ARCHWAY NORTH PHOENIX

GREAT HEARTS ACADEMY



NEWSLETTER

August 8, 2025

Important Dates

August 28th Back to School Night

September 1st No School - Labor Day

> September 8-12 Annual Campaign Kick-Off

September 10th Spirit Shirt Day

September 17th Half Day-Noon Dismissal

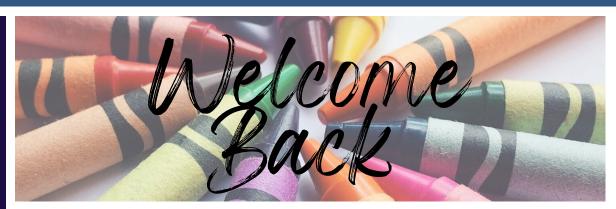
September 25th Picture Day

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

Join us on Social Media!







"It's time to start something new and trust the magic of beginnings."

- Meister Eckhart

We've officially completed our first week of school, and what a wonderful start it has been! We love seeing the campus filled with all of our scholars ready for a new school year. Thank you for helping to make the beginning of the 2025-2026 school year such a smooth and positive experience.

A Few Reminders for the Weeks Ahead:

Attendance matters: Being on time and present every day sets the tone for success.

Classroom expectations: Review rules and procedures at home to reinforce positive behavior.

Communication: Please check your email and read the weekly family newsletter to stay informed and up to date on events and policies and procedures.

Upcoming Events: Check the Calendar and please note upcoming events and half-days and school closure dates.

Traffic: Scroll down for traffic protocols

Thank you for your continued support, encouragement, and involvement. We look forward to a fantastic year ahead - filled with learning, growth, and memorable moments. Welcome back, and let's make it a great year!

2025 - 2026 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

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

Arizona Public Tax Credit drive.

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

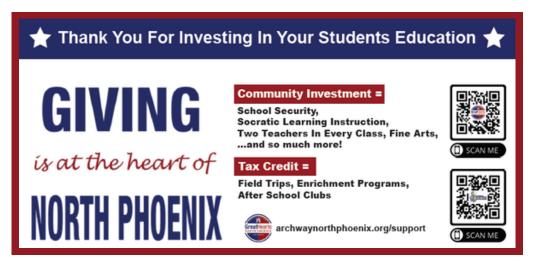
Welcome Back, Argonaut Families!

Thank you for being a vital part of our Great Hearts community and for investing in your student's education. We are so grateful to the families who have already made their Community Investment gift for this school year, your support makes a real difference. If you haven't had a chance yet, now is the perfect time to make your one-time or monthly Community Investment gift. Alongside your Tax Credit Contribution, it helps provide the exceptional education we provide or students receive every day.

Questions?

Contact Jackie Curtis, Family Giving Officer, at 602-404-7414 or jcurtis@archwaynorthphoenix.org.

Thank you for your partnership - we're excited for a great year ahead!



Just a reminder to not park in the numbered parking spots in the northwest corner of the parking lot during school hours.

These are paid student parking spots





In our ongoing efforts to ensure the safety and security of our students, we are implementing a new student pick-up procedure going into effect this year. Great Hearts Campuses across the valley have been using this system and love the improved security measures it offers.

New Security Process for Student Pick-Up:

Each Family will print out their own CURB Pick-Up placard to pick-up their child. In addition to the student's name the card will now have a large QR code in one corner. This will speed up the process for calling students down at dismissal and has the added security measure that if your pickup situation should ever change for your student, the QR code can be immediately deactivated and a new one issued. You would then need to print a new placard for your family. You will need this every single day starting the first day of school for your student.

Please follow the instructions below to print your CURB Placard:

- 1. Go to the enrollment portal at greathearts.schoolaxis.com and log in to your account. This is the same account you use to enroll/re-enroll every year.
- 2. Scroll down to bottom of home page that shows up immediately when you log in.
- 3. In the "Pick-up Placards" box it will have "Archway North Phoenix."
- 4. Click on it and it will open a new tab with your document
- 5. Print right from that screen. Every person picking up your student will need a copy of this placard. You may also save it to your computer and share the document digitally for those of you using our walk-up gate.

QR Codes can be presented on your phone at walk-up gate only. You must have a placard in your window for car pick up. If you do not have a placard you will be required to PARK and present your driver's license in the front office to pick up your child. Starting the first day of school, all individuals picking up students from school must follow these updated procedures.



Remember the first few weeks may be more chaotic as we all resume our routines, please know that this too shall pass. We appreciate your cooperation and support as we implement this improved security protocol. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at 602-996-4355.





Dear Parents,

As we start the new year we'd like to ensure our records are accurate, **please inform us if your child will not be attending Archway North Phoenix this year**. Your early attention to this, facilitates a smooth transition for your child as the records and documents necessary can be prepared and allows us to possibly extend offers of enrollment to families in the waiting list.

Also, we kindly ask you to take a moment to send us the most recent version of your legal or custody agreements or any relevant and related documents. Ensuring we have the most accurate information is crucial in maintaining a safe and nurturing environment for your children.

Please contact our school registrar, Ms. Williams at <u>vwilliams@archwaynorthphoenix.org</u>.

Thank you for your continued support and involvement in your child's education. Your prompt attention to these matters is greatly appreciated.



Extracurricular Clubs

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 M/T/TH/F and 1:30-3pm on Wednesdays in 8-week sessions (unless otherwise noted). We hope you will join us for an extra-curricular this year! Registration will open up prior to the next quarter beginning. Flyers and emails will be sent home with details on all new club offerings. In addition to the clubs you see below, you may also register for Argonauts Fall, Winter, and Spring Break Sports and Fun Camps. Register Here



Mondays: Team Sports Club (1st-5th Grade); Chess Club (K-5th Grade) Q1 & Q2*; Board Games Club (K-5th)

Tuesdays: Best PE Games Club (K-5th Grade); Sketch and Draw Club (1st-2nd Grade); Typing Club (3rd-5th Grade); Improv Theatre Games Club (2nd-5th Grade)

Wednesdays: Volleyball Club (K-5th Grade)

Thursdays: Dodgeball Club (2nd-5th Grade); Musical Theatre Appreciation Club (2nd-5th Grade); Club (2nd-5th Grade)

Clay Club (3rd-5th Grade)

Fridays: Kickball and Wiffleball Club (1st-5th Grade); Art Play Club (1st-2nd Grade); Dungeons and Dragons Club (3rd-5th Grade)

Fall Break Camp (Oct. 13-15)

Winter Break Camp (Session 1 Dec. 17-19; Session 2 Dec. 29-31 and Jan. 2; Session 3 Jan. 5-9) Spring Break Camp (Mar. 9-11)

Questions? <u>Dwaugh@archwaynorthphoenix.org</u> | Pricing & more info available online *Clubs run quarterly except for Chess Club

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.





Archway 3:00PM 3:30PM Prep

Wednesday

Archway 1:30PM Prep 1:15PM

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Watch the Video for more details.

Use the **OR** Code above or click this LINK.



If you are bringing your fury 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.

GLADIATOR ATHLETICS





Middle School Boys & Girls Crbss Country Team

Ready to Run?
Join your Middle School Cross Country Team and be part of a season full of fun, fitness, and competition!

Registration Now Open!

Great Hearts North Phoenix Prep 4100N32 nd St. Phoenix AZ 85032 (602) 996-4355

Full registration required-

Details & Registration: Visit our AthleticsWebsite

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A valid physical using the AIA Form (no other forms accepted):

Fall 2025 Cross Country Info

AlaPhysicalFormHere!

We highly recommend scheduling your physical as soon as possible!

Questions? Contact Our Athletic Diffector: Coach Page jpage@northphoenixprepathletics.org



My Hot Lunchbox

Did you hear that we have a new hot lunch program? There are a variety of perks, including ordering from an app on your phone or ordering by noon the day before. For additional information, visit the **PSO lunch website**.

Please Note: Lunch service does not begin until August 18th. Please send your student with a lunch

Summer Fun Isn't Over Yet

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Join your fellow scholars for our last summer meetup: Back to School Splash Bash Saturday, August 24th | 1–6 PM Bring your friends, towels, and lots of energy!

Forgotten Lunch Supplies Needed

Sometimes our scholars forget their lunch, and we love being able to help! We're restocking our emergency lunch stash and would appreciate donations of:

Mac & cheese cups

Applesauce or fruit pouches

Granola bars

Juice boxes

Drop off donations at the front office—thank you for keeping our kids fed and happy!

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2025-2026 Open Chair Roles

Want to make a difference this year? Step into a committee chair role. Email us at <u>info@anppso.org</u> for more info.

Can't be on campus? We've got remote options: Social Media Chair

2025–2026 Sponsorships Are Open

Got a business (or know someone who does)? Show your support for ANP and get your name out there! We have 2 ways to sponsor:

Field Day Shirts:

A student favorite! Logo on every shirt. \$400, commit and drop off check by 10/3 **Movie Night Popcorn:**

Interested? Send an email to <u>info@anppso.org</u>.

*Remember for all volunteering, you must be Raptor verified. Every year if you plan on



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 <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. 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 a letter home. If the student continues to accumulate tardies, our Dean of Students 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

Placards are required every day for every pick up. Parents are responsible to print and provide these to any individuals you have designated to pick up your scholar.

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.

FORGOTTEN ITEMS POLICY

For the security of our students and faculty, the office staff cannot continuously leave the front desk to deliver forgotten lunches, water bottles, or homework and interrupt the classroom learning environment. DoorDash, Uber Eats, Grubhub, and similar delivery services are not permitted to deliver for students. Students are not allowed to re-enter the school after they have been picked up to retrieve forgotten books, lunchboxes, homework, etc. Both of these policies are being put into place for the safety of students and also to increase the virtue of responsibility in our students.

Grade Level Newsletters

<u>Kindergarten Newsletter</u>

- KA Ms. Perez & Ms. Tibke
- KB Ms. Prieto & Ms. Manley
- KC Ms. Scaggs & Ms. Watkins
- KD Ms. Sneed & Ms. Ostash

First Grade Newsletter

- 1A Ms. Mikesell & Ms. Spencer
- 1B Ms. Layton & Ms. Mayhew
- 1C Ms. Walchli Leonard & Ms. Leahy
- 1D Ms. Refermat & Ms. Hernandez

Second Grade Newsletter

- 2A Ms. Herrier & Ms. Rainaldi
- 2B Ms. Alexander & Ms. Molina
- 2C Ms. Gianforte & Ms. Mikesell
- 2D Ms. Gregg & Ms. Pavlik

Third Grade Newsletter

- 3A Ms. Toscas & Ms. Forsyth
- 3B Nash & Mr. Messana
- 3C Ms. Daab & Mr. Sanchez
- 3D Ms. O'Neal & Mr. MacDonald

Fourth Grade Newsletter

- 4A Ms. Jones & Ms. Lund
- 4B Ms. Johnson & Ms. Gardner
- 4C Ms. Robb & Mr. Ohre
- 4D Ms. Nelson & Ms. GiGi

Fifth Grade Newsletter

- 5A Mr. Finnson & Mr. Mayhew
- 5B Mr. Seeliger & Ms. Randle
- 5C Ms. Herman & Mr. Maloney
- 5D Ms. Knopf & Ms. Higgins