:

Boys basketball (DATA vs ATDA)
5:30 pm @ Calvary Christian Academy

Friday, November 19:

At-home work day for students

Monday, November 22 & Tuesday, November 23:

Professional Development for Teachers
Asynchronous work days for students

Wednesday, November 24 through

Friday, November 26:

Thanksgiving Break
(no school for students or staff)

Family Engagement Survey

Please complete the 2021-2022 School-level [Parent and Family Engagement Survey](#) (<https://forms.gle/CL1RthVnVW8n8Jnz7>) to assist our school with the implementation of a School wide Program by identifying the interests and needs of your family. The results of this survey will also be utilized to help in the development of School-level Parent and Family Engagement Plan (PFEP), and future parent and family engagement activities, events, and workshops.



Supply Station

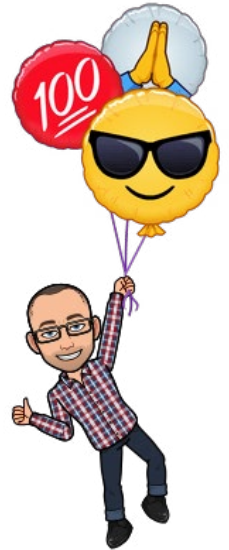


Ms. Bibiano's CTE students would like to create a "Supply Station" (left) and need donations in order to fill it. The Supply Station, located near Ms. Myhre's office, will be for any DATA student in need of supplies and/or necessities.

Items can be either full size or travel size. Families can drop them off, or send them with students, any time. They can be dropped off in Ms. Bibiano's classroom.

Items we would like donated:

- Body wash
- Deodorant
- Shampoo & conditioner
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrush
- Travel size laundry detergent
- Lotion
- Pens/Pencils
- Spirals
- Paper
- Folders
- Etc.



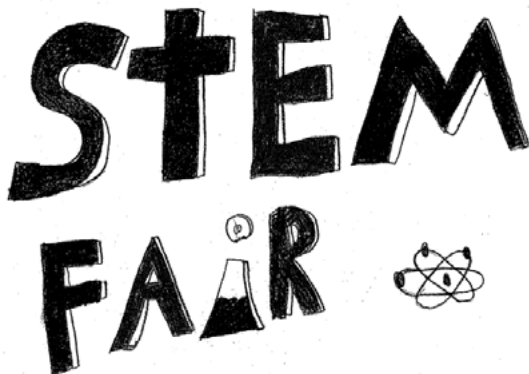
DATA STEM FAIR

If you are interested in participating in a STEM fair, please come to Mrs. Gallegos classroom during morning

Flex on **Thursday November 4th** for a meeting.

You can

also contact Adriana on Discord (#1065) or Mrs. Gallegos (7364).



Flex Change

All students have flex time from 8:00 - 8:40 am Monday through Friday to allow for one-on-one time with teachers, small group support, dual credit lab time, and/or clubs.

Students who are failing classes are **REQUIRED** to either attend the teacher's flex time tutoring or go to the west lab and work on their work quietly during at least two flex periods a week. We want to make sure that we are helping students use time wisely at school, and also that they are getting the help they need. We appreciate parent support in reminding and encouraging students to attend Flex time for help.

Wednesday mornings will no longer be an advisory for students, that will take place on Friday mornings instead, therefore allowing more time for students to get tutoring and help from teachers.

Email your child's advisor if you have any questions!

Cell Phone Policy

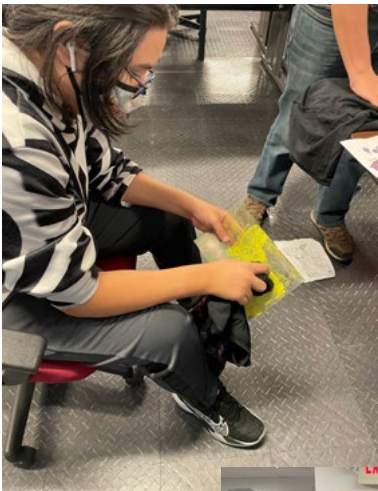
Teachers will be asking students to either turn in phones or put them away in class. The teacher will determine when the phone is allowed to be out and otherwise *the default action is to have them away*. If the students' phones are out without permission, the teacher will ask for it and keep it the remainder of the day. If the student refuses, the student will be sent to administration and their phone will be confiscated and their guardian(s) called. If it happens again, the phone will be turned in to administration at the beginning of the day at flex every day and then returned to the student at the end of the day.

Thank you, again, SO MUCH for your continued support and understanding in these times. We recognize there is a lot of stress and frustration amongst everyone lately and we want to try and help and support as much as possible. If you need anything, please let the school know. It is our hope that we can encourage our students and help them succeed this school year. Thank you for your support!

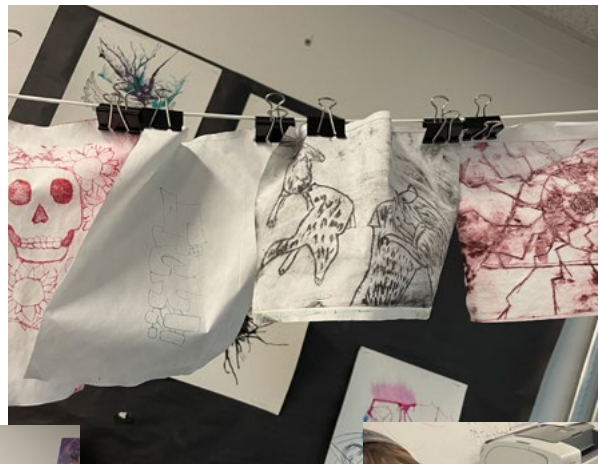
Student Spotlight

DATA has partnered with the [Institute of American Indian Arts \(IAIA\)](#) this year to offer our students some engaging, dual credit opportunities this year including Printmaking, Photography, and Ethnobotany!

These are Ms. Lawson's printmaking students printing and framing their drypoint prints. **Drypoint** is a printmaking technique of the intaglio family, in which an image is incised into a plate with a hard-pointed "needle" of sharp metal or diamond point. In principle, the method is practically identical to engraving.



Angelo Lizarraga



David Barreda, Noah Barreda, Daniel Gallegos



Matthew MacLeod

Seven Florez

Friday Schedule

Reminder on Fridays this semester will be work virtually from home and the schedule will be as follows:

8:00 - 8:45 Advisory -

Teachers will check-in with students, discuss what work they plan on working on that day, discuss how they will seek support from during office hours or support time. We will also do grade checks during this time. Teachers will TAKE ROLL during this time and if the student does not attend, they will be marked absent for the day.

8:50 - 9:50 Virtual Office Hours -

Time to meet with teachers online about work, needs, etc.

10:00 - 11:30 In-person or Virtual Support -

This period of time can be used for in-person or virtual support with teachers. **IF A STUDENT WANTS TO COME IN FACE TO FACE please let administration (adminstaff@datacharter.org) know before that Friday so we can add them to a list. Students are NOT to show up at school unannounced on Fridays.** Secondly, students can come to school and stay until 3:00 pm if they let us know ahead of time, however, they MAY NOT be receiving direct teacher support during the hours of 11:30 - 12:30 which is teacher lunch time, and then 12:30 - 3:30 would be teacher collaboration and work time, but may be able to set up something with teachers ahead of time.

Breakfast and Lunch will NOT be served on this day.

Field trips, in-person learning (if a teacher invites students in for labs, art projects, etc.), and other activities may also take place on Fridays. These will be communicated to students ahead of time.

Senior Photos

If you haven't already, you will want to book or take your senior's photos for the year. I have attached a list of photographers in the Albuquerque area that you can look into using. Some have good deals; I would call ahead and see about prices and any special deals. You will want to have your senior photos completed by February 4, 2022.

There are many photographers who can handle your needs for digital images with today's technology. If you need a list of professionals to take your photo, please email Ms. Lawson (gena.lawson@datacharter.org) and she will send you some local companies' names. Be aware they may have a long waiting list.

For your senior portraits, please make sure they meet the following needs:

- Color photo (we will accept black and white)
- Wallet-sized
- No soft-focus
- Scan it and send to gena.lawson@datacharter.org
- Seniors must be the only person in the portrait -
- Please send the file as a JPEG image

When you send your Senior Portrait in, please make sure you also send me the student's name and how you would like it to appear in the yearbook. Make sure your spelling, special characters and anything else is how it should look. You can include a nickname in quotes with the full name (first and last), or you can include just first and last name or first, middle and last name (full complete name).

FALL PREVIEW

We've planned a special event just for high school students! Spend the morning with us to:

- Explore UNM's nationally ranked academic programs
- Learn about admissions, financial aid, scholarships and campus resources
- Take a tour of campus

REGISTER TO ATTEND
admissions.unm.edu/fallpreview

UNM is excited to welcome visitors back to campus for this in-person Fall Preview events schedule. Students will need to register in advance for the event on Saturday, November 13, 2021 from 8:30 am - 12:00 pm.

Visit <http://admissions.unm.edu/fallpreview/> for more details and links to register for the event.



UNM Visit

UNM will meet with seniors during advisory on Monday, November 8. They will be covering the application and admission process, as well as programs and majors offered, housing, financial aid, scholarships, etc.

Seniors, if you have questions about any of these topics, please send them to Ms. Reeder at kristin.reeder@datacharter.org so that we can add them to the agenda for discussion that day.

This is one of the only times that UNM will be able to visit, so we are strongly encouraging seniors to attend! Students that attend will be able to get their application fee waived!

Other Senior Deadlines

· Senior Baby photo - this is a tradition here at DATA. We present a picture of the graduating senior as a small child/infant/baby and then as the graduating senior for comparison. This is optional, but a lot of fun for students to see and have as a memory. Deadline: Friday, February 4, 2022

· Senior Quote: this is also a senior tradition here at DATA. We ask seniors to provide a quote that represents their philosophy on life, school, or the future. Something they think represents them well. We have been asked if it has to be famous, and it doesn't, but it does have to be attributed (I need to know who said the quote originally). Make sure you are giving the accurate quote so double-check it is the same in multiple places. Some people change up quotes. The character limit is: 250 characters. Periods, commas, exclamation points, spaces, etc. all count as characters. This is also optional. Deadline: Friday, February 4, 2022.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to us regarding any of this information in this email or if you need an extension. You may also take your own senior photos if you prefer and do not have to go through a professional service.

Cap & Gown

On Wednesday, Oct. 22, Campus Specialties came to our campus with order forms for the Cap & Gown, plus graduation invitations, senior swag, class rings, and more.

They will return on Wednesday, Nov. 10 to pick up orders and money or deposits. If you would rather order online, please go to the following website: <https://www.campuspecialtiesinc.com/>

At the top you can click "Find Your School" and select DATA from the list. You can order online using a check, money order or card. Seniors need to order a cap & gown in order to participate in the graduation ceremony on May 14, 2022.