
Archway Weekly Update | October 3, 2024

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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



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

October 4



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

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



FACULTY & STAFF FAVORITE THINGS

October 3 **Ms. Aller** | ESS

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October 4 **Mrs. Osgood** | KB

October 5 **Mrs. Nichter** | 4B

October 6 **Ms. Lande** | 3B

October 7 **Ms. Corkill** | 5D

October 10 **Ms. Brumfield** | 3D

October 11 **Mr. Miller** | 4A

October 12 **Mrs. Terri Wiley** | Literacy

October 15 **Miss Felton** | KD

October 15 **Mrs. King** | Registrar



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



Lost and Found Reminder

Our Lost and Found is overflowing! Please remember to check for any missing items. Any items left unclaimed as of this Friday afternoon will be donated or discarded. Be sure to stop by before then to reclaim any lost belongings!

Conference Week Reminders



- Teachers have sent out sign-ups for conference times 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.

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.**

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

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



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!](#)



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 recruitment advertisement for Archway Scottsdale. It features a woman smiling and working with a young boy at a desk. The text includes 'We're Hiring!', '16648 N. 94th Street Scottsdale, AZ 85260', 'Kindergarten Lead Teacher', 'Teaching Assistants', 'Apply Today!', and 'GreatHeartsCareers.org'.

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](#).



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.



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DONATE TO ARCHWAY SCOTTSDALE COMMUNITY INVESTMENT

Have Questions? We are here for you!
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