

Aldo Leopold Charter School

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Being there



Final design

The director of the Commons, and chair of the Aldo Foundation, Dave Chandler, contacted Mz. Phillips, Aldo's fine arts teacher, looking for a youth artist to design and create a unique poster for their fundraising campaign. Mz. Phillips immediately thought of long time Aldo art student Aria Baca (11th grade). Aria has demonstrated throughout her time with the art program what a hardworking and dedicated artist she is. Additionally, Aria has volunteered at the Commons since 6th grade, and has a personal

bond with the space and the program. Mz. Phillips set a meeting with Aria and Dave to discuss the details and vision for the poster. Aria created a variety of thumbnails (small samples) and chose a design that she felt best captured the feeling and message of the Commons. The completed design in ink and colored pencil was given to Dave last Monday with much excitement and praise. Mz. Phillips could not be prouder of Aria for successfully completing a commissioned piece for the Commons. As we like to say, Aria, You ROCK!



Thumbnail



Outline

Mouth watering



Speaking of the Commons, the high school culinary arts class makes all their culinary art in the fabulous kitchen at the Commons. Here Lily and Dei roll out dough for the pasta for this colorful, delectable pasta dish.



Doing their part

Two of our very own here at Aldo have decided to take the plunge into politics to act on their sense of civic responsibility. **Serena Murillo**, our 6th grade teacher and **Nancy Stephens**, our social worker, are each running for public office for the first time. Serena is hoping to win a seat on the Cobre School Board. She taught in Cobre for five years and would like to contribute her experienced teacher perspective to this district. The Silver City Daily Press sponsored a candidate forum for both Silver and Cobre school boards. Click [here](#) to watch this zoom event. Nancy is running for the soil and water district 3 seat because she wants to bring lessons about these crucial components of our ecosystem into schools. We wish them THE best of luck!



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1 Chicken Fajitas Alfredo Roasted Broccoli Garlic Bread Salad/Fruit	2 Pork Tacos Pinto Beans Rice Veggies/Fruit	3 Stuffed Baked Potato Baked Beans Coke Slaw Bread/Fruit	4 Lasagna Roasted Veggies Bread Salad/Fruit	5 WNNMU Art Day! Bring the BIG 26€
8 Sausages Pasta + Nivea Bread Salad Fruit	9 Chicken Fajitas Black Beans Roasted Corn Salad/Fruit	10 Cowboy Chili Corn Bread Green Beans Salad/Fruit	11 PIZZA Antipasto Tray Coesar Salad Fruit	12
15 Chicken Noodle Soup Lentils Cheesy Bread Salad Fruit	16 Grilled Cheese Sandwich Tomato Soup Salad Fruit	17 Roast Turkey Mashed Potatoes Green Peas Roll Fruit	18 Burger French Fries Salad Fruit	19
22 Hot Dogs Mac & Cheese Salad Fruit	23 Spaghetti Meatballs Roasted Veggies Garlic Bread Salad Fruit	24 No School	25 No School Happy Thanksgiving!	26 No School!

November Lunch Menu

Circle of life

Last Friday, the whole **middle school** and the **high school eco monitors** spent the day together learning and teaching about water quality, flow, and trees at the **Iron Bridge in Gila**. Joining the school that day were **Rich Schrader** and **David Fay** from [River Source](#), a non-profit focused on educating citizens about their local watersheds, located in Santa Fe and started by Rich in 1997. Also with us was **Martha Cooper** from the **Nature Conservancy**. The school has been lucky enough to work with both of these groups for years. We are so fortunate to have local and regional partners who invest their time, knowledge, influence, and enthusiasm in our students. AND another wicked cool thing is that students who are now big high schoolers were once taught as wee middle schoolers how to catch and identify macroinvertebrates to analyze the health of a river, are now doing the teaching!





Tolson reaching up high

Oh the bounty!

The Community Orientation class, made up of students who are new to the high school (so this includes all 9th graders), went to Little Cherry Creek Ranch to harvest apples and make apple cider. Some of these kids have been making this annual trek to LCCR since they were 6th graders (they were so young!) Once again, because they've been letting us come up here for years, we are so grateful to our community friends the Browne-Jepsons for sharing their beautiful land with us and for all the apples and cider.



Kojun and Sebi



**Vega, Erikah, Parker, and Ke
pressing apples into cider**

