

MARYVALE PREPARATORY ACADEMY

A GREAT HEARTS ACADEMY

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER APRIL 6, 2023





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KEY DATES

April 7th & 10th
No School - Family Days
(R&R Weekend)

April 15th 2023 Prom Night

April 18th
Breakfast with Headmasters for
New/Prospective Families

April 19th K-3rd Parent APTT Meeting

April 24th
Senior Preview night

April 26th
Full Day Wednesday (full day dismissal)

April 28th
Early Release Day
& Spring Fiesta at 5:00pm

Connect with us on Social Media











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 <code>enrollment@maryvaleprep.org</code>. The same applies if you want them removed.

ARCHWAY NEWS KINDER - 6TH GRADE

APTT MEETINGS

K-3 Families will reunite for the last Meeting of the year.

April 19th

K-1st: 3:30-4:45pm 2-3rd 5:30-6:45pm

If you attended both APTT Meetings in the Fall, please consider sending the following to <u>ssidoti@maryvaleprep.org</u> 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 at-home 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.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS (K-6TH)

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.

Last day of Clubs is April 27th

MINI MATADORS (K-4TH)

After each Wednesday 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.

Last day of Mini Matadors is April 28th

STATE TESTING DAYS

State testing has begun! We will be sharing additional information on dates and times by grade level in upcoming classroom newsletters and notices. Please ensure that your children are consistently 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.

AASA Testing Dates		
3rd Grade	April 6th, 13th, 18th, 21st, and 25th	
4th Grade	April 11th, 17th, 20th, and 24th	
5th Grade	April 12th, 14th, 19th, and 26th	
6th Grade	April 5th, 12th, 14th, 19th, and 26th	

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, April 14th, at 8 am in the MPR, she will host a series for parents and talk about Confidence and self -esteem. Topics will include tips for communicating with your child, spending time together and family habits to support relationship building.



PREP NEWS 7TH GRADE - 12TH GRADE

STATE TESTING DAYS

Please plan accordingly to ensure that students are on time and at school for each of their testing days.

AASA Testing Dates		
7th Grade	April 11th, 13th, 18th, 20th, and 25th	
8th Grade	April 11th, 13th, 18th, 20th and 25th	

UPCOMING FIELD TRIP

Field trips 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
8th	4/27	Medieval Times

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

Seniors apply today for a chance to earn \$5000 towards college expenses.



SENIOR PREVIEW NIGHT

Please join us April 24th at 6pm

All Junior students and parents are invited to senior preview night for information about senior year



Deadline is April 10th

Click <u>here</u> to apply:

Empowering Diversity Scholarship - Fiesta Bowl

INFO NIGHT FOR SUMMER 2023 TRIP OPPORTUNITY



Calling all current 9th and 10th graders! Mr. Walters here. **Do you want to travel to Costa Rica next summer?** Be sure to **RSVP** to our info session on **4/12 @ 6 pm** so you can snag a spot on this once-in-a-lifetime trip! Link to RSVP: https://bit.ly/3M1jEu1. P.S. If you attend the meeting, you'll get a special discount to sign up!





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.

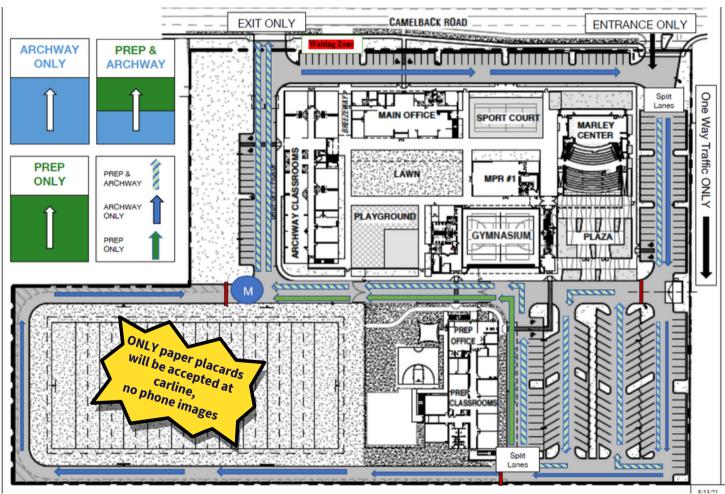
RED FIRE LANE

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.

PREPARING FOR THE 2023-24 SCHOOL YEAR

RE-ENROLLMENT

The re-enrollment deadline has passed. We still have families who have not completed this. Call the main office to secure your scholars seat or provide notice of withdrawal



RE-ENROLLMENT IS REQUIRED EACH SCHOOL YEAR

Please refer to re-enrollment email(s) with instructions on how to complete re-enrollment.
In addition, you need to upload an AZ proof of residency.

https://greathearts.schoolaxis.com



PROPOSED CALENDAR

The proposed 2023-24 school calendar is now available on our website; subject to change until our first day of school.



BREAKFAST WITH HEADMASTERS FOR NEW/PROSPECTIVE FAMILIES



Dr. Cruz Archway Headmaster





Ms. Mercado Prep Headmaster

On Tuesday, April 18th

Dr. Cruz and Ms. Mercado will host breakfast for new and prospective Maryvale Prep Families.

Please tell friends and families who may be interested in attending Maryvale prep.

The event will start 8:15am in the Marley Center

Contact our Front Office for questions on this event

TESTING DAYS FOR 3RD-12TH GRADE STUDENTS

Parents, please plan accordingly to ensure that students are on time and at school for each of their testing days. It is important to note, that once a child has started testing their test must be completed within the instructional day, we will highly discourage students from being checked out early during testing.

IMPORTANT PORTALS

School Axis:

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

PowerSchool Public Portal:

 To view student grades (3rd Quarter Evaluations are now available in this portal) https://greatheartsaz.powerschool.com/public/home.html.

Configio:

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

PS₀

We need volunteers for our Spring Events:

- Spring Fiesta
- Kindergarten Promotion
- 8th Grade Promotion

Please email the PSO Team for information on how to help: psopresident@maryvaleprep.org



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



APRIL 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.

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

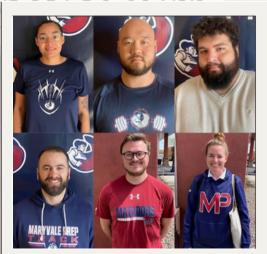


SPORTS

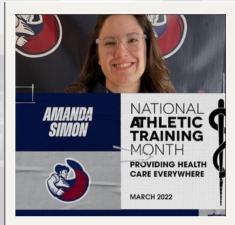
COACH APPRECIATION



Varsity Girls Soccer
Coach Tatiana, Dawn and Cortez



<u>Track and Field Coaches</u> Coach Cannon, Cartee, Echeverria, Barringer, Coen and O'Dowd



Athletic Trainer
Ms. Amanda

We are blessed to have these role models mold our young student athletes in and outside of the classroom.

Thank you for all you do coaches. We would not be able to do this without you all.



MINI MATADORS

We've had a great start this Spring!

Students meet on Wednesdays after school until 1:30pm; pick up instructions are as follows:

- Enter campus from East entrance and proceed to the Archway/Prep Carline (see signs).
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exit only allowed after school.



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ALL ATHLETICS AND GAMES

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.

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



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