
Archway Weekly Update | September 1, 2025

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Upcoming key dates to remember:

September 1 No School | Labor Day

September 4 Individual Picture Day

September 5 PSO Yogurtology Dine Out

September 12 PSO Family Football Night

September 17 Half Day | GH Teacher In-service

September 18 PSO Meeting | 8:30am | ACS Warehouse

September 23 PSO Chipotle Dine Out

September 29 PSO Used Uniform Sale | 2:30-4:30pm | ACS Parking Lot

October 9 PSO Meeting | 8:30am | ACS Warehouse

October 13-17 No School | Fall Break

October 20-24 Half Days | Parent Teacher Conferences

October 25 PSO Trunk or Treat

October 27 Half Day | Parent Teacher Conferences

October 28 No School | ACS Teacher Workday

October 31 Classical Character Day

Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays
Half-Day Kindergarten | 8:15-11:45 AM
Full-Day Kindergarten-5th Grade | 8:15 AM-3:15 PM

Wednesdays & Half Days
All kindergarten-5th Grade | 8:15am-12:15pm

2025-26
SCHOOL CALENDAR

2025-26
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.

FACULTY & STAFF
FAVORITE THINGS

September 4 Mrs. Joan Sequeira | 2D
September 7 Ms. Lillian Diehl | Security Officer

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!

Stay tuned for Archer of the Day announcements once the school year commences!

Picture Day is Coming!

We have photographers coming on **Thursday, September 4** to take individual portraits! Please note that we recommend all students wear a white, short sleeve polo with the Archway seal. **No blue shirts or jumpers, please.** Review [our uniform code for hair and accessories](#) before picture day to avoid having to retake your photo. Families may [order portraits online](#) or by using the paper forms that were

sent home on August 25. Also note that class photos are not included in portrait packages and may be purchased separately for \$7.

Hearing and Vision Screening

Per Arizona Department of Health guidelines, the school nurses will be conducting hearing and vision screenings over the next several weeks. All students in Kindergarten, 1st, 3rd, and 5th grades will receive hearing screening. All students in Kindergarten and 3rd grade will receive vision screening. We will also be screening new students and students who receive ESS services. If your child wears glasses, please make sure they have them at school. The parents of students who do not pass hearing and vision screening will be notified by the school nurses. If you do not want your child screened, please email the school nurses at healthoffice@archwayscottsdale.org.

Carline Improvements!

All families must arrive for dismissal/pick-up between 3:15-3:50 PM on full days and 12:15-12:50 PM on half days. Names will stop being entered in the carline after 3:50/12:50 PM and families will need to pick up late through the front office.

Our carline has been successfully reduced to 45-50 minutes from start to finish! This means that we start loading our first car at 3:15pm and we load our last car at 4:00/4:05pm.

To help prevent a build up of cars at the start of dismissal, which extends your own wait time and causes neighborhood traffic congestion, we encourage families to arrive closer to the start of dismissal.

Families are encouraged to pick up at the following pick-up times:

- 3:15–3:25 PM | Last names A–G
- 3:25–3:35 PM | Last names H–N
- 3:35–3:45 PM | Last names O–Z

If a family needs to pick up during a different window than the windows listed above, that is acceptable!

Pictures of Dismissal Sorting Rooms - No more waiting in the heat!

FIND OUT MORE
ABOUT THE PSO!

CURRENT VOLUNTEER
OPPORTUNITIES

Save the Dates!

November 8 Fall Carnival | 4:30 - 7:30pm
January 29 Class Pictures & Individual Retakes

We are excited to announce that the 2025-2026 Family Directory is now available!

If you used the app last year it should automatically update when you login. If you are a new user, you can now download the **DirectorySpot** App for free from the App Store (iPhone users) or Google Play (Android users), or you can also access the data from the web.

For Smartphone Users:

Download the DirectorySpot app by going to your app store and searching "DirectorySpot" or by clicking on the appropriate link here: iPhone - <http://goo.gl/5U2Tzq> or Android - <http://goo.gl/iBK9lY>
Launch DirectorySpot, enter your email address as your Username, and click on "Reset Password."
Click on the link in your email to set your password, relaunch the DirectorySpot app, and login with your username and password.

For Tablet, Mac, or PC Users:

Go to www.directoryspot.net and click on "Login" in the upper right hand corner.
Enter your email address as your Username, and click on "Reset Password." An email will be sent to you with a link to set your password.
Click on the link in your email to set your password and login.

Note – if downloading to an iPad, just search for “iPhone apps” and you will find DirectorySpot.

If you have any data changes throughout the year, please contact:
PSOvicepresident@archwayscottsdale.org

And thank you to our Family Directory Sponsors!
Please support those who support us!

Carline/Field Monitor Sign-up

Archway families -- can you spare a few minutes to help our students stay safe in the carline and on the playground in the morning?

This is a fun volunteering opportunity -- you get to start your day seeing lots of smiling faces!

SIGN UP HERE!

Half-Day Wednesdays

Families will be encouraged to pick up at the following pick-up times:

- 12:15-12:25 PM | Last names A–G
- 12:25-12:35 PM | Last names H–N
- 12:35-12:45 PM | Last names O–Z

Half-day kindergarteners are picked up at 11:45 AM on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays on ACS full days. On ACS half days (including every Wednesday), half-day kindergarteners are picked up at 12:15 PM with the rest of the school.

Students attending Wednesday clubs at 12:30 PM should bring a sack lunch to school to eat in the classroom before clubs begin.

Students in 3rd-5th Grade who have signed permission to walk to Scottsdale Prep for dismissal should bring a sack lunch to school on Wednesday half-days to eat in the classroom. SPA walkers will be released at 1:10 PM.

Students in K-5 who are picked up towards the end of dismissal on Wednesdays because they are waiting to pick up a Middle School student at Scottsdale Prep should bring a sack lunch to school on Wednesday half-days to eat in the classroom. Middle School is released at 1:05 PM.

Parking Reminder

If you are visiting the front office for any reason, such as an early morning drop-off for tutoring or bringing snacks/drinks for teachers, please ensure that you park in designated parking spots rather than at the curb or blocking other spaces in our parking lot. The red curb is designated as a fire lane, and parking there is strictly prohibited. Parking in a handicap spot without a designated handicap license plate or placard is not allowed at any time.

Your contribution to the Public-School tax credit at Archway Scottsdale makes experiences like Butterfly Wonderland, Odyssey Aquarium, Boyce Thompson Arboretum, the petting zoo, and so much more possible! Make your contribution to Archway Scottsdale by making your tax credit today! The maximum amount for single filers is \$200 per year, and the maximum amount for joint filers is \$400 per year. You receive a dollar-for-dollar credit when you file your AZ state tax return, so it costs you nothing!

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Have Questions?

Please contact Lisa Noyes at lnoyes@archwayscottsdale.org or Phyllis Childress at pchildress@scottsdaleprep.org in the Academy Giving Office with any questions.

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