

# ARCHWAY NORTH PHOENIX

A GREAT HEARTS ACADEMY



## NEWSLETTER

February 14, 2025

### Important Dates

**February 17th**

Presidents Day -  
School Closed

**February 25th**

Bard Competition -  
First Round

**February 27th**

Bard Competition -  
Second Round

**February 28th**

Wear Spirit Shirts

**March 4th**

Class Picture Day

**March 7th**

Field Day -  
K-2nd Grades

**March 7th**

Spirit Day - Spirit Shirts  
and Crazy Socks

**Office Hours**

M/T/TH/F

7:30AM - 3:30PM

Wednesday

7:30AM- 2:00PM



### Field Day -

**Kinder - 2nd Grades**

When: March 7th

Get ready for a day full of fun, games, and school spirit because Field Day is coming up fast! Join us on March 7th as our youngest scholars enjoy some friendly competition. We'd love your help to make it an unforgettable experience! Thanks for helping us make Kindergarten-2nd Grade Field Day a blast

**The PSO will provide all volunteers with pizza and water—because every Field Day hero deserves a little fuel!**

How You Can Help:

Volunteer on campus and join the action up close, cheering on our students!

Contribute snacks to keep our scholars energized throughout the day.

[Sign Up Here](#)

**Hurry! Sign-ups fill up fast, so don't wait! Just a reminder: all volunteers must be Raptor cleared. Check the family newsletter below for the Raptor Link.**



Please remember Archway doors open at 7:40 AM. There is no supervision before the doors open, so please keep your scholars in the car until the doors open and teachers are present outside.



### ESS Records

Special Education records (including placement records, final enrollment in referrals, evaluations, testing program) are destroyed four (4) years after the fiscal year in which a student has withdrawn, transferred, or been exited from enrollment at Archway Classical Academy North Phoenix (ANP). Special Education Census records will be destroyed five (5) years after records are created or received. This year, we will be destroying the records of students who were withdrawn, transferred, or exited from enrollment at ANP in the 2018-2019 school year or earlier. If your student withdrew, transferred, or exited from ANP during or prior to the 2018-2019 school year, files will be destroyed on the last day of the 2024-25 school year, and this serves as notice. If you are a parent or student and need a copy of your student's special education records for any reason before they are destroyed (e.g., social security benefits), please contact Kerry Souza or Jean Page in the Special Education department at 602-996-4355 or [ksouza@archwaynorthphoenix.org](mailto:ksouza@archwaynorthphoenix.org) ; [jpage@archwaynorthphoenix.org](mailto:jpage@archwaynorthphoenix.org) before the destruction date.

Join us on Social Media!



# GIVING

is at the heart of

# NORTH PHOENIX

~Thank you for investing in your students education~

**Community Investment =**

School Security, Socratic learning environment,  
Two teachers in every class, Fine Arts Program.

**Tax Credit =**

Field trips, Enrichment Programs, and After school clubs



[archwaynorthphoenix.org/support](http://archwaynorthphoenix.org/support)



## Academy Giving

We are honored to partner with our families through our annual campaigns:

Community Investment campaign  
and  
Arizona Public Tax Credit drive.

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

Argonauts,

This week, we are officially kicking off our Tax Credit Drive! We are already at 46% of our goal for this school year—thank you to everyone who has already taken the Credit with ANP!

**This is a WIN-WIN for all AZ tax-paying residents! Don't forget to take advantage of this incredible opportunity and be sure to share it with your family and friends.**


Before you file, take the dollar-for-dollar credit with ANP [here](#). Let's keep the momentum going and reach our goal together!

Thank you for your continued support and investment in your students education at ANP!

Ready to give? Need help or have questions?  
Contact Jackie Curtis, our Family Giving Officer, at  
[jcurtis@archwaynorthphoenix.org](mailto:jcurtis@archwaynorthphoenix.org)



It's TAX CREDIT SEASON!



Dear Argonauts Family,  
Thank you for your continued support in Archway North Phoenix's field trips and extra-curricular clubs. We are asking families to partner with us by contributing your annual Public School Tax Credit.

**WHAT IS TAX CREDIT**


It is a program through the Arizona Department of Revenue that gives Arizona taxpayers the opportunity to contribute to field trips and extra-curricular clubs at the public school of their choice. In return, you will receive a dollar-for-dollar tax credit on your Arizona state income tax.

Step 1: Contribute by April 15th and save receipt


Step 2: File your state income taxes and claim your contribution using Arizona Form 322.

Step 3: Receive your Tax Credit back dollar-for-dollar on your state income taxes


**HOW MUCH CAN I GIVE?**



**Married Filing Jointly:**  
Any amount up to \$400



**Single Filers:**  
Any amount up to \$200



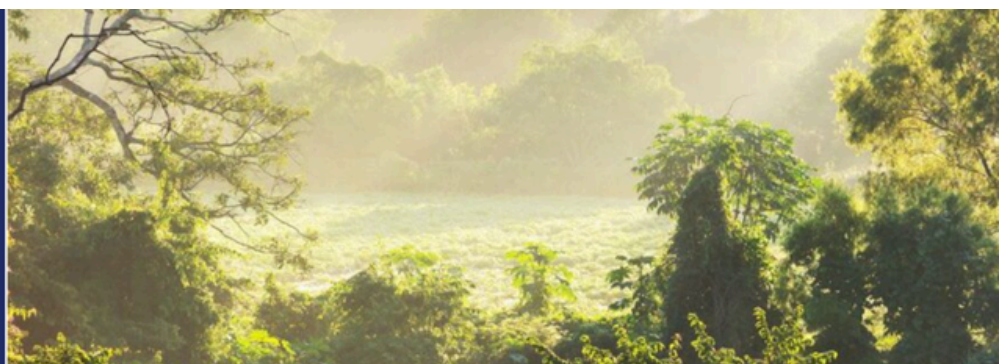
[give.archwaynorthphoenix.org/taxcredit](http://give.archwaynorthphoenix.org/taxcredit)

Questions? Contact our Family Giving Officer, Jackie Curtis [jcurtis@archwaynorthphoenix.org](mailto:jcurtis@archwaynorthphoenix.org)

## New Business Directory

Great Hearts North Phoenix Community Business Directory

[Click Here](#)



**ATTENTION  
PLEASE**

Just a reminder that there is no access to a microwave during lunch. Our school is not set up to prepare food, and while our wonderful lunch ladies have kindly offered this service in the past, for the safety and efficiency of the lunch period, this can no longer happen. If your scholar brings a lunch from home it needs to be ready to eat as is.

Thank you for your understanding and support in this matter.  
Should you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to our Office Manager, Kelli Dunn.



## Register Now for SPRING SOCCER!



**Starting on Thursday,  
March 13**



Located at North Phoenix  
Prep off of 32nd St and  
Thunderbird



### **Rec Soccer League** - Ages 7-14

6 week league

Thursday Night Practices  
Saturday Morning games

Fee: \$210 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 T-  
shirt



Great Hearts North Phoenix Prep Students use discount code "GHA10"  
to save 10% at checkout!

Register Online at [www.thunderbirdfc.org](http://www.thunderbirdfc.org)  
or call **602-829-6861**



# SAVE THE DATE



## Argonauts Spring Break Camp:

March 10-12th | 8am-3pm (lunch provided) | \$150

Looking for something fun to do this over Spring Break? We'd love to have you come join us! We'll have a blast playing all your favorite sports and PE games! Sign up fast because when they're gone, they're gone!

**Who:** Calling all K-6th grade students

**What:** Activities include PE games, sports, board games, movies, snacks, lunch, group games, Slip 'n' Slide, Otter Pops, free time and more! Dress in comfortable athletic attire. Lunch will be provided for Spring Camp for two of the days. Bring your own snack. Otter Pops given at the end of the camp.

**Where:** Archway North Phoenix

[Sign Up Here](#)

[Questions? Dwaugh@archwaynorthphoenix.org](mailto:Dwaugh@archwaynorthphoenix.org)



## Argonauts Summer Break Camps: May and June or July

Looking for something fun to do over Summer Break? Come join us! We'll have a blast playing all your favorite sports and PE games and so much more! Sign up fast because when they're gone, they're gone!

**Who:** Calling all K-7th grade students (prep siblings in 6th and 7th grade welcome)

**What:** Activities include PE games, sports, board games, movies, snacks, lunch, group games, Slip 'n' Slide, Otter Pops, free time and more! Dress in comfortable athletic attire. Lunch provided Mondays & Fridays for sessions 2-5 of Summer Camp. Bring your own snack every day. Lunch and a change of clothes should be brought for session 1. Otter Pops/Popsicles given on Fridays! Children will be put in teams and compete against each other throughout the week. On Friday during Slip 'n' Slide and Popsicles, the champions will get their camp shirts spray painted!

**Where:** Archway North Phoenix

Summer Camp Session 1: May 19-23 | M-Th 12-4pm, F 8am-3pm (bring your own lunch) | \$150

Summer Camp Session 2: May 26-30 | 8am-3pm (lunch provided Mondays and Fridays) | \$250

Summer Camp Session 3: June 30-July | 8am-3pm (lunch provided Mondays and Fridays) | \$250

Summer Camp Session 4: July 7-11 | 8am-3pm (lunch provided Mondays and Fridays) | \$250

Summer Camp Session 5: : July 14-18 | 8am-3pm (lunch provided Mondays and Fridays) | \$250

\*Lunch on Mondays will be sub sandwiches with chips and bananas and Fridays will be Costco pizza

**\*\*If you register after May 1st, a camp shirt will not be included due to processing time frames.**

**No refunds after May 1st.**

[Sign-Up Here](#)



***Spring Concert is May 2nd!***  
***\*Watch Newsletter for More Details\****



## 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 [HERE](#).

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



**Mom's Club Night Out at Mexicana by Chef Joey February 20th at 6 PM**

[RSVP HERE](#)

# Parent Service Organization

Thank you to our wonderful 2nd and 3rd grade families for contributing such delicious dishes and generously volunteering your time to make our staff potluck a success. Your thoughtful food contributions and helping hands ensured our teachers and staff felt truly appreciated and celebrated.

Kinder and 1st grade families save the date for the next potluck April 16th.



### Yearbooks Are On Sale!

TreeRing plants a tree for every yearbook sold! Order prices rise after Spring Break.

**Deadline is March 17th!**

[Order Here](#)

Softcover: \$40 Hardcover: \$47.91

ANP Code: 1016219217202491



### The Harkins Summer Movie Fun Presale

Our 2025 movie lineup is still in the works—stay tuned for a summer filled with family-friendly films! Fill out the request form and submit payment [HERE](#)  
Season tickets for the 8-week season pass is available for \$8 each (per person). 1 pass for \$8 per person = 8 movies. Adults must be accompanied by children for admission. Showtimes will run from Monday, June 2 to Friday, July 25. Movies begin at 9:45 AM each weekday at participating locations.

## Aloha Nights Daddy Daughter Dance

When: Saturday, March 1st, 6-9 PM

Where: GreatHearts North Phoenix Gym

Early Bird: \$25 per family (now through Feb 26); After Feb 26: \$40

Sign up to attend, donate, or volunteer here:

[Sign Up Here](#)

Let's make waves together for this Aloha Nights celebration. There will be a surprise staff member leading a dance at 730p. Grass skirts and coconut bras are fun, but not the right fit for our Aloha Night dance attire.

### Join the 2025-2026 PSO Team

Do you love being part of our school community? Want to make a bigger impact? This is your moment! Currently, we will need some amazing people to help chair the following roles:

**Mother Son Event, Daddy Daughter Dance (we do have someone to help co-chair), Hot Lunch Program, Social Media**

This meeting is all about YOU! We'll be nominating the PSO Board for the 2025-2026 school year and giving a quick update on how the PSO is doing. If you are interested in getting involved, express your interest using [this form](#).

**Next Meeting: March 21, 2024, at 6:30 PM, in ANP MPR**

Interested? Email [info@anppso.org](mailto:info@anppso.org)

### Forgotten Lunch Donations Needed

Every day we have scholars who have forgotten lunch, spilled lunch, or just not enough packed. Please help PSO by grabbing a healthier snack or something like Uncrustables or the cheese and meat snack packs. We ask for healthy snacks because kids who do have lunch will sometimes throw away what was packed to get "better" snacks at school.

Thank you for your support!

[Sign Up Here](#)

**\*Remember for all volunteering, you must be Raptor verified\***

[Raptor Link](#)

# 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.**



**NEW!**



Watch the Video for more details.

Use the QR Code above or click this [LINK](#).

## Dismissal Times

**M, T, TH, F**

Archway 3:00PM

Prep 3:30PM

**Wednesday**

Archway 1:30PM

Prep 1:15PM

■ Archway

■ Prep

If you are bringing your furry friends with you at drop off and pick-up, please have your pets secured in the car to prevent from jumping out and keeping our staff, scholars, and volunteers safe



**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. Let's Make it a Great Year Argonauts!**



# SCHOOL GUIDELINES



## 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 [Parent Handbook](#) 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](mailto: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



## Kindergarten Newsletter

- KA Ms. Perez & Ms. Watkins
- KB Ms. Thorne & Ms. Dickson
- KC Ms. Leonard & Ms. Davarzan
- KD Ms. Ehli & Ms. Ernest

## First Grade Newsletter

- 1A Ms. Mikesell & Ms. Leahy
- 1B Ms. Layton & Ms. Manley
- 1C Ms. Gianforte & Ms. Mayhew
- 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 & Pavlik

## 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 & Mr. Miller
- 5D Ms. Knopf & Mr. Friend