

Archway Weekly Update | September 26, 2024

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Archway Scottsdale



THE ARCHER'S SCROLL NEWSLETTER

September 26, 2024

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Upcoming key dates to remember:

Galileo Testing Dates

- 5th Grade** 10/21 & 10/22 | 9:10-11:00am
- 3rd Grade** 10/24 & 10/25 | 11:30am-1:10pm
- 2nd Grade** 10/28 & 10/29 | 8:20-10:10am
- 4th Grade** 10/31 & 11/1 | 8:20-9:50am

September 28 PSO Family Game Night



Saturday
September 23th
6-8pm

Family Game Night

Free Entry

Archway
Scottsdale
MPR

Lou Malnatis
&
Snack Bar

**Bingo
Mini Golf
and more**

OCTOBER

October 2 Used Uniform Sale | 1:30-3:30pm | ACS Parking Lot

October 3 PSO Archway Dads Fall Kick-Off | 7-9pm | The Vig McDowell Mountain

October 4 Archer Day

October 4 PSO Yogurtology Dine-Out

ARCHWAY SCOTTSDALE DINE OUT EVENT

YO-GURT TO BE
KIDDING ME!

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4TH
12:00 PM - 9:00 PM

YOGURTOLOGY
15029 N THOMPSON PEAK PKWY
(LOCATED IN AJ'S PARKING LOT)



MENTION ARCHWAY SCOTTSDALE BEFORE CHECKOUT, AND
20% WILL BE DONATED BACK TO THE SCHOOL!

Not valid with any other offer. Not valid at other locations, dates, or times!

October 7-11 No School | Fall Break

October 14-17 Half Days | Parent / Teacher Conferences

October 16 PSO Lou Malnati's Dine-Out



October 18 No School | Parent / Teacher Conferences

October 30 Classical Character Day



November 6 Used Uniform Sale | 1:30-3:30pm | ACS Parking Lot

November 9 PSO Fall Carnival

November 11 No School | Veterans Day
November 13 PSO Ling's Wok Shop Dine-Out
November 26 Archer Day
November 27-29 Thanksgiving Break | R&R

SCHOOL HOURS


Half-Day Kindergarten | 8:15-11:45 AM
Full-Day Kindergarten-2nd Grade | 8:15-2:50 PM
3rd-5th Grade (+ K-2nd Grade Siblings) | 8:15-3:15 PM

Early Release

1:50 PM (K-2nd)
2:15 PM (3rd-5th + K-2nd siblings)

Half Day

11:50 AM (K-2nd Grade)
12:15 PM (3rd-5th + K-2nd siblings)



Quarter 1 Archer Days

October 4

Show off your Archway Archer pride by wearing your favorite spirit wear shirts along with your regular uniform bottoms, shoes, and socks.

2024-2025
SCHOOL CALENDAR

2024-2025
IMPORTANT DATES

UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS!



Families are invited to participate in celebrating the birthdays of our fantastic Archway Scottsdale faculty & staff members. Feel free to encourage your students to create heartfelt handmade cards or extend your thoughtfulness by selecting a gift of your preference to deliver.

QUICK LINKS

[Order Hot Lunch](#)

[Current Volunteer Opportunities](#)

[Uniform Pictorial Guide](#)

[Family Directory](#)

[Birthday Book List](#)

[Faculty & Staff Favorites](#)

[Uniform & Dress Code Policy](#)

[Family Resources](#)

[Email Archives](#)

[ACS Academy Giving](#)

[Volunteer Application](#)

[Family Handbook](#)

ACS Parking Lot Reminders



The red curb outside the front office is designated as a fire lane, and parking there is strictly prohibited!

If you are visiting the front office for any reason (such as an early morning drop-off for tutoring, dropping off your student late or bringing forgotten items, etc.), please ensure that you **park in designated parking spots rather than at the curb or blocking other spaces in our parking lot.**

Parking in a handicap spot without a designated handicap license plate or placard is not allowed at any time. These spots must remain open for those who require them.

For half-day kindergarten pick-up, we kindly request that you **do not arrive before 11:45 am.** Early arrivals contribute to congestion in our parking lot, creating inconvenience for others entering or leaving our campus.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Conference Week Reminders



- Teachers will send sign-ups for conference times on **Friday, September 27th** with their weekly newsletters.
- Parents will have access to their student's Quarter 1 report card via the PowerSchool parent portal starting on **Monday, October 14th**.
- The week of **October 14th-17th** will be half days all week to allow time for parent/teacher conferences. Parents are welcome to reach out directly to specials teacher to request a conference if desired.

Half Day Dismissal times:

11:50 AM (K-2nd Grade)

12:15 PM (3rd-5th + K-2nd siblings)

- There will be no conferences on **Friday, October 18th** because all ACS Faculty will participate in an important professional development hosted by Great Hearts leadership.

Club Pick-Up Policy and Procedures

Pick-Up Policy:

Parents have a 10-minute grace period to pick up their child after the club ends. After that, a \$1 per minute late fee will be charged. Two late pick-ups will result in your child being removed from the club without a refund.

Athenaeum:

If your child is registered for Athenaeum and attends a club throughout the week, they will be dropped off there at 4:30 PM on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. On Wednesdays, drop-off will be at either 3:20 PM or 4:30 PM, depending on their club. Please do not pick up your child from Athenaeum before the scheduled dismissal time. The Athenaeum teachers are not responsible for getting your child during clubs.

Courtyard Pick-Up:

Club pick-up is in the courtyard at 4:30 PM on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, and at 3:20/4:30 PM on Wednesday, depending on the club. Early pick-ups are not permitted due to limited staffing. If you have scheduling conflicts, please arrange for your child to skip the club that day.

Reporting Club Absences:

If your child is absent on a day they attend club, please email dbrush@archwayscottsdale.org the following information.

- Child's name
- Club they are enrolled in

CLASSICAL CHARACTER DAY OCTOBER 30



Classical Character Day

Join us in celebration of classical literature! Students and faculty are invited to celebrate the virtues and qualities of a literary character they adore or admire by dressing up as that character on **Wednesday, October 30**. Dressing up is not required, but is highly encouraged!

Permission slips and guidelines will be sent home in students' green folders on Friday, October 4. **We kindly ask that you fill out and return the permission slip to your homeroom teacher by Monday, October 28.**

Yearbook Ordering is Open!

Yearbooks are officially available for purchase at an "Early Bird" rate of 10% off your order through **October 31st!**

Cherish those school year memories by purchasing an Archway Scottsdale yearbook today! Your family will love flipping through pictures of classmates, teachers and staff, classroom celebrations, field trips, special campus events, and more! Purchased yearbooks will be distributed to classrooms in May 2025.

[CLICK HERE TO ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK TODAY!](#)

Parent Service Organization



SOCIAL EVENTS | LUNCH PROGRAM | ROOM PARENTS | YEARBOOK | FACULTY APPRECIATION
EDUKIT | SPIRIT WEAR | VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR | USED UNIFORMS | DINE OUTS

FIND OUT MORE
ABOUT THE PSO!

CURRENT VOLUNTEER
OPPORTUNITIES

PSO Impact

Building Community and Giving Back



USED UNIFORM *sale*



On 9-4-24, the PSO held a successful used uniform sale, raising \$1,875. All proceeds will go toward supporting Faculty, Staff, and Community Building events. The PSO manages every aspect of these sales, from collecting, cleaning, sorting, organizing to staffing and running the sale.





Mom's Night Out



AWESOME turn out, ladies! The PSO offered a delicious spread of salads and pasta, and many of the Moms treated themselves to *permanent jewelry!*




The PSO was delighted to provide a grab-and-go lunch of pizza and salad for the faculty on their in-service day, 9/20/24!


LET'S  



TACO

'BOUT THE

CHIPOTLE DINE-OUT

 Approximately \$1600 in sales

 ~135 meals purchased

 = \$400 raised!!! 





Join us for the seventh annual [Great Hearts Gala: Classical Roots and Western Boots](#) presented by [Great Clips!](#) Join us for a live concert with our featured artist, American Idol Season 19 winner, *Chayce Beckham!* This year we will enjoy the cooler weather on *Friday, November 1st at the Van Buren* in the heart of downtown Phoenix. The Great Hearts Gala is the largest fundraising vehicle for the [Teacher Excellence Fund](#) which distributes bonus compensation every December to reward and retain our exceptional teachers. Over \$920,000 was awarded to our most valued Arizona teachers from this initiative last year! [Tickets are limited so get yours today!](#) If you are unable to attend the Gala but want to honor your great-hearted teachers, you can [donate to the Teacher Excellence Fund](#) at any time throughout the year.

A hiring advertisement for Archway Scottsdale. It features a woman smiling and writing on a piece of paper with a yellow pencil, while a young boy looks on. The text 'We're Hiring!' is in a large, cursive font. Below it, the address '16648 N. 94th Street Scottsdale, AZ 85260' is listed. Two bullet points indicate the roles: 'Kindergarten Lead Teacher' and 'Teaching Assistants'. A blue button says 'Apply Today!' and the website 'GreatHeartsCareers.org' is at the bottom.

We're Hiring!

Archway Scottsdale is hiring Apprentice Teachers/Teaching Assistants! If you or someone you know may be interested in guiding the hearts and minds of our scholars in the pursuit of truth, goodness, and beauty, please apply today!

[APPLY HERE!](#)

Looking to get more involved at Archway Scottsdale? Apply to become a substitute teacher! For details and to apply, please contact smagary@archwayscottsdale.org.



Reminder: School Safety Problems or Concerns

You can anonymously report any safety problem or concern via the Archway Scottsdale website.

[REPORT A SCHOOL SAFETY PROBLEM OR CONCERN HERE](#)

Title I Annual Parent Meeting

The annual Title I Annual Parent Meeting will be held virtually Thursday, Nov 7, 2024. Two sessions will be available:

Session 1 at 9:30 AM: <https://greathearts.zoom.us/j/99754631785>

Session 2 at 1 PM: <https://greathearts.zoom.us/j/92130844812>

These sessions will answer the questions: What is Title I? What is the Title I Grant Program? What resources are available for students who qualify for this assistance? The meeting will conclude with an open Q & A. Following the meeting, a brief survey will be distributed to collect feedback from attendees.

Questions about this event or Title I: Please email [Missy Penniman](mailto:MissyPenniman).



ACS School Policies

Reporting absences

Please communicate **all absences** to:

- The front office (email: office@archwayscottsdale.org)
- Your lead homeroom **teacher and assistant teacher**

Thank you for your help with keeping everyone informed!

Please be prompt when picking up your students at dismissal time!

- We do not allow front office pick up at dismissal time. **All students must be picked up through the regular car line.**
- Parents are granted a 30-minute window after their student's regular dismissal time to pick them up from school. In the event that you arrive more than 30 minutes after dismissal, **a late fee of \$1 per minute will be charged.**
- For after school clubs: Parents are granted a 10-minute window after their student's club dismissal time to pick them up. In the event that you arrive more than 10 minutes late, **a late fee of \$1 per minute will be charged.** Two late pickups from club dismissal will result in the student being **dropped from the club with no refund.**

Students Leaving Early Procedure

We kindly request that you avoid picking up your child before the end of the school day. Important instruction continues up until dismissal, and early pickups disrupt not only your child's learning but also impact the entire classroom. Please plan appointments before or after school, or on early release Wednesdays. If you need to pick up your students for an appointment, you must inform the office before 2:00pm. More than two early pickups in a month will require a doctor's note. Thank you for your cooperation!

We do not call students out of class before parents arrive on campus. Please give yourself time to find a parking spot, come into the lobby, let us know that you are signing your student out, and give them time to get packed up before they come to the office to meet you.

Forgotten Items

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

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.



Attendance Policy for Illness



A student should not come to school if any of these symptoms are present in the previous 24 hours:

- Elevated temperature of 100.0 degrees or greater. A student should be fever free for 24 hours *without the use of fever reducing medications* before returning to school.
- Vomiting or diarrhea

Stay Home:

- Frequent and/or productive cough
- Sore throat with swollen glands
- Undiagnosed new or untreated skin rash
- Pus-like discharge from the eyes

Our full illness policy can be found [HERE](#).



Birthday Book Donations

How do we celebrate student birthdays here at Archway Scottsdale? With a birthday book! Parents may donate a book from [our library's Birthday Book wish list](#) to be read in the classroom. Labeled with your child's name and birthday, this book is added to our school library for all to enjoy. Please be sure to mark your purchase as a gift and put your child's name, class, and birthday in the gift receipt! If you are unsure if we received your birthday book donation, please [email our librarian](#) and she will be happy to answer your questions.



COMMUNITY INVESTMENT

GOAL!

\$750,000



**Raised
\$111,243**

“One of our greatest challenges this year is budget cuts due to the expiration of certain streams of funding from the State. There is bipartisan support for renewing those funds in our next budget year; but for this year, we rely heavily upon our Community Investment and Tax Credit campaigns to deliver an even higher

standard of classical education to our students. Your partnership in these two campaigns has never been more necessary or appreciated,” states Dr. Sciubba in the first newsletter of this year.

Help achieve our goal by coming together as a community!

DONATE TO ARCHWAY SCOTTSDALE COMMUNITY INVESTMENT

Have Questions? We are here for you!

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