

N E W S L E T T E R

October

A note from administration...

The new school year is well underway, and we are very excited to have our students back on campus. Over the last year and a half there was a need to be flexible and creative, this year is no different. We want to thank you for your continued support and understanding as we navigate the everchanging conditions of the pandemic.

It is hard to believe fall is already upon us, even though it still feels like summer. Time seems to pass at an accelerated rate during the school year. This being said, we hold the academic and personal growth of our students as our number one priority. Due to virtual learning, we know that students may have forgotten some skills or have not had the chance to practice and develop their skills. That does not mean we lower our expectations or teach material that is below grade level. Instead, we keep our expectations high, provide rigorous, engaging curriculum and build in the support our students need. One of our main academic goals this year is to emphasize literacy across all disciplines. This translates into all faculty being supported in the effective use of content standards and pedagogical practices that enhance the reading, writing and speaking skills of all students. Research shows that one of the biggest predictors in college and career success is the ability to read complex text independently and proficiently. As we focus on our literacy goal, we ask that you help support our efforts by engaging with your student and the school, inquire about reading and writing assignments, ask your student to share their writing assignments with you, ask teachers what texts they will be reading and encourage your student to read at home. As always, it takes a concerted effort, school, student and parent, in order to create the most effective learning experiences for our students. Thank you again for your support, we are looking forward to a great school year.



Important Dates

Friday, October 1:

Coffee with Administrators from 7:30 - 8:30 am

Monday, October 4:

Class periods 2, 4, Advisory, and 6

Tuesday, October 5:

Class periods 1, 3, 5, and 7

Wednesday, October 6:

Class periods 2, 4, 6, and early release (1:37 pm)

Thursday, October 7:

End of 9-week grading period

Class periods 1, 3, 5 and 7

Friday, October 8:

Fall Break (no school for students or staff)

Monday, October 11:

Class periods 2, 4, Advisory, and 6

Tuesday, October 12:

Class periods 1, 3, 5, and 7

Wednesday, October 13:

PSAT (for 10th and 11th grade students ONLY)

7th, 8th, 9th, and 12th grade students will have asynchronous classes via Discord

Thursday, October 14:

All students will have asynchronous classes via Discord

Friday, October 15:

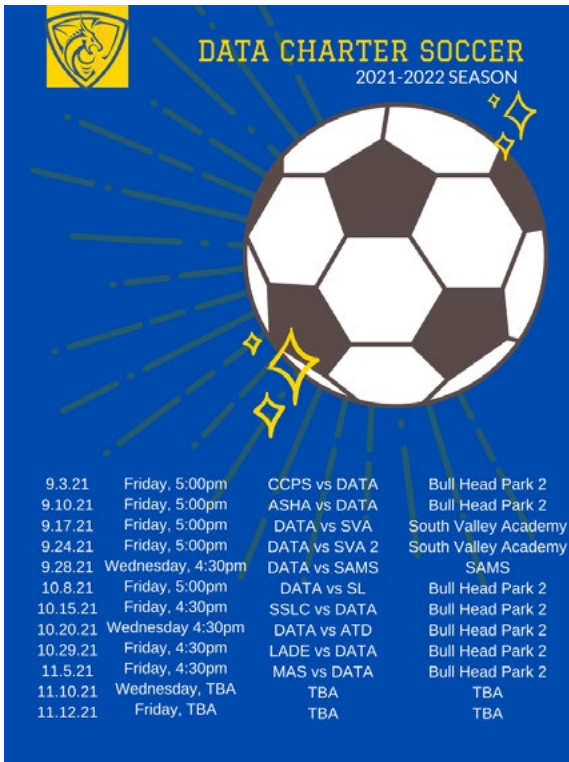
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October 25 - 29:

Spirit Week

- **Friday, October 29:** Fall Carnival

DATA Sports



DATA CHARTER SOCCER
2021-2022 SEASON

9.3.21	Friday, 5:00pm	CCPS vs DATA	Bull Head Park 2
9.10.21	Friday, 5:00pm	ASHA vs DATA	Bull Head Park 2
9.17.21	Friday, 5:00pm	DATA vs SVA	South Valley Academy
9.24.21	Friday, 5:00pm	DATA vs SVA 2	South Valley Academy
9.28.21	Wednesday, 4:30pm	DATA vs SAMS	SAMS
10.8.21	Friday, 5:00pm	DATA vs SL	Bull Head Park 2
10.15.21	Friday, 4:30pm	SSLC vs DATA	Bull Head Park 2
10.20.21	Wednesday 4:30pm	DATA vs ATD	Bull Head Park 2
10.29.21	Friday, 4:30pm	LADE vs DATA	Bull Head Park 2
11.5.21	Friday, 4:30pm	MAS vs DATA	Bull Head Park 2
11.10.21	Wednesday, TBA	TBA	TBA
11.12.21	Friday, TBA	TBA	TBA

DATA is excited to offer in-person sports again this school year! Students and parents can attend these outdoor sporting events, so we encourage you to go out and support our hard-working student athletes! You can find our current sports schedule below and on the main page of our website <https://datacharter.org/> (just scroll down a bit to find it).



2021 / 2022
DATA CHARTER
FLAG FOOTBALL

9.03.21	Friday, 5:30pm	DATA vs ATDA	Bull Head Park 5
9.10.21	Friday, 5:30pm	ASHA vs DATA	Bull Head Park 5
9.17.21	Friday, 5:30pm	MAA vs DATA	Bull Head Park 5
9.24.21	Friday, 5:30pm	DATA vs ACE	Bull Head Park 5
10.01.21	Friday, 5:30pm	DATA vs ECRE	Bull Head Park 5
10.08.21	Friday, 5:30pm	DATA vs MAS	Bull Head Park 5
10.15.21	Friday, 5:00pm	DATA vs EA	Bull Head Park 5
10.20.21	Wednesday, 4:00pm	DATA vs RFK	Bull Head Park 5
10.29.21	Friday, 5:00pm	LP vs DATA	Bull Head Park 5
11.01.21	Monday, TBA	Finals	TBA
11.03.21	Wednesday, TBA	Championship	TBA

For tickets and other details, please email Coach Rick Worthington at rick.worthington@datacharter.org

You can also support our Athletic Department by supporting one of our fundraisers!

We have partnered with See's Candies for a sweet fundraiser! Check out what we have to offer by visiting our site: https://www.yumraising.com/secure/digitalaat_data_sports46/candy?h=Ric_Worl628&c=ot1444

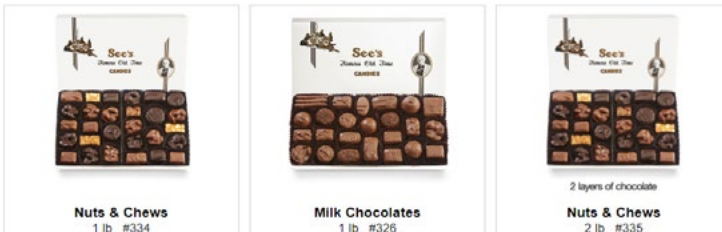


Our shop is open! Thanks for your support!

See's CANDIES.
Digital Arts and Tech Academy Storefront

Help Us Reach Our Goal!

Thank you for supporting the Data Sports! We'll receive all profits from any items you purchase below. Order more to help us reach our fundraising goal!



Nuts & Chews
1 lb #334

Milk Chocolates
1 lb #326

Nuts & Chews
2 lb #335



You can also rock some DATA gear by ordering from <https://shopdatadragons.com/data/shop/product-detail/1000703>. Students can also order their own custom jerseys from this website! Don't miss out on this opportunity!

Senior Sunrise

Each year, DATA plans an early morning celebration for our seniors to honor their achievement of reaching their last year of high school. This year DATA will host the Senior Sunrise on **October 22nd**. This hopefilled and meaningful event is just for seniors at DATA and our way to share with them how proud we and their families are of their milestone.

Seniors and their families can join us for a dawn reception at 6AM, when we will guide each to send our hopes and dreams into the future. Location and specifics will be shared via email, stay tuned for more information. If you are interested in volunteering to help with set up, food and beverages or facilitating the celebration, please contact steven.zoncki@datcharter.org. All Seniors and their families will receive a SignupGenius invitation next week to coordinate specifics.

Senior Cap & Gown Info

[Campus Specialties](#) will be visiting DATA to discuss ordering their cap and gown unit, graduation announcements, and senior gear (class of 2022 hoodies, joggers, etc.) in preparation for the 2022 graduation!

A Campus Specialties representative will visit our school on **Wednesday, October 27th** during Flex (8:00 - 8:40 am) to provide seniors a packet of information for ordering. They will return to DATA on **Wednesday, November 10th** during Flex to take orders.

All seniors must attend this event during flex, so mark your calendars!



THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO **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

Coffee with Administrators

Join the DATA Administrators for a casual, coffee-fueled conversation!



When: First Friday of every month from 7:30 am - 8:30 am

Where: Meet us in-person in our school auditorium!

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 one of the following events:

- Saturday, October 23, 2021
- Saturday, November 13, 2021

Both events will take place from 8:30 am - 12:00 pm. Visit <http://admissions.unm.edu/fallpreview/> for more details and links to register for the event.

Freshmen CTE Courses

All of our freshmen are enrolled in CTE 1 and CTE 2 courses, which give students a 9-week glimpse at all of the engaging elective courses our school offers. Since these classes are only 9-weeks long, students will need to prepare to switch to a new teacher beginning **Monday, October 11th!**

These changes will automatically be reflected in Tyler, but students will need to make updates to their Discord server (leave their old CTE teacher server and join a new one).

It's important for freshmen to remember that the grades for each of these 9-week courses will appear on their high school transcript and affect their overall high school GPA!

Parents & students, please pay close attention to those CTE grades in Tyler as we quickly approach the end of the 9-week grading period! If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to your teacher and/or your advisor!

Recycled Science

DATA middle schoolers will be using recycled items throughout the year to create STEM projects in a Maker Space environment. We appreciate your willingness to upcycle your recyclables as well as maybe contribute something new. You can send supplies with your student to Mrs. Wilson's classroom. You can find a list of the items she's looking for here: <https://signup.com/client/invitation2/secure/11070025853697220107/false#/invitation>



New Mexico Science Fiesta

The New Mexico Science Fiesta is one of the state's largest celebrations of STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and math). The event is a multi-day, community-wide extravaganza that is sure to inspire your curiosity, creativity, and innovation.

Join the New Mexican STEAM community for live-streamed events from **October 9th through 23rd!** Registration opens October 1st.

Scheduled talks, demonstrations, tours, workshops, and more! Choose your events based on age group, topic, or date and time. Select events may require advanced registration. Connect with STEAM professionals and each other in fun, interactive platforms!

The NM Science Fiesta is organized by Explora and STEM-NM in collaboration with New Mexico's scientific, cultural, and educational organizations.

For more information, visit <https://www.explora.us/programs/science-fiesta>



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MAKE YOUR FUTURE BRIGHT!

October 9-23, 2021

explora.us/programs/science-fieta

Teacher Spotlight

DATA has some new faces on campus this year and we'd like to give some of them a shout-out! Help us in welcoming these brand new faces and stay tuned for more teacher and staff shout-outs in future newsletters. We are fortunate to have such an incredibly skilled group of educators at our school.



Ms. Marian Myers

Ms. Myers is currently the 10th Grade and 7th Grade teacher at DATA. She has been a middle school English teacher for 9 years in the Boston area and have taught high school in Cambridge, MA and abroad for 5 years.

She currently received certificates in Higher Education Teaching and Online Teaching Learning in Action from Harvard University demonstrating that she is a life-long learner and encourages her students to be the same.

"I love incorporating historical fiction into my curriculum to help students understand and look honestly at difficult historical realities. I feel my classes are relevant to students' lives helping them to become active participants in our American democracy."

Ms. Cayman Rogers

Cayman is DATA's Algebra II teacher. Prior to working at DATA she was a design engineering intern for a government contractor and full-time student at UNM.

Cayman fell in love with DATA the first day she met the students. She's had so much fun getting to know all her coworkers and students.

"Everyone at DATA is so artistic, creative, and kind and I'm so happy to have finally found my little corner in the world."



Mrs. Cindy Chaver

Mrs. Cindy is one of the counselors here at DATA for the 2021-2022 school year. She has worked as a school counselor for 13 years in New Mexico at various charter schools and is currently the Vice President of Charter Schools for the New Mexico School Counselor Association. She also serves the Albuquerque community as a clinical mental health counselor and yoga teacher.

"I've been continually impressed by the focus on social emotional learning, equity, social justice and collaboration the staff show each and every day. It's a great team to be a part of!"

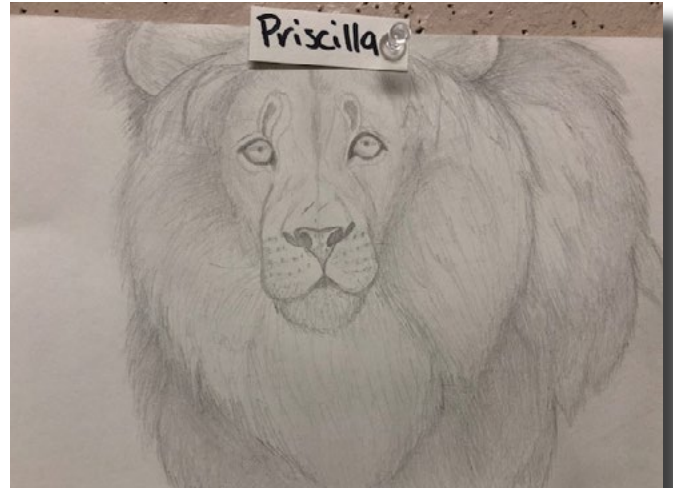


Student Spotlight

We love to showcase the beautiful work our students produce also! Here is some of the artwork that Mrs. Seaton's students have created this school year:



Lorelei Candelaria



Priscila Ricarte



Morgan Hamilton



Tiff Bachicha



Shumie Martinez



Lain Stewart