ARCHWAY NORTH PHOENIX

A GREAT HEARTS ACADEMY



NEWSLETTER

August 16, 2024

Important Dates

August 29th
Parent Back to School
Night-MPR

September 2nd School Closed-Labor Day Holiday

September 19th
Parent Spalding Night

September 26th
Picture Day

Office Hours
M/T/TH/F
7:30AM - 3:30PM
Wednesday
7:30AM- 2:00PM

Join us on Social Media!







Dear Families,

It is a great joy to welcome back our students and families to **Archway North Phoenix** this school year. You have many choices in your child's education, and I am humbled that you have entrusted them to our care. My name is Thomas Taylor, and I have been a part of the Great Hearts Community for over 11 years and a part of the North Phoenix community for the past six years. I believe deeply in our mission to help nurture a love of intellectual and moral virtue in our young students, and I have seen first-hand the transformative power of a classical liberal arts education in grades kindergarten through 12th.

As you may know, our Community Investment and Public-School Tax Credit campaigns make it possible to provide a rich curriculum and a character-building education for all students at our academy.

I want to sincerely thank the families who have chosen to partner with us by making a gift to Community Investment and Tax Credit already this year.

If you have not yet given, please consider partnering with us this year through a monthly gift to <u>Community Investment and by designating your Public-School Tax Credit</u> to our academy. Your generosity leaves a lasting impact on our students.

Should you have any questions or need help setting up your giving, please reach out to our Family Giving Officer, Jackie Curtis <u>@Jacqueline Curtis</u> or 602-404-7414

Let's make it a great year Argonauts!

Mr. Taylor





Classroom Workbooks & Field Trips



If you haven't had the chance to take care of your students consumable fee, please follow this link:

<u>Classroom Materials (Consumables)</u>

This pays for the workbooks they write and mark in class and also includes the field trip & enrichment fee. This provides each student an opportunity to attend two field trips per school year. Trips vary every year and have included the Science Museum, Phoenix Zoo, Desert Botanical Garden and the Musical Instrument Museum. We also bring enrichment programs to campus. Examples include Hampstead Stage Company, the Herpetological Society and "George Washington".

2024 - 2025 School Year

Doors Open: 7:40AM

No Supervision prior to 7:40AM

Class Starts: 8:00AM

Dismissal

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 3:00PM **Every Wednesday - Early Release: 1:30PM**Half Day: 12:00PM

*Please take a look at the Family Calendar for important dates, breaks, and half days.



NEW POLICY Forgotten Items/Lunches

We are asking for your partnership in protecting your students learning environment. Please make sure that your student is sent to school with all items needed for the school day. Such as-(but not limited to):

- -Backpacks
- -Homework
- -Snacks
- -Lunches
- -Water bottles
- *For the security of our students and faculty, and to limit disruption to the classrooms, forgotten items will no longer be delivered throughout the school day.
- *Additionally, new this year, all outside deliveries are not permitted for delivery to students (DoorDash, Uber Eats, Grubhub).
- ** Please know that we are all in this together and fully understand that there will be one off emergency situations that we will be happy to assist you with. Should you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to our Front office team:

Ms. Dunn, Office Manager: kdunn@archwaynorthphoenix.org
Ms. Del Duca, Assistant Office Manager: kdelduca@archwaynorthphoenix.org

Thank you for your partnership! Let's make it a great year!

Academy Giving

As we kick off a new school year we are honored to partner with our families through our annual campaigns:

Community Investment campaign

and
<u>Arizona Public Tax</u>
<u>Credit drive</u>.

Jackie Curtis, Family Giving & Community Engagement Officer, will be happy to answer any questions.



Thank You
to Dr. Fathi
and the crew from
Phoenix Surgical
Dermatology Group
for sharing a fun
presentation about
Sun Safety!



As an incentive and to encourage students to apply what they learned about today, Dr. Fathi's office has a contest for all students to participate in.

Draw a

"Sun Safety Hero"

and turn your drawing into the box located in the Archway Entry

Lobby for a chance

to WIN your class a Pizza Party!

There will be 2 winners- one winner from K-2nd grade and one winner

from 3rd-5th grade

Please turn in your drawings by Friday 8/30/24

KINDERGARTEN FAMILIES

REMEMBER: If you registered for Full Day Kindergarten you need to set up your tuition payment on the parent payment portal. Follow this <u>link</u> to make your payment. Your student will move to half-day if tuition is not received by August 18th.

Please ensure we have your correct contact information - If you are not getting email communications please reach out to your teacher and our Assistant Office Manager, Ms. Del Duca at kdelduca@archwaynorthphoenix.org. Staff emails are on our website under faculty and staff.

ANP Extracurricular Clubs Q1

Clubs are a fantastic way for scholars to make new friends, play fun games, and/or learn something new! They run after school from 3:30-4:30pm on M,T,TH,F and 2:00-3:00pm on Wednesdays in 8-week sessions. We hope you will join us for after-school clubs this year! **Registration** is open now.

Mondays

Best PE Games Club (K-2nd Grade); Chess Club (K-5th Grade) Q1 & Q2*-13 spots open; Nature Club (1st-5th Grade)-5 spots left



Tuesdays

Best PE Games Club (3rd-5th Grade)-4 spots left; Sketch and Draw (K-2nd Grade)-16 spots left, and Kinders now welcome!; LEGO Club (1st-5th Grade)

Wednesdays

Wednesday Sports Club Volleyball (K-5th Grade); Art Makers & Creators! (2nd-5th Grade)

Thursdays

Dodgeball Club (2nd-5th Grade)-5 spots left; Typing Club (2nd-5th Grade)-16 spots left; Musical Theatre Appreciation (3rd-5th Grade)-6 spots left; Sow and Grow Garden Club (1st-5th Grade)

Fridays

Kickball and Wiffleball Club (1st-5th Grade); Board Game Club (1st-5th Grade)-18spots left, kinders now welcome; Art Play Club (1st-2nd Grade)-18 spots left, kinders now welcome

Register and Pay Here

Questions? Dwaugh@archwaynorthphoenix.org
*Clubs run quarterly except for Chess Club

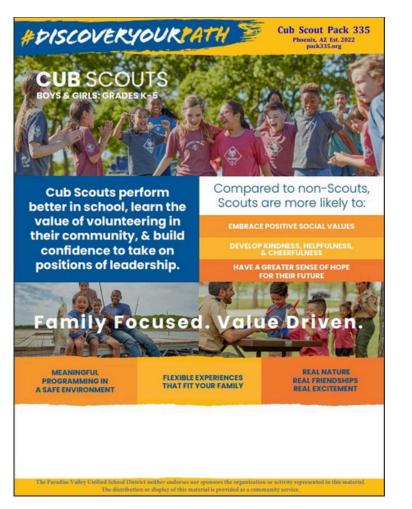




Thank you to our whole community for your patience while we found our drop off rhythm this year. It is getting smoother everyday! Thank you to our faculty out in the morning and our dynamic duo Coach Norris and Ms.

Berger taking care of our few late arrivals.







Counseling Corner

By Ms. Sulzer, Great Hearts Archway North Phoenix School Counselor



Mental Health Resources for Educators and School Faculty

Headspace for Educators

50 Resources to Support the Mental Health of Teachers and School Staff

SupportLinc also has its own built in mental health resources including "Mindstream" which has many useful resources regarding mental health. You can also contact SupportLinc to speak with a licensed clinician at any time. They can go to supportlinc.com for mental health resources or call 888-881-5462 to speak to a licensed mental health clinician at any time. Access code is greathearts

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Colleen Sulzer

csulzer@archwaynorthphoenix.org

Volunteer and Get Your 10 In

We encourage and challenge each family to volunteer at least 10 hours each year! We look forward to volunteering alongside you!

All volunteers need to be raptor approved Apply <u>HERE</u>.

After you have been approved, watch for sign up opportunities in class or at different events during the year.



Hello Super Star Families!

Ready to get your 10 in? Volunteering is a fantastic way to connect with our school community, and there are so many fun opportunities coming up. Whether you're helping out in the lunchroom or planning one of our beloved events, your time makes a huge impact!

Field Day Shirt Sponsors

We're still searching for additional sponsors to help offset the costs of our Field Day shirts. If you have a business or if your company would like to support Field Day, please email us at info@anppso.org. Every little bit helps, and your logo could be front and center on one of the most anticipated days of the year!

Forgotten Lunch Donations

No student should ever go hungry! Help us keep our pantry stocked for those unexpected days when a lunch is left behind. You never know when it might be your scholar who benefits. Sign up to donate <u>here</u>.

Volunteer Opportunities

We've got some exciting Chair and Committee roles that need filling, and we'd love for you to be part of the action! Here are a few opportunities where you can get involved:

- Daddy Daughter Dance Committee March 1st. Our most beloved event needs lots of hands to make it unforgettable! Help plan, set up, work the event, and clean up afterward.
- Weekly Staff Appreciation Every Wednesday. Join this flexible committee to shop, plan, set up, and clean up. Volunteers coordinate their own schedules to ensure no one is doing too much.
- Dad's Club Organize, plan, and promote 1 event per quarter (or more!) to bring dads together. Think poker night, bowling, and more! This can be a committee or just one dedicated dad ready to create some bonding time.

If any of these roles sound like a fit for you, please contact us at info@anppso.org. Your involvement makes our school community thrive!

Lunchroom Volunteers

Want to "spy" on your scholar in the best way possible? Our lunch team is always looking for volunteers to help in the lunchroom! It's a fun way to be involved, and sometimes our lunch ladies need a substitute when they're out sick. Check out more details and sign up here.

Vision and Hearing Screening Volunteers

We're looking for volunteers to assist our nurses with vision and hearing screenings. It's a great way to ensure our scholars are healthy and ready to learn! <u>Sign up here.</u>

Hot Lunch Program

Don't forget to order lunches by noon on Friday for the following week! Our tasty vendor lineup this school year includes:

Mondays: Chick-Fil-A Tuesdays: Panda Express Wednesdays: Streets of New York Thursdays: Firehouse Subs

Fridays: Someburros

For more information and to place your orders, visit our Hot Lunch Program page



Register Now for SPRING SOCCER!



Rec Soccer League - Ages 7-14

6 week league

Thursday Night Practices Saturday Morning games

Fee: \$205 inc. Blue + Yellow Jerseys, Black shorts and socks

Little T-Birds - Ages 4-6

6 week league

Thursday Night Practices Saturday Morning games

Fee: \$165 inc. Program Tshirt







Great Hearts Academy Students use discount code "Spring10" to save 10% at checkout!

Register Online at www.<mark>thunderbirdfc.org</mark> or call 602-829-6861

DROP-OFF AND PICK-UP: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW!



MORNING DROP-OFF Student drop-off is 7:40-8:00am



Please follow car line procedure for the safety of all staff and children. Pull into northern most campus entrance, off 32nd street. Traffic will flow all the way around the field and back to north side for drop off & pick-up. Please do not exit your car, faculty will assist those students who need help. Drop-off ends at 8am. **Students should be in their classrooms, seated, and ready to learn by 8am.** If arriving after 8am, parents will escort student into the front office to be signed in late.

DISMISSAL

Please be sure to have blue placard with students name clearly displayed

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday: ARCHWAY use both lanes until 3:20pm, then must be in ARCHWAY only lanes so PREP traffic is not blocked.

Wednesday: ARCHWAY Traffic please do not enter campus until 1:20. If you have PREP/ARCHWAY Sibling pick up, do not enter campus until 1:30. Prep sibling pick up will still take place on the PREP side. If you are coming across the crosswalk on the Prep side please follow the directions of the Prep teachers guiding the foot traffic across the crosswalk. Please use the crosswalk with the crossing guard only.







Watch the Video for more details.

Use the QR Code above or click this <u>LINK</u>.

Dismissal Times

M, T, TH, F

Archway 3:00PM Prep 3:30PM

Wednesday

Archway 1:30PM Prep 1:15PM

Archway

Prep



Please Do Not Use the Elks Club Parking Lot unless you are an Elks member. Please Do Not Use the church parking lots. Please get in line and we will all get dismissed in a timely manner.



Argonaut Parent Community

Three things you can do to help us keep your students safe and our traffic flowing:

Please watch the traffic video - Link above

Read all communications coming home - from your students' teachers & the family newsletter

Please follow the rules and be patient - Especially the first two weeks of school, drop-off and pick up will take a long time while everyone learns and before all the after school clubs start. Please do not try to cheat the system and drop off at random curbs and in the neighborhood. Trust the process and follow directions.

Should you have any questions or concerns please reach out.

We are all in this together.

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ATTENDANCE

It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to email the school before 8:00AM to report an absence. Students will be recorded as having an unexcused absence if no email is sent. Ten consecutive unexcused absence days will automatically result in the withdrawal of the student. Please read the <u>Parent Handbook</u> for more detailed information on our absence policy, or call the office if you have any questions.

To report an absence please email: attendance@archwaynorthphoenix.org

TARDINESS

Students who arrive after 8am will be considered tardy. If you arrive past the time the North lobby doors are closed, the parent/guardian must sign the student in at the front office on arrival. Persistent tardiness is highly disruptive of instruction and undermines student morale. On the 5th occasion of an unexcused tardy in a quarter we notify the parents by letter home. If the student continues to accumulate tardies, Headmaster Taylor will be in touch to discuss possible concerns. If problem persists parents will be required to come in person for a meeting with the leadership team to discuss a solution.

EARLY STUDENT PICK UP

Students that need to be picked up early for appointments must be picked up in the main office no later than 2:30pm on full days, 1:00pm on early release days, and 11:30 on half days. We do not release students the last 1/2 hour of class.

LATE PICK-UP

Please be prompt when picking up your students at dismissal time. Parents are granted a 30-minute window after dismissal. After that, parents will be charged \$1 for every minute each scholar is pick up late.

PLACARD FOR PICK UP

Blue Placards are required every day for every pick up. If lost or need a copy for any reason, please bring your ID to the front office and we can provide a new copy.

STAFF COMMUNICATION

Because teachers need to have their attention on scholars during the school day, it is our policy to give our staff 24 business hours to respond to parent emails/concerns (e.g.: If you email a teacher on Friday afternoon they would have until Monday afternoon to respond). There are times when a staff member is absent, or may have missed an email in their spam folder. If you do not hear back from your scholar's teacher within 24 hours, please contact Mr. Taylor or the front office so we can expedite your concern.

HOMEWORK POLICY

While we believe in the practice of homework at ANP, we want our students to have balance in their home and family life. If it takes your scholar longer than the allotted time (see homework policy for times) to complete their work, contact the teacher via email or written note on the assignment. This will help guide the teacher in planning a lesson to re visit with the class or give your scholar individualized attention for mastery.

FAMILY DIRECTORY

The family directory will be posted on our website under Academy Life - News & Events by the end of August. It is password protected. The password will be sent separately at the end of August from your scholars home room teacher.

Grade Level Newsletters

<u>Kindergarten Newsletter</u>

KA Ms. Perez & Ms. Watkins

KB Ms. Thorne & Ms. Bauman

KC Ms. Walchli & Ms. Davarzan

KD Ms. Ehli & Ms. Ernest

First Grade Newsletter

1A Ms. Mikesell & Ms. Leahy

1B Ms. Layton & Ms. Manley

1C Ms. Gianforte & Ms. Moizo

1D Ms. Refermat & Ms. Hernandez

Second Grade Newsletter

2A Ms. Herrier & Ms. Lom

2B Ms. Alexander & Ms. Eberhard

2C Ms. Jones & Ms. Tibke

2D Ms. Gregg & Mr. Terpin

Third Grade Newsletter

3A Ms. Toscas & Ms. Contreras

3B Mr. Wright & Ms. Scaggs

3C Ms. Daab & Mr. Messana

3D Ms. O'Neal & Ms. Clouser

Fourth Grade Newsletter

4A Ms. Noffz & Ms. Molina

4B Ms. Johnson & Ms. Gardner

4C Ms. Robb & Mr. Ohre

4D Ms. Nelson & Ms. Nash

Fifth Grade Newsletter

5A Ms. Brennan & Mr. Mayhew

5B Mr. Seeliger & Ms. Randle

5C Ms. Herman & Ms. Golebiewski

5D Ms. Knopf & Mr. Friend