



Weekly Update

Aldo Leopold Charter School

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News for all

Lunch Menu

Tues 1/23.....Spaghetti bolognaise, roasted veggies, garden salad, and fruit

Wed 1/24.....Turkey sausages, mashed potatoes, organic bread, chef's salad, and fruit

Thurs 1/25.....Ham and cheese melts, French fries, Caesar salad, and fruit

Fri 1/26.....**NO LUNCH EVER!**

Mon 1/29.....Roast chicken, buttered noodles, green beans, garden salad, and fruit

Check your email this week for the February lunch menu and then place your order with Cathie!

Committees

Finance..... Tues 1/30..... 4:45 p.m. Mr. Sherwood's office

Policy Wed 1/31..... 4:00 p.m..... Mr. Sherwood's office

SAC Thurs 2/1 5:00 p.m. Mr. Sherwood's office

SHAC..... Wed 2/7 4:30 p.m. Jim's room

SAC=School Advisory Council

SHAC=School Health Advisory Council

School Choice Week

Aldo will participate in the School Choice Week event held this **Thursday, January 25** from **5-8 pm** at the **Grant County Convention Center**. This yearly event takes place in communities across the country. It is a chance for schools- all schools- traditional public, charter, magnet, private, homeschools- to tell their stories and celebrate their work. Check out the website here. <https://schoolchoiceweek.com/>

The lottery that wins you something more valuable than money

We are accepting enrollment lottery applications now. You can get a hard copy at the front office or go to the [Aldo website](#) and it is right on the home page. ***Siblings of current Aldo students must fill out an application if they wish to enroll!*** In any given lottery, sibling names will be drawn first. But you can never jump ahead of someone whose name was drawn in a prior lottery, so the best way you can take advantage of having an Aldo student sibling is to **turn in an application by 4:00 pm on February 15, 2018**. Reminder: Aldo Leopold is a free *public* charter school. Everyone is welcome.

Don't go far away when the action is right here.

The Middle School Olympiad Team will be competing against 400 students from 20 different schools across the region at WNMU in the **Intramural Gym** this **Saturday, January 27** from **8:30-4 p.m.** Check out the article about in the [Silver City Daily Press](#).

Student LED conferences

We will have **Student Led Conferences**, or parent/ teacher conferences that are led by the student, **Thursday and Friday, February 15 and 16**. Middle school conferences will be both days, while **high school conferences will be the 16th only!** So remember parents, you know that Valentine's date night you've been planning for weeks, don't stay out to late, so that you can be in tip-top shape for your SLC the next morning. This is a requirement for all students so please don't skip town.

High school

Switcheroo-tiddley pom

January 26 half of the CO class will be hiking to **Allen Springs**, and the other half will be hiking to the **Wolf Sanctuary**. Then on **February 9** groups will switch and get to do the other. Do not forget the **BIG 5**: hat, water bottle, lunch, journal/pencil, and sturdy shoes.

This is what Friday looks like

If you are in **10th-12th grade** at Aldo Leopold you spend your Fridays at an internship or on a YCC crew. If you are doing an internship, it is your responsibility to get yourself to your internship. As a reminder for YCC crew members: **Mural crew** starts at 9 a.m. and meets at L-I Arts at 315 N. Bullard. **Archeology, Eco-monitor, and Trail crews** start at 8:30 a.m. at the school. **Gardening** starts at 9 a.m. at the school. And journals are due on Monday morning.

UWC

Each year, **United World College-USA**, located in **Las Vegas, NM** hosts a conference that focuses on key societal issues. This year's theme is "Change the Conversation" and brings together the UWC-USA community with students from AZ, CO, NM, and Mexico in learning teams. People dedicated to changing the conversation in their field and transforming the way people listen to one another will talk about needs, identities, and interests, forging understanding to create new strategies. Aldo will once again send a delegation of students to this exciting and inspiring conference. **Avery and Alli** will bring the High School student council, a few more student leaders to this exciting and inspiring conference. They leave right after school on **Thursday, February 1** and will return on the afternoon of **Sunday, February 3**.

Projects

It's that time again for high school projects. Each student received a packet detailing what is required, and every scholar has been assigned a teacher mentor who will support, guide, and push their mentees to new heights of discovery! Below you will find excerpts from the packets. Click on the grade level that interests you and you will get a link to the full packet.

9th grade: Key to the 9th-grade experience at Aldo Leopold Charter School is the Freshman Sustainability Project. During the next 3 months, students will explore a variety of sustainable principles & technologies in order to develop a project that involves original research—that is, an experiment or engineering project that they design & conduct. As part of the project, they draft a paper describing and documenting their experiment, ultimately linking their research to larger concepts of social, economic, & environmental sustainability.

10th grade: The United Nations was created after World War II partly to prevent future holocausts & to prevent the complete dominance of less militarized peoples & countries by the most powerful nation-states. Therefore, key to the 10th grade experience at Aldo Leopold Charter School is a Global Sustainability Project. During the next 2 months, through the context of a simulated world summit based upon the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (2016), students will (a) explore a variety of issues & problems related to worldwide sustainability, and specifically (b) create real-world solutions to these problems according to models of living that are capable of enduring for the long-term, models demonstrated earliest and longest throughout human history by indigenous peoples.

11th grade: The juniors have started their projects which for most of them center around issues of water quality and how chemistry can be used to remediate contaminated water. The due dates are flexible because this is the first time we've done it like this. Junior teachers Avery, Mr. Knight, and Ms. Heneghan are trying to keep aligned to Pete's 10th grade project deadlines because there are a few sophomores who take junior classes, and they are doing a modified junior project this year.

12th grade: Seniors are expected in this final semester of their compulsory schooling, to choose an internship that is in a field they would like to pursue as a career. Students' paper and presentation will include: A brief, but thorough description of the internship experience, including any aesthetic or intellectual value to the community which resulted from this work. Students must conduct research to determine the following (all sources must be cited in the final presentation): necessary training, licensure needed, expected salary, employee growth potential. Seniors must interview at least two people who are doing their dream job! Finally, students must research a book that is relevant to their chosen career. This reading will count as both the reading for the unit and one of the independent reading books for the nine-week grading period. [Due dates.](#)

Middle school

Friday out and about

This Friday, the Science Olympiads will be staying at school to prepare for this Saturday's Science Olympiad. The rest of us will be going out and about to work more on our systems theme. This time we will focus on waste. It is going to be a beautiful day! **The BIG 5** is a must: wide brimmed hat, two water bottles, sturdy shoes, healthy lunch, and journal and pencil.