

**Country Gardens Charter School**  
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**PERFORMING PLUS SCHOOL**

For the second year in a row we are a Performing Plus school. Thanks students for performing well on the AIMS assessments in third grade - high school. 100% of our high school students passed the AIMS reading assessment in 10th grade. Great job Mrs. LoCicero! We had one student who had Exceeds on all of the tests and received a scholarship to the University of Tucson. Good luck to Larry Gordon as he starts his freshman year!

**HIGH SCHOOL AIMS TESTING**

High school AIMS testing will take place October 26-28 for any student who needs to pass the AIMS in reading, writing and math to graduate. All students in the state of Arizona must pass the AIMS assessments in reading, writing and math to graduate.

**TUTORING**

Tutoring begins for all students in grades K-12 on Thursday, September 2 from 3:30 - 4:30 PM. We will have tutoring in reading and math available to all students. Parents need to pick up students by the front office at 4:30 PM.

**SCHOOL DRESS CODE**

Students must wear a school shirt daily. Shoes must be solid black or brown. No white or color on the shoes. Students may only wear studded earrings.

**COMMUNITY WELLNESS**

Hearing and vision screening will be on Tuesday, September 21 for some students.

**SPECIAL EDUCATION QUESTIONS**

1. Contact Mr. Vite, Special Education Director/Teacher
2. Contact Mr. DiEugenio/Special Education Teacher
3. Contact Mrs. Gerber, Principal

**BREAKFAST**

Country Gardens offers breakfast to students. Items range from \$.50 to \$1.00. On Wednesday we prepare a hot breakfast for students.

**TURTLE RESCUE**

During fall break students and staff will be going to Costa Rica to rescue turtles. Last year was the first time that the staff and students had an opportunity to be a part of the rescue efforts to save the turtles being poached by hunters. Many students found this experience to be a life long learning experience they will never forget.

**HOMEWORK**

Homework is sent home each week with the students on Wednesday. Homework is due each Wednesday. Please remember to have your child read nightly and check their homework nightly. We are updating our website so please check with your child's teacher for homework questions.

**PARENTS ARE IMPORTANT PARTNERS**

You can help by making sure your child attends school every day. Help support good study habits by turning off the TV and having your child work on their homework nightly. Remember we have Open Conferences where you can meet with your child's teacher to monitor your child's progress.

*Important Dates*

<b>September 2</b>	<b>Tutoring begins 3:30-4:30 PM No bussing provided. Grades K-12.</b>
<b>September 6</b>	<b>Labor Day No School</b>
<b>September 21</b>	<b>Vision/Hearing Screenings</b>
<b>September 22</b>	<b>Open Conferences 1:00 - 4:00 PM</b>
<b>September 24</b>	<b>Deficiency Notices for students who are not working at grade level</b>
<b>October 11- 15</b>	<b>Fall Break No School</b>