



LA TORTUGA PPEP TEC HIGH SCHOOL

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PPEP TEC High School Now Accepting 14 Year Olds!

PPEP TEC is now accepting enrollment applications for students 14 years of age!

Students will begin in January after winter break and thereafter. This is an exciting development enabling students who graduate from 8th grade to enroll immediately into PPEP TEC High School.

Due to smaller class sizes, direct instruction from highly qualified teachers and strenuous AIMS preparation, PPEP TEC's model has moved towards a learning environment that will support

and enhance the student and their success in school.

Parents are very appreciative of this decision relieving them of the stress associated with the transition from Middle School to High School.

If you know of any students ages 14-21 who would benefit from our program at any of our 9 locations or have any questions regarding this exciting change please contact your local campus.

(campus info on pg. 6 of this newsletter)

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PPEP TEC Students Participate in BizFest 2011

On November 2nd, 10 students from our Casa Grande, Tucson Eastside, & Southside PPEP TEC High Schools participated in the 2011 Tucson BizFest.

The Tucson Hispanic Chamber of Commerce has once again sponsored this event. It was held over a course of 4 days at Pima Community College Desert Vista Campus.

The event was FREE to participants. Students were given opportunities to build self-esteem, learn how to start a small business, learn how to present themselves with confidence and make new friends.

Most Courageous - Yolam Martine - PPEP Tech (Casa Grande)

Most Creative - Marcell Cobb - PPEP Tech (Tucson Eastside)

Most Team Player - Briana Fuentes - PPEP Tech Charter School (Tucson Eastside)

Most Entrepreneurial - Honeti Gomo - PPEP Tech Charter School (Tucson Eastside)

Winning students have been invited to attend an awards luncheon on December 15th at The Historic Manning House of Tucson



2011 BizFest Participants



2011 BizFest Award Winners

Project PPEP Housing & Development



The Housing Division has a long history of serving rural Arizona. Programs include Self-Help Homeownership, Down Payment Assistance, Owner-Occupied Home Repair Programs, and assisting rural communities to build infrastructure such as water and sewer improvements. PMHDC also provides technical assistance to Community Housing Development Organizations under a contract with HUD and for the development of farm worker housing under a contract with USDA.

Two apartment projects provide affordable housing opportunities for low-income persons.

The Don Frew Apartments in Marana, AZ offers one, two and three bedroom units for multi families.

New WEBSITE: www.EIMemorialDeDonFrewApts.com

The Ramona Morales Apartments in Benson, AZ offers one-bedroom apartments for low-income elderly persons.

New WEBSITE: www.LaRamonaMoralesApts.com

Both sites provide Section 8 project-based rental assistance.

Mission

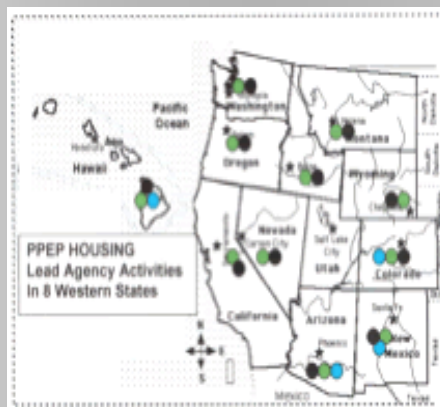
PMHDC builds communities of opportunity for all people, including low income persons: rural, youth, elderly, and migrant and seasonal farm workers through lending products, capacity building, technical assistance, business services, housing and community development.

Vision

PMHDC envisions communities of opportunity for all people especially the traditionally underserved where financial and educational assets can be easily accessed including technical assistance training, quality housing, community facilities, access to capital, and employment.

PPEP HOUSING
Arizona Activities:

- Housing Development ●
- Technical Assistance ●
- Home Ownership Project ●
- Rental Housing Project ●
- Economic Development ●
- Loans Outstanding ●



Contact PMHDC
 Housing Development
www.pmhdc.net

NEWS RELEASE

**The City of Tucson will accept applications for Section 8 Housing:
lottery based system gives applicants equal opportunity.**

The Section 8 Waiting List will open using a lottery system to ensure that everyone who submits an application within the appropriate timeframes will have an equal opportunity for placement on the list. The application period runs from:

Tuesday, December 13, 2011 to Thursday, December 15, 2011.

Applications will also be available online at: <http://web2.transview.org/section8>

Completed applications that are sent by mail **MUST** be postmarked no later than Thursday ,December 15, 2011

Applications will also be available beginning Tuesday, December, 2011 Thursday, December 15, 2011, at the locations indicated below:

- Section 8 Office, 310 N. Commerce Park Loop
- Pima County Housing Center, 801 W. Congress
- Archer Center, 1665 S. La Cholla Blvd.
- Catalina Community Center, 16562 N. Oracle Rd., Catalina
- Cavigilia Arivaca Library, 17050 W. Avivaca Rd., Arivaca
- Clements Center, 8155 E. Poinciana Way
- El Pueblo Center, 101 W. Irvington Rd.
- El Rio Center, 1390 W. Speedway Blvd.
- Geasa Marana Library, 13370 N. Lon Adams Rd., Marana
- Joyner Green Valley Library, 601 N. La Canada Dr., Green Valley
- Kino Community Center, 2805 E. Ajo Way
- Picture Rocks Community Center 5615 N. Sanders Rd.
- Pima County Community Services, 120 Estrella Ave., Ajo
- Randolph Recreation Center, 200 S. Alvernon Way
- Sweetland Community Center, 1550 S. Sahuarita Park Rd., Sahuarita
- Pascua Center, 785 W. Sahuaro St.
- Quincie Douglas Center, 1575 E. 36th St.
- Udall Center, 7200 E. Tanque Verde Rd.

Income limits apply, based on household size. Applicants are screened for criminal background history. For more information, call the Section 8 Office at 520-791-4739

**PUMA
BALL
6-0!**



PTEPPEC HS 54 vs. Eastpointe HS 21

PPEP TEC HS 54 vs. Toltec HS 34

PPEP TEC HS 42 vs. City HS 10

PPEP TEC HS vs. Hiaki (Forfeit)

PPEP TEC 65 vs. Edge 41

PPEP TEC 74 vs. Tucson Prep 64



Poem by Student at PPEP TEC Northwest



Today I was asked a question
My son asked how to care
Hot to leave a good impression
How to show he'd been there



I thought of 8 souls
I pictured 4 small rooms
Many faces, all having their roles
Where I thought not of any doom

All of which possessing kind hearts
With smiles to be had
And one knowing the arts
Educated and Iron-Clad

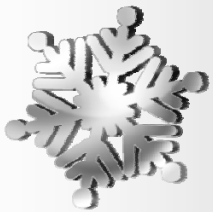


With a pocket full of Altoids
Possessing, not a little scruff
With fame surpassing Floyds'
And being above any guff



Some turned numbers into English
One turned English into Greek
But I've not finished.
Only one made the office so sleek

One I can't remember
Oddly, with the same surname
Never made it to December
But on shiny wheels she came



Remembering not as a has been
Friends with a "Pat" on the back
The air filled with "Jasmine"
In 12 minutes flat, to the store and back



Friendships built with "Clay"
Turned an office into a "Cassel"
We felt as if we'd never stay
Waiting for that red tassel

Many more of good cheer
Some carrying plus one
Now not feeling fear
But having grown strong for "Plus One"



I looked back with great joy
Thoughts propelled as from a gun
Now feeling quite coy
I looked at my son



I told him with great glory:
"Let me share with you, a story"

-Ash Walker

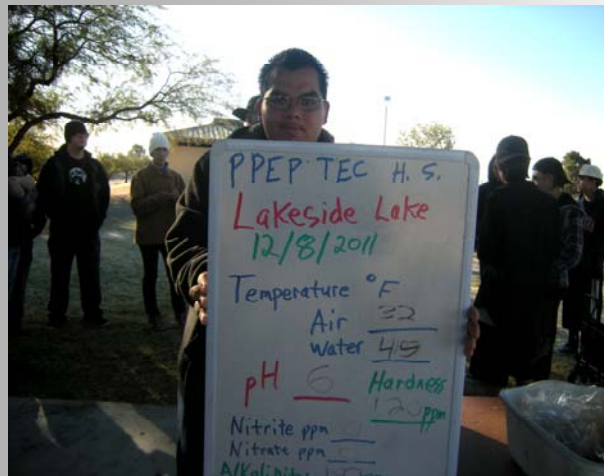
PPEP TEC Eastside Goes Fishing

Students from the PPEP TEC High School Eastside location in Tucson along with their science teacher, Mr. Camarena enjoyed a day a fishing and learning how to take various scientific measurements of the lake. The event took place on Dec. 8th 2011 at Lakeside Park in Tucson. They were there from 9am to 1:00pm.

The trip was conducted by a fish biologist named Joe Fagan. The Game & Fish Dept. provided fishing poles along with bait (earthworms, salmon eggs, and corn) for all students. The students enjoyed themselves, especially the ones who caught a fish!

PPEP TEC won the trip through a lottery held by the Arizona Game & Fish Department.

-Jose Camarena



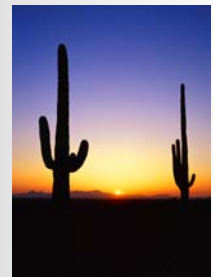
(pictured left) Right before heading down to the lake with their fishing poles

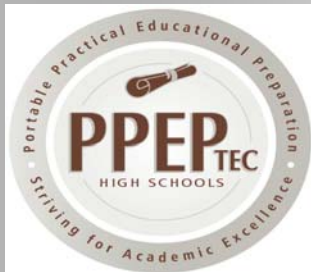
Left to Right: Andrew Smith (black hat), Alieah Santos (baby blue hoodie), Briana Fuentes (red shirt), Maribel Rosas (navy Hollister hoodie), Karen Peralta (white hat), Moises Adame (white hoodie), and Sergio Romo (looking up)
 (pictured right) Antonio Lagarde holding up a sign of the measurements we took before the fishing began

Arizona Trivia

The saguaro cactus blossom is the official state flower. The white flower blooms on the tips of the saguaro cactus during May and June. The saguaro is the largest American cactus.

Resource: (<http://www.50states.com/facts/arizona.htm>)





Tucson Southside
 Celestino Fernandez Learning Center
 1840 E Benson Highway
 Tucson, AZ 85714
 (520)741-4380

Tucson Eastside
 Victor Soltero Learning Center
 8677 E Golflinks Rd
 Tucson, AZ 85730
 (520)290-9167

Tucson/3-Points
 Robles Junction Learning Center
 10451 S Sasabe Rd
 Tucson, AZ 85736
 (520)822-3064

Sierra Vista
 Colin L. Powell Learning Center
 4116 Avenida Cochise, Suites F-H
 Sierra Vista, AZ 85635
 (520)458-8205

Douglas
 Raul H. Castro Learning Center
 530 12th St
 Douglas, AZ 85607
 (520)364-4405

Yuma
 Jose Yopez Learning Center
 115 N Columbia Ave
 Somerton, AZ 85350
 (928)627-9648

Yuma
 Cesar Chavez Learning Center
 1233 N Main
 San Luis, AZ 85349
 (928)627-8550

Casa Grande
 Alice S Paul Learning Center
 220 E Florence Blvd.
 Casa Grande, AZ 85122
 (520)836-6549

Phoenix (Avondale)
 Lito Pena Learning Center
 725 N Central Ave Suite 113
 Avondale, AZ 85323
 (623)925-2161

PPEP TEC Administration Office
 1-800-573-7737

PPEP TEC's Mission Statement

The mission of PPEP TEC High School (PTHS) is to provide quality educational services to students, ages 14 through 21 in grades 9 through 12, who are at risk of becoming permanent dropouts of our public educational system. Fulfilling this mission will also provide students with the knowledge and skills necessary to obtain employment or continue their education in postsecondary institutions.

We're on the WEB

<http://www.ppeptechs.org>

- PPEP TEC Calendar has all AIMS testing dates included to ensure everyone is aware of these important events for the remaining 1211-2012 school year.

AIMS Calendar for PPEP TEC High School Charter System

AIMS Spring Writing/Reading Tests	February 28-29
AIMS Spring Math/Science Tests	April 10-11
Stanford 10 Tests	April 10

Please call your PPEP TEC High School if you have any questions or would like more information regarding AIMS tests for you or your student.