

Dress Code

The Artesia Public Schools believe that our students should dress appropriately for school. The students should not wear clothing which would detract from the learning process. The dress code is important to us and can be viewed in full at www.bulldogs.org. The following are most prevalent within our school and excerpted from the APS dress code:

- 1. Sagging clothes are prohibited.**
- 2. Tank tops or muscle shirts are prohibited. Girls's tops must have a strap over the shoulder of at least 2 inches in width.**
- 3. Clothing with inappropriate wording or pictures is prohibited.**
- 4. Hair must be neat, clean, and well groomed. The hair style must not be one that will create hazard to the students health or safety, and must not be distractive to student learning.**

If the principal determines that a student has violated the dress code, the student shall be given an opportunity to correct the problem at school. If not corrected, the parents will be notified and the student will be placed in In-School Suspension until the problem is corrected.

Telephone Calls

All telephone messages will be taken by the secretary and relayed to the teacher or student to minimize classroom disruption. A school telephone is available for emergencies and to contact parents in case of illness. In order to help us to keep phone lines open, PLEASE make all necessary plans and arrangements with your child BEFORE they leave home in the morning.

School Nurse

Mrs. Hammond is scheduled at Yucca on Tuesdays and Thursdays of each week. A district nurse is always available for emergencies. It is important that the nurse be made aware of any significant illnesses or any special medications your child takes.

Delayed Schedule/Inclement Weather

Please listen to KSVP AM radio between 6:30-7:00 for information on delays and closings.

Yucca Elementary School



**Home Of The Mighty
Bulldog Bandits**

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Artesia, NM**

**Principal - Christy Takacs
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School Hours

8:10-3:20

Our parking lot is blocked from 2:45-3:30 for the safety of our students. Please use the city parking lot across the street. Your child will be safely escorted and monitored as they cross the crosswalk to their vehicle.

School Visitors

We encourage you to come and observe your child's classroom throughout year. Families are always invited to have lunch with their child. If you choose to eat in our Bistro, please call the school office by 9:00 a.m. so we can include you in our lunch count. An adult lunch is \$3.75. Students are allowed to invite TWO friends to join them.

**** ALL VISITORS (INCLUDING PARENTS) MUST SIGN-IN THROUGH THE OFFICE AND RECEIVE A VISITOR'S PASS BEFORE GOING TO A CLASSROOM. THIS IS FOR THE SAFETY OF OUR SCHOOL. WE MUST KNOW WHO IS IN OUR BUILDING.**

If you need to take your child out of school early, please notify the office or the teacher in advance. We will call them into the office. You will check them out by signing the release form. For safety and liability purposes, student visitors are not allowed

Attendance

ABSENCE - students who arrive after 9:45 a.m. will be counted absent for the morning & students who leave before 1:45 p.m. will be counted absent for the afternoon.

EXCUSED ABSENCE - absence with parent notification to the school that their child will be absent including, but not limited to the following: personal illness, professional appointments that could not be scheduled outside school time, or serious personal and/or family situations.

UNEXCUSED ABSENCE - absence without notification, defined, but not limited to the following: personal illness, professional appointments and in school violations that result in suspension from school. Five (5) unexcused tardies also constitute an unexcused absence. Unexcused absences will count toward retention status.

TARDIES - Arriving to school after 8:15. Five (5) unexcused tardies (during a 9 weeks) shall count as an unexcused absence. Each tardy (during a 9 weeks) thereafter will also count as an unexcused absence.

State law mandates that children be in attendance when school is in session. Therefore, when a student is absent, the parent shall call the school on or before the day of the absence in order to advise the school as to the reason for the absence. After the 3rd, 5th, and the 10th unexcused absence during the semester, parents will be notified by a form letter stating the number of student's absences. If a student is going to be out of school for a reason other than illness, the parent should meet with the teacher prior to the absence and decide together the best way to make-up missed work. District policy allows a student one day for each day missed to complete make-up work.

Y.E.S. (Yucca Elementary Supporters)
Y.E.S. is a group of parents and teachers who desire to be a positive and proactive part of their child's education.

Throughout the year there will be many opportunities where you can pitch in and make a difference for our Yucca Family.

We encourage you to get involved by looking for information on meetings, activities, and opportunities to make this year the best one yet!!

Lunch Schedule

1st & 2nd - 11:10-11:50

3rd & 4th - 11:25-12:05

5th - 11:30-12:10

Students go out to recess first and then come into the Bistro for lunch.

Student Lunch - \$2.50

Adult Lunch - \$3.75

Milk - \$.40

Breakfast Program

All students will be offered a free breakfast each day. Breakfast will be served from 7:45-8:15 in the Bistro. Students who wish to participate must come to the Bistro BEFORE going out to the playground. After 8:15, breakfast will no longer be available. Students who arrive before 7:45 must report to the Bistro until the playground duty teacher is present.