

Archway Weekly Update | January 9, 2025

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Archway Scottsdale



THE ARCHER'S SCROLL
NEWSLETTER

January 9, 2025

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Upcoming key dates to remember:

JANUARY

Galileo Testing Dates

- 5th Grade 1/9, 1/10 – 9:10-11:00 am
- 3rd Grade 1/13, 1/14 – 11:30 am-1:10 pm
- 4th Grade 1/16, 1/17 – 8:20-9:50 am
- 2nd Grade 1/30, 1/31 – 8:20-10:10 am

January 10 Deadline to [register](#) for Q3 clubs

January 13 PSO Oregano's Dine Out



January 17 Archer Day
January 20-24 No School | Barrett Jackson
January 30 Class Pictures & Individual Retakes

FEBRUARY

February 7 Half Day | GH Inservice

February 11 PSO Portillo's Dine Out

You're invited to a
Portillo's
FUNDRAISER



Join us at Portillo's for a fundraiser to support:

Archway Scottsdale

When:
February 11, 2025
11:00 AM - 9:00 PM

at the Portillo's located at:
10574 N. 90th St.
Scottsdale, AZ

20% of sales will benefit your organization. Order online or in app for pickup using code **PORTILLOS34** before checkout in the "Apply Offer" field, or show this flyer or a digital version to cashier when ordering at the restaurant. Valid on drive thru, pickup, curbside, and in restaurant orders.

Portillo's
FOR GOOD

portillos.com/community

For online/app orders to qualify for the fundraiser, orders must be placed for pickup only, from the participating restaurant, on the fundraiser date and during the listed fundraiser hours. Gift card purchases, delivery orders, and orders placed on the third party websites are excluded from the fundraiser. Online ordering subject to availability. \$200 minimum fundraising sales required for the organization to receive donation. Cannot be combined with other offer codes.

WE'RE HIRING! APPLY AT PORTILLOS.COM/CAREERS

February 14 Archer Day
February 17 No School | R&R

February 20 PSO Mom's Night Out

MOM'S
NIGHT OUT

WHEN: THURSDAY 2/20 @ 6PM
WHERE: TOSCANA

16580 NORTH 92ND STREET
SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85260

February 22 PSO Daughter Dance



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 3 Archer Days

January 17
February 14

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



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.

FACULTY & STAFF FAVORITE THINGS

January 2 [Mrs. Doherty | Dean of Academics](#)
January 2 [Mr. Leary | PE 3-5](#)

QUICK LINKS

[Order Hot Lunch](#)

[Current Volunteer Opportunities](#)

[Uniform Pictorial Guide](#)

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[Family Handbook](#)



Congratulations to our Archers of the Day!

These students were nominated by their teachers because they are extraordinary students in the classroom and embody what it means to be an Archer. These students consistently demonstrate outstanding qualities that make a positive impact not only in the classroom but also in our greater school community. We are proud of you!

[Landon Shull | 2A](#)

IMPORTANT REMINDERS



Quarter 2 Report Cards

The portal for viewing report cards is open. If for any reason you do not have login information for the PowerSchool Parent Portal, please contact [Mrs. Wohlgemuth](#). If you have any questions regarding report cards, please reach out directly to your homeroom or specials teachers as there are no scheduled winter conferences.

Don't Miss Out!

2025 Barrett Jackson Camp

Boys & Girls 4-12




Runs Jan 20 - Jan 24

9:00am - 2:00pm

Future Athletes

New Camp Alert: Barrett-Jackson Sports Camp!

Registration is now open for our upcoming Barrett-Jackson Sports Camp in January! We will have the same great activities, games, and lunch options for your kids.

-  **Sports & Games:** Fun drills and scrimmages in soccer, football, and basketball—perfect for improving skills and having a blast.
-  **Daily Activities:** We'll end each day with something exciting, like laser tag or board games.
-  **Lunch Included:** Chick-fil-A, pizza, Jimmy John's.

Barrett-Jackson Camp Details

Location: Archway Scottsdale's Gym

Dates: January 20 – January 24

Time: 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM (Aftercare available from 2–4 PM)

[SIGN UP HERE!](#)



January 30 is Picture Day!

Class pictures and individual retakes will be taken on **Thursday, January 30**. Please note that we recommend all students wear a white, short sleeve polo with the Archway seal. **No blue shirts or jumpers, please.** Please review our [uniform code](#) for hair and accessories before picture day. Families may order class group pictures online [here](#). Please note that class photos were not included in portrait packages and must be purchased separately.



Plan Ahead: February 7 is a HALF DAY!

Please mark your calendars and make sure you have planned for **Friday, February 7**. Due to a network-wide Great Hearts Inservice, K-2 will be released at 11:50am and 3-5 and K-2 siblings will be released at 12:15pm. **All students must be picked up at dismissal.** Students will not eat lunch at school, and Athenaeum and after-school clubs will not be held.



Yearbook Ordering is Open

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! Yearbook ordering will be open until mid-April and purchased yearbooks will be distributed to classrooms in May 2025.

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



"The Prep School Promise" - a new GHAZ video series

Great Hearts Arizona is starting a new video series called, "**The Prep School Promise**," a monthly mini-series that will showcase elements from the Prep School Revisioning Project.

Each month you'll see a handful of stories of how we're reimagining the high school experience at our 12 Prep schools across Arizona. For over 20 years, we've provided families with the best in classical education, and now, based on your feedback, we're taking it to the next level.

In this first episode, we're diving into exciting new additions like Cheer/Spirit Line, House Systems, Spirit Day celebrations, and Dual Enrollment opportunities.

[VIEW THE FIRST EPISODE HERE](#)

AASA/AzSCI Testing



Students in grades 3-5 will have required Arizona state testing in March and April. **Please refrain from scheduling appointments during testing windows.** If a student leaves after starting the test, that student is not allowed to finish their test that day or on a make-up day. That student **MUST** submit their unfinished test and blank answers.

3rd Grade

4/1 8:20am – 10:20am

4/3* Time: TBD

4/7 8:20am – 9:35am & 11:30am – 1:00pm

4/8 8:20am – 9:35am & 11:30am – 1:00pm

**All third grade students need a pair of wired headphones with a microphone attached for the 4/3 Oral Reading Fluency Test. If you are unsure if your child has one, please confirm with their teacher.*

4th Grade

4/4 8:20am – 10:20am

4/11 8:20am – 9:35am & 12:55pm – 2:15pm

4/14 8:20am – 9:35am & 12:55pm – 2:15pm

5th Grade

3/26 9:10am – 10:40am

3/27 9:10am – 10:40am & 11:50am – 1:20pm

3/31 8:20am – 10:20am

4/15 9:10am – 10:25am & 11:50am – 1:20pm

4/17 9:10am – 10:25am & 11:50am – 1:20pm

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 Toy Drive: A Heartfelt Thank You!



We are thrilled to announce that this year's PSO Toy Drive for the Arizona Cancer Foundation for Children was a tremendous success, and we couldn't have done it without your generous support! Thanks to the incredible kindness of our parents, students, and community, we were able to collect a fantastic array of toys that will bring joy and comfort to families of children battling cancer.

Your donations will make a real difference in the lives of these brave young patients, and we are so grateful for your compassion and generosity. Together, we have shown the power of community and the true spirit of giving.

Thank you once again for your incredible contributions and for making this year's toy drive such a meaningful success!

Let's Make a Difference Together



Join us in packing nutritious meals designed to assist in reversing and preventing undernutrition

Opportunity for Archway students of all ages and their parents to volunteer together

Meals are shipped worldwide to the people who need them most

Reservations Required via Sign-Up Genius



Monday,
February 17th
(No School/Presidents' Day)
12:00 - 2:00 pm
Feed My Starving Children
1100 West Grove Parkway
Tempe, AZ 85283

Sign-Up Genius coming to your inboxes soon!



Thank you to everyone who donated this holiday season!



We raised \$96,000 in the month of December!

What a great way to start off 2025!

🕒 **The Tax Credit deadline for 24/25 is April 15th!** There is **no out-of-pocket cost to you**. Whatever you contribute you receive from the Arizona Department of Revenue back as either an **increase in your refund or a reduction in your overall income tax liability** once you prepare and file your return. If filing single, the max amount you can donate is \$200. For couples, the max amount you can donate is \$400.

Have Questions?

Contact Family Giving, 480- 776-3571

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HIRING EVENTS 2025

NORTH PHOENIX
NORTH PHOENIX PREP
9:00 - 11:00 AM

WEST VALLEY
TRIVIUM PREP
12:30 - 2:30 PM

EAST VALLEY
CHANDLER PREP
12:30 - 2:30 PM

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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

IMPORTANT ACS Parking Lot Reminders



There is **absolutely NO PARKING** allowed at the red curb outside the front office or blocking other spaces in our parking lot.

- 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 only.**
- Reminder: **the red curb outside the front office is designated as a fire lane, and parking there is strictly prohibited!**

All students must be dropped off in the mornings only through the car line.

- For everyone's safety and to keep things running smoothly, dropping off in the parking lot is not allowed, as it creates safety hazards and disrupts the flow of traffic. **Please help us keep our school safe and efficient by only using the designated car line for drop-offs.**

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding!



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!

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.**
- More than two early pickups in a month will require a doctor's note.
- **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.
- Please note that if you arrive to pick up your student while they are in transition, at recess, in a specials class, or out of the classroom for an event or activity, our front office staff will be unable to leave the desk to retrieve them. In these cases, we kindly ask that you patiently wait until your child has returned to their classroom before we can call them to the front office to meet you.

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.**

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.

Great Hearts Academies would like to continue connecting with you via email. If you prefer to be removed from our list, please contact Great Hearts Academies directly. To stop receiving all email messages distributed through our SchoolMessenger service, follow this link and confirm: [Unsubscribe](#)

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