



# Mesa Alta Junior High School

## March Student of the Month

### SBA/PARCC Testing

Our school will be doing SBA testing

next week. PARCC testing will be administered in April. Please see testing schedule for specific days that your child will be testing. Please support your students and our teachers during this testing. This year's tests are all administered via computer. Here are some key things you can do to help our learning community during testing:

- Make sure your student attends school every day during testing.
- Help your student practice computer skills.
- Encourage your student to practice writing skills through regular homework, journaling, writing poetry etc.
- Make sure your student gets plenty of rest and eats well.
- Do not check out your student on testing days.

Congratulations to our March Student of the Month Luis Gonzalez! Luis is a model student that is respectful, reliable, and known for his great writing ability. He is bilingual and is quick to volunteer his assistance to our Spanish speaking students that may need help.

Luis is a member of the District Honor Band and plays the trumpet. In addition he plays soccer for BHS.

Keep up the great work Luis!

Thank you for your help!

Adam Benavidez  
Principal

Elvira Crockett  
Assistant Principal

**Quarter Ends  
Friday  
March 10th!**

### Testing Schedule

Please be advised to the following dates for the remainder of state testing.

7th Grade Science SBA March 7th

8th Grade PARCC April 4th -6th

7th Grade PARCC April 11th-13th

### PARCC and SBA Incentive program

To encourage our students to eat breakfast and lunch, we will be conducting raffles with \$25 gift cards for students that eat on test days. In addition, we are instituting a PARCC Prize incentive program. Students who score Proficient, Advanced, or raise their previous PARCC Math or Reading scores by at least 10 points will be placed in the drawing for fabulous drawings. A survey was conducted with a sampling of students to gain insight into what kind of prizes the students would like to see. If you know a business that would like to donate a prize, please have them contact Mr. Benavidez at 634-3857.

#### School Website

Mesa Alta has a school website,! There you can find Athletic Schedules, the latest school news, how to log on to PowerSchool, contact information for all teachers, and weekly lesson plans for all classes. Find us at: <http://mesa.bsin.k12.nm.us/>



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4
				Band Concert @ BHS 7pm	MAP Bowling Trip	
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
		SBA Testing AM/PM		Choir Concert @ BHS 7:30pm	End of 3rd Quarter	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	Participa Dental Clinic			Track @ BHS 4pm	Spring Awards Assembly  St. Patrick's Day	Report Cards go home March 17th
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
SPRING BREAK !!						
26	27	28	29	30	31	
					Spring Sports Assembly	

\*\*\*Parents of 8th grade students; Be sure to check with the office to clear up fines and fees before students go to the high school\*\*\*