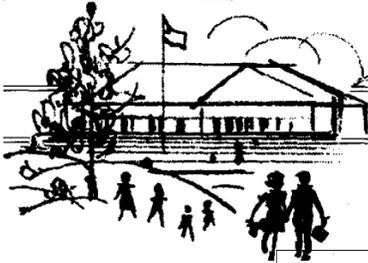




Graham County School News



Graham County School Superintendent

Donna M. McGaughey

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"Providing Quality Service and Support to Graham County Schools"

Please visit our website
www.graham.az.gov

Superintendent's Message

February was full of activity. We kicked off the month with a visit from Dr. Craig Barrett, Chairman of Governor Brewer's AZ Ready Council. Area administrators were invited to talk to Dr. Barrett about the many changes taking place in education and what it means to be prepared for college and career in today's competitive world. For more information on AZ Ready, please visit www.arizonaready.com.

On Feb. 6th I was honored to serve as a judge at the FLBA Regional competitions held at EAC. Wow—those students knew their stuff. Congratulations to all Graham Co. participants and good luck at state!

That evening, we held the annual Graham County Spelling Bee, and once again, the contestants breezed through words that stumped the audience. It's sometimes heartbreaking, but always exciting to watch our students excel in these academic competitions.

On Feb. 12th our office hosted a training on the upcoming AIMS replacement test, known as the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness College and Career or PARCC. The Common Core Standards bring more rigor and deeper learning experiences, so new assessments have been created to align with what is being taught. Continued on pg. 2

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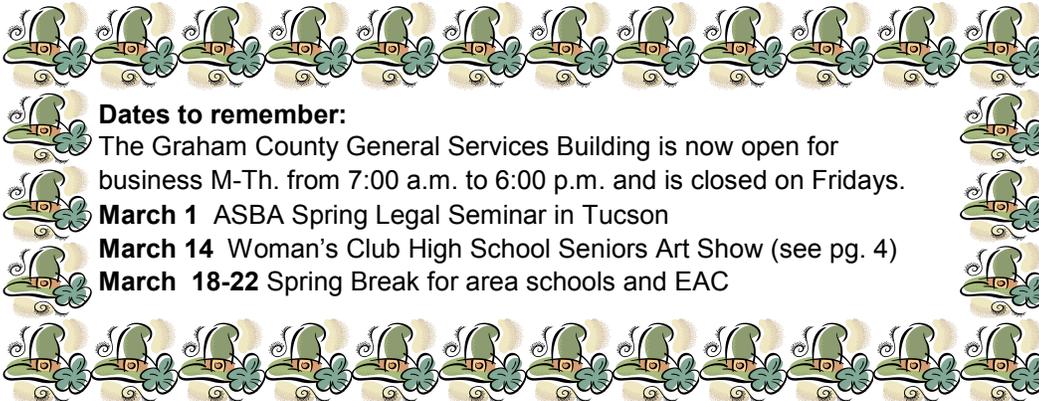
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www.graham.az.gov

The Graham County School Office is a member of the East Central Regional Service Center—ECRSC—which includes Gila, Greenlee and Pinal counties.

Our Goal:

Provide Regionally –Based Service, Support and Technical Assistance, in Collaboration with the Arizona Department of Education and the Governor's Office of Education Innovation to Race to the Top Participating LEAS to Implement their LEA Scopes of Work



Dates to remember:

The Graham County General Services Building is now open for business M-Th. from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and is closed on Fridays.

March 1 ASBA Spring Legal Seminar in Tucson

March 14 Woman's Club High School Seniors Art Show (see pg. 4)

March 18-22 Spring Break for area schools and EAC

Superintendent's message continued

The highlight of the month was the next day when the GFWC Woman's Club of Safford hosted their annual Valentine's Dance. The clubhouse was filled with over 100 students from Dan Hinton, Safford High and Middle Schools, Blake Foundation and the Graham County Rehabilitation Center. They were treated to a fantastic party with food and decorations provided by the Woman's Club, dancing with music from DJ Jerry Thompson, and party favors including souvenir photos taken by Lori Dugan. It is always a fun event and we love doing this service project.

On February 19th on behalf of all Graham Co. schools, I accepted a check for \$158,000 from the United Way of Graham County. This incredibly generous donation, with much of the fundraising coming from Freeport-McMoRan employees, is earmarked for math and science resources in the classrooms. A huge thank you to the United Way of Graham County and to all of the citizens who donated to this fund.

We finished up the month with a visit from the Arizona Department of Education's Certification Unit. They travel to Graham County every spring to assist our educators in getting their teaching certificates renewed on the spot. It is a good service and we appreciate them for coming to us.

And last but not least, I had the pleasure of delivering hundreds of books to every fourth grader in the county. Through generous donations, the book *Arizona: Nations and Art*, written by Annica Benning, every fourth grader in the state will receive their own copy of this nonfiction work highlighting Native American culture. Annica and her family have been providing this book for several years now, and the logistics of getting these books to our students can be overwhelming. I know our students will thank all of the generous donors throughout our county and state for these recent donations to our schools. Have a happy and restful spring break!



Graham and Greenlee Math Contest

March 22—28, 2013

Graham and Greenlee students have an opportunity to participate in another Sumdog contest! The February contest had even more schools participating, with 118,175 questions answered correctly!

The top ten scores came from Thatcher Middle School and Fairbanks Elementary in Morenci.

Let's get more students involved!

To take part, students answer math questions on the free Sumdog website. The online games adapt to each student's level, giving everyone a fair chance of winning. Students will have fun practicing their math facts and there are prizes to be won!

How do I get my students registered?

www.sumdog.com/az

Contact: info@sumdog.com or 1-877-978-6364



News from Paul Anger, *Director— EAC Discovery Park*

EASTERN ARIZONA SCIENCE INITIATIVE

2013 Eastern Arizona Regional Science Fair

- All Graham/Greenlee County and Southeastern Arizona school districts and Charter Schools are invited to participate.
- Each school will conduct their own Science Fair and the 1st place and 2nd place winning entries will be invited to display their project at the EAC Discovery Park Campus to compete against other schools winners.
- 3 levels: 5th & 6th Grades, 7th & 8th Grades, and an “open class” all high school levels.
- 3 categories: Earth Science / Life Science / Physical Science (selected by judges).
- 1st, and 2nd Place Winners in each category will receive trophies, all participants will receive participation ribbons and certificates.

1st Place Winners in each category will receive a full tuition scholarship to attend the
2013 EASI Summer Science Camp hosted by *EAC Discovery Park Campus*
 (June 17-19 for 5th -6th Grade), (June 24- 26 for 7th -8th Grade)
 or
 (June 24- 28 for High School).

- All projects will be judged by EAC Science Faculty and Upper Level Science Instructors.
- **Displays must be set up at Discovery Park Campus on Thursday, March 14th.**
- **Judging will be completed on Friday, March 15th (Closed to the public).**

Open viewing at the EAC Discovery Park “Circle D” Barn on:
Thursday, March 14th from 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Friday, March 15th from 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Saturday, March 16th from 3:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Eastern Arizona Regional School Districts:

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| Blue School District | Morenci School District |
| Bonita School District | Pima School District |
| Bowie School District | Safford School District |
| Clifton School District | San Simon School District |
| Discovery Plus Academy | Solomon School District |
| Duncan School District | Thatcher School District |
| Elfrida School District | Triumphant Learning Center |
| Ft. Thomas School District | Willcox School District |

Discovery Park Campus
 1651 W. Discovery Park Blvd.
 Safford, AZ 85546
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EARLY CHILDHOOD INVESTMENTS BENEFIT EVERYONE

Quality early childhood experiences increase high school graduation rates and college enrollment, which in turn, reduce teen pregnancy, unemployment, crime and dependence on social services. These are better outcomes for kids that also save taxpayers money. In fact, Nobel Prize-winning economist, James Heckman, found that for every dollar we invest in high quality early education and intervention, we could save \$4 - \$9 in reduced costs for programs like remedial education, job retraining and social welfare. An almost 10% rate of return on an investment is a better bet than many blue chip stocks right now!

The academic skills kids develop early on will help them be more successful in school. The social skills they develop – like perseverance, attention, motivation and self-confidence – will make them more successful in life. That is why everyone from CEOs to military leaders are calling for greater investments in early childhood. They know that educated, productive citizens are critical to the success of our economy and the security of our nation. We all have a shared responsibility for making our communities stronger.

The best place to start is where the foundation for learning is built: birth to 5 years old!

Calling All High School Senior Artists!

*High School Art teachers have been contacted to have their **senior** students submit art projects. The General Federation of Women's Clubs, (GFWC) Woman's Club of Safford will be hosting their third annual "High School Senior Art Show" on **March 14, 2013**. Three \$200 scholarship prizes will be awarded. For more information, teachers or students may contact the Woman's Club by calling Art Chairman Holly Pascoe at 928-965-6216. All entries will be judged by members of the Art Guild of Eastern Arizona. A "People's Choice" winner will be selected by the public who visit during the show and cast votes (\$2.00 per vote; all monies collected go to this award). Entries should be taken to the Woman's Club building at 412 W. Main Street in Safford between 4:00 and 6:00 p.m on Wed. March 13, 2013.*



Congratulations to the County Spelling Bee Winner!

The Graham County Spelling Bee, which serves as the qualifier for the Arizona State Spelling Bee, took place on February 6, 2013 in the General Services Building Assembly Room. This year's winner was Cal Hargis from Safford Middle School. Runner-up was Noah Norton, from Thatcher Middle School. Cal is studying for the Arizona State Bee which will be held on Saturday March 23, 2013 at 1:00 p.m. at Eight/AZ PBS, 555 N. Central Ave., 6th Floor, ASU Downtown, Phoenix, AZ 85004. The public is welcome to attend. Congratulations and good luck to Cal!



Coming Soon!

The Graham, Greenlee and Gila County School Superintendents are pleased to announce the upcoming recruitment of grade 4-9 math teachers for the Arizona Rural Tri-County Educational Innovation Initiative (ARTEII)

Intel Math Professional Development Cohort II

July 15-16 18-19 22-23 25-26

Sept. 14 Oct. 19 Nov. 23 Jan. 25

Specific details including time commitments, stipends, etc. will be distributed during recruitment efforts during the month of March.

Plan on being part of this dynamic leaning and leadership opportunity! Join your colleagues to sharpen your math skills and be the best STEM teacher you can be!

Save the Date!

Plan on attending the 2013 Southeast Arizona Teachers' Academy
"SEATA"

June 3-6, 2013 at EAC

Registration for SEATA opens on March 5th

SAVE your SEAT at SEATA!

Preregistered participants will be able to select their sessions in May.

www.graham.az.gov—County Offices—School Superintendent



Kids Need Instruments—Ear Candy Can Help!

Attention music teachers! Do you need instruments for your students? Since 2009 Ear Candy Charity has been placing donated instruments in music programs in need. In March, Ear Candy will begin serving all music programs in the state of Arizona.

Visit the website:
www.earcandycharity.org

Intel International Science and Engineering Fair Judges Needed

This is the world's largest pre-college science and engineering exhibition, with over 1,500 high school students from more than 60 countries who compete for over \$4 million in awards.

Visit the website:
www.societyforscience.org

Tips for Parents of Babies

It's never too early to read to your baby. As soon as your baby is born, he or she starts learning. Just by talking to, playing with, and caring for your baby every day, you help your baby develop language skills necessary to become a reader. By reading with your baby, you foster a love of books and reading right from the start.



How Do you Design a Blimp?

There's more to flying machines than just planes! Let's look at a slightly different, and larger, flying machine — the blimp.

pbskidsgo.org/designsquad

Teaching Channel

Looking for information on how to use technology in the science classroom? Do you crave current, thought-provoking social students videos and lesson plans? Maybe you're trying to find innovative ways to captivate middle and high school students, or want more information about different inquiry-based strategies.

www.teachingchannel.org

Get the Math

Get the Math is designed to help students understand real-world applications of Algebra I. Interrelated video segments and interactive tools support learning of algebraic concepts related to music, fashion, videogames, restaurants, basketball and special effects.

www.thirteen.org/get-the-math/teachers/overview

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Workshops Available

For more information, or to schedule a free educator presentation or workshop, please contact Mark Becker, ASSET—Educational Outreach at mark.becker@asu.edu or 602-496-1696

Webinars Available

If you would like to check out the system during a free 45 minute webinar, register at <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/viewform?formkey=dEphMXE0Y3NWQk5kMHB4dVA2dWVxSIE6MA>



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Don't pay to have your taxes prepared. Trained and certified Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) and Tax-Aide preparers will prepare and file your taxes for FREE!

Arizona Assets Alliance
www.assetsforaz.org



Providing Inspiration and Tools for Tomorrow's Leaders

Preparing high school students for leadership is an essential component of our community investments.

www.about.bankofamerica.com/en-us/global-impact



The Electric Company Party Game

Children will use their math and literacy skills to help Marcus and Jessica escape from Prankster Planet and get back to earth!

[Www.pbskids.org/mobile/the-electric-company-party-game](http://www.pbskids.org/mobile/the-electric-company-party-game)

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8th Annual Graham and Greenlee Substance Abuse Awareness Conference 2013

Save the Date! April 24, 2013

at Eastern Arizona College Activity Center

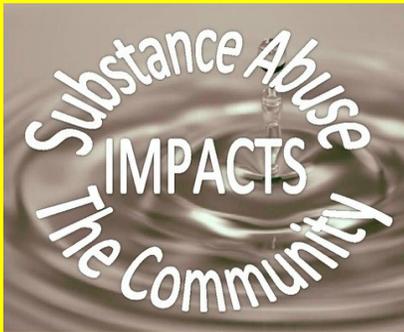
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Special Guest Presenter:

Bobby Petrocelli

Cost: \$25.00 (lunch included)

Registration is due by April 12, 2013



BUILDING A DRUG FREE COMMUNITY

Sponsored by: Graham County Substance Abuse Coalition and the Greenlee County Substance Abuse Coalition

For registration forms, please contact SEABHS at

928-348-1751

Or

928-348-1756

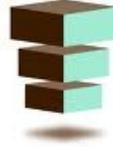
Safford, Arizona 85546

Professional Development Opportunities: Common Core Standards and IEPs

The Arizona Department of Education, Exceptional Student Services is proud to announce three professional development opportunities to support you in this journey:

March 27, 2013 from 8:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m. *A Common Sense Approach to Writing IEPs Aligned to the Common Core Standards.* This session is designed to help special educators increase students' access to the general education curriculum. The learning objectives are: 1) participants will understand the structure of the Common Core Standards and their instructional implications, and 2) participants will identify a structured protocol to align IEPs with the Common Core State Standards. To register, go to

<http://www.ade.az.gov/onlineregistration/Register.asp?ID=10522>



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The Expect More Excellence Tour

Achieving world-class education for Arizona students is not only possible, it's happening every day across our state. Throughout Arizona, countless parents, educators, students, business leaders and community members are raising the bar to ensure students are prepared to succeed in college, career and life. Expect More Arizona is launching the Expect More Excellence Tour to highlight what Arizonans are doing all over the state to make progress toward world-class education. Through this effort, Expect More Arizona hopes to inspire us to ensure all Arizona students have access to a world-class education.

To learn more about the Expect More Excellence Tour or to nominate an example of excellence, please visit ExpectMoreArizona.org. In addition, you can browse others' submissions and see what others are doing to ensure excellence for our students. Submissions made by March 15, 2013 will be eligible to be selected as an Excellence Spotlight and receive \$1,000.

See and Share the Excellence at ExpectMoreArizona.org. If you have any questions, please contact Selena Llamas at Selena@expectmorearizona.org



Google Lit Trips

<http://www.googlelitrrips.com/GoogleLit/Home.html>
http://www.googlelitrrips.com/GoogleLit/Getting_Started.html

So what exactly are Google Lit Trips?

The short version is simple. Google Lit Trips are free downloadable files that mark the journeys of characters from famous literature on the surface of Google Earth. At each location along the journey there are place marks with pop-up windows containing a variety of resources including relevant media, thought provoking discussion starters, and links to supplementary information about "real world" references made in that particular portion of the story. You need Google Earth on your PC. Grade levels K-5, 6-8, 9-12 and up. Very fun and very easy to use.

The Dirksen Congressional Center

You can get all the basics on government, lessons to help you teach it both historically and up to the minute, from this site.

<http://webcommunicator.org/index.htm#about>
Communicator - A Web-based Newsletter Providing Educators with News and Ideas to Enhance Civic Education and Improve the Understanding of Congress

This publication is a collection of featured classroom resources and teacher topics drawn from information posted on The Dirksen Center's Web suite.

Congress of Kids: <http://www.congressforkids.net/>
 CongressLink: <http://www.congresslink.org/> | Today's Congress, Congress – The Basics, Congress

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2013 HIGH TECH U TEACHER ACADEMY - Sponsored by the Boeing Foundation and presented in collaboration with the ST4STEM Grant

Teams of in-service high school teachers are invited to apply for Fellowships to attend the 2013 High Tech U Teacher Academy.

DATES: March 8 – 9, 2013

FELLOWSHIP DETAILS:

For each team member, Fellowships include:

1. Academy Registration, valued at \$400, for SEMI High Tech U Teacher Academy March 8 & 9 (includes continental breakfast and lunch on both days).
2. 15 hours of professional development upon successful completion of SEMI High Tech U Teacher Academy.
3. \$100 Reimbursement to the participants' schools to cover the cost of a substitute for the teacher's absence on Friday, March 8th.
4. \$100 stipend for each teacher's successful completion of SEMI High Tech U Teacher Academy.

DEADLINE TO APPLY: 5:00pm, Monday, January 28, 2013

MORE INFORMATION: For specific details, and to apply, visit: www.semihtuteachers.org.

CONTACT: Xaxiri Yamane, HTU Program Coordinator, 480-731-8050, xaxiri.yamane@domail.maricopa.edu

NASA Releases Interactive Space Communications Mobile Game App

For links to download the app, download the game or play in a web browser, visit <http://nasa.gov/OFKcot>. NASA has released a new mobile application that challenges gamers to take on the role of space communications network manager and puts them in charge of building a communications network to support scientific missions.

Gapminder World

<http://www.gapminder.org/>

Bring Geographic statistics to life at Gapminder! This is a data rich, excellently organized and highly graphic site. There is a teacher section with tutorials. There are downloads of handouts and lesson plans in PDF format. If you don't have Internet access in your classroom, you may download "GapMinder Desktop."



Grant Funding Alerts

It's never too early to start working on a grant!

Verizon Foundation Grants

Deadline: Continuous, Jan.- Oct.

Elementary and secondary schools registered with the National Center for Education Statistics, as well as eligible nonprofits, may apply for grants of up to \$10,000. Verizon awards grants to innovative, technology-based approaches to literacy and K-12 education.

www.verizonfoundation.org

Intel Community Grants

Deadline: Quarterly

Intel Corporation is committed to maintaining and enhancing the quality of life in the communities where the company has a major presence. Intel vigorously supports education through grants for programs that advance science, math and technology education, particularly for women and underserved populations.

<http://www.intel.com/content/www/us/en/corporate-responsibility/applying-for-grants.html>

Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold, Inc. Grants

STEM Innovation Grants
Apply by March 1, 2013

Please visit www.freeportinmycommunity.com

Click on: Schools or Our Programs

Association of American Educator Classroom Grants

Deadline: March 1, 2013

AAE's Classroom grants (average amount: \$500) can be used for a variety of projects and materials, including but not limited to books, software, calculators, math manipulatives, art supplies, audiovisual equipment, and lab materials. Classroom grants are available to all educators. There is also a Teacher PD scholarship available.

www.aeteachers.org

KaBOOM! Spruce Project Grants

Deadline: Rolling

Are you itching to serve? Organize your friends, clean up a playground, and you can become eligible for \$750, courtesy of Dr. Pepper Snapple Group. The grant is part of the Let's Play initiative to get kids and families active.

<http://grants.kaboom.org>

DoSomething.org Seed Grants

Deadline: ongoing

Are you working to start a community action project or program with your friends? Do you need money to put your ideas into action? A \$500 DoSomething Seed Grant is given out every week to help young people like you!

Visit the website:

www.dosomething.org/grants/seed-grants

Imagine Arizona—\$25,000 Teacher Lesson Plan Contest Spring 2013

The Arizona Experience's Teachers' Center invites Arizona's teachers to share original lesson plans as part of our "Imagine Arizona" lesson plan contest. With support from Microsoft Research, the contest will distribute cash awards totaling \$25,000. The contest is open to all full-time teachers, grades 4 through 12, from any accredited Arizona school including charter, alternative, private and tribal schools. To compete all you need do incorporate material from the [Arizona Experience](#) into an original, 3-7 day lesson plan unit. Then implement the lesson in the classroom and submit a description to us by March 10, 2013. Create an original lesson plan using our dynamic online material or liven up an old standby with videos, oral histories, interactive maps, timelines, or other media from the Arizona Experience. Winners will be announced on May 10, 2013. We encourage you, too, to use Microsoft Research's free, online [Layerscape](#) tool to enliven and transform your lesson plan. The subject matter is solely at the discretion of the teacher or team but elements of the lesson plan must conform to state education standards. A key objective is to provide teachers with the online resources and tools to galvanize lesson plans and meet the needs of Arizona K-12 students. In this era of digital media, it is essential to bring this technology into the classroom. The site is loaded with subject matter for the classroom, ranging broadly from Arizona lands and natural resources to our past, present, and future. Find pages on water, minerals and energy, human history and culture, biotechnology and life sciences, sports and recreation, aerospace science, innovation and the 21st century workforce, and more. For information on *Imagine Arizona* contest details - timing, structure, essential elements, conditions and awards – visit www.arizonaexperience.org. Contact Information: Michael Conway Geologic Extension Service | Arizona Geological Survey 416 W. Congress, Ste # 100, Tucson, AZ 85701 contest@arizonaexperience.org 520.209.4146

STEM AZ Education Collaborative “Un-Conference”

Educators: Grow and Develop New STEM Awareness Practices
At the 1st Annual STEM Arizona Education Collaborative
“Un-Conference”

DATE: Saturday March 9, 2013 8:00 a.m.— 12:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Alhambra School District Office 4510 N. 37th Ave., Phoenix

REGISTRATION FEE: \$10/person

<https://www.azsta.org/civicrm/event/info?reset=1&id=12>

Light refreshments provided

Arizona Common Core Standards Resources

Arizona educators, families and others can find out all information regarding Arizona's Common Core Standards by visiting the following website:

ArizonaCommonCore.org

Preparing Arizona students for college, career and life

Across the state, **Arizona's Common Core Standards** are being implemented to ensure that all students have the academic knowledge and skills they need to be successful in college, career and life. To support their implementation, the Arizona Public Engagement Task Force—an independently formed statewide collaborative of more than 30 organizations—has worked in partnership with the Arizona Department of Education to provide information and resources to parents, educators, students and business leaders about the standards. The Task Force has also created the Arizona's Common Core Standards *Communications Tool Kit* that provides superintendents, principals, teacher and other community leaders with the tools to communicate to families and community members about the standards.

For more information, visit ArizonaCommonCore.org



February 2013 Progress Report

To view the latest edition of the Arizona Department of Education (ADE) newsletter, please visit www.azed.gov/oci/newsletters

Stay Aware—Get Involved!

Follow the Arizona State Legislature as they work through the legislative process. Visit the website at www.azleg.gov

SAFFORD CITY
GRAHAM COUNTY
LIBRARY



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The Safford City / Graham County Library offers services beyond checking out books. The Graham County School Superintendent has partnered with the library to offer homework help for students from kindergarten through college. It's free to Graham County students. Visit the library's homepage at www.cityofsafford.us and click on the Homework Help icon. This will lead you to the icon for Tutor.com. "Check out" this free tool and get help on any subject.

Citizens looking for help with finding a job should take advantage of the services offered by Job Skills Instructor, Kevin Hansen. Mr. Hansen offers help in finding jobs and preparing resumes. Additionally, he will help coach job seekers as they practice their interview skills. This is great service!

The library has partnered with First Things First to enhance literacy skills in our youngest population. In addition to story time, parents can bring their children to the Brain Box sessions and other preschool activities scheduled throughout the year. The library has secured a grant from First Things First to fund the Imagination Library Book Club. Children ages birth through five can be signed up to receive a free, age-appropriate book in the mail each month. These are just a few of the wonderful things families can explore due to the partnerships formed by the library.

Visit the Safford City / Graham County Library in person or online!



The SE Arizona Workforce Connection team promotes and supports a workforce system that offers employers, workers and communities across Cochise, Graham and Greenlee Counties workforce solutions that achieve and sustain economic prosperity.

1910 W. Thatcher Blvd.

Safford, AZ

928-432-6932

www.seazworkforce.org

New to the area? Need information?

The Graham County Resource Center is a one-stop shop to find information on all services offered in Graham Co.

It is open Mon.—Fri. from 8:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

301-B East 4th Street (across from the Safford Bowling Alley) Safford, AZ 85546 928-428-7231

News Channel 3 WeatherBug Schools



Schools are invited to be part of the News Channel 3 Weatherbug Program. Once installed on your school's roof, the real-time lightning alerts, weather data and HD camera image provided by your Weatherbug Weather Station are available to:

- Give you peace of mind and help keep your campus safe from lightning with the most advanced lightning warning system available. WeatherBug helps support outdoor and athletic decisions by providing advanced warning of lightning and severe weather on mobile devices and computers and through outdoor sirens.
- Boost STEM initiative and provide students with an enriching, interactive web and mobile experience using real-time data from your school's own weather station and online tools.
- Be part of News Channel 3 television broadcasts and share your school's weather with the community via mobile phones, computers and tablets.

STEM & Safety Grant—Get Started Today

Learn how your school can take advantage of the STEM & Safety Grant to help partially fund the program. The STEM & Safety Grant is available to schools and districts interested in bolstering their STEM and/or safety programs. Funds can be combined with other funding sources to supplement the cost of the program. Grant funds are limited; therefore registration is required.

Learn More / See How Other Districts Are Using It:

www.weatherbug.com/weather-education

Graham County Schools Receive Money for Math and Science Education

The United Way of Graham County recently made an extremely generous donation to every Graham County school. The Graham County School Superintendent was given a check for \$158,000 to be divided up among the districts. The money is earmarked for math and science education in the classrooms and will be based on ADM.

Our Graham County residents, and in particular, the employees at Freeport-McMoRan are responsible for making these generous donations to The United Way of Graham County. Please thank them for putting such an emphasis on education.

Learn more at www.uwgraham.org

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