



# THE Eagle's NEST

2019-20 Year: Issue 1

September 2019

## Eagle Eye Calendar

- Sept. 9-13: PTA Fundraiser Week
- Sept. 9th: Vision Screening
- Sept. 10th-13th: Voting for SCC Members
- Sept. 10th: Fall Acadience testing (formerly DIBELs) for grades 3rd-5th
- Sept. 11th: Fall Acadience testing (formerly DIBELs) for grades K-2nd
- Sept. 12th: 4th and 5th grade orientation to orchestra. Sign-up information will come home after that date.
- Sept. 13th: PTA Math Carnival and Movie Night
- Sept. 23rd: Picture Day
- Sept. 20th: Career Day, Grades 1st-5th
- Sept. 25th: Celebrate student birthdays from July, August and September with Chick-fil-A
- Sept. 25th & 26th: Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Sept. 25th: Flu Shot Clinic. You can get your flu shots here at Silver Mesa from 3:30-7:00 in our Library. Just bring your health insurance card and picture ID.
- Sept. 26th: Early Out Day; School dismissed at 1:15
- Sept. 27th: No School; compensatory day

## Principal's Perch

Welcome Back!

Thank you students, parents and teachers for a wonderful start to our school year. It has been a joy having our school filled with eager students ready to learn.

We are excited for the many wonderful things happening at Silver Mesa this year. I want to welcome our new teachers: Sara Perez, Laura Arbeloa, Kristy West, Sarah Tingey, Ariel Stong, and Mark Donnelly to our school. They are a great asset to our team and we are lucky to have them working with your students. Our teachers are working hard to help our students shine and we appreciate your support.

I have seen great progress in our students these first few weeks as they have adjusted to school. We are continuing our focus on kindness with our school-wide theme is Kindness Is Cool. We love to notice and promote any acts of kindness we see. Students have helped clean up classrooms, included someone left out, sat by someone alone at lunch, written positive messages to other students, and many other things that have set an example for others and helped all students feel a part of our Silver Mesa community.

In the last two weeks I have had the opportunity to meet with many students at the end of the day when they bring in their trip to the principal cards and learn of how they are working hard and making a difference at school. We have such awesome students!

Thanks for your support in helping the school year get off to a great start!



## STUDENT VOICES

Why we LOVE our teachers...

### Kindergarten:

"They are really, really, REALLY nice"

"She thinks I am cool"

### 1st:

"I don't like doing math but I LOVE doing math with my teacher"

"She is so kind and it makes me want to be kind."

### 2nd:

"When we be good and do something right...we get a treat!"

"She says hi to me every morning"

### 3rd:

"They give us cool stuff to do"

"When we pass off a level of Lexia, she gets sooooo happy"

### 4th:

"She plans fun activities for us to do all day long"

"They like different things than me and teach us to like them too"

### 5th:

"Because she is so funny and we are always smiling in her class"

"He gives us lots of chances to do our best"

Thank you teachers for all the incredible things you do to help our students soar!

## BOOK FAIR & PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

The book fair will kick off on Tuesday, September 24th. The kids will have a preview day on Monday to check out all the great reads and pick their favorites.

All your kiddos will receive Carnival cash (\$5) at your scheduled parent teacher conference. This is to spend at the fair on a reading book so make sure you make it to your conference and then drop by after on Wednesday or Thursday. The fair will be open all day on those two days. Want to be the first one to the fair to get the best pick of books? Come to our opening event Tuesday morning before school.

Can't find the book you want when you get there later? No problem! Go to <https://bookfairs.scholastic.com> and click "find a fair". Type in silver mesa elementary and you can shop all the best titles from the comfort of your home anytime from Friday Sept 20th to Friday Sept 27th.

Thank you for supporting reading at Silver Mesa by making sure your child gets their free book at the book fair.



# MATH CARNIVAL



Come one, come all, to the Greatest School of All! Join us Friday September 13th from 6:30 - 8:30 pm. We are combining our love for math with our love for fun, and thanking you for your generous donations with a Math Carnival. There will be games, food, drinks, prizes and lots of fun. Students will work hard all week on math activities to earn tickets. They can then redeem their tickets at the carnival on Friday. There will even be a mini dunk tank.

We hope to see you there!!!

## REFLECTIONS

This year's theme for the national reflections contest is LOOK WITHIN. All entries will be due **October 25th** so get started early to make sure you will have time to finish by then. There are six arts categories:

- dance choreography
- film production
- literature
- music composition
- photography
- visual arts

Students may have one entry in National PTA Reflections program in as many arts categories as they would like. Official rules and FAQ's can be found at <https://www.utahpta.org/reflections>

# PTA NEWS

## Spirit Wear

Every Friday here at Silver Mesa is School Spirit Day! What better way to show your school spirit then with our new logo this year? We have plenty of options available for everyone including hats and cinch sacks! You can go to our new website [www.silvermesapta.org](http://www.silvermesapta.org) and order your students apparel today! We will only be placing ONE order this year so make sure to get your orders in by September 26th.



## Favorite things

We love our teachers! Many of our parents like to spoil our teachers but aren't sure how. We have a solution for all you spoilers out there.

[www.silvermesapta.org](http://www.silvermesapta.org) has a "favorite things" page for your teacher. Cursor over the "school" button on the left of the homepage and click "favorite things" to see your teachers birthday and all their favorites so you can be sure when you spoil it will be something your teacher will adore.

## Family nights

Every year Silver Mesa partners with businesses around the city to promote healthy living and earn a little cash for our school. These family nights are completely voluntary and are just for fun. We will have one family night each month at a different venue. See our calendar at [www.silvermesapta.org](http://www.silvermesapta.org) for the full schedule. Feel like taking the family out to dinner? This months family night will be at Café Zupas. Curb that appetite on Tuesday Sept 10th at Café Zupas in Quarry bend (9242 Village Shop Dr, Sandy, UT 84094). Make sure to tell them you are there with Silver Mesa Elementary and a portion of the proceeds will come back to the school!

## PTA Meetings

Want to know what is happening with your kids or at the school? Come to our PTA Meetings. PTA stands for Parent Teacher Association, a school-based organization with a mission to make the school a better place for children to learn. Parents of students work together with teachers to volunteer in classes, raise money for school supplies, and generally support the school's efforts. Coming doesn't mean you are signed up to volunteer in the school all year. It is just a great way to get information and have a say in what activities we hold at the school. It is also the way to have your voice heard if you want to see a change or get involved in something you enjoy to benefit your child(ren). Our next meeting is:

October 1st @ 12:30

In the Soaring room off the gym Hope to see you there.

## School Directory

Want access to the school directory on our website? Become a PTA member! This does NOT make you an instant volunteer. Becoming a PTA member simply means you support advocacy for kids on a national level and here at Silver Mesa. Part of your pta membership fee (\$6.50) pays for the online directory option of our website, so as a PTA member you will have full access to all of our websites features. To become a member and get access, go to [www.silvermesapta.org](http://www.silvermesapta.org) and cursor over PTA. Then click Join PTA!

# Eagle Attendance



For our Silver Mesa eagles to soar, we need them to attend school each and everyday. Students are more likely to succeed in academics when they attend school consistently. And we want our students to succeed! Please commit to bringing your students to school daily, on time, so they will not miss out on the wonderful, educational things happening at Silver Mesa.

# Silvermesapta.org

Silver Mesa has gone digital! Please bookmark [silvermesapta.org](http://silvermesapta.org) on your computer and/or phone. Make sure you have a login so you can log reading minutes and find out about fun events and exciting news at Silver Mesa. All flyers from PTA will end Sept 26th so make sure you have set your preferences to notify you about upcoming events. Thank you to all of our amazing volunteers who have spent countless hours to make this website possible for our school!

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SILVER MESA ELEMENTARY

----- CLICK HERE TO GET STARTED! -----

This is the place to register for reading logs, purchase spirit wear and PTA memberships and find out everything happening here at Silver Mesa. Click the big blue button to get started!

Vision Screening Volunteers needed for MONDAY-click [here](#) and scroll to the bottom of the page for volunteer details!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Sep 1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Labor day NO SCHOOL	12:30p PTA General Meeting		8:45a Hearing Screening	Fundraiser Kick-off	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	Fundraiser Week 8:25a Vision Screening	Fundraiser Week 4:00p Zupas Family Night	Fundraiser Week	Fundraiser Week	6:30p Math Carnival	

View in Outlook or Google Calendar See full calendar

**Math Carnival Volunteers**

Café Zupas family night

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<http://www.silvermesapta.com/>

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<https://www.facebook.com/groups/silvermesaPTAgroup/>

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