

AUGUST 2024



# CHEATHAM NEWS

Principal: Kristi Pashley

Assistant Principal: Ashley Grant

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

August 1st  
**MEET THE TEACHER**

August 5th  
**FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL**

August 13th  
**BAND RENTAL**

August 19th-23rd  
**NWEA TESTING (K-8)**

August 20th  
**KONA ICE**



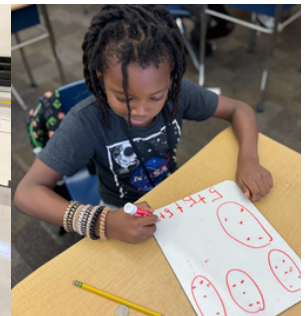
August 26th  
**AIMSWEB (K-3)**



## Goodbye Summer!

HELLO 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR

We hope all of you have had a wonderful and safe summer. We were excited to welcome our students back to school. With a few small but impactful changes to the upcoming year, Cheatham is committed to ensuring new opportunities for growth and celebration. Weekly early release days will allow students to spend more time in core subjects and staff to receive consistent, quality training. A new math curriculum will provide hands on learning and enhance our students' math understanding. Finally, offering free meals for all students will make sure everyone is well-fed and ready to learn. We are looking forward to the amazing things in store this year.





## Learning Continues

### CHEATHAM HOSTS SUMMER SCHOOL

Most kids can't wait for the school year to end and the fun summer activities to begin. However, some students benefit from continued learning opportunities made possible through summer school at Cheatham. Students who attended summer school received additional instruction in smaller class sizes, were exposed to using the new math curriculum, and had hands-on experiences in the garden. When the five weeks came to an end, our students showed significant increase in their reading fluency. Way to go!



## Free Breakfast and Lunch

### ALL LAVEEN STUDENTS, ALL YEAR LONG

Beginning in the 2024-2025 school year, all Laveen students will receive breakfast and lunch at no charge. The Laveen School District has been selected to participate in the [USDA Community Eligibility Provision](#) (CEP). This provision to the school breakfast and lunch programs allows schools/districts to provide meals at no cost to ALL students. The program may be extended to subsequent years.

# Welcome TO CHEATHAM

Cheatham is proud to welcome our new certified staff to the wonderful team. We are better together!

**Ashley Grant**

Assistant Principal

**Dr. Veronica Coriano**

Psychologist

**Braedan Myers**

Counselor

**Kennedy McClure**

First Grade

**Iliana Espericueta**

Third Grade

**Kyle Wilson**

Third Grade

**Samantha Kitchel**

Fourth Grade

**Aliyah Feliciano**

Fifth Grade

**Jack Carrethers**

Sixth Grade Science/SS

**Nick Navarro**

7th Grade Math

**Jaden Callahan**

8th Grade Math

**Angel Moore**

Special Education

**Chekema Littlejohn**

Special Education



# CHEATHAM EXPECTATIONS

## P.A.W.S.

Parents, students, and staff members must work together to provide a positive learning environment and model P.A.W.S. behavior. To help guarantee student safety and a positive social and educational climate, it is important students' **practice respect, accept responsibility, work together, and stay safe** at all times.

### Contacts

Kristi Pashley  
Principal

Ashley Grant  
Assistant Principal

**Cheatham Office:**  
602-237-7040

### Attendance

Regular school attendance is vital for a child to be successful. A child who is not in school cannot learn. Absences totaling 18 days or more (including excused absences) is considered excessive and a child may be retained.

Students will be withdrawn from school upon reaching their **tenth** consecutive day of unexcused absences.

### Tardies

All students are expected to be on time for classes and prepared with necessary materials.

The front gate closes at 7:25am. At that time students will have to enter through the front office. Any student arriving after 7:30am will be considered tardy.

**Please note: 5 tardies = 1 absence**

### Student IDs

Student IDs are required to be worn on a lanyard or badge clip at all times. Students arriving without their ID will be directed to the office.

Replacing lost or broken IDs is the responsibility of the student. Replacements can be purchased at the front office.

### Zero-Tolerance

Every student and staff member deserves to be educated in a positive, safe, caring, and respectful learning environment.

Laveen School District holds a zero-tolerance policy when dealing with drugs, firearms, bullying, harassment, intimidation, and or fighting. Students can expect suspension and/or expulsion pending investigation.

### Cell Phones

To keep the focus on academics and to reduce unnecessary distractions, personal mobile phones and/or devices must remain off or silent AND completely out of view during the entire school day, this includes hallways and lunch.

Use of phones or electronic devices during the school day may result in confiscation until a parent/guardian can pick it up from the office.

### Sign Out

Campuses of all schools in the Laveen School District are considered to be closed campuses requiring all students to be checked out through the office by a person on the child's contact list. All guardians must also present proper ID.

Early release requests within the last 30 minutes of the school day may be denied

### Dress Code

All students are expected to come to school in compliance with the district approved dress code. Students not dressed in accordance with the dress code will be permitted to call home in order to request a parent to bring appropriate clothing. Students out of dress code will not be permitted in class until they are in compliance.

### Communication

Cheatham values communication, collaboration, and family engagement. We utilize school apps that support these values and protect class instruction time. When reaching out, please allow up to 24hrs for school staff to respond.


For time sensitive inquires or emergencies please contact the office.



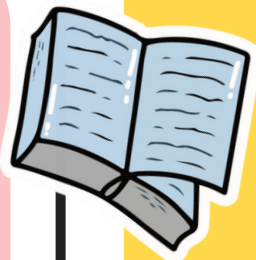


# August NWEA Testing Schedule

Please make sure that your child is  
at school on time, eats breakfast,  
and has had plenty of rest!



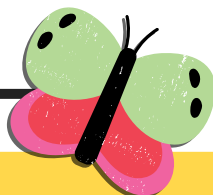
Monday,  
August 19th  
Math: K-8



Tuesday,  
August 20th  
Reading: K-8

Thursday,  
August 22nd  
Science: 4-8

Friday,  
August 23rd  
Language: 3-8



# COMING UP!



**CHEATHAM**  
OFFICIAL ONLINE SHOP

**BACK-TO-SCHOOL SALE**  
FEATURING NEW DESIGNS!

**30% OFF SITEWIDE!**  
Final Sale \$7.50

**AUGUST 6TH - SEPTEMBER 10TH**  
ORDER AT: [1STPLACE.SALE/5156](https://1stplace.sale/5156)

**Fall Picture Day is Coming!**

**School Name:** Cheatham Elementary  
**Picture Day Date:** Thursday, September 12  
**Picture Day ID:** EVTZDJJD

**TITLE 1 Curriculum Night**  
**ACADEMIC GOAL TEAMS**  
**FAMILY NIGHT**

Earn a FREE dress down for attending

THURSDAY  
**5**  
SEPTEMBER  
4:30-6:30PM

Come join our Academic Goal Team and learn how to support your child's academic growth at home.

- Review your child's data
- Learn about academic goals
- Access curriculum and standards
- Take home resources
- Experience the Cheatham Garden

Academic sessions will run every 30 min.

**Baseball Night**

**VS**

**TUESDAY**  
**SEPTEMBER 10, 2024**

**CHASE FIELD**

\$5 FROM EACH TICKET GOES BACK TO CHEATHAM

USE THE QR CODE OR PURCHASE TICKETS @  
[HTTPS://FEVO-ENTERPRISE.COM/EVENT/CHEATHAMELEMENTARY2](https://fevo-enterprise.com/event/cheathamelementary2)