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Upcoming Events:

- Oct. 1: Board Meeting
- Oct. 8-12: Fall Break
- Oct. 11-12: District offices closed
- Nov. 2: Adelante Ribbon Cutting Ceremony
- Nov. 5: Board Meeting
- Nov. 7: EVITEF Breakfast
- Nov. 22-23: Thanksgiving Break (No school)

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Partnership with Bridges Preschool leads to new center

Early childhood education students gain job experience in the classroom

The East Valley Institute of Technology signed a new multi-year partnership with Bridges Preschool, one of Arizona’s top providers of innovative, developmentally-appropriate learning.

Starting Oct. 1, Bridges Preschool will offer professional preschool programs in close collaboration with EVIT Early Childhood Education including First Steps, E-Pre, Preschool, Pre-K, Begindergarten and Kindergarten/Young Leaders Club.

instructor Lisa Bradford sees this partnership as a synergistic model for the future of early childhood education.



“Students accumulate more than 120 clock hours in early childhood coursework and more than 300 hours in hands-on classroom experience with young children. What makes this industry partnership ideal is that students are being mentored by the same employer who could potentially hire them” said Bradford.

The Early Childhood Education program is designed for high school students who want to work with children. They gain hands-on experience in an on-site lab school while learning how to interact with young children and facilitate developmentally-appropriate activities.

First-year students focus on early childhood philosophy, career opportunities and current issues in health, nutrition and special education. They also gain experience with classroom management and discipline techniques. In the second year, students select an internship program and research professional opportunities.

Tours of Bridges Preschool at EVIT can be scheduled by calling (480) 834-0003 or visit www.bridgespreschool.com.

Learn more about the Early Childhood program at www.evit.com/earlychildhood.



Program Highlights

Business Manager recognized for excellence in financial reporting

The Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting was awarded to EVIT's Business Manager, **Phyllis Kinder**, by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) for the East Valley Institute of Technology's comprehensive annual financial report (CAFR).

The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management.

The CAFR was judged by an impartial panel to ensure it met the high standards of the program including demonstrating a constructive "spirit of full disclosure" to clearly communicate the financial story and motivate potential users and groups to read the CAFR.



Law enforcement wins leadership award

In an effort to educate the community, the Mesa Prevention Alliance and Mesa Police Department trained students in EVIT's Law Enforcement program to act as decoys for its "shoulder tapping project" targeting adults who purchase alcohol for people less than 21 years of age.

In recognition of the five students that participated in this effort last year, EVIT was honored with the 2012 Leadership Award from the Mesa Prevention Alliance on Sept. 18 at the Landmark Restaurant in Mesa.

Under the program, a minor under the direct supervision of an off-duty police officer stands outside a liquor or convenience store and asks patrons to buy them alcohol. The minor indicates in some way he or she is underage and cannot purchase the alcohol. If the adult agrees, they are not cited but are educated about the penalties and risks associated with providing alcohol to a minor. The Mesa Prevention Alliance plans to train additional EVIT students this year and have scheduled "taps" in each of the four Mesa districts.



Multimedia student honored at Gilbert art show

Multimedia student **Noah Andersen** (Hamilton) was awarded "Best of Show" at the Constitution Week Art Fair held in Gilbert on Sept. 21-22. This annual event drawing more than 5,000 people celebrates the signing of the constitution and features a variety of activities. The art show had more than 60 entries with awards given for Best of Show, Honorable Mention, and Peoples Choice. Congratulations Noah!

EVIT is Makin' Headlines

A variety of EVIT events, programs, and students were featured in the media the past month. Here are some of the highlights:

[Enrollment at EVIT's east campus more than doubles](#)

Arizona Republic—Sept. 1, 2012

[AJ Schools and EVIT will ramp up cooperation](#)

AJ News—Sept. 3, 2012

[Funding cuts leave vocational education districts scrambling](#)

Cronkite News Service/KTAR—Sept. 7, 2012

[Industry partnerships support Mesa's EVIT, vocational schools](#)

East Valley Tribune—Sept. 8, 2012

[Designing her future: Gilbert teen wins a national interior design competition](#)

Go Gilbert! Magazine—Sept. 10, 2012

[Partnership with Bridges Preschool leads to new center on EVIT campus](#)

San Tan Valley Today—Sept. 17, 2012

[Vo-tech schools seek alternative resources](#)

Arizona Republic—Sept. 21, 2012

[Mesa's EVIT earns financial reporting honor](#)

East Valley Tribune—Sept. 28, 2012

[EVIT Law Enforcement students receive leadership award](#)

San Tan Valley Today—Sept. 30, 2012



Upcoming Events



EVITEF Gourmet Breakfast Fundraiser

The 7th Annual Gourmet Breakfast Fundraiser to benefit the EVIT Education Foundation will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 7 from 7 to 9 a.m. The EVIT Culinary Arts Department will spoil their guests with a lavish gourmet breakfast. 100% of the funds generated from this breakfast will provide assistance to EVIT students who qualify for financial help in paying for class fees, uniforms, kits, and adult tuition. For more information, please contact Kona Purcell at 480-461-4114 or kpurcell@evit.com.

Photo Gallery



EVIT Aviation students get a jump start on college and career by taking courses at Chandler-Gilbert Community College.

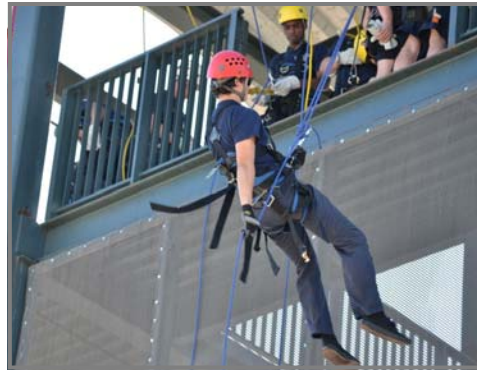


The weather didn't fully cooperate for but Mrs. French's cosmetology class was quite festive with their purple hair contest on Spirit Day!

Stay up to date with the latest pictures and events at www.Facebook.com/EVITnews!



Early Childhood Education students helped clean, set up and organize the Bridges Preschool classrooms to get ready for students starting Oct. 1.



Second-year Fire Science students conquer their fears and learn to rappel from the fire tower.



Veterinary Assisting students take time during class to pose for a few pictures with "Javier" for new EVIT brochures.



EVIT Culinary students and instructors provided cooking demonstrations at the Maricopa County Home & Landscape show at the Arizona State Fairgrounds Sept. 28-30.





Fashion merchandising students transform simple t-shirts into intricate and creative outfits!



Got an accomplishment or picture to share?

Send it to [Public Relations](#) with a brief caption/description.



Jon Howell, an EVIT Human Anatomy & Physiology for Medical Careers instructor, was selected as one of ten semi-finalists for the 2013 Arizona Teacher of the Year by the Arizona Educational Foundation. As a send off to his interview on Oct. 1, hundreds of health students and staff gathered in the parking lot to cheer him on and wish him luck!

Program Spotlight: Aviation

Meet an EVIT High Flyer: Adam Krainski

EVIT Aviation student **Adam Krainski** (Highland) took his first solo flight on Sept. 19 in a Piper Warrior 3. We asked him a few questions about this successful endeavor and his plans for the future.

Q: Were you nervous about your first solo flight?

A: I was nervous but not scared as I knew had been well trained. It's hard to put into words what it was like to be alone in the air flying but it was very quiet. I was used to my instructor talking and giving instruction and then it was just me and the plane so I started humming to myself and that helped. I absolutely loved the experience and it was the most unforgettable and important moment of life so far.



Q: How did you get interested in aviation?

A: My father works at Boeing and has his private pilot's license.

Q: What do you think of the EVIT Aviation Program?

A: I can't believe this is school! I get to come to an airport everyday and pursue my dream! EVIT has changed my life.



Q: What is your advice to future EVIT Aviation students?

A: Getting a private pilot's license is more accessible than you might think and you will fall in love with it once you begin.

Q: What are your future college and/or career goals?

A: I have a few more solo flights to complete and about a month and a half left of flight training before getting my private pilot's license. After graduation, I hope to spend one more year at Chandler-Gilbert Community College before going to the University of North Dakota for more training to eventually become a corporate or charter pilot for private jets.



Aviation Open House

On Sept. 17, EVIT's Aviation Program hosted an Advisory Open House. A diverse mix of representatives from the aviation industry were shown the many opportunities EVIT Aviation has to offer and given a tour of the East Campus facilities. Current and former students also attended to share their stories of how EVIT Aviation has opened doors to their future careers.

Counselor Corner

Scholarship Opportunities

A variety of college scholarship opportunities are available for high school students. For a complete list and additional information on how to apply, please contact the David Pullman, EVIT Counselor, at 480-461-4108.

American Aviation Historical Society (Phoenix Wing) Aviation Scholarship	
Award	\$1,000 scholarship to a current and qualified Flight (2nd year) student who has demonstrated outstanding performance and financial need toward obtaining his/her Private Pilots' license
Basic Qualifications	To be eligible to compete for this scholarship, an individual must: Submit a five paragraph essay demonstrating the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financial need • Long term career goals • Activities/hobbies • Academic transcripts • Obtain the written recommendation of an EVIT Aviation Instructor • Submit materials by the deadline date of 11/1/2012
Due Date	Thursday, November 1, 2012
EVIT Contact	David Pullman 480-461-4158
More Information	Application for the AAHS (Phoenix Wing) Aviation Scholarship To submit your application or for more information, please contact David Pullman at dpullman@evit.com.

General Announcements



Trip Reduction Program

In a partnership with Valley Metro, the EVIT Trip Reduction Program is designed to reduce single occupant vehicle (SOV) trips to the work site.

If you carpool, vanpool, walk, bike or ride the bus to school you are considered an Alternate Mode User (AMU), and you can register to win quarterly prizes valued at \$25.

For more information, or to sign up as an alternative mode user, contact Liz Bortkun at 480-461-4160 or e-mail lbortkun@evit.com.

You can find more information about carpooling at www.sharetheride.com or bus route information at www.valleymetro.com.

Happy Birthday!



October Birthdays			
2	Terry Baugher	20	Patrick Jervis
3	Sharon Black	20	Rusty Bowers
3	Jose Rosas	21	Don Butler
6	Maggie Flemming	22	Christopher Williams
9	Kelly Grantham	24	Robert Decarvalho
11	Rick Shearer	25	Brittany Johnson
12	Jerry Bauer	25	Anthony Toscano
13	Brenda Fenwick	29	Mike Turcotte
20	Michael Borbely	30	Bud Doolen

Contribute to student programs and activities at the East Valley Institute of Technology and receive a **dollar-for-dollar tax credit**.

Help guarantee that students are able to experience all that EVIT has to offer as they prepare for college and/or a career.

Donate securely online through PayPal or download the Tax Credit Response Form by visiting www.evit.com/donations.

The allowable tax credit limits are \$200 for a single individual or head of household or \$400 for a married couple filing a joint return.

Arizona tax law (ARS §43-1089.01) allows taxpayers a tax credit if they contribute to extracurricular activities in public schools. This tax credit is available to all Arizona individual taxpayers regardless of whether they have children in school.

For more information call (480) 461-4000



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