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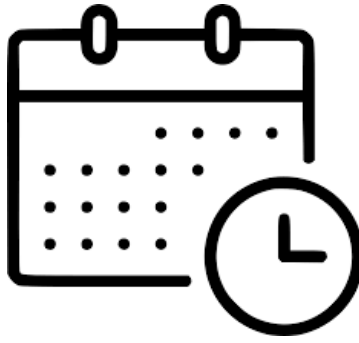
THE ARCHER'S SCROLL
NEWSLETTER

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BACK TO SCHOOL EDITION

IMPORTANT DATES

- July 31 **Club registration opens**
- July 28 Welcome letters from teachers are sent out
- July 30 Deadline to **order lunch** for the first week of school
- August 1 Meet the Teacher
- August 3 First Day of School
- August 9 First Day of Wednesday after school clubs
- August 14-18 All after school clubs begin
- August 15 Curriculum Night (Kinder and Grade 1)
- August 22 Curriculum Night (Grades 2 and 3)
- August 24 Curriculum Night (Grades 4 and 5)
- September 30 **Great Hearts Gala**



2023-24
SCHOOL CALENDAR

If you have decided not to send your child to Archway Scottsdale this coming school year, please contact Keli King, our Registrar/Enrollment Coordinator, immediately at KKing@archwayscottsdale.org. Thank you!



Meet the Teacher

On **Friday, July 28**, all families will receive a **Welcome Letter** from their new homeroom teacher. Please join us on **Tuesday, August 1**, to **meet your new teacher** and visit your new classroom! This is an event for students and parents. Please bring your school supplies with you! This is a drop-in event, so if you have multiple students in your family, you will have time to visit more than one classroom in the 45-minute window. Your specials teachers (**K-2 | 3-5**) would also love to meet you! The PSO will be selling used uniforms and spirit wear as well!

To manage traffic and parking, we are asking that families come at the following times:

Families with last name A-G 3:30-4:15 pm

Families with last name H-O 4:30-5:15 pm

Families with last name P-Z 5:30-6:15 pm

School Uniforms

Read through our 2023-2024 **Uniform and Dress Code Policy** to ensure your student is ready for the first day of school! The **Uniform Pictorial Guide** provides a visual of some acceptable and unacceptable uniform elements.



Placards

At the Meet the Teacher event, you will receive updated classroom stickers for your placards. New families will receive their placards and stickers in the classroom of their youngest student. If you are unable to attend the Meet the Teacher event, please stop by the front office after drop-off to get your placards or stickers. If you discarded your placards or simply need a few more, please **order them from the Front Office** (office@archwayscottsdale.org) for \$5 cash per set.

The First Day of Kindergarten

In order to ensure a smooth transition on the first day of school for our kindergarten students, we will have a late start at 9:15 am. Parents should park and enter through the front office. Parents are welcome to walk their Kindergarten student directly to the classroom on the first day. Dismissal times will remain the same. *(All kindergarten families must use the car line for drop-off and pick-up beginning on Friday, August 4. We will have plenty of faculty in the hallways guiding our kindergarten students to class!)*



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

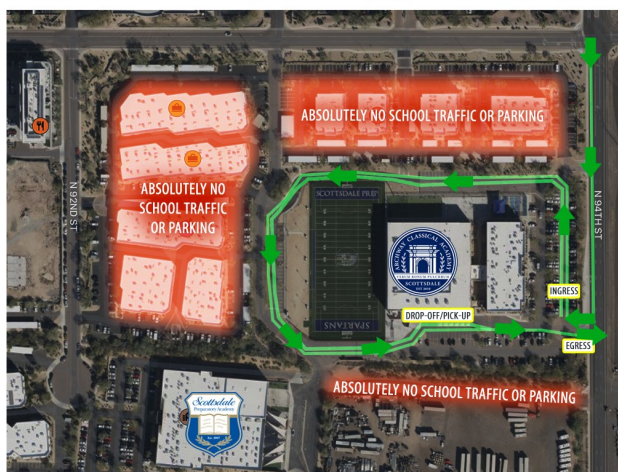
MORNING DROP-OFF

Student drop-off is 7:30-8:15am.

If students walk or ride a bike to school, they will need to walk to the MPR doors in order to enter. **Dropping off at the curb is strictly prohibited.** Please follow the following car line procedure for the safety of all staff and children:

All students will be dropped off on the south side of the school. Please drive south on 94th Street and enter the drop-off lines on the northeast corner of the parking lot and head west. Use both the A and B lanes. Drive around the building and field to the south side of the building. The drop-off zone is where the umbrellas are located.

**Morning Drop-Off
Ends at 8:15!**



Students should be in their classrooms, seated, and ready to learn **by 8:15 am**. **Please note that the drop-off lanes will be physically closed at 8:15.** If arrival is after 8:15, please pull into the front parking lot and walk students into the front office to be signed in late. The front office doors are closed from 8:15-8:20 am for morning announcements.



Mornings can be hectic, but we all want our students to get into school safely and on time. We've compiled a few helpful tips to make the process run smoothly for parents and students alike.

To make morning drop-off SAFE and EFFICIENT:

1. Make sure that your child is completely dressed and ready to get out of the car (backpack, water bottle, and lunch in hand).
2. Focus on drop-off process (e.g. no cell phone conversations or texting).

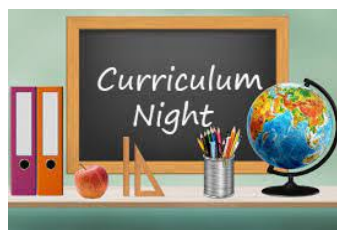
3. Do not drop off students at the curb. All cars should go through the car line.
4. Pull all the way up to where the volunteers indicate; they are trying to keep the crossing area clear as well as maximize the drop-off area.
5. Do not get out of the car.
6. Children must exit on the driver's side.
7. Send your children off with a loving word; what you say to your children at drop-off will stay with them the entire day.
8. Don't wait for your children to make it in the doors...they will!
9. Watch out for traffic as you exit the campus, and follow directions!
10. Serve as a morning traffic volunteer to help make the drop-off go smoothly and allow our teachers more time to prepare each morning. Start your day with lots of smiles!

STUDENT AFTERNOON PICK-UP

All students will be dismissed through the car lanes. There is **no option** to pick up at the front office, except to check a student out early. Please make sure to have the blue placard with student's last name and section (3A, etc.) clearly displayed on the driver-side visor when you turn onto 94th Street and enter the pick-up queue. **If the placard is not visible or cars arrive before 3:10 pm/1:10 pm for the 2nd pick-up window, they will be directed to loop around and join the back of the line.** Please do not switch lanes once your car has entered the school property, which would cause your child to head to an incorrect spot for dismissal and actually increase your pick-up time.

3rd, 4th, and 5th Grade SPA Walkers

Students in 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade who have siblings at Scottsdale Prep may sign a permission slip to walk to the Scottsdale Prep campus after school to be picked up. If this is an option that you would like for your child, please read, print, and sign the **permission slip**. Turn it into the office at Meet the Teacher. (The office will also have hard copies on hand for you to sign.) Completed permission slips turned in between Tuesday, July 25th and Thursday, August 3rd will be able to walk to SPA for dismissal starting the first full week of school on Monday, August 7th. **New this year: students will be given a pink ACS sticker that should be added to your SPA placard to ensure proper safety/security and logistics during SPA dismissal.**



Curriculum Night - Mark Your Calendars!

August 15 (Kindergarten and 1st grade), August 22 (2nd and 3rd grades), and August 24 (4th and 5th grades) are Curriculum Night from **5:30-6:30pm!** Mark your calendars for this important opportunity to hear from your teachers about your child's curriculum and grade-level expectations. The headmaster will also host a meet and greet with parents after the classroom presentations have concluded. **This important evening is for parents only, so please plan to book a sitter.** More details coming soon!

Register for Clubs!

Registration closes August 11 at midnight, but due to space limitations, clubs fill up fast. Sign up now for your favorite choices!

[More details and register »](#)

Your **tax credit donations** subsidize club fees. Thank you!



Monday

K-5 PE Games
K-2 Tech Fun
3-5 Poetry Club
4-5 Book Club

Tuesday

K-5 Volleyball (Q1)
K-5 Flag Football (Q2)
K-5 Homework Time
K-2 Spanish
3-5 Spanish

Wednesday

K-5 Tennis (2:20-3:20 pm)
K-5 Chess (2:20-3:20 pm)
K-5 Bricks4Kidz (2:30-3:20 pm)
K-5 Basketball (3:30-4:30 Q1)*
K-5 Soccer (3:30-4:30 Q2)*
K-5 Crazy Cool Science (3:30-4:30 pm)*
K-5 Pickleball (3:30-4:30)*

Thursday

K-2 Art
3-5 Creative Clay Club

3-5 Kickball
3-5 Tech Fun

Friday

K-5 Crazy Cool Science
3-5 Art
4-5 Speech and Debate

Monday-Friday Before School

K-5 Running/Agility Club (7:00-7:30 am)

**Students who only sign up for the later clubs will need to be picked up at dismissal and brought back at 2:30 pm.*



Before School: Solis Ortus

Solis Ortus is a tuition-based extension of the school day for families who need to take advantage of an earlier start to the school day. *Solis Ortus* allows our families to drop off students starting as early as 7:00 am. Students spend the morning with some of our friendly teachers engaged in activities and games! [Read more about this opportunity and to register for Solis Ortus »](#)

After School: Athenaeum

Athenaeum is focused on the liberal arts and promotes learning by providing students dedicated homework time in addition to a diverse array of culturally-enriching, academically-oriented activities beyond the classroom. Athenaeum scholars also enjoy time for recreation, games, socializing and just plain fun. Athenaeum runs daily from the dismissal bell (even on early release days) until 6:00 pm. Flexible and affordable options are available to fit any family's after-school needs. [Explore options and register for Athenaeum »](#)





Kinder Parents' Coffee

Kindergarten parents, please join us after drop-off on the first day of school for our annual PSO Coffee event. Meet other kinder parents, sip a cup of coffee, and celebrate the start of a new adventure at Archway Scottsdale for your kiddos!

Deadline to Order Lunch is Sunday!

The PSO offers a wonderful hot lunch program with tons of kid-friendly options. If you would like to order lunch for the first week of school, you must complete your order by **THIS SUNDAY, July 30**. The **Boonli platform** will open on Saturday and be available until midnight on Sunday, July 30 for lunch orders for the first week of school! You will be receiving an email with information on how to set up your account/assign your child's class/order.

ALERT! The lunch volunteer sign-up will be sent out by email Saturday, July 29 at 11am! NOTE: Make sure you have completed the **Great Hearts Volunteer Application** for this school year.



PLEASE NOTE

Parents, please note the ACS food guidelines for the hot lunch program and nut-free table.

Guidelines for the Lunch Program:

1. The hot lunch program is provided by an outside vendor and administered by the PSO.
2. It is the parent's responsibility to communicate with the vendor on potential allergens present in the foods provided and served.
3. The hot lunch program is an optional purchase.

4. Parents may opt to release their child's name and allergy information to volunteers working in the lunch program for their child's safety.

Nut-Free Table in the Multi-Purpose Room:

1. A nut-free table is available for students to sit at that have any type of a nut allergy. According to the FDA, coconut is classified as a nut and cannot be at the nut-free table.
 2. The table is labeled with a nut-free sign.
 3. Only disposable disinfecting wipes (such as Clorox wipes) or surface cleaner and paper towels should be used to clean this table to avoid cross contamination with nut allergens. The table is labeled to only use disposable wipes or fresh paper towels for cleaning.
 4. When space is available, students may invite 1 friend to sit with them at the nut-free table. It is the teacher's responsibility to check the accompanying student's lunch to ensure it is nut-free. Packaged food must also be made in a facility that does not share equipment with nuts.
 5. Please note, Chick-Fil-A is fried in peanut oil and therefore cannot be consumed at the nut-free table.
 6. Parents may opt to sign a waiver (available from the health office) stating they allow their student with a nut allergy to sit at the regular tables. These waivers need to be updated yearly. The nurse will let teachers know at the beginning of every school year who has a nut-free table waiver.
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Forget Something?

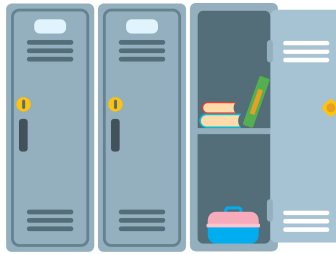
For the security of our students and faculty, the office staff cannot leave the front office to deliver forgotten lunches, water bottles, or homework and interrupt the classroom learning environment. While we understand there can be occasional forgotten lunch, we ask all lunches to be delivered by 10:30 am, clearly marked with name, grade and section. Additionally, parents must alert both teachers (lead & assistant) by email that a lunch has been dropped off. If your child has forgotten a water bottle or other materials, please follow the same drop-off guidelines, communicating with your child's teachers via email.



DoorDash, Uber Eats, Grubhub, and similar delivery services are not permitted to deliver for students.



After school, students are not allowed to re-enter the school after they have been picked up to retrieve forgotten books, lunchboxes, etc. This policy is in place for the safety of students and also to increase the virtue of responsibility in our students.



5th Grader Lockers

A friendly reminder that 5th grade students will use lockers to store their backpacks during the day. One locker shelf is permitted inside the locker, but any additional decorations or accessories are not permitted.

School Messenger

Great Hearts and Archway Scottsdale continue to utilize the system School Messenger for emails, robo calls, and text messaging to inform families of campus related academy emergencies and other communications. SchoolMessenger has a new automatic opt-in for text feature. During the registration/re-enrollment process families confirmed their wish to participate in text communications. **Great Hearts will now automatically opt in contact information given during the registration/re-enrollment process with the options you selected.** If you would like to opt out of text messages simply reply STOP to the text from 67585. You can also enter the code 67585 with the message STOP to block any text messaging. Please note, if opting out, you **will not receive** texts regarding emergencies on campus.



Dear Archway Scottsdale families,

My name is Lisa Noyes, and I have the privilege of serving as the Family Giving and Community Engagement Officer for our school community. My role at Archway Scottsdale is to raise the funds for our school that make our educational model possible. I look forward to partnering with you throughout the school year to support our great academy. In the meantime, please feel free to contact me at (480) 776-3571 should you need any assistance starting your school year.

**Best,
Lisa Noyes**

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Family Giving and Community Engagement Officer



Hello Archway Scottsdale families,

My name is Anna Moriarty, I am currently the Family Giving Associate at Archway Scottsdale. I am excited for another great year getting to know all of the Archway families and continuing to work together to help Archway Scottsdale grow. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or stop by our office anytime. I look forward to working together.

All the best,

Anna Moriarty

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Family Giving Associate



Volunteer Applications for This School Year

Parent volunteers are the heart of our school! (Grandparents, too!) All volunteers must apply to volunteer **each school year**. If you haven't already, **please fill out a volunteer application** at least 3 days before coming on campus to volunteer to allow time for approval.



ARCHWAY SCOTTSDALE PARENT SERVICE ORGANIZATION

Find out more about the PSO!



Staff Birthday Treats

The PSO provides a monthly treat for all the staff to celebrate the staff birthdays that month. If you are interested in helping to provide a birthday treat, please contact **PSO Faculty Appreciation** for details.



Please answer all of the questions or we cannot add you!



QUICK LINKS

Weekly Email Archives

GH Volunteer Application

Family Handbook

Family Resources

Birthday Book List

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