ARCHWAY NORTH PHOENIX

A GREAT HEARTS ACADEMY



NEWSLETTER

September 5, 2025

Important Dates

September 8-12
Annual Campaign
Kick-Off

September 10thSpirit Shirt Day

September 17th
Half DayNoon Dismissal

September 18th
Spalding Night

September 19th Free Dress Day!

September 25th
Picture Day

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

Join us on Social Media!



Dear Argonaut Families,

It is hard to believe we are already wrapping up the first month of school. What a joy it has been to welcome our students back to campus, where they are learning, growing, and forming strong friendships. We recognize that you have many options when it comes to your child's education, and we are grateful that you have chosen Archway North Phoenix.

As we move into the heart of the school year, we are pleased to officially launch our two key fundraising initiatives: **Community Investment** and the **Public-School Tax Credit Drive**. These efforts are essential to maintaining the strength of our school and continuing the exceptional programs that enrich our students' educational experience.

Why Do We Fundraise?

Each year, there is a significant gap between the public funding we receive and the actual cost of delivering a tuition-free classical education. That gap is filled through the generous support of families like yours.

Your gifts to Community Investment directly support:

- Our exceptional teachers
- Small class sizes with two teachers in every classroom
- · Campus safety and security
- A fine arts program that is fully integrated into our core curriculum
- Additional student services and intervention programs

Your Tax Credit contributions make it possible to provide:

- Two field trips for each class every year
- Affordable afterschool clubs for all students

We extend our heartfelt thanks to the families who have already contributed this year. If you have not yet had the opportunity, we invite you to support Archway North Phoenix by making a one-time or monthly gift to Community Investment and by designating your Tax Credit to ANP.

Every family & Every Gift Counts- Making a gift that fits your family budget makes a meaningful difference.

Academy Giving

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

<u>Community Investment</u> <u>campaign</u>

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

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

Share Your Story

We would also love to hear from you. Why did you choose Archway North Phoenix for your scholar? Please consider sharing your story with Ms. Curtis, along with an optional family photo. Select stories will be featured on our social media channels as we celebrate the values and families that make our community special.

We are proud to be Argonauts.

Annual Campaign Kickoff Week: September 8-12

Throughout the week, we will be sharing opportunities for families to engage and support the education you have chosen for your child. Be sure to follow us on Instagram and Facebook for highlights and updates.

Special Spirit Day: Wednesday, September 10

Students are invited to show their Argonaut pride by wearing their favorite spirit shirt to school.

Special Incentives for Participating Families

- All families who give before or during Kickoff Week will be entered into a drawing for reserved seating at this year's Winter Concert
- One student will be selected to serve as Headmaster for the Day on Wednesday, October 2. This special day includes participation in the Headmaster Chat and lunch with Mr. Taylor and a friend of their choosing.

Let's come together and make this a successful school year for all of our Argonauts.

With gratitude,

Thomas Taylor Headmaster

Jackie Curtis

Family Giving and Community Engagement Officer















Kinder and 1st Grade Families:

Thank You, ANP Families!

We were thrilled to welcome our Kinder and 1st Grade families to campus for our first Headmaster Chat of the year. It was wonderful to see so many of you engaged and excited about your child's learning journey. Mr. Taylor introduced our school-wide **Thematic Goal: Achieving a Culture of Responsibility and Ownership**. This is a shared commitment among staff, parents, and students to take pride in teaching, learning, and building a strong school community. Ms. Perez, Kinder lead, and Ms. Mikesell, 1st Grade lead, shared classroom updates including academic celebrations, upcoming field trips, and the importance of early reading skills. Reading is the main focus in both Kindergarten and 1st Grade, as it lays the foundation for the entire academic journey. Special thanks to our PSO parents, Ms. Beaudette and Ms. Marshell, and to Ms. Curtis, our Family Giving Officer, for highlighting ways families can get involved. With your continued support, we're giving our students the strongest educational experience possible. Stay tuned for the next Headmaster Chat. We look forward to seeing even more families join the conversation!





Spalding Night

Spalding Parent Learning Night for K-4 families will take place Thursday, September 18 at 5:30-6:30pm in the Archway MPR. Please come learn from our master teacher, Ms. Alexander, and our Reading Interventionist Ms. Rushing all about our phonograms and spelling curriculum! This is an event for adults only. If you have any questions about the event, please email Ms. Sneed at ksneed@archwaynorthphoenix.org



Upcoming Argonaut Camps

Argonauts Fall, Winter, and Spring Break Sports and Fun Camps. Register Here

Fall Break Camp (Oct. 6-8th)

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@archwaunorthphoenix.org</u> | Pricing & more info available online



We are excited to share that our community not only met but exceeded our goal for the ESEA form collection! As a thank you for your tremendous support, Friday, September 19th will be an all-school Free Dress Day for our scholars.

Scholar Guidelines:

- Clothing should be modest (no spaghetti straps, midriff tops, or short shorts).
- Non-uniform attire is permitted; however, please avoid clothing with pop culture references.
- Footwear must be safe and appropriate for recess and PE activities (closed-toe shoes are required).

Thank you once again for your continued partnership and support. We could not have reached this milestone without each of you!

Great Hearts Day at the D-Backs

Wednesday, September 24, 2025 vs. LA Dodgers at Chase Field

Great Hearts is partnering with the D-backs once again to bring you another Great Hearts Day at Chase Field! Enjoy discounted tickets, enter for the opportunity to win game day experiences and prizes, and arrive early for the chance to participate in a special pre-game parade around the warning track- exclusive to Great Hearts families and faculty! Find out more information and purchase your tickets **here**. We hope to see you there!



We want to make you aware that construction is currently taking place and will soon impact the streets directly in front of our school. This work may cause temporary changes to traffic flow, parking, and drop-off/pick-up procedures. Please allow extra time when arriving and leaving campus and use caution when driving near the school to ensure the safety of our students and staff. If alternate routes are available, we encourage you to plan accordingly. We will keep you updated if we receive more information about the construction timeline and any changes that may affect school access.

Thank you for your patience and cooperation during this time.

Construction Alert:



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E Kings Ave

E Hartford Ave

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E Campo Bello Dito

E Danbury Rd≥ E Bell Rd

N 31st St

E Paradise

32nd Street, Cactus Road to Bell Road

Construction is scheduled to start the week of August 25, 2025 and will last approximately 8 months.

SouthwestGas is working to upgrade infrastructure in yourarea.

Work will occur Monday – Friday, 6:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

- · No interruption in natural gas service is anticipated.
- · Through traffic will be restricted but maintained. Lane restrictions will vary to accommodate the pipe installation as construction moves from south to north. Please look for signage and personnel guiding traffic around the construction area.
- · Weekend work may be required.
- · Left hand turns will be restricted as necessary to complete the

· Please drive safely through the construction zone, and thank you for your patience and cooperation!

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Southwest Gas is committed to providing its customers with safe and reliable natural gas. Periodic infrastructure replacement is a key part of this commitment.

For additional information, call the Construction Hotline at 602-235-2896.

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Aviso de Construcción:



32nd Street, Cactus Road hasta Bell Road

Está programado que la construcción empiece la semana del 25 de agosto de 2025 y que dure aproximadamente 8 meses.

Southwest Gasestá actualizando lainfraestructura desu área. El trabajo tomará lugar de lunes a viernes, desde las 6:00 a.m. hasta las 4:30 p.m.

- · No se espera ninguna interrupción de servicio de gas natural.
- · Se mantendrá el tráfico de paso pero estará mantenido. Se variarán las restricciones de carril para acomodar la instalación de tubería a medida que las construcción progrese desde el sur hasta el norte. Por favor esté atento a la señalización y al personal que guía el tráfico por la zona de construcción.
- · Trabajo de fin de semana puede ser necesario.
- · Los giros a la izquierda pueden estar restringido como sea necesario para terminar el trabajo.
- Por favor, emplee precaución al manejar por la zona de construcción, ¡le agradecemos su paciencia y su cooperación!

Southwest Gas está comprometido a proporcionar gas natural seguro y fiable a sus clientes. El reemplazo periódico de infraestructura es una parte clave de este compromiso. key part ofthis commitment.

Para información adicional, llame a la Línea de Información de Construcción al 602-235-2896.





My Hot Lunchbox

Hot lunch has started! Be sure to check out the new line up and options! 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 **PSO lunch website**.

Meetups & Dineouts

Mark your calendars!

- Sept 17 | Chipotle Dineout | 4–8 PM | 32nd St & Bell Location
- Sept 20 | Parent Mixer | 5-7 PM | Aunt Chilada's

Parents, it's your turn for a night out! Join us for the Back to School Parent Mixer to connect with fellow ANP families, relax, and enjoy a fun evening together.

When: Saturday, September 20th | 5–7 PM

Where: Aunt Chilada's, 7330 N Dreamy Draw Dr, Phoenix, AZ

Early Bird (by Sept. 15): \$20/person | \$35/couple

At the Door (cash only): \$30/person | \$50/couple

Ticket includes tasty food, non-alcoholic drinks, and one Beer, Margarita, or Sangria!

Childcare Available on Campus

4:30–7:30 PM | \$5 per child (cash nly) | Must be potty trained

Sign up here

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2025–2026 Sponsorships Are Open

Got a business (or know someone who does)? Support 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 info@anppso.org.

Volunteer Opportunities

Consider volunteering or contributing to Campus Donation needs, see the opportunities below:

- 1. Nurse Donations Consider picking up some of the nurse station necessities while you are out. Please <u>sign</u> <u>up here</u>
- 2. Vision and Hearing Screening Volunteers We need volunteers to help our nurses with vision and hearing screenings. This is a wonderful way to support our students' health. Please sign up here
- 3. Forgotten Lunch Donations Help us keep our pantry stocked for students who have forgotten their lunch. We want to ensure no student goes hungry, and we count on your generous donations to make that happen. Please <u>sign up here</u>
- 4. Used Uniforms Drop off donations at the Front Office

Remember for all volunteering, you must be Raptor verified. Every year if you plan on volunteering on campus for any reason you must complete a raptor application.

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 your 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 LINK.

Dismissal Times

M, T, TH, F

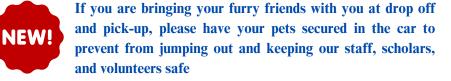
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Wednesday

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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.



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 and carline, but we prefer you have a placard in your window for car pick up. Placards printed and placed in your window help the car line move faster so that we can see your scholar(s) name to help quickly get your scholar(s) to you. 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.





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 Ms. 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