August 24, 2018



## <u>Headmaster Letter</u>

Dear Archway Family and Friends,

What we do at Archway North Phoenix - cultivate hearts and minds of students through the pursuit of Truth, Goodness, and Beauty - is accomplished by various means, including our curriculum, our teachers, our expectations, and our commitment to excellence. But if we're not careful, the *what* and *how* of our approach to education can overshadow the reason we do what we do - the *why*. I have found it valuable to pause every now and then to consider why we do what we do. The short answer is love. We love what we do, and our love at Great Hearts has very specific aims, known as The Six Loves. Throughout the year I plan to share with you the Six Loves, and we will start with # 1 (always a good place to start).

### 1. The Virtues: Moral, Intellectual, and Athletic Excellence

The Greeks called it arete, the Romans virtus-we say "virtue" in English, but the simple word "excellence" might suffice: simply put, we love and seek to foster the fundamental habits and dispositions of human excellence, as understood in and defined by the perennial, classically-rooted tradition of Western moral philosophy (see especially Aristotle's Nicomachean Ethics for a fundamental, though not absolutely definitive, account of the virtues).

We love the moral virtues-we seek to cultivate the habits of justice, moderation, courage, piety, and prudence. We seek, above all, the virtue of magnanimity, greatness of soul, the virtue of the human person who possesses the virtues and yet exercises them without arrogance. We love and cultivate the intellectual virtues-the perfection of the powers of the human mind, including knowledge, understanding, art or skill, and wisdom. Knowing that the human person is not merely disembodied mind or soul, but fundamentally EMBODIED, we also love the cultivation of physical strength and skill.

(Thinking about human excellence in terms of virtue is fundamental to Great Hearts-and it is a fundamentally different way of thinking about human excellence from two other traditions that predominate in contemporary Western culture, namely, 1) the managerialist or instrumentalist way of thinking about human excellence only in terms of "objective performance" or "delivering results", which is to reduce all the virtues to mere technical skill; and 2) the emotivist-psychological way of thinking about human excellence only in terms of emotional adjustment or well-being, "authenticity", personal fulfillment, and related (subjective) categories.)"

For us at Archway North Phoenix, virtue is more than just a picture hanging on a

wall with a lofty word inscribed at the bottom. Virtue is what we are consistently offering your children and the standard to which we are inviting them. Our love for virtue and witnessing its embrace by your scholars is why we do what we do.

Truly,

Curtis Fee | Headmaster

# Drop-off and Dismissal

Thank you for your patience with the drop-off and dismissal process these first three weeks. In order for things to continue to improve and to run smoothly and safely, keep the following items from the Family Handbook in mind:

Pick-Up Plan Traffic flow is the same as the drop-off procedures. The timing of dismissal is as follows: If your eldest students are K - 6th graders, dismissal begins at 3:00. If your eldest are Prep students, please do not arrive until 3:25 pm. This will help with the congestion and traffic flow. All cars will EXIT SOUTHBOUND onto 32nd Street as there are 'Right Turn Only' signs in place for this. Please do not use The Elks Lodge parking lot to park and/or drop-off/pick-up your students without proper authorization from The Elks Lodge. There is 'No Parking' along Hearn Street and the adjoining neighborhood streets. Please honor the signs posted. Please do not park in the Student Parking spaces located in the northwest corner of the property. These spaces are provided to student drivers who have paid for these spots. They are numbered and designated signs are posted.

Another way to help with Drop-Off and Dismissal is to use the carpool option, sponsored by PSO. North Phoenix families can **register online** for private access to an interactive map that enables you to locate and contact others in the carpool family.

Questions? carpool@anppso.org

### <u>Classroom Newsletters</u>

### Specials Department Newsletter - Quarter 1

### Kindergarten Newsletter

KA Ms. Borchers KB Ms. Leahy KC Ms. Baines KD Ms. Distler

### <u>Grade 1</u>

<u>1A Mrs. Bebow</u> <u>1B Mrs. Sugiyama</u> <u>1C Mrs. Flitcroft</u> <u>1D Mrs. Page</u>

#### Grade 2

2A Mrs. Williams 2B Ms. Alexander 2C Ms. Bixler 2D Ms. Marshall

#### Grade 3

<u>3A Ms. Diesing</u> <u>3B Ms. Schippers</u> <u>3C Mrs. Stoller (formerly Ms. Hatch)</u> <u>3D Ms. Kellogg</u>

#### Grade 4

<u>4A Ms. Hunter</u> <u>4B Ms. Lefaive</u> <u>4C Mr. Taylor</u> <u>4D Ms. Raper</u>

#### Grade 5 Newsletter

5A Mr. Milton 5B Mr. E. Cain 5C Ms. Mueller 5D Ms. Torres

#### **Grade 6 Newsletter**

6A Ms Dovel6B Mr. Martin and Ms. Brennan6C Mr. L. Cain6D Ms. Marrufo

## ANP Wednesday Study Club (September)

-The registration for Wednesday Study Club for September will open on Monday, August 27<sup>th</sup> at 9am. Visit <u>www.archwaynorthphoenix.configio.com</u> to register. Email <u>srutt@archwaynorthphoenix.org</u> with questions.

Seth Rutt | Physical Education | Extra Curriculars

## <u>News from the ANP PSO</u>

### **Parent Mixer**

Saturday, August 25 7 - 9 pm @ Elk's Lodge **<u>RSVP today</u>** for a great opportunity to connect with Archway and Prep families (\$20/person includes appetizers and dessert; cash bar). Questions? <u>ambassador@anppso.org</u>

### Cornhole Tournament hosted by Dad's Club

Saturday, September 8

6:30 pm @ Italian American Club

Dad's Club presents the 11<sup>th</sup> annual Dad's Club Cornhole Tournament (\$20/person includes food; cash bar). <u>RSVP in advance</u> for tournament bracket setup. Questions? <u>dadsclub@anppso.org</u>

### Swirl & Sip hosted by Mom's Club

Saturday, September 22 6 - 10:30 pm @ McBeath Family Home Mom's Club presents Swirl & Sip, a blind wine and beer tasting. <u>RSVP online</u> <u>and indicate</u> what you will bring to share. Questions? <u>momsclub@anppso.org</u>

#### **Mom-Son Event**

Saturday, November 10 Save the date (revised!) for a fun event together outdoors! Questions? <u>events@anppso.org</u>

#### **Boonli Lunch Program**

Skip the brown bag and order your student's lunch <u>using Boonli</u>, a secure, fast and easy-to-use online ordering system. <u>Volunteer here</u> to help distribute lunches (fingerprint clearance required). Questions? <u>lunch@anppso.org</u>

#### **Carpool Program**

North Phoenix families can <u>register online</u> for private access to an interactive map that enables you to locate and contact others in the carpool family. Questions? <u>carpool@anppso.org</u>

Stay connected with our Parent Service Organization (PSO). Learn more at <u>www.anppso.org</u> or follow us @NorthPhoenixParentAssociation on Facebook.

# Hello Argonauts! Welcome Back!



Thank you for choosing Archway North Phoenix for your scholar's education. My name is Jackie Curtis and I am the Academy Giving Manager for Great Hearts North Phoenix. My role on campus is to manage our annual campaigns; Community Investment, Tax Credit and our new Teacher

Excellence Fund for both Archway and North Phoenix Prep.

I joined the Great Hearts North Phoenix team this past February, and I am thrilled to be a part of this wonderful community. While I am still new in my role, my family has been with Great Hearts North Phoenix since day one. Our daughter started as a 5<sup>th</sup> grader and is now a junior at Prep. When she graduates our son will start kindergarten and will become one of the newest Argonaut's! J I am truly thankful to be here. The best part about my job is that my role directly supports our dedicated teachers, our classical curriculum, enrichment programs,

clubs and sports!

With your partnership in, time, talent and treasure, I am confident Great Hearts North Phoenix will have a very successful year!

Thank you. Jackie Curtis | Academy Giving Manager Archway Classical Academy North Phoenix | North Phoenix Preparatory Academy P: 602-404-7414 M: 602-753-6223 E: jcutis@archwaynorthphoenix.org I jcurtis@northphoenixprep.org



Tickets on Sale Now: Great Hearts Gala September 29th, 5:30p.m. at Chateau Luxe www.GreatHeartsGala.org

Hosted Cocktail Hour, Silent Auction, Dinner, Program featuring Great Hearts Students, Live Auction, Raffle, Music and Dancing under the Stars <u>WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT</u> Do you have a business or a business connection who

**could donate items to the Silent or Live auction? If so, please:** Contact Denise Zabilski at dzabilski@greatheartsaz.org

> Individual tickets <u>on sale now</u>!! Sponsorships still <u>available</u> \$250 per person

### **Reporting an Absence**

If your student will be absent, please send an email to: <u>attendance@archwaynorthphoenix.org</u>. Please include student name, grade and reason for the absence.

If you email your student's teacher about an absence, please include <u>attendance@archwaynorthphoenix.org</u> on the email.

Thank you.

## NEW Birthday Policy

The new school policy is that birthday treats, toys, goodies, or "thank you" notes may NOT be distributed at school by parents, students, or teachers. Invitations may be distributed at school as long as the entire class is invited or if all the boys or all the girls of a class are invited. If invitations are not inclusive as indicated, then invitations will not be distributed. Students may choose to purchase a book from the school's "wish list" (archwaynorthphoenix.greatheartsacademies.org click on Academics tab, Literature Reading Lists, and the appropriate grade level) to donate to the school library in honor of their birthday. A parent may arrange to read the book with the birthday student in front of the class. We know that birthdays are special, so will we do our best to make your child feel special on his/her special day.

### Dress Code

After a two-week grace period during which warnings were communicated and emails were sent home, on Monday, August 20, uniform infractions began being issued for students out of dress code. If a student receives a total of three infractions within a thirty-day period or five infractions within a quarter, they are required to serve a detention.

Please review ANP's Uniform and Dress Code policy located in the Family Handbook on page 49. It can also be viewed on our website at <u>www.archwaynorthphoenix.org</u>.

### <u>Reminder</u>

**Signing your student out prior to dismissal:** When your student has an appointment, or needs to leave prior to the end of the school day, please contact your student's teacher. Let the teacher know what time you plan to arrive so they can have your student packed and ready. Students must be signed out at the Administrative Office; 2:30 is the latest that a student may be picked up early.

After 2:30 staff and faculty are preparing for dismissal.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

### **Important Dates**

Early Dismissal: Wednesday, August 29, 2:00pm Dismissal

Half Day Dismissal: Friday, September 28, 12noon Dismissal

### 2018-2019 School Year Breaks and Parent Teacher Conferences

- Fall Break **October 8 16, 2018**
- Parent Teacher Conferences October 15 16, 2018
- Winter Break December 21, 2018 January 9, 2019
- Parent Teacher Conferences January 7 9, 2019
- Spring Break March 18 22, 2019

#### 2018-2019 School Year Calendar

PLEASE NOTE: the School Calendar that was included with earlier newsletters incorrectly states half days being dismissed at 12:30. Half-Day dismissal is 12noon.

• <u>2018 - 2019 School Calendar</u>

## <u>Important Links</u>

#### <u>2018-19 Textbook Consumables</u>

If you have not had an opportunity to do so, please log onto the <u>payment portal</u> to make a contribution toward offsetting the expense of consumable workbooks.

#### 2018-19 Literature Library

#### 2018-19 ANP Uniform and Dress Code

2018-19 Classroom Supplies

# Newsletter Email Addresses

Due to changes in email addresses and families, the weekly newsletter is currently emailed to the first contact email address in the enrollment system. If you would like other family or friends to receive the weekly newsletter, please send an email to <u>menglish@archwaynorthphoenix.org</u> with any additional contact email address.

The option to forward this email is always listed at the bottom on the newsletter.

Thank you for your assistance in keeping the email list current.