

# FHSCHOOLS

Dear Parents and Guardians,

February 24, 2025

We are thrilled to announce that both Fountain Hills High School and Fountain Hills Middle School have been honored as 2025 National Model Schools by the Center for Model Schools, a division of Houghton Mifflin Harcourt (HMH). This prestigious award recognizes schools nationwide that exemplify academic excellence and foster positive learning environments. Notably, in the previous year, only 28 schools across the country received this distinction, underscoring the significance of this achievement for our community.

The Center for Model Schools is dedicated to ensuring that every child attends a model school. They provide ongoing leadership support to K-12 school systems through initiatives such as the annual Model Schools Conference, leadership cohorts, and consulting services. Their mission is to partner with educators and school districts to uncover solutions that unlock students' potential and extend teachers' capabilities.

Our recognition as National Model Schools is a testament to the remarkable academic growth we've achieved over the past three years. This accomplishment reflects the unwavering dedication of our students, educators, staff, and the invaluable support from our parents and guardians.

Our team has been invited to present at the 33rd annual Model Schools Conference, scheduled for June 22–25, 2025, in Washington, D.C. This conference is the nation's largest gathering for rapidly improving K-12 schools and districts, offering over 160 sessions that provide actionable insights into implementing purposeful, consistent actions driven by a clear vision of what's best for students.

This opportunity is particularly significant for a district of our size, highlighting our commitment to excellence and innovation in education. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all our parents and guardians for your continuous support. Together, we are making Fountain Hills Unified School District a model of excellence, not just for our state but for the entire nation.

Sincerely,

Dr. J  
Superintendent