

Doolen Middle School GATE

“Secrets for Success”



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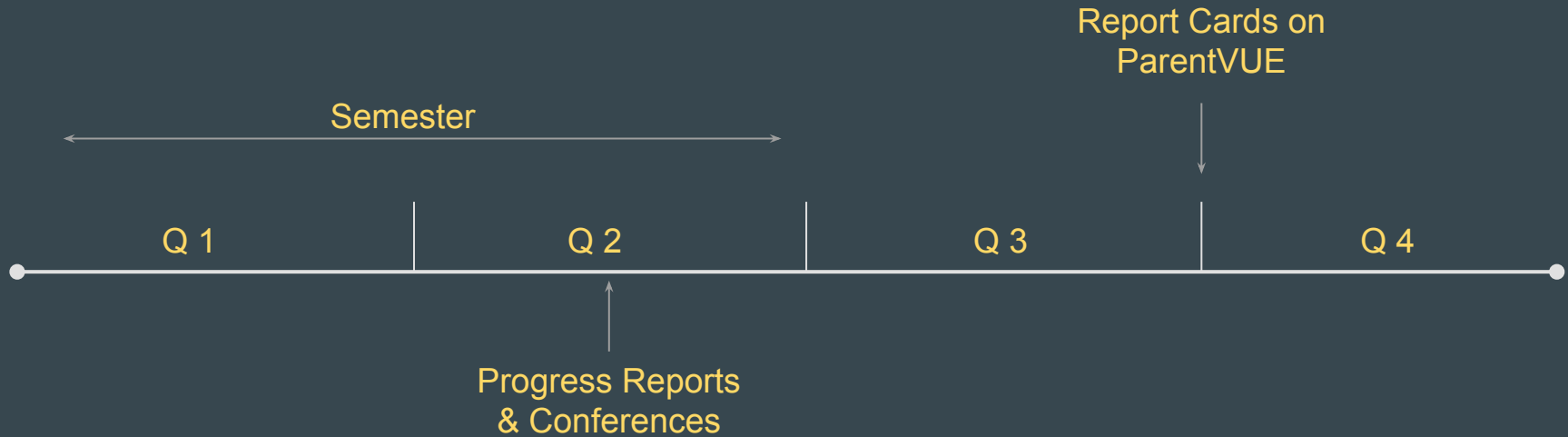
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6th Grade

Still in the market...

2018- 2019 School Year



Parent Teacher Conferences

Conferences are held at the time of progress reports and report cards. This means that at 7 different times during the school year, our GATE team meets with families.

Differing from elementary school, we schedule conferences **first** with students who are struggling with low grades, and then make time for any family who requests a conference.

Schedules

6th Grade

Period		Term	Section ID	Course ID	Course Title
Begin	End				
1	1	YR	35576-01	35576	GATE Language Arts 6
2	2	YR	49546-01	49546	GATE Social Studies 6
3	3	YR	36173-01	36173	Band, Beginning
4	4	YR	43635-02	43635	GATE Math 6
5	5	YR	33586-02	33586	GATE Science 6
6	6	S1	45695-03	45695	Exploratory Arts 6
6	6	S2	42311-08	42311	Spanish, Conversational
7	7	S1	45107-01	45107	Academic Literacy
7	7	S2	45003-02	45003	Rocketry

7th & 8th Grade

Period		Term	Section ID	Course ID	Course Title
Begin	End				
1	1	YR	35577-01	35577	GATE Language Arts 7
2	2	YR	33587-02	33587	GATE Science 7
3	3	S1	13001-03	13001	Algebra I -1st Semester
3	3	S2	13001-05	13002	Algebra I - 2nd Semester
4	4	YR	49547-02	49547	GATE Social Studies 7
5	5	S1	42231-03	42231	French
5	5	S2	36769-06	36769	Art 7
6	6	YR	45327-01	45327	GATE CORE Enrichment 7
7	7	YR	36475-01	36475	Orchestra, Advanced

Be On Time

- Each class for regular days will be **52 minutes long**
- Teachers mark absences within the first **five minutes** of class. It is important to get to school and class on time!
- Work as a family to **create systems and routines** for the morning time so your student can get to school on time

For Summer Transition, we will take attendance each day, and keep track of your student throughout the day.

Please know that each day at noon, at least one adult will wait with all students until they have all left. These students may choose to go to the boys & girls club, stay for lunch, or be picked up by you or another trusted adult.

If your student will be going home with another adult, please let us know so we can plan for that.

GATE Point Person

One thing that makes Doolen special is the role I have as the GATE Counselor. I get to build a relationship with you and your student throughout all 3 years. Here are important points about communication:

- Please get in touch with me FIRST before Doolen Administrators in the following situations:
 - A vacation which will pull your student out of school
 - Major changes in your students life (that you feel comfortable sharing)
 - Any serious injuries your student sustains which may impact their experience at school
 - Noticeable changes in a student's behavior, moods, academics

The more I know, the better I can help your student be successful at Doolen!

Get in Touch

The best way to reach me is by email.

My email address is

christa.mcconaughey@gmail.com.

My plan is to respond within **1 day**. If you don't hear from me within 3 days, then please gently nudge with a **reminder email**.

To reach me directly by phone, please call 520-232-6925. I will aim to respond within 3 days to phone messages.

Homework Heroes

- Your student will have something that they can work on **EACH** day during their time in the GATE program. If there is no daily assignment, then there is usually a project that they can do some work on at home.
- **Check their planner** each day with them. If there was no homework for a class, then the teacher will ask them to write down “no homework”.
- Weekly backpack cleanups!
- Set a **time & place** at home
- Late work policy:
 - Students may turn an assignment in **up to 5 days** late for a deduction of 10% off their grade
- It is much harder to catch up, so encourage your student to turn everything in on time

Staff Support

- Remind App
- Teacher & Counselor Websites
- Tutoring before school and during lunch
- Monthly Newsletter
- Daily Planner Checks
- Weekly Progress Reports
- Many accommodations and social/emotional support in the classroom for all students

Grade Level Directories

On the first day of school, teachers will distribute **contact information forms** which all students will take home to their families. These forms will allow you to **opt in** to a **grade level** GATE directory.

This directory will be shared with others and it will include parent names, emails, phone numbers, and the same information for your student. Parent liaisons for each grade level will take all forms which are returned and consolidate the information into an **easy-to-use directory**.

Going Paperless...

For the 2018-2019 school year, Tucson Unified School District will continue transitioning to less paper waste. This means that progress reports and report cards will **only be available online**.

At the beginning of the school year, we will give you a form with your password to login to **ParentVUE**. Please use this password and follow the steps to set up your account. This will be the way you check on your student's **grades**, **communicate** with teachers, and see if your student has any **missing** assignments.

Keep track of your password!

[Home](#)[My Account](#)[Messages](#)[Calendar](#)[Attendance](#)[Class Schedule](#)[Class Websites](#)[Course History](#)[Grade Book](#)[Health](#)[Report Card](#)[School Information](#)[Student Info](#)[Test History](#)[1st Qtr Progress](#) | [1st Quarter](#) | [2nd Qtr Progress](#) | [2nd Quarter](#) | [3rd Qtr Progress](#) | [3rd Quarter](#) | [4th Qtr Progress](#) | **4th Quarter****Grade Book Summary for 4th Quarter (ending on 05/24/2018)**

Period	Course Title	Resources	Room Name	Teacher	Q4	S2	MS2	YR
1	GATE Language Arts 6 (35576)		15	Suzanne Freund	A (97.3)	A (94.4)	A (94.4)	A (94.4)
2	GATE Social Studies 6 (49546)		15	Suzanne Freund	A (95.6)	A (95.1)	A (95.1)	A (95.3)
3	Band, Intermediate (36175)		42	Catherine Gale	A (99.5)	A (99.1)	A (99.1)	A (100.0)
4	GATE Math 6 (43635)		204	Kathryn Reid	B (88.2)	B (86.4)	B (86.4)	A (91.5)
5	GATE Science 6 (33586)		57	James Haley	A (94.7)	A (94.1)	A (94.1)	A (94.0)
6	Academic Literacy (45107)		15	Suzanne Freund	B (80.0)	B (86.0)	B (86.0)	B (86.0)

Assignment Details for GATE Social Studies 6 (49546) / Period: 2 / Suzanne Freund / A (95.6%)

Date	Assignment	Assignment Type	Resources	Score	Score Type	Points
05/24/2018	Middle Ages Unit Test	Test	0	76 out of 102.00	Raw Score	76.00/102.00
05/21/2018	Quiz 15.5: The Late Middle Ages	Quiz	0	8 out of 10.00	Raw Score	8.00/10.00
05/21/2018	SS Bellwork, Week 38	Participation	0	2 out of 2.00	Raw Score	2.00/2.00
05/18/2018	JAT Quiz 15.4: The Church and Society	Quiz	0	5 out of 10.00	Raw Score	5.00/10.00
05/18/2018	SS Bellwork: Week 37	Participation	0	10 out of 10.00	Raw Score	10.00/10.00
05/17/2018	JAT Quiz 15.3: Kingdoms and Crusades	Quiz	0	9 out of 10.00	Raw Score	9.00/10.00
05/16/2018	JAT Quiz 15.2: Feudalism	Quiz	0	9 out of 10.00	Raw Score	9.00/10.00
05/15/2018	Quiz 15.1: The Early Middle Ages	Quiz	0	9 out of 10.00	Raw Score	9.00/10.00
05/11/2018	CC #13: Islam	Participation	0	23 out of 23.00	Raw Score	23.00/23.00
05/11/2018	Chapter 11 Group Presentations	Project	0	75 out of 75.00	Raw Score	75.00/75.00
05/11/2018	JAT 13.3 Cornell Notes	Participation	0	10 out of 10.00	Raw Score	10.00/10.00
05/11/2018	JAT Quiz 11.3	Quiz	0	8 out of 10.00	Raw Score	8.00/10.00
05/10/2018	JAT 11.2 Cornell Notes	Participation	0	10 out of 10.00	Raw Score	10.00/10.00
05/10/2018	Quiz 11.2: Islamic Empires	Quiz	0	8 out of 10.00	Raw Score	8.00/10.00