



Back-to-School Fun in Social Studies



By Jacob Martinez

Back-to-school activities may be fun or not so fun. Students in Robbie Remington's grade seven social studies class stacked cups using string and rubber bands.

"I used the activity as a fun way for students to practice teamwork," she said.

Students were given a string and a rubber band. Each team member needed a string. The string was tied to a rubber band. The string needed to be 24 inches long. Students determined the length of the string by using their arms.

"The length of your arm from the tip of your finger to the armpit is around 24 inches long," Ethan Fremouw said.

Ms. Remington tested this by measuring several students' arm lengths.

"Even the shorter students' arm lengths are close to 24 inches," Donovyn Patrick said.

After the team tied the string to the rubber band, they stretched the rubber band out by pulling on the string.

It was "easy-peasy-lemon-squeezy" to stack the cups, Aaron Armenta said.

The first team to stack all the cups was the winner.

"It was fun and skillful," Julius Rios said.



THE PIRATE'S TOP 10

By Cysco Claunch and JuliAnna Medina

1. Cross-country - It was first made to discipline children.
2. Volleyball - The longest volleyball game lasted 101 hours in 2017.
3. Football - World War II resulted in position specialization for football.
4. Basketball - Joe Fortenberry was the first person to make a slam dunk in 1936 at Madison Square Garden.
5. Wrestling - Wrestling is one of the world's oldest sports, with evidence of its practice found in cave paintings and ancient texts dating back to 3000 BC.
6. Baseball - More people have walked on the moon than they have scored a homerun in the Mariano Rivera era.
7. Marching band - Marching band is technically a sport by definition.
8. Track - The oldest person to complete the race was 100.
9. Soccer - Is the most popular sport in the world.
10. Skiing - The oldest existing ski is 10,000 years old.

WHAT'S ON THE TRAY TODAY?

9-8-25

BREAKFAST

Banana Bread
Fruit
LUNCH
Sloppy Joes
Carrot Coins
Fruit

9-9-25

BREAKFAST

Biscuit & Sausage
Juice
LUNCH
Nacho El Grande
Peas & Carrots
Fruit

9-10-25

BREAKFAST

Bagel & Cream Cheese
Fruit
LUNCH
Chicken Fajitas
Pinto Beans
Corn
Fruit

9-11-25

BREAKFAST

Breakfast Bar
Juice
LUNCH
Pizza
Salad
Fruit

9-15-25

BREAKFAST

Cereal
Juice
LUNCH
Hamburger Gravy
Mashed Potatoes
Peas & Carrots
Fruit, Roll

9-16-25

BREAKFAST

Breakfast Pizza
Fruit
LUNCH
Tostadas
Spanish Rice, Green
Beans
Fruit

9-17-25

BREAKFAST

Pop-Tart
String Cheese
Juice
LUNCH
Chicken Sandwich
Fries
Broccoli
Fruit

9-18-25

BREAKFAST

Banana Bread
Fruit
LUNCH
Grilled Cheese
Tomato Soup
California Veggies
Fruit



Back-to-School Bash

By Liliana Villagomez

The Back-to-School Bash was located at the high school baseball field last week.

It was meant to be a fun time to be with friends and family. There were activities like bounce houses and dumping water on teachers. Extracurricular clubs had baked goods and merchandise available to purchase.

There was free food and drinks. This was the third year for this event.

STUCO Organizational Meeting September 10

By JuliAnna Medina

Middle school students interested in joining student council need to stop by Mr. Isaiah Romero's room to sign up.

An interest meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 10, 2025, during recess. Mr. Romero and Mr. Peter DeLa Cerda are this year's sponsors.

Football Season Kicks Off September 9

By Destin Sandoval

The Monte Vista Middle School Pirates football team is kicking off the 2025 season with its first game on Tuesday, September 9, 2025, at home against the Pagosa Springs Pirates.

The game will be played at the Monte Vista High School football field.

The team has been working hard on and off the field, preparing for a year of growth, teamwork and Pirate Pride.

Volleyball Begins Next Week

By Lydia Vigil and Mary Whitt

Monte Vista Middle School's A and B volleyball teams play Sierra Grande at the middle school on Tuesday, September 9, 2025, at 4:30 p.m.

Monte Vista Middle School's C and D volleyball teams play Creede for their first game on Tuesday, September 9, 2025, at 4:30 p.m. in Creede.