



MARYVALE PREPARATORY ACADEMY

A GREAT HEARTS ACADEMY

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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KEY DATES

October 7th
PSO's Donut Hole Sale in the morning
&
Homecoming Game @ 7pm

October 10th-14th
No School - Fall Break

October 19th
5th & 6th Grade Athletic Field Day

October 20th-21st
Galileo Test 7th-11th grade

October 21st
Picture Retake Day
&
Quarter 1 Evaluations available

October 25th
PSAT 10th-11th grade

October 26th-28th
Parent Teacher Conferences
(Early Release Day)



SCHOOL POLICIES

ATTENDANCE

A student that is absent more than ten percent (18 days) of the required number of school days per year is considered to have "excessive absences" whether the absence is excused or unexcused.

This year, we are introducing **CUTS LITE Service (Court Unified Truancy Suppression Limited Intervention To Educate)**. We will follow the following timeline:

- 5 Absences: You will receive the 1st warning letter
- CUTS Lite Conference
- 9-11 Absences: 2nd warning letter
- CUTS Hearing
- Parent Conference/School Intervention



TARDIES

Any student here beyond 7:57 a.m. is considered tardy and **must be signed in by a parent in the front office**. If you are in carline during the 7:51 a.m. cut off time, you will be asked to drop off student at the Front Office. Please avoid any consequences for multiple tardies by arriving on time. **3 tardies = 1 absence**

PICK UP

Due to our school day in sessions and safety precautions arrival for end of day pick up will not begin until 2:30 pm. If you arrive prior to that, please note that you will be asked to exit campus and return after 2:30 pm. Emergency and office business vehicles cannot get onto campus if the school is blocked with waiters.

- Enter into the carline **until after 2:30pm on Full Days and after 12:15pm on Early Release Days**. This will allow our students & faculty to have a cleared parking lot in the event EMS needs access.
- Please keep the **East Entrance merge point cleared** at all times. Wait to enter until all traffic is cleared.
- **Archway only:** follow blue signs and circle around the Sport Field
- **Archway & Prep:** follow blue/green signs and snake through faculty parking lot
- **Prep only:** follow blue/green signs, snake through faculty parking lot & merge out of lane by Prep building
- Maintain safe parking lot speed of 5 mph
- Merge point will utilize a zipper merge (1 car per lane)

EARLY STUDENT PICK UP

Students who need to be picked up early for appointments must be picked up in the main office **no later than 2:45pm on full days and 12:30pm on half days, NO EXCEPTIONS**. The current Placard with student's name or a valid identification with photo is required when picking up through the office. The student must be signed out with a reason for leaving. **3 early pick ups = 1 absence**.

LATE PICK UP

Any student who is picked up after 3:45 pm, will incur late pick up fees beginning with the second occurrence of late pick-up, families will be assessed a late pick-up fee according to the following fee schedule:

- Up until 4:00 p.m. = \$5.00 per student
- 4:01 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. = \$5.00 per student + \$1.00 per student, per minute
- After 4:30 p.m. = same fee structure as above + Department of Child Safety phone call

PLACARD FOR CAR-LINE PICK UP

Placards can be accessed on the Parent Portal at <https://greathearts.schoolaxis.com/>

Log in, on main page PICK UP PLACARDS, Select Maryvale Prep Academy, Download and Print, if you cannot locate the placard on your Parent Portal Account, please contact the Front Office. **Please note, we will not accept phone images of the placard for student pick up, parents must have the current paper copy of the placard for safety and fast process.**

STUDENT WALKERS

If you would like to add your child to the walker list, you will need to do so at least **12 hours in advance** of when you want them to begin walking. If you do not receive confirmation, they have not been added and will have to wait until then to be dismissed as walkers. Please note, once on the walker list they must walk daily until they are removed. If you want your child to be on the walker list, please email enrollment@maryvaleprep.org. The same applies if you want them removed.

ARCHWAY NEWS

KINDER - 6TH GRADE



EVALUATIONS AND PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

As we approach the end of quarter please ensure your children are present in school daily as we close out our quarterly assessments.

You will receive their Quarter 1 evaluations on October 21st, just prior to parent teacher conferences on October 26th-28th.

GALILEO TESTING

We will continue our Benchmark ELA and Math Assessments as we close out the quarter. You can look to your child's newsletter for their specific test date.

Please encourage your child to do their best and come rested.

5-6 GRADE ATHLETIC FIELD DAY

Field Day for 5th and 6th grade students will be on Wednesday, October 19th. We need 8-10 parent volunteers to help with sports games.

Please reach out to PSO at PSO@maryvaleprep.org and to Coach Lotti at jlotti@maryvaleprep.org if you can assist.



AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

The Archway Fall Extracurricular Club Season **will run until October 28th.**

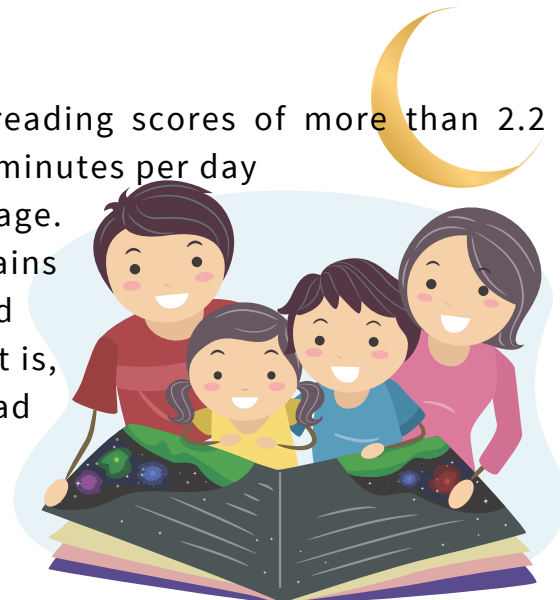
Clubs meet from from 3:50pm to 4:30pm, students will be dismissed through Gate 2 (East of Front Office) at 4:30pm, parents must show their student placard for pick up.

MINI MATADORS FALL SEASON END

The Fall Season for Mini Matadors Soccer and Spirit Squad has ended, last day to practice was Wednesday, October 5th and their last game is Friday, October 7th during Football Halftime.

NIGHTLY READING

A recent study comparing the engaged reading time and reading scores of more than 2.2 million students found that students who read less than five minutes per day saw the lowest levels of growth, well below the national average. Even students who read 5–14 minutes per day saw sluggish gains that were below the national average. Only students who read 15 minutes or more a day saw accelerated reading gains—that is, gains higher than the national average—and students who read just over a half-hour to an hour per day saw the greatest gains of all. Please ensure your children are reading at home each night and completing their reading logs.



PREP NEWS

7TH GRADE - 12TH GRADE

EVALUATIONS AND PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Quarter 1 evaluations will be sent out on Friday, October 21. Parent/Teacher conferences will be held the following week from Wednesday, October 26th – Friday, October 28th.

The link to sign-up for Parent/Teacher conferences will be sent out the week of October 17th. Parent/Teacher conferences are mandatory for parents and students. We are looking forward to discussing your student's progress this quarter.

GALILEO TESTING

7th -11th-grade students will take the Galileo ELA test on **October 20**, and the Galileo Math test on **October 21**.

The Galileo Test provides valuable data to the Math and ELA teachers to assist them in providing specialized classroom instruction.

**It is important for students to be in school daily.
Please plan to have your students on time and prepared for class.**

PSAT TESTING

PSAT testing will take place **October 25th for our 10th and 11th Grade students.**

MARYVALE PREP ALUMNI

All Alumni are invited to our homecoming game on Friday Oct. 7th, light snacks will be provided before the game. Each alumni will receive a gift from Maryvale Prep in the Prep Library and will be honored during our football game at half time.



SENIORS NEWS!

CAP & GOWN ORDERING

It's time to Celebrate Graduation!
Plan ahead and Order your Cap & Gown,
Senior Class Ring, Announcements,
Letterman Jacket and Graduation Products



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ORDER NOW**

Please reach out to our college counselor
G. Ayala with any questions.

Email: Gayala@maryvaleprep.org

Phone: 623-247-6095 Ext 602

SENIOR THESIS

The Senior Thesis is a year-long project where Seniors study and write about two texts (one of which they read in the summer). They are advised by members of the faculty and coached throughout the year. The Senior Thesis culminates in an event called the defense in the Spring where students present and defend their project in front of a panel of faculty members.

This quarter, students are choosing and refining the topic of their thesis and picking their second books (second text selection due Wednesday 8/21). Then, students will write their Prospectus paper which is due on Friday 10/7. All work is completed on Google Classroom.

If you have any questions about the Senior Thesis, please feel free to reach out to

Mrs. Gittins at kmraz@maryvaleprep.org.

Maryvale Prep PSO brings

DONUT HOLE SALE!

TOMORROW
FRIDAY, OCT. 7TH
7AM-8AM

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Donuts will be sold during breakfast in the courtyard, please send money with your child and we will assist them with their purchase

RETAKE PICTURE DAY

If your child missed the September picture day, here's an opportunity to get this year's individual portraits.

**Retakes will happen on
Friday, October 21st**

All students who missed picture day in September, will automatically get their picture taken.

If your child already had their picture taken and you want a retake, please contact the Front Office by Thursday, October 20th and they will be added to the re-take list of students.

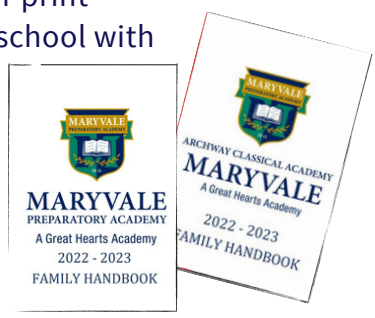
Lifetouch

For questions on your order, please call Lifetouch's Customer Service at: 1-866-955-8342

22-23 FAMILY HANDBOOK

If you haven't reviewed the 2022-23 Family Handbook, please note that we revise information annually and reviewing it is important for returning families as well as new.

Once reviewed, please sign the last page acknowledging the information. You can sign the acknowledgement page electronically on the Enrollment Parent Portal, or print the last page and send it to school with your child. This is a yearly requirement for all families and current students.



OCTOBER MEAL MENUS

BREAKFAST

LUNCH

If your child does not qualify for free meals through the National School Lunch Program, and are not bringing a sack lunch from home, you must create an account on MealTime to add funds in order for them to have a full meal.

The regular price for breakfast is \$1.85 and lunch is \$3.35, the reduced amount (for those who qualify) is \$0.30 for breakfast and \$0.40 for lunch.

Create an account on MealTime and add your students with their first Legal name and their student ID number, if you need your student ID number, please contact the Front Office.

NO SCHOOL
OCTOBER 10TH-14TH
FALL BREAK

SCHOOL HOURS

FULL DAYS:

ARCHWAY: 8:00AM - 3:15PM
PREP: 8:00AM-3:00PM
OFFICE: 7:00AM - 4:00PM



HALF DAYS:

ARCHWAY: 8:00AM - 12:45PM
PREP: 8:00AM-1:15PM
OFFICE: 7:00AM - 2:00PM

SPORTS



1ST ANNUAL HOMECOMING GAME

FRIDAY OCT 7
7:00 PM

**MATADORS VS
BEREAN ACADEMY EAGLES**

Welcome back our first ever graduating Seniors and cheer on your Matadors Football team

We'll be selling grilled Hamburgers and Smoked Pulled Pork Sandwiches.

Concession Stand and Tiki will also be OPEN

Also! The excited Mini Matadors (Soccer Team and Spirit Squad) will perform their last game during the Halftime Show!!



For details on all games and locations please visit our website:

greatheartsmaryvaleathletics.org

PARENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We can always use the help of volunteers during home games. Many positions to fill including score board and concessions.

You don't need to be an athletic parent to volunteer. Any Matador or family member is welcome.

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Season passes are available for purchase during all home games in Concessions and [Configio](#)

