



MARYVALE PREPARATORY ACADEMY

A GREAT HEARTS ACADEMY

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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KEY DATES

February 17th
1st Grade field trip to
Arizona Science Center

February 20th
No School
President's Day

February 23rd
Winter Sports Banquet

February 24th
6th Grade field trip to
AZ-Sonora Desert Museum

March 2nd
Read Across America Day

March 3rd
12th Grade field trip to
Northern Arizona University

March 8th
K-1st Grade Field Day

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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 7:57 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

READ ACROSS AMERICA DAY

On **March 2nd**, we will celebrate Read Across America Day dressing up as our favorite book characters from K-12 curriculum or any other non-pop-culture children's books, as well as scientific or historical figures. We will also be doing lots of reading throughout the day! Your child can begin preparing their outfits. If students are not dressed up, they must be in school uniform. Costumes cannot include weapons, full faced masks, or any drug or alcohol related paraphernalia. Permission slips will be sent home soon for parents to note desired costume and will be approved or denied by homeroom teacher.

K-1 FIELD DAY

Athletic Field Day for K-1 is **March 8th**. We will send more details when the date is closer via classroom newsletters.

KINDER ENROLLMENT

If you are interested in enrolling a Kindergarten Student for the 23-24 school year, please call our office to schedule an evaluation for eligibility for any students not of age. Students must be 5 years of age before December 31, 2023 to test and be considered for an early start.

AFTER SCHOOL EXTRACURRICULAR CLUBS

The Archway Spring Extracurricular Club Season will run from February 27th until April 27th.

Registration is now available in [Configio](#)
Spots fill up fast, please register now.

Clubs meet from 3:50pm to 4:30pm. Students will be dismissed at Gate 1 (West of Front Office) at 4:30pm. parents must show their student placard for pick up.

COFFEE WITH THE COUNSELOR

Mrs. Limas-Herschell, our Archway Counselor, will be providing a series of coffee talks to discuss various topics for parents to help students in a variety of ways.

On **Friday, March 3rd, at 8am in the MPR**, she will host a series for parents and talk about the importance of **Mindfulness**. Having a mindful state of mind when approaching the school day and home life.

Topics will include:

- What mindfulness is
- Mindfulness tips for kids
- Why mindfulness is important
- Mindfulness tips for parents

This is open to all K-6 parents.

UPCOMING FIELD TRIPS:

During our fieldtrips our students gain additional historical, artistic and college preparatory experiences in locations beyond our campus. Students will have shared experiences across their years here at Maryvale Prep as we select one type of experience for each grade level. All fieldtrips carry a small fee to help offset the costs of transportation, venue, tickets and food.

Fees need to be paid on [Configio](#) and a signed permission slip is required.

Grade	Date	Field trip Location
K	3/31	Tolmachoff Farms
1st	2/17	Arizona Science Center
6th	2/24	AZ-Sonora Desert Museum
2nd	3/10	Pioneer Living History Museum
3rd	3/30	MIM (Musical Instrumental Museum) & Paradise Valley Park



PREP NEWS

7TH GRADE - 12TH GRADE

AZELLA TESTING

At the end of this month, Maryvale Prep will administer the state-required Arizona English Language Learner Assessment (AZELLA) to all Prep students in the ELL program.

Students in the ELL program **must be present for testing** from Monday, February 27 to Friday, March 3.

The results of these assessments determine if students will need to continue in our ELL program next year.

If you have any questions about the AZELLA or the testing, please reach out to Ms. Vaughn at mvaughn@maryvaleprep.org.

ACADEMIC SUPPORTS:

Maryvale Preparatory Academy is providing additional support for students in ELA and Math. Students receive added support with targeted instruction twice a week. In these sessions, students work with a staff member in a small group to work on specific strategies for ELA and Math concepts.

It is the goal of these groups to better equip students on grade-level content and build test-taking strategies.

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Grade	Date	Field trip Location
12th	3/3	Northern Arizona University
10th	3/21	Grand Canyon University
7th	3/23	Mesa Arts Center
11th	3/24	University of Arizona
8th	4/27	Medieval Times

2022-23 YEARBOOK

The Prep Yearbook is available to purchase on Configio (Grades 7-12th only)

ORDER HERE!

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What a great year!

JEAN'S DAY

Support our Seniors by paying **\$2 to wear non-ripped jeans.** (NO cargo pants, sweatpants, joggers, leggings, basketball shorts) and spirit wear shirts (or uniform shirt).

on **Friday, February 24th.**

All proceeds will go to our Senior events (Prom/Senior Dinner)



CAMPUS SAFETY

Our campus has been updated with 5 new security gates. East Entrance gate includes a vehicular gate and a pedestrian gate. The plastic yellow chain by the south Prep corner has been replaced with a locking vehicular gate and the west side exit is now secured with a vehicular gate and a pedestrian gate.

Students are allowed onto campus at 7am and all of these gates will be opened at this time.

Student walkers should adjust their time on campus to reflect the timing of the campus gate openings.

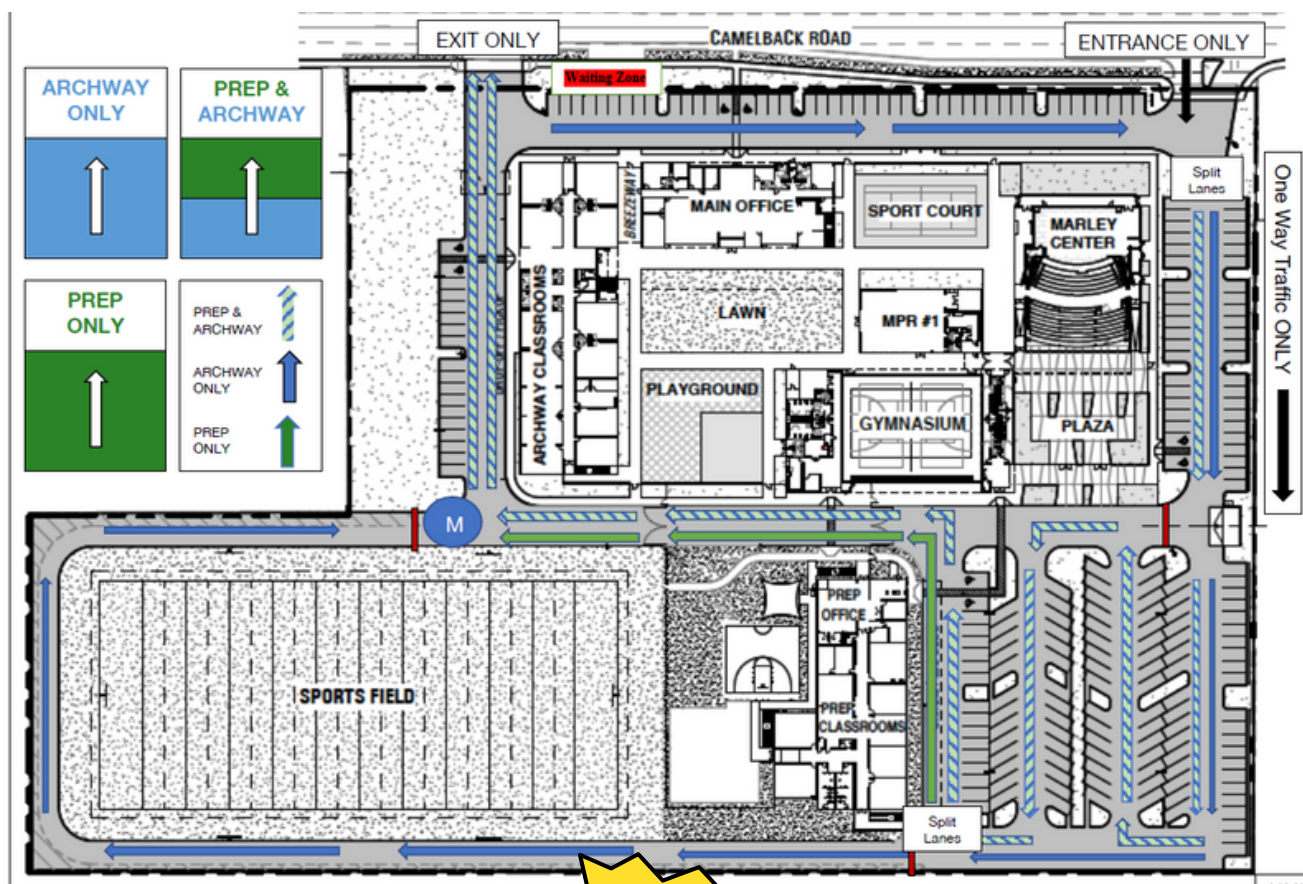
RED FIRE LANE

Please do not park in the red fire lane area next to the stop sign. Cars will be towed at your own expense.

SCHOOL ZONE

We have school zone signs posted and are in the works for additional modifications from the City of Glendale to make school zone safety more prominent.

**ONLY paper placards
will be accepted at
carline,
no phone images**



STUDENT WALKERS

Students must leave campus immediately; the gate opens at 3:00pm and after 3:30pm there is no supervision. All students will be released from campus liability by 3:30pm and will be outside of perimeter gates. Please meet your student's at the gate on time. Students cannot stay and wait for athletes during practices and/or games.

CARLINE ETIQUETTE

- Stay in your lane
- DO NOT try to go around other vehicles
- DO NOT speed
- Watch your surroundings at all times
- Always have your Placard ready to be scanned

Our top priority is to keep our students and staff safe, please help us do so.

TAX CREDIT INFORMATION

Contribute your \$200 or \$400 Az Public School Tax Credit to Maryvale Prep and receive a dollar-for-dollar credit on your state taxes!

Your contribution will support the flourishing of Maryvale Prep's athletics, extracurricular, and character-building programs.

[Click here to donate](#)



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ANNUAL PARENT SURVEY

Next week you will be receiving an invitation to participate in our annual parent satisfaction survey.

Please keep an eye out for it and take a few moments to tell us about your experiences at Maryvale Prep.

Your feedback is highly prized by Maryvale Prep and by Great Hearts at large.

UPDATES FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE

Ms. De Leon, our Registered Nurse has resigned her position due to personal reasons and will no longer be with us. Mrs. Miramontes will continue to hold down the fort while we search for a new RN.

If you know of anyone, please spread the word.

NO SCHOOL ON MONDAY

No school on Monday, February 20th in observance of President's Day. Have a safe and restful three day weekend.



GATES:
Carpool gates open at 2:30pm and 12:00pm on Early Release Days

FULL DAYS:

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



SCHOOL HOURS

HALF DAYS:

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

STUDENT RE-ENROLLMENT

Current students do not need to submit an application at this time. Students returning for the 23-24 school year, will need to be re-enrolled starting March 1st. Parents will receive communications with additional information on Re-Enrollment.

NEW STUDENT OFFERS

If you submitted an application, please check your email to see if you have an offer. Spots are filling up fast and application and documentation must be completed online before the due date.

FEBRUARY MEAL MENUS

BREAKFAST



LUNCH

Breakfast is served daily in the MPR from 7:00am and ends promptly at 7:45am. Students will not be served if they arrive at 7:45am or after.

You can add meal funds at [MealTime](#).

SPORTS

SPRING SEASON

Registration for Spring Sports opened on February 6th through [Configio](#)

All athletes must have a current school year physical to practice, click [here](#) for the physical form.

Practice Start Dates:

High School Softball

2/06/2023

Throwing and Field-3:15pm-4:15pm

Hitting-4:15pm-5:00pm

1st day of Practice 2/27/2023

Middle School Girls Basketball

02/27/2023

Monday, Tuesday and Friday 3:30pm-5:30pm

Track and Field

2/13/2023

Monday, Tuesday and

Thursday 3:15pm-5:00pm

Wednesday 1pm-2pm

Friday 3:30pm-4:30pm

Middle School Tennis

02/16/2023

Monday, Thursday,

Friday

3:30pm-5:30pm

Tuesday 3:30pm-4:30pm

Middle School

Basketball

02/27/2023

Monday and Thursday

3:30pm-5:30pm

Wednesday 1:10pm-3pm

High School Baseball

Hitting started 1/19/2023

Thursdays (3:15pm-4:pm)

Fielding and throwing started

1/23/2023 Monday (5pm-6pm)

1st day of Practice 2/27/2023

High School Soccer

Open Field Starts 2/13/2023

Monday Wednesday and

Thursday 6pm-8pm

1st day of Practice 2/21/2023

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and

Friday 3:15pm-5:30pm

Wednesday 1:15pm-3pm

SIGN UP TODAY!!

Registration ends on 3/3

Join Track and Field
5th-12th Grade

• The sport for every type of body

• Multi-sport athletes wanted! Play
another sport and WIN medals
in track and field

• Become a better athlete

Practices are:
Mon, Tue & Thu 3:15-5:00pm
Wed 1:00-2:00pm & Fri 3:30-4:30pm



WINTER SPORTS BANQUET

Please join us for our Winter banquet on

Thursday February 23rd

More information to come from our [Athletics Director](#).

THANK YOU

A big shout out to our Basketball Boys who had
a Great Season!

Well done for a first-year program!!

A lot to build off for next season.

We are so proud of our Matadors



For Sports registration and
Payment processing visit:
[Configio](#)



greatheartsmaryvaleathletics.org

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