

MARYVALE PREPARATORY ACADEMY A GREAT HEARTS ACADEMY

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KEY DATES

March 10th

2nd Grade Field Trip to Pioneer Living History Museum & 4th Grade Field Trip to The Heard Museum

March 10th

Lockdown Drill

March 13th-17

No School - Spring Break

March 21st

10th Grade Field Trip to Grand Canyon University

March 23rd

7th Grade Field Trip to Mesa Arts Center

March 24th

11th Grade Field Trip to University of Arizona

March 25th

PSO Community Yard Sale

March 30th

3rd Grade Field Trip to Musical Instrument Museum

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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

APTT MEETINGS

If you attended both APTT Meetings in the Fall, please consider sending the following to ssidoti@maryvaleprep.org to encourage more parents to attend.

- 1. A brief video (30-seconds to 1 minute) of you giving a testimonial of how the APTT meetings and athome activities have had a positive impact on you and your families.
- 2. A brief video (30-seconds to 1 minute) of you playing one of the APTT games with your student at home.
- 3. A brief written testimonial and invitation (1 paragraph) indicating the positive impact of APTT on your family and urging other families to attend.

LOST AND FOUND

With the weather changing, many students are leaving their sweaters behind on the playground during recess. The Lost and Found Rack has a large collection of sweaters. In addition, many lost prescription glasses have been found and are waiting to be claimed. Please stop by the office to check if any items belong to your child.

Clothing not claimed by the end of the quarter will become part of the nurse's stash or donated to PSO.

Bottle waters and lunch boxes continue to be disposed at the end of each week in order to maintain cleanliness at our campus. Please label water bottles and lunch boxes with your child's name.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

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

STATEWIDE TESTING

We will begin statewide testing on March 24th with 5th grade Science and test much of April. We will be sharing exact dates by grade level in upcoming newsletters and notices. Please ensure that your children are consistenly present at school for this testing season and avoid late arrivals and early pickups by planning around these dates. Also ensure students are getting adequate sleep and nutrition to do their best.

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 <u>Configio</u> and a signed permission slip is required.

Parents, if you are a chosen chaperone for a field trip, please complete and submit a volunteer application prior to the trip, click this <u>link</u> to complete. Upon arriving on the field trip day, stop by the front office to check in.

Grade	Date	Field trip Location
2nd	3/10	Pioneer Living History Museum
4th	3/10	Heard Museum
3rd	3/30	MIM (Musical Instrumental Museum) & Paradise Valley Park
К	3/31	Tolmachoff Farms

PREP NEWS 7TH GRADE - 12TH GRADE

8TH-9TH GRADE MEETING

Attention all 8th and 9th Grade Parents.

Ms. Ayala, our College Counselor, will hold a meeting for all 8th and 9th grade parents to discuss the following:

- The meaning and importance of Maryvale Prep's weighted GPA.
- College and career exposure, planning, and readiness.
- Maryvale Prep's commitment to students and parents throughout the college process.
- Suggestions for parents on how to support the college process at home.

The meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 28th at 5:30pm in the Marley Center.

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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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 7th-12th only)

ORDER HERE!

JUNIORS AND SENIORS ARE INVITED TO THE

MARYVALE PREPARATORY ACADEMY

Enchanted Prom

FOR DETAILS
AND TO
PURCHASE
TICKETS
PLEASE VISIT
Configio

SATURDAY, APRIL 15TH

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.

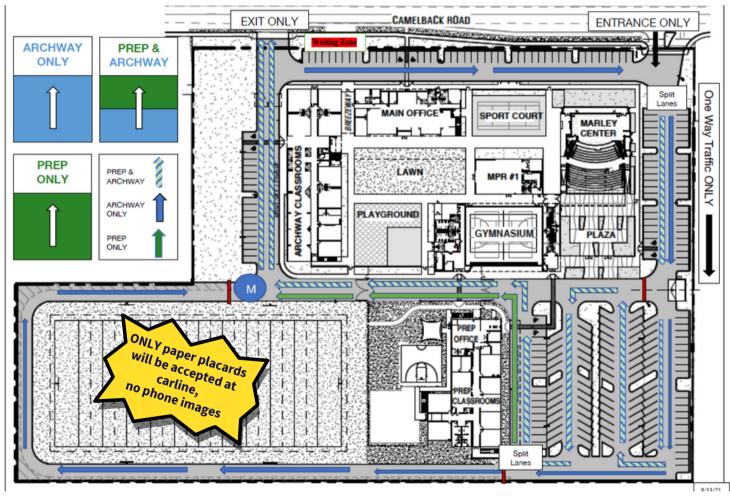
RED FIRE LANE

Please do not park in the red fire lane are 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.





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.

RE-ENROLLMENT FOR 2023-24 SCHOOL YEAR



RE-ENROLL YOUR SCHOLARS BEFORE 4/1 AND BE ENTERED TO WIN THE FOLLOWING PRIZES:



Be entered to win a \$200 voucher for Dennis Uniforms.



Be entered to win a **Sport or Mini Matador Season Pass** for the 23-24
School year!



Win an Archway club season pass or Prep Enrichment Course for the 23-24 school year!



The Ultimate Fan Package! Be entered to win free entry to all 23-24 home games and a Matador T-Shirt!



Only one person/scholar to qualify per drawing/prize.

Please contact Alexia Ames aames@greatheartsaz.org or (928) 261-1362 if you have any questions.

Students returning for the 23-24 school year, will need to be re-enrolled.

All re-enrollments require an updated proof of residency uploaded to the parent portal.

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

LOCKDOWN DRILL

Tomorrow, Friday, March 10th we will practice a Lockdown DRILL at our academy.

The purpose of a school lockdown drill is to protect the children and adults in the building from a potential emergency such as the presence of a school shooter.

As with fire drills and other safety programs, the hope is to acclimate students and teachers to a procedure that they will be able to follow quickly, effectively and safely.

PSO EVENTS



IMPORTANT PORTALS

School Axis:

- Re-Enrollment
- New Student Enrollment
- Access to print your placard
 Great Hearts Academies Parent Portal (schoolaxis.com)

PowerSchool Public Portal:

To view student grades
 <u>https://greatheartsaz.powerschool.com/public/home.html.</u>

Configio:

- To make payments for sports
- Clubs
- Field trips
- Senior Contributions, etc.
 https://maryvaleprep.configio.com

MARCH 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**.

SPRING BREAK

Spring Break is from March 13th - 17th The offices will also be CLOSED Have a Safe and Restful Week!!



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

SPORTS

STATE CHESS CHAMPION



SPRING GAMES

Spring is here and our athletes are ready to represent Maryvale Prep!!

You can find all Spring Sports Schedules on our Maryvale Prep website in the *Athletics Tab*.

Make sure you follow us on <u>Instagram</u> for updates on games, streaming live on some games and track meets.

TAX CREDIT DONATION

Getting ready to file your 2022 taxes? Be sure to take the credit for Maryvale Prep and redirect your state tax dollars to our school through the AZ Public School Tax Credit Program. Any amount makes a big difference and you'll get the entire amount back on your state tax return while supporting our clubs, field trips and athletics.

Thank you for supporting our Matadors!

MINI MATADORS

Spring Season is from March 22nd - April 28th

Sign-ups for the Mini Matadors Spring Season start tomorrow Friday, March 10th on <u>Configio</u>, \$75 per participant and we will learn various teams sports.

First practice is Wednesday, March 22nd.

After each practice, pick up instructions are as follows:

- Enter campus from East entrance and proceed to the Archway/Prep Carline (see signs).
- Continue to "snake" the Archway/Prep Carline until you reach the PREP Building curb.
- Your students will meet you at this location (Gate 5 and 6).
- Once you're received your students, turn right at the GYM curb and exit campus toward the East entrance, exit only allowed after school.

Students are encouraged to bring a bottle water.

For Sports registration and Payment processing visit: <u>Configio</u>



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