

ARCHWAY NORTH PHOENIX

A GREAT HEARTS ACADEMY



NEWSLETTER

October 17, 2025



This is a friendly reminder that school begins promptly at 8AM each day. Lately, we've noticed an increase in tardiness, which can disrupt learning for all students. Your student should be dropped off prior to 8AM to ensure they are in class ready to start the day on time. **If you are dropping a student off after 8 o'clock, the doors will be closed and you will need to bring your child to the front office to sign them in. Archway students should not be left to walk by themselves to the front office outside.** Please call the front office if you have any questions.



Open Enrollment is almost here for the 2026-27 school year!

Do you have a new student to enroll for the 2026-27 school year? Submit applications for new students starting Monday, October 20th through December 31st on the [Enrollment Portal](#). Re-enrollment for current students will take place in March 2026. Click [here](#) to view Great Hearts enrollment timeline.

ATTENTION PLEASE



5th Grade Families

Your enrollment at Archway does not automatically transfer to North Phoenix Prep (NPX). You must complete the entire open enrollment process to secure your seat in 6th grade. If you know for certain that your child is not attending NPX next year for 6th grade, please reach out to Mrs. Sokolis at (bsokolis@northphoenixprep.org) so that she can note your intentions.

Important Dates

October 20th - 24th
Book Fair

October 24th
Literature Day

October 24th
Half Day
Noon Dismissal

October 30th
Headmaster Chat -
4th & 5th Grade Families

November 4th
Picture Re-Takes

November 11th
School Closed -
Veteran's Day

November 21st
Field Day -
Grades 3rd - 5th

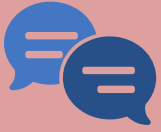
Office Hours
M/T/TH/F
7:30AM - 3:30PM
Wednesday
7:30AM - 2:00PM

Join us on Social Media!



EVENTS

Headmaster Chat



* 4th & 5th Grade families meet in the library October 30th from 8:15-9:15am

Upcoming Argonaut Camps

Argonauts Fall, Winter, and Spring Break Sports and Fun Camps. [Register Here](#)

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? Dwaugh@archwaynorthphoenix.org | Pricing & more info available online

Picture Retakes are November 4th.



If you were absent you will get your picture taken on this day. If you receive your pictures and want to retake, you must keep the picture packet and return it on re-take day with the student.



Our Annual Winter Concert will be on December 5th!

*More Information will be included in future newsletters.





Literature Day

Our 10th Annual Literature Day on October 24th, 2025 is dedicated to inspire the love of reading for each one of our students! The students will have the opportunity to dress up as their favorite literary character for the school day while enjoying guest readers and classroom activities.

Literary Figure Dress-Up Guidelines

Scholars are encouraged to come dressed as their favorite literary character on Friday, October 24th, 2025.



1. The costume must be of a literary figure that is part of the Archway North Phoenix curriculum. You can access the literature reading list [here](#).
2. The costume should cover at least the same areas as the uniform polo shirt and shorts/skirts (just above the knee). No skinny jeans or leggings alone should be worn.
3. Items in your costume should not have any logos or pop-culture references on them.
4. Shoes must remain in uniform.
5. Costume masks are NOT permitted. Face paint is only permitted if it is an integral part of the costume and should be minimal (whiskers are acceptable, but a green face is not.)
6. Small props may be asked to be put away during class time.

It is not required to dress up, but it is highly encouraged!



Book Fair

To celebrate Literature Week students will be visiting the book fair with their classes. Families will be able to shop the book fair in person each day after school. Here is the [link](#) for online shopping if you would prefer.

Book Fair Hours of Operation:

Monday	10/20: 3:30 – 4:30 PM
Tuesday	10/21: 3:30 – 4:30 PM
Wednesday	10/22: 1:45 – 2:45 PM
Thursday	10/23: 3:30 – 4:30 PM
Friday	10/24: 12:30 – 1:30 PM

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.

Argonauts – 2nd Quarter Field Trips are scheduled!

Did you know? As a Public Charter School, we don't receive the same funding as other schools, which means we rely on your support to make sure EVERY student gets to experience not one, but TWO awesome field trips per year! These hands-on, out-of-classroom experiences are memories our students will cherish—thanks to you!

Here's how you can make a difference:

Contribute to the [Dollar-for-dollar AZ Public School Tax Credit program](#) and if you have not done so yet- pay [your one-time field trip fee](#) per student per school year.

Your support makes all of this possible! Thank you for supporting our Argonauts and helping us create unforgettable experiences for our students!

Double or Triple Your Impact at Archway North Phoenix!

Did you know you can increase the impact of your Community Investment or Tax Credit donation to ANP through Corporate Gift Matching Programs? Many employers will match donations made by their employees, an easy way to double or even triple your support!

[Search our matching gift directory to see if your company participates](#)

***If your company isn't listed, take a moment to ask your HR department about matching gift opportunities.**

A huge thank you to the families who have already taken advantage of this incredible opportunity!

Getting Started is Easy:

1. Make your Community Investment or Arizona Tax Credit gift to ANP.
2. Check if your employer offers matching gifts.
3. Multiply your impact — it's that simple!

Have questions?

Jackie Curtis, our Family Giving & Community Engagement Officer, is here to help!

Contact Ms. Curtis at (602) 404-7414

Your partnership, through your time, talent, and treasure, makes everything we love about our school possible. Thank you for your continued investment in your students education at ANP!



Field Trips

October 31: 1st Grade: AZ Science Center

November 14th: 4th Grade: Herpetological Center

November 18th: Kindergarten: Tolmachoff Farms

November 21st: 2nd Grade: World Wildlife Zoo

December 16th: 3rd Grade: Phoenix Zoo

Parent Service Organization

My Hot Lunchbox

Hot lunch is here, with new options your kids will love. You can order easily from your phone app or online and make changes until noon the day before! For additional information, visit [PSO lunch website](#).

2025–2026 Sponsorships Are Open - Last Call

Got a business (or know someone who does)? Support ANP and get your name out there!

We have 2 ways to sponsor: Interested? Send an email to info@anppso.org.

Field Day Shirts: Logo on every shirt. (\$400, due 10/3)

Movie Night Popcorn: Details coming in October

Get Your Yearbook Early & Save!

Just a few weeks left to get the best price!

Softcover: \$30 (plus tax)

Hardcover: \$37.91 (plus tax)

Bonus perks: Customize 2 pages with your scholar's favorite memories

Donate yearbooks to teachers & the school. One tree planted for every book sold!

[Order Here](#)

Grade-Level Potluck – Fall Harvest

4th & 5th Grade Families, our grade-level sponsored Teacher Appreciation Potluck is coming up Wednesday, October 22 in the staff lounge! Let's spoil our amazing teachers and staff with a Fall Harvest-themed feast.

You can sign up to drop off an item or make a donation toward the meal. [Sign Up here](#)

Holiday Appreciation Sign-Ups

It's that time of year again - help us spread some holiday cheer to our incredible ANP teachers and staff!

Holiday Appreciation Trees are going up soon, and donation packets are available for families who prefer to contribute that way instead. Every contribution helps make this event special and memorable for our staff!

- Assemble heart packets: [Sign Up Here](#)
- Hang the appreciation trees: [Sign Up Here](#)

Moms Club November Meetup

Join us for a fun Moms Club Happy Hour - the perfect way to relax, laugh, and connect

Thursday, November 21

OHSO (8525 N. Central Ave)

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

[RSVP Here](#)

All ANP moms are welcome — come grab a drink, meet new friends, and unwind before the holiday rush

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.

[Raptor Link](#)



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.



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.



Dismissal Times

M, T, TH, F

Archway 3:00PM

Prep 3:30PM

Wednesday

Archway 1:30PM

Prep 1:15PM



New Traffic Map

Archway: Must enter the school by heading south on 32nd street in order to turn right into the school. NO LEFT TURNS will be available.

Prep: Must proceed south on 32nd street past the school to Thunderbird. Make a right onto Thunderbird and then a right onto 31st street. Take 31st street to Hearn Rd. Make a right and enter the school on the left. No stopping on Hearn.

All traffic must make a right when exiting the school.

32ND STREET UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Should you have any questions or concerns please reach out.

We are all in this together.

Let's Make it a Great Year Argonauts!

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:



SOUTHWEST GAS

32nd Street, Cactus Road to Bell Road

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

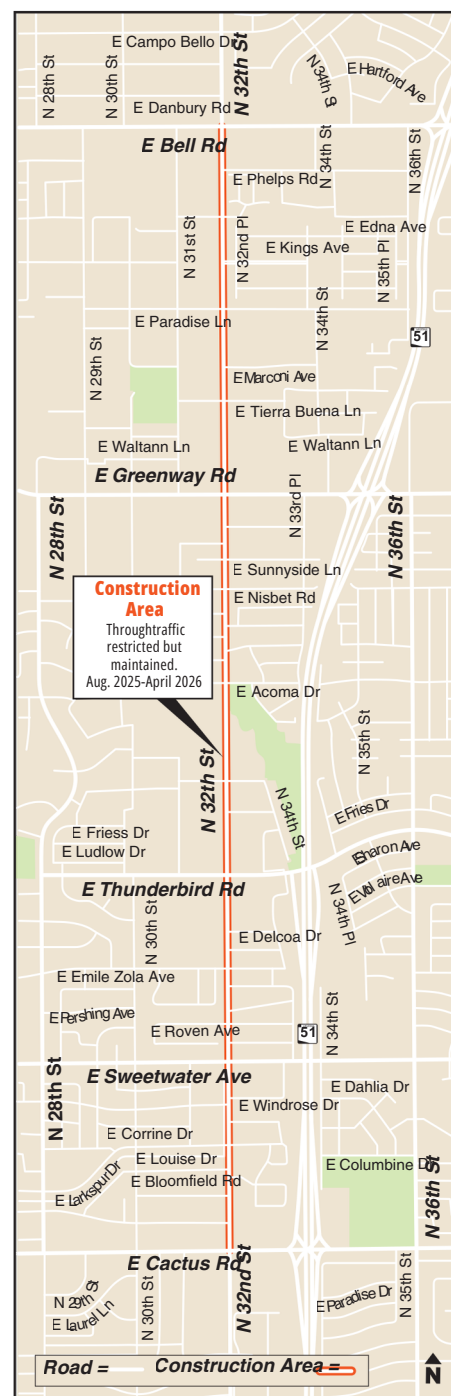
SouthwestGas is working to upgrade infrastructure in your area.

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

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.**



Construction schedules are subject to change for a variety of reasons, including weather and personnel/material availability. Southwest Gas and its contractors recognize the inconvenience of construction and we thank you for your patience and support!

Aviso de Construcción:



32nd Street, Cactus Road hasta Bell Road

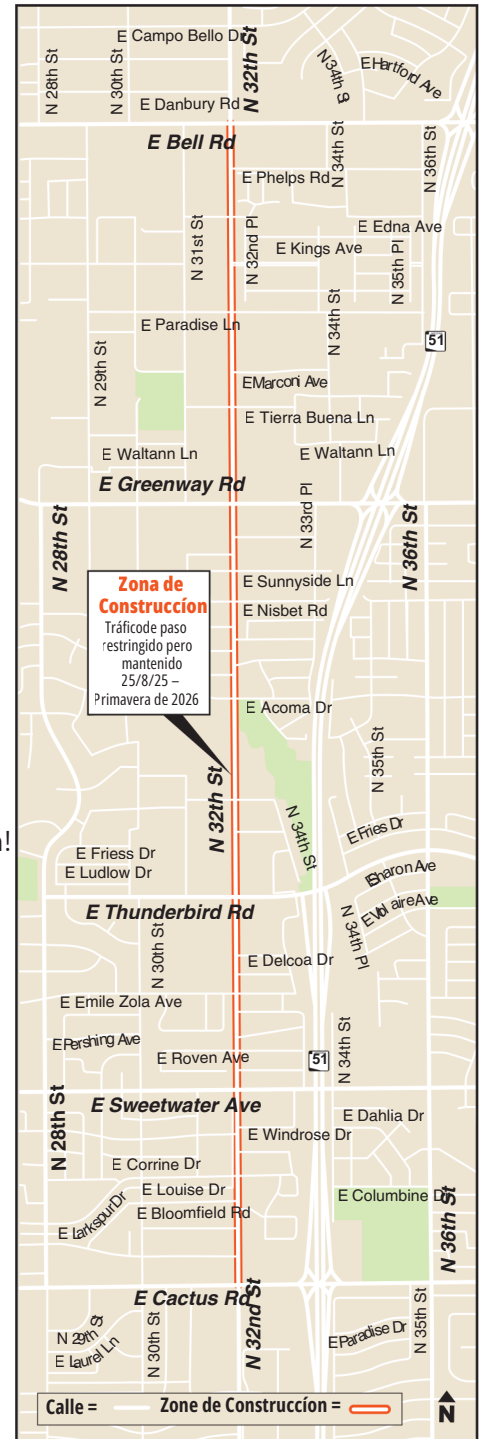
Está programado que la construcción empiece la semana del 25 de agosto de 2025 y que dure aproximadamente 8 meses.

Southwest Gas está actualizando la infraestructura de su 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 la 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.

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



Los programas de construcción están sujetos a cambios por una variedad de razones, incluso el tiempo y la disponibilidad de personal/materiales. Southwest Gas y sus contratistas reconocen la inconveniencia que resulta de la construcción y le agradecemos la paciencia y el apoyo.



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

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



Kindergarten Newsletter

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. Reformat & 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 & Ms. Allan

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