



February 9th – February 13th
Family Newsletter

IRON EAGLE PRESS:

Hello Iron Eagle Families, Happy Friday!

What an inspiring week it has been at MIT High School! I want to extend my sincere appreciation to everyone who made our MIT Science Fair such a memorable and meaningful experience.

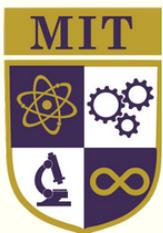
A heartfelt thank-you to our exceptional MIT Science teachers—Dr. Hojreh, Ms. Daniels, Mrs. Sarkar, Mr. Bhardwaj, and Mr. Torres—for their unwavering encouragement, motivation, and support. Your dedication continues to prepare our students for success by fostering curiosity, critical thinking, and a love for scientific discovery.

MIT students, thank you for your hard work, creativity, and perseverance in developing truly impressive science fair projects. Your displays last night showcased not only your academic talent but also your passion for innovation. Congratulations to all of our MIT Science Fair winners—we are incredibly proud of your achievements! Thank you to all the parents and guardians who joined us last night to support their children. Your partnership is invaluable in their academic journey, and your presence made the evening even more special. Programs like the Science Fair play a vital role in igniting curiosity, building creativity, and empowering students to explore real-world problems through STEM. These experiences are central to our mission of preparing all students for college and career success.

A special shout-out to the MIT Student Council for organizing a fun and engaging Valentine Spirit Week. Your leadership, planning, and positive energy helped build school spirit and community throughout the week.

As we head into the long weekend, I wish everyone rest, safety, and quality time with loved ones. Take good care, and we look forward to welcoming you back refreshed and ready for another great week of learning.

Mr. Gandhi
Headmaster, MIT



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MIT IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

- February 16th No School President's Day
- February 18th Quarter 3 Progress Reports
- February 18th Japan 2027 Information Night
- February 25th - 27th AZELLA Testing
- March 4th - March 6th Parent-Teacher Conferences/Early Release
- March 9th - 13th Spring Break No School
- March 27th No School STEM PD
- April 6th - 17th State Testing
- April 8th & April 15th NO EARLY RELEASE

UNIFORM INFORMATION

At MIT, we require our students to wear uniforms.

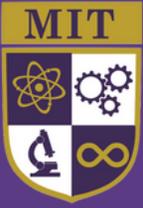
All students are required to have:

- a solid white button-up shirt with the MIT coat of arms and a tie/bow tie.
- Purple polos with the MIT coat of arms are only permitted on Fridays.
- Pants must be either black or khaki. No jeans!
- Students may only wear jackets or sweaters with the MIT coat of arms.

If you have any questions, please review our dress code policy in our [student handbook](#) found on our website.

You may purchase your student's uniform over the phone at Rapido AZ (602)689-9592 or visit 3334 W Wilshire Dr. Phoenix AZ 85009 STE# 42.





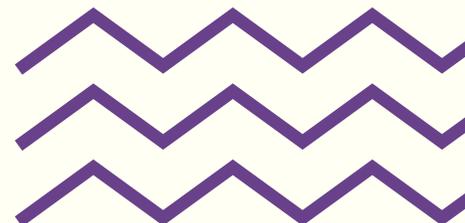
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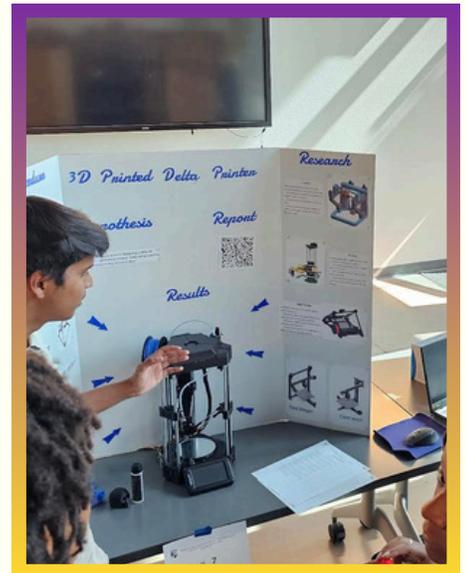




MIT SCIENCE FAIR STUDENT EXHIBITION

Yesterday, MIT students had the exciting opportunity to explore the incredible science fair experiments created by their fellow classmates. From creative engineering designs to thoughtful scientific investigations, our students proudly demonstrated their curiosity, problem-solving skills, and commitment to discovery. It was inspiring to see students engaging with one another's projects, asking questions, and celebrating the hard work that went into each experiment.

The MIT Science Fair is a vital part of our STEM² community, highlighting the innovation, collaboration, and academic excellence that define MIT. It provides students with a platform to apply classroom learning to real-world challenges while developing confidence in presenting their ideas.





MIT SCIENCE FAIR FAMILY NIGHT

Last night, MIT High School proudly hosted our annual Science Fair Family Night, welcoming families and community members to preview the incredible projects created by our talented students. From innovative engineering designs to thoughtful medical research studies, our students showcased months of hard work, curiosity, and critical thinking. The variety and depth of research on display truly reflected the strength of our STEM2 program.

The Science Fair is an essential part of our STEM2 community because it encourages students to think like scientists and engineers. This experience not only strengthens academic skills but also builds confidence, creativity, and real-world problem-solving abilities.

Congratulations to all of our students who participated!

Investigation Category

1st Place: Mai T.

2nd Place: Joe S.

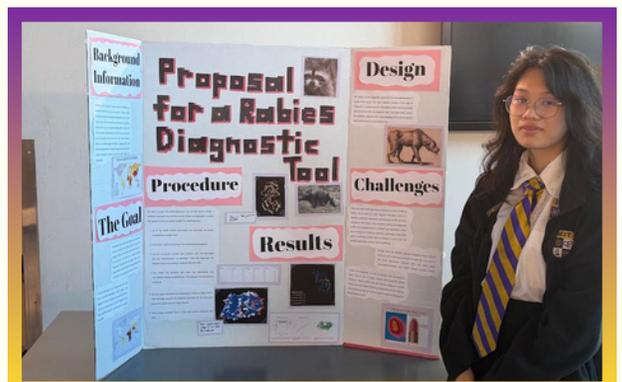
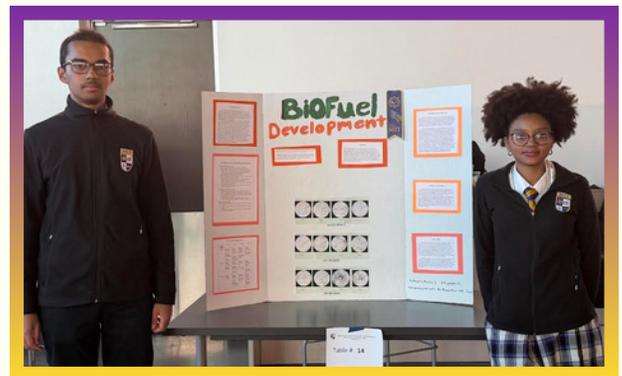
3rd Place: Arefin I. & Keymora M.

Invention Category

1st Place: Syed A.

2nd Place: Sergio S., Jacob B. Alonzo, Josiah S.

3rd Place: Fernando M.





CLUB SPOTLIGHT

NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY

National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) Service Spotlight: Valentine's Day Digital Cards

This week, our National Junior Honor Society members volunteered their time to spread kindness in the spirit of Valentine's Day. Students created bright, encouraging digital Valentine's cards for children receiving care—messages intended to bring comfort, smiles, and reassurance to young patients and their families.

NJHS students designed two sets of cards: one for Phoenix Children's Foundation and another for the Children's Medical Center Foundation Valentine eCard initiative. We are proud of our students for showing empathy, creativity, and a genuine commitment to serving others.

— Ms. Villalobos, Advisor

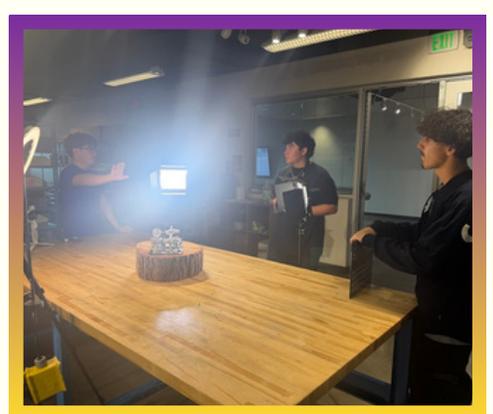




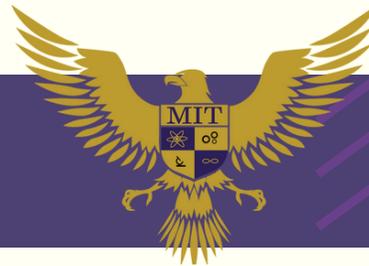
SKYFIRE FILM FESTIVAL

The Media and Yearbook Club partnered with the STEM Robotics Club to produce a short film for submission to the Skyfire Film Festival, an innovative festival that sets the standard for sustainability and builds it into the theme of the festival.

Media and Yearbook Club President Santiago M. directed the film with the support of Jayden D., Douglas Q., and Zeraea E., collaborating to capture both the creativity and impact of the featured projects. The film highlighted the environmental-focused work of students Alexander D., Thayer O., Xander F., and Keymora M., showcasing their innovative ideas and commitment to sustainability. We are proud of our students for blending media production, engineering, and environmental awareness to represent MIT with excellence and purpose.



NHS STUDY BUDDY



Study Buddy is back! Get the academic support you need after school with help from National Honor Society student tutors.

If you've already registered, please check your email to confirm your scheduled support days.

Want to join Study Buddy? Just complete the Google form to sign up: [SIGN UP LINK](#)

Let's make this semester a success by supporting each other!

NHS STUDY BUDDY
"Together, we're smarter"

Tutoring for 7th & 8th & 9th
& 10th by NHS members

- **Time:** 2:45-3:45
- **Days:** Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays
- **Location:** Check in with your study buddy

Study locations may vary each day (lecture hall, cafeteria, reading room, or classroom)



MIT ATHLETICS

Advantage MIT: A Week of Dominant Wins!

It has been a standout week for the MIT Tennis program, with our athletes delivering high-energy performances and securing crucial victories across the board. The hard work on the practice courts is translating into serious momentum, and the results speak for themselves.

Match Highlights

Our players showed incredible grit and chemistry against some tough competition:

- Dynamic Duos:
 - Amanda and Stephanie displayed seamless teamwork to take down Basis Mesa on the girls' side. Not to be outdone, Damian and Cyan locked in a fantastic win for the boys' doubles team against Basis Ahwatukee.
- Singles Success:
 - Daniel was unstoppable this week, pulling off an impressive double-header victory against both Basis Scottsdale and Basis Chandler.

"The energy on the courts this week was electric. Seeing our players execute under pressure shows just how much heart this team has."

The Road Ahead

These wins are more than just numbers—they reflect the growing potential and talent within our tennis program. Our athletes continue to represent MIT with pride, skill, and sportsmanship. The future of MIT Tennis is bright, and we are incredibly proud of their efforts.

Let's keep the momentum rolling—Go Iron Eagles





MIT ATHLETICS

Spring Sports Volunteers Needed

We are still in need of volunteers to support our Spring athletic events!
All parent volunteers receive FREE entrance to all MIT sporting events.

Volunteer areas include:

- Concession stand (food handler card required)
- Scorekeeping & scoreboard assistance
- Ticket booth
- Baseball/Softball stat keeping
- Game Day Announcer/MC
- Track & Field meet support

Sign up here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4CADA29A3FCC25-62212527-spring#/>

Softball Players Needed!

We are actively looking for additional softball players (8th–12th grade).

If you are interested:

Practice Schedule:

Monday–Friday, 5:00–7:00 PM

Location & Full Schedule:

The full season schedule can be found on our MIT Athletics page:

<https://www.gobound.com/az/schools/miotechnology>

Click on Softball and practice to see the full practice schedule, or games to see the game schedule (practices and games are subject to change)

Come join the team and help us build a strong softball program this season!

Upcoming Events (Next Week)

- Monday, Feb. 16 – No activities (Presidents' Day – No School)
- Tuesday, Feb. 17 – Chess Match, 4:30 pm @ Arizona Cultural Academy
- Thursday, Feb. 19 – Boys Tennis vs. Heritage (Home match at 4:00 PM)

Spring Sports Registration Reminder

Please ensure your athlete is fully registered for Spring sports.

All sports fees must be paid by January 25 to be eligible for competition.

Athletes with unpaid fees will be unable to participate in games until the balance is cleared.



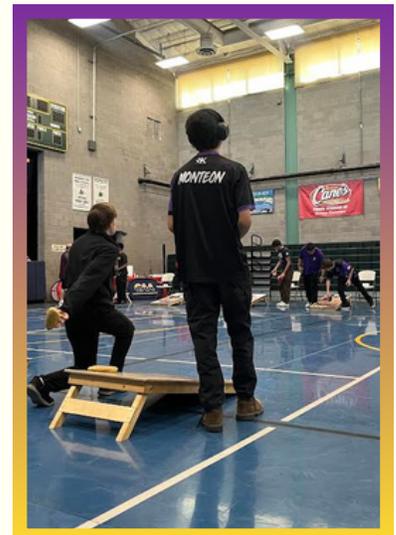
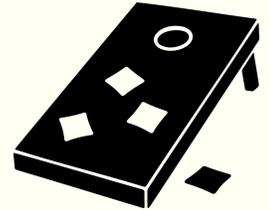
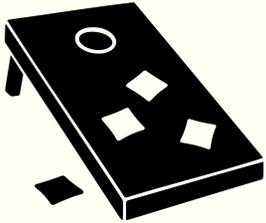
MIT ATHLETICS

Congratulations Cornhole Team on Making It to State!

Congratulations to our cornhole team for competing at State this past weekend! We are incredibly proud of the hard work and dedication each of these young men has shown throughout the season. Their commitment, perseverance, and teamwork truly paid off. Aiden Schmidt, Elias Johnson, and Manuel Rodriguez improved immensely this year, continuing to sharpen their skills and represent MIT with pride.

A very special thank you to Aiden Schmidt, who started the Cornhole Club and has kept it afloat for the past three years. His leadership and dedication helped build this program into what it is today. Aiden will truly be missed, and his impact on this team will not be forgotten.

We are so proud of you all and grateful for the effort you gave this season!

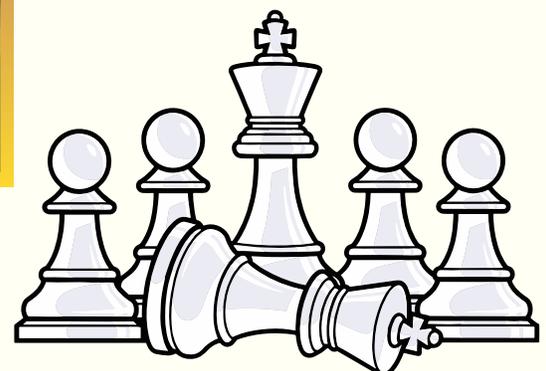
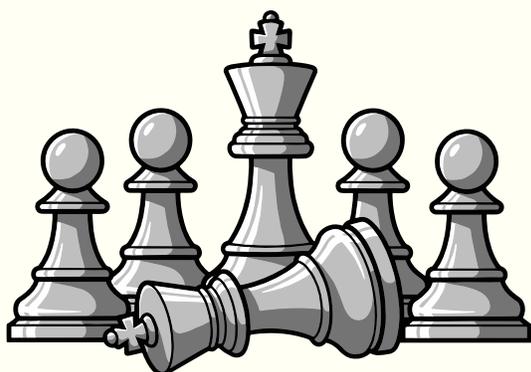
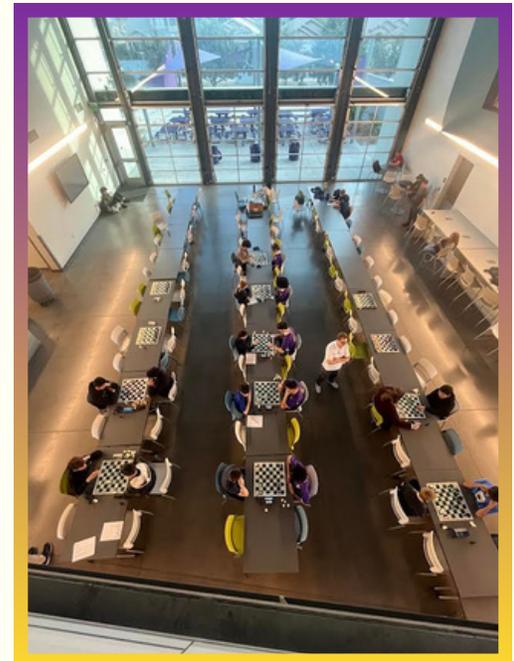




MIT ATHLETICS

The MIT Chess Team had an outstanding showing this Tuesday, winning both of their matches! Their preparation, patience, and strategic thinking were on full display as they competed with confidence.

With one more game coming up this Tuesday, the team is looking to carry that momentum forward before turning their attention to State preparation. Let's keep the focus and finish the regular season strong!



JAPAN SUMMER 2027



Reminder to RSVP – Japan Trip Info Meeting

Dear families,

We're following up on our exciting Japan trip. The informational meeting is just around the corner!

It's been amazing to see so much excitement about this opportunity. If you haven't already, please register for our meeting to learn more about this adventure!

👉 Find meeting info and RSVP here: <https://rsvp.eftours.com/rt7f5hr>

We'll cover:

- How to save \$200 with early enrollment.
- What's included in the trip.
- Safety, payment plans, and scholarships.

Plus so much more! Only families who attend will get first access to enrollment.

I'm looking forward to seeing you there and sharing all the ways this trip can open doors and broaden horizons for your child. Let's make this dream a reality together!

Best,

Mr. Moya & Ms. Montiel

Mrs. Montiel & Mr. Moya

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smoya@mitglobalonline.org

Scan to RSVP



COSTA RICA SUMMER 2026



Our trip is less than 4 months away! We have finalized reservation details for our group—which means we are coming up on our All Aboard deadline, the MVP of deadlines for our tour! There are a few essential things that must be finalized in our system before this date. Please review the information below before our January meeting, and feel free to jot down any questions that you want to chat through.

ENROLLMENT DEADLINE

We had a couple more people sign up this week! But, now we have hit our deadline - at this point, the trip is still available, but the price will increase. There are still plenty of spots available!

FINAL PAYMENT DEADLINE: All travelers on the Manual Payment Plan must be paid in full

IMPORTANT PART: PASSPORT AND ENTRY REQUIREMENT INFORMATION:

TSA Security Regulations require that every passport must be valid at least 6 months after your scheduled return date and every traveler's ticketed name exactly matches to what is on their passport.

- EVERY traveler needs to log into their account to confirm the name on their reservation is identical to what appears on their passport, ensure their Date of Birth is correct and submit their passport number and expiration dates.
 - NOTE: Any changes to the reservation name after this deadline will incur a minimum charge of \$200, so it's very important that all travelers review this information before then. For more information on passports and visas, [click here](#).
- Besides your flights, EF uses passport information to secure reservations for important iconic sites, so please make sure your travelers enter their details to ensure they do not miss anything throughout the tour.
- Depending on where you're traveling or your citizenship, you may need a visa or other entry requirements for your tour. Because visa applications must be personally completed by the applicant, all travelers must obtain their own visas, both for destinations they are visiting and those they are passing through.
 - To understand your requirements, visit EF's [Help Center](#) or our Visa and Entry Requirements Tool on the account overview page – this tool will appear on your [online account](#) 4 months prior to your departure date.

Clear your calendars for our TOUR DATES!!!

Tuesday May 26th – Tuesday June 2nd



Purchase the 2025-2026 Yearbook!

To purchase and customize your yearbook,
use the QR code below or:

Must be a parent or student 13 years or older

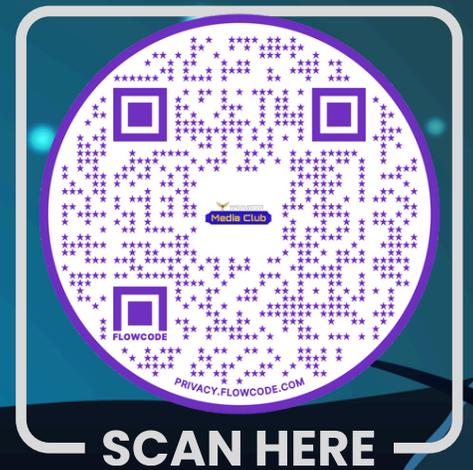
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Ask Mrs. Montiel for any questions.

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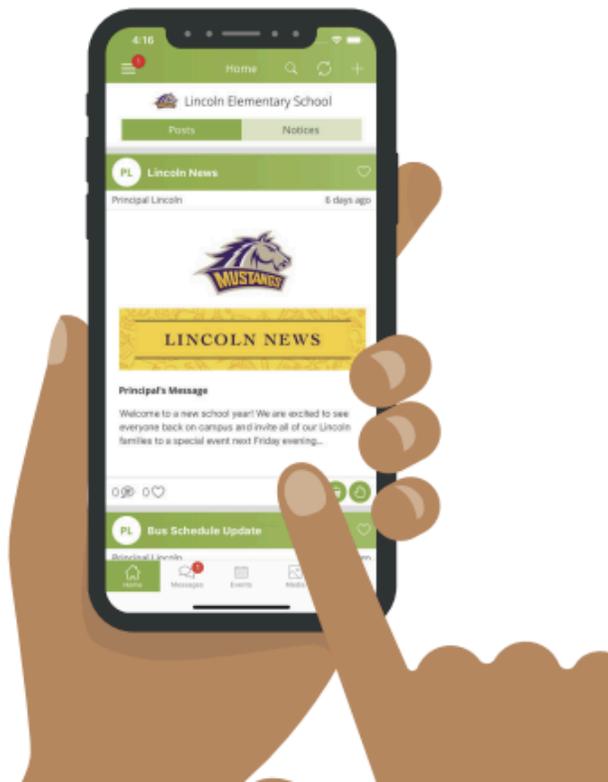


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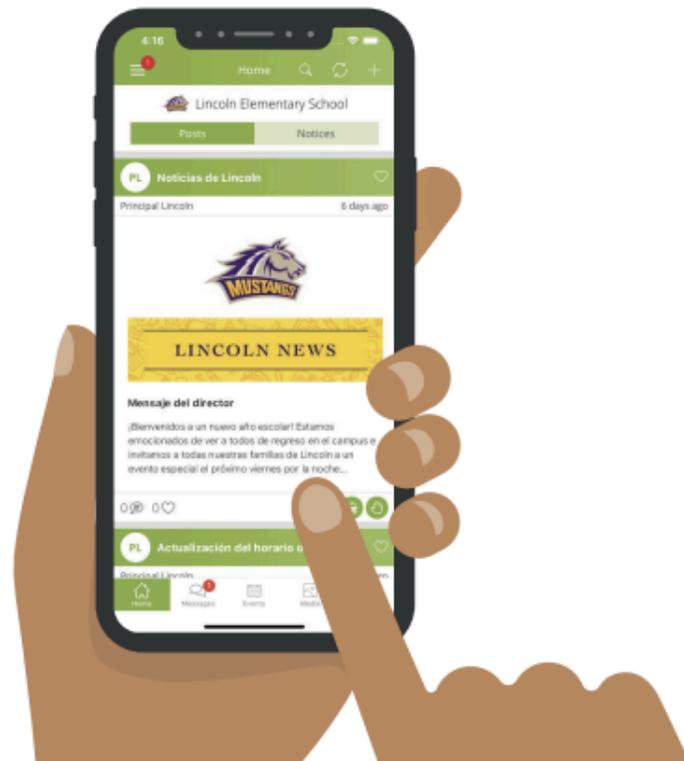


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MARICOPA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY INSTRUCTIONAL CALENDAR 2025-2026



| July 2025 | | | | | August 2025 | | | | | September 2025 | | | | | October 2025 | | | | |
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| 4 | Independence Day Observed | | | | 4-8 | District-Wide Benchmark Testing | | | | 1 | Labor Day - No School | | | | 3 | End of Qtr. 1 | | | |
| 16-18 | New Teacher Orientation | | | | 8 | ADM 10th Day Student Count | | | | 3 | Mid-QTR Reports Issued | | | | 6-10 | Fall Break - No School | | | |
| 21-25 | PD - All Teachers Return | | | | 22 | All Day STEM PD - No School | | | | 23 | ADM 40th Day Student Count | | | | 15-17 | Parent Teacher Conferences and Qtr 1 Report Cards | | | |
| 22 & 23 | Meet the Teacher Night | | | | | | | | | 26 | All Day STEM PD - No School | | | | | | | | |
| 28 | First Day of School | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Early Dismissal: 4, 13, 20 and 27 | | | | | Early Dismissal: 4, 13, 20 and 27 | | | | | Early Dismissal: 3, 10, 17 and 24 | | | | | Early Dismissal: 1, 15, 16, 17, 22 and 29 | | | | |
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| 11 | Veterans Day - No School | | | | 10-12 | Sem 1 Finals/End of Semester 1 | | | | 1-2 | Winter Break - No School | | | | 9-12 | State Testing | | | |
| 19 | Mid Qtr Reports Issued | | | | 22-31 | Winter Break - No School | | | | 7 | Semester 1 Report Cards | | | | 13 | All Day STEM PD - No School | | | |
| 24-28 | Thanksgiving Recess - No School | | | | | | | | | 12-16 | Benchmark Testing | | | | 16 | President's Day - No School | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | 15 | ADM 100th Day Student Count | | | | 18 | Mid Qtr Report Cards | | | |
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| Early Dismissal: 5, 12 and 19 | | | | | Early Dismissal: 3, 10, 17, and 19 | | | | | Early Dismissal: 7, 14, 21 and 28 | | | | | Early Dismissal: 4, 11, 18 and 25 | | | | |
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| 4-6 | Parent Teacher Conferences Early Release and Qtr 3 Ends | | | | 6-17 | State Testing (No Early Dismissal) | | | | 13-15 | Semester Finals | | | | SUMMER BREAK Begins May 22, 2026 | | | | |
| 9-13 | Spring Break - No School | | | | 27-30 | Benchmark Testing | | | | 15 | 8th Grade Promotion | | | | | | | | |
| 18 | Qtr 3 Report Cards | | | | | | | | | 20 | High School Graduation | | | | | | | | |
| 27 | All Day STEM PD - No School | | | | | | | | | 21 | Last Day of School | | | | | | | | |
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| Early Dismissal: 4, 5, 6, 18 and 25 | | | | | Early Dismissal: 1, 22 and 29 | | | | | Early Dismissal: 6 and 21 | | | | | | | | | |





MIT MISSION AND VISION STATEMENT

Hello Iron Eagle Families, thank you for your continued support to achieve MIT's mission and vision. Our Mission and Vision are always available on our school website at <https://www.mitglobalonline.org/Our-School> and I would also like to take this opportunity to share them with you all here.

Vision:

MIT will provide a science, technology, engineering, and math program to students within a state-of-the-art research facility with the goal of preparing our students for collegiate success and successful STEM² careers.

Mission:

Maricopa Institute of Technology (MIT) is a college preparatory high school providing an advanced science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education while challenging students to pursue personal excellence in character in order to serve and lead others. MIT will provide a comprehensive and rigorous (STEM) curriculum through interdisciplinary work, independent learning, projects, internships, and college credits earned by graduation through Advanced Placement (AP) or dual enrollment classes.

