



MARYVALE PREPARATORY ACADEMY

A GREAT HEARTS ACADEMY

ARCHWAY NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER 9, 2023

UPCOMING EVENTS:

November 10th
NO SCHOOL: Veterans Day

November 14th
INFO Night for
K-6TH Prospective Families

November 15th
Field Day for 3rd, 4th &
5th Grades

November 17th
PSO's Outdoor Movie Night

November 22-24
NO SCHOOL: Thanksgiving Break

November 27th
After School Clubs start

November 29th
Mini Matadors start



A Message from Headmaster Cruz

I hope you all are doing well and looking forward to a long weekend ahead. To all of our Veterans, we thank you for your service and hope you are honored all weekend. Your courage is a huge inspiration to all.

As we approach the holiday season, we also want to show gratitude to our teachers, many of whom spend these long weekends and breaks evaluating student progress and preparing for the rest that is ahead of them. There are so many ways you show your appreciation each day and for that, we are so thankful. This year, we are participating in the Holiday Appreciation fund to give teachers a token of appreciation for the holidays. In lieu of giving individual gifts to you child's teachers, TAs, and Specialists, we invite you to give to this fund which will be evenly split amongst all Maryvale faculty. You can simply go to this [link](#) to make your donation. As of now, we have collected \$200. If every Archway and Prep family gave \$5-10 teachers would receive approximately \$45-90. If able, please consider and please share with family and friends. Let's show our teachers how much they matter!

Have a wonderful three day weekend!



Main Office Phone Number: (623) 247-6095

Attendance Line: (623) 247-6095 Option 0 (leave a detail voicemail to report absences)

Attendance Email: attendance@maryvaleprep.org

School Hours:

Full Days: Mon/Tue/Thu/Fri

8:00 AM - 3:15 PM (campus opens at 7AM)

Half Days: Wed

8:00 AM - 12:45 PM

www.maryvaleprep.org



Office Hours:

Full Days: Mon/Tue/Thu/Fri

7:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Half Days: Wed

7:00 AM - 1:30 PM



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**. Please avoid any consequences for multiple tardies by arriving on time.

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 carline **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.

LATE PICK UP

Students picked up after 3:45pm (1:30pm early release), 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 4:00pm (1:30 pm early release) = \$5.00 per student
- 4:01 – 4:30pm (1:46-2:15pm early release) = \$5.00 per student + \$1.00 per student, per minute
- After 4:30pm (2:15pm early release) = 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. Parents meeting their student walkers must park off campus.

The walker list includes full days and early release days; at this time, we cannot accommodate only specific days. Students will be dismissed from Gate 3 at 3:15pm, students from 1st to 6th grade will be asked to exit by 3:30pm. Kindergarten students must be picked up by their parent/guardian or older sibling. The gate will close at 3:30pm and kinder students still waiting to be picked up will need to be picked up at the front office.

Due to our limited space in our property, the North parking lot (along Camelback Road) is reserved for families who need to visit the front office, please do not park in this lot if you are picking up a student walker. We do not have enough spots to accommodate everyone and having cars exit in this area slows down the flow of traffic during student pick-up.

CAMPUS SAFETY

Our campus has 5 security gates. East Entrance gate includes a vehicular gate and a pedestrian gate and the West Entrance is now secure.

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.

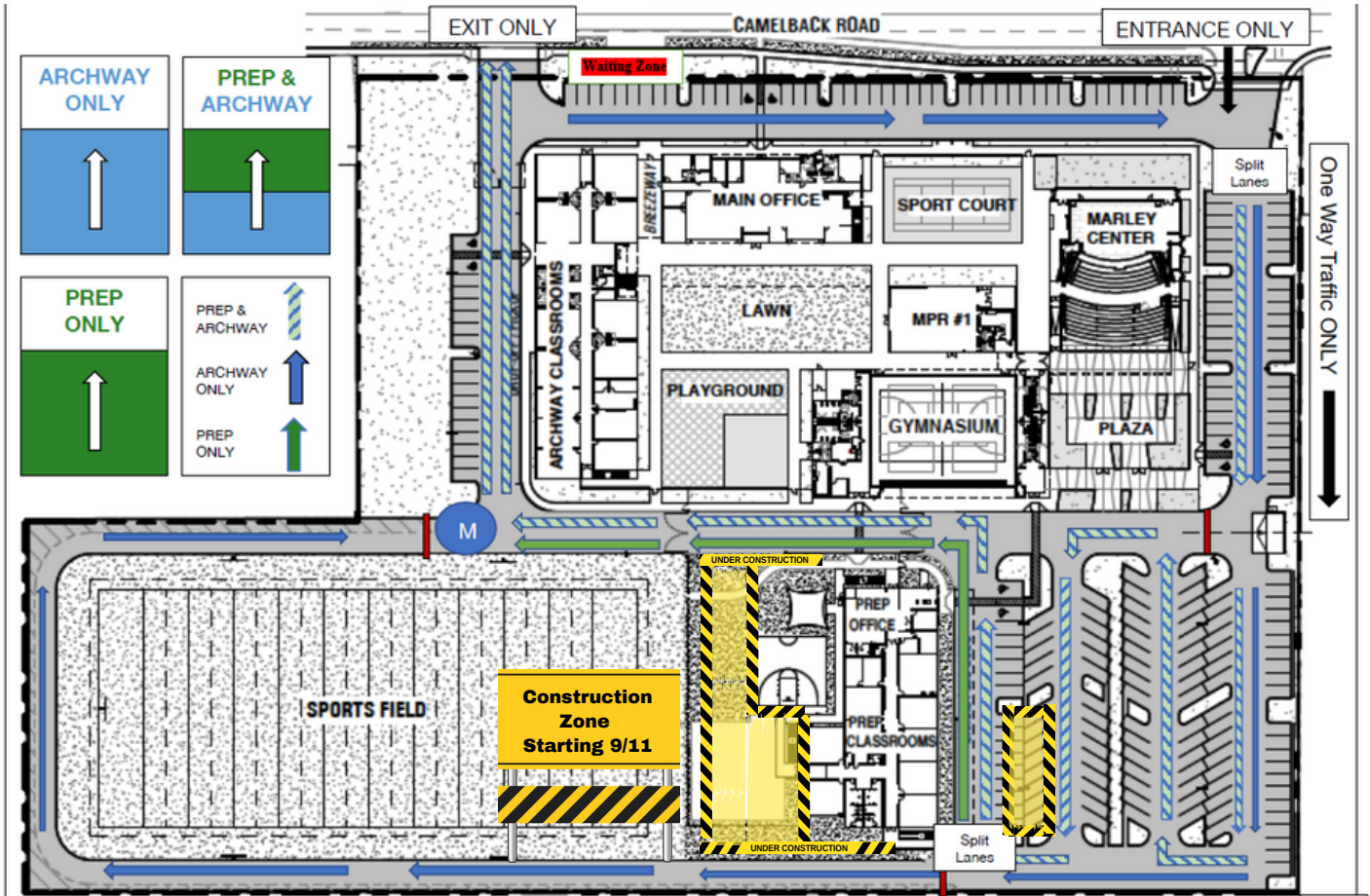


RED FIRE LANE

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.



If you have ONLY Archway (K-6th Grade) Students, use ARCHWAY ONLY Lane

STUDENT DROPOFF

Students should not be dropped off on the side of Camelback Road near or by the campus. This is extremely unsafe and does not follow our student drop off guidelines. Faculty and parents have witnessed students exiting from cars in a lane with moving vehicles. The drop-off guideline is to use carline to safely drop off students or park near the school property and walk to school using the sidewalk.

In the recent months, we have witnessed multiple car accidents on Camelback Road directly in front of our campus, several of the car accidents included Maryvale Prep students who had to be transported to a local hospital.

Please refer to our family handbook listed in our website for additional information on our guidelines.

STUDENT WALKERS

Students must exit the campus immediately at dismissal time; the gate opens at 3:15pm and at 3:30pm students still waiting to meet their parent/guardian at the gate, will be asked to return to their class. Parents will need to pick them up at the office and review the Late Pick-Up Policy and pay a fee. Please meet your students at the gate on time. Students are not permitted to 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
- Roll down your window when approaching a staff member that can scan your placard, they will not scan if window is up as this causes delays with window barrier
- The use of cell phones while on carline has slowed us down, and its ultimately unsafe. Please do not use your cell phone to avoid delays.
- DO NOT record or take pictures of students

FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE

ATTENTION Parents - Immunization Requirement

In accordance with Arizona State Law ([A.R.S 15-872](#)), students must have proof of all required immunizations, or a valid exemption in order to attend school. It is also a requirement for all students who turn 11 years old to receive the Meningococcal and Tdap vaccine within 4 days of their 11th birthday. The Meningococcal vaccine provides protection against the meningitis bacteria and the Tdap vaccine provides protection against tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis (whooping cough).

***Please provide a copy to the health office when these vaccines are completed.**

3RD TO 5TH GRADE FIELD DAY

Field Day for 3rd-5th grade students will be on **November 15th**. Details for team colors and volunteers will be shared in the classroom newsletter.

MORNING LIBRARY CLUBS

In order to increase students' access to Moby Max and our school library, our Math Instructional Coach and Interventionist, Mrs. Taylor Saar, and Reading Instructional Coach and Interventionist, Ms. Kiley Cronin, host a morning library club every full day of school. Students who arrive at or before 7:35 am on their grade level's designated library club day will be escorted to the library where they will engage in a different activity based on their grade level. The schedule of clubs are as follow:

- *Monday: 4th Grade Moby Max*
- *Tuesday: 3rd Grade Moby Max*
- *Thursday: 2nd Grade Moby Max and Book Buddies*
- *Friday: 1st Grade Library Time and Book Buddies*

5th and 6th grade students do not have a designated morning for Moby Max because they often use this program during Lyceum. However, there are three optional opportunities for students to be involved in Morning Library Clubs:

- *Monday: 5th and 6th Grade Librarian club, students help organize books and assist in creating library systems*
- *Thursday: 6th Book Buddies, students will read with 2nd grade students*
- *Friday: 5th Grade Book Buddies, students will read with 1st grade students*

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Winter Clubs begin November 27th. Sign up on [Configio](#) no later than Monday, November 13th end of school day.

Club dismissal will be at 4:30-4:35 pm except if they are enrolled in Athenaeum. Parents need to park and walk to Gate #1 to check out their children (with their placard) where you will be met by Club Leaders.

SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS AND FIELD TRIP CHAPERONES

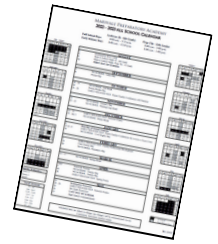
Volunteers must have a Raptor clearance before volunteering on campus. Raptor clearance must be renewed annually, so if you were cleared last year, you must complete the clearance process again for the 2023-24 school year. The cost is \$5 and it only takes a few minutes.

[Click here to Register](#)

FAMILY CALENDAR REVISED

Please note, the 2023-24 Family Calendar has some updates for next Spring:

- *Full Day on March 20th*
- *Early Release Day on March 22nd*
- *Early Release Day on March 29th*
- *Full Day of School on April 1st*



OUTERWEAR

Sweater:

- Color: Navy blue with an MVA Crest.
- Style: Cardigan or pullover with a 1/4 zipper.
- Vendor: Dennis Uniforms and Anton Uniforms.

Outerwear:

- Jackets may be worn to school for warmth but must be free of logos and messages.

Jacket Definition:

- Waterproof fabric or Wool.
- Must have a zipper or buttons.
- One color scheme.
- no words or images.

Other items:

- Beanies and gloves are permitted when the weather is cold. Must be a single-color scheme and free of logos and messages.
- Jackets may only be worn before and after school and during recess. Cardigans with the MVA Crest may be worn inside and out of the classroom. No long sleeve undershirts permitted.

Student's initials and section should be written on the inside of the jackets and sweaters.



SPORTS



For all Athletics News and Events, please check out their brand new [Newsletter](#) and [Website](#).

NOVEMBER MEAL MENUS

BREAKFAST

LUNCH K-1

LUNCH 2-6

If your family does not qualify for free or reduced meals, parents can add funds to the [SOS Meal Website](#) or ensure their student brings a lunch meal to school. Students with a balance of \$30 or higher will only receive an alternative snack until the balance has been paid and funds added for future meals.

For additional information and to access our NSLP free/reduced lunch application, please visit our website: maryvaleprep.org

VETERANS DAY

To our military personnel,
Mr. Hernandez, Campus Safety Officer
and Mr. Mendez, Prep Dean of Students

Thank You for the sacrifices you have made for our freedom.

In observance of Veteran's Day,
There will **no school tomorrow Friday, November 10th**



Truth
Goodness
Beauty
Perseverance
Humility
Citizenship
Friendship

K-6 INFO NIGHT

New prospective families are invited to tour our campus, ask questions and hear from our headmasters, teachers and coaches about Maryvale Prep's Curriculum, Clubs and Athletics Programs

November 14th at 5:30pm

RVSP at:
Great Hearts Az
or scan QR Code



COMMUNITY INVESTMENT

Mark your calendars for #GivingTuesday, November 28th, 2023! This day of giving was created to focus on doing good for the community after Thanksgiving, Black Friday, and Cyber Monday. On #GivingTuesday, our intent is to fulfill our Community Investment goal and raise \$2,000. Please consider making a gift meaningful to your family to help us fund our classrooms. With the holidays right around the corner, we invite you to join in celebrating our academy through the following giving options.

Community Investment: These funds support faculty salaries, classroom expenses, and curriculum for your scholars. Parent partnership through Community Investment is how we are able offer a tuition-free, private school caliber education in a public-school setting. [Click here to donate your Community Investment Today!](#)

Tax Credit: At no cost to you, redirect your state taxes to Maryvale prep instead of the state government. You get this money back when you file your annual tax report. These funds support Maryvale's athletics, enrichment courses, field trips, and extra-curricular clubs. [Click here to donate your Tax Credit Today!](#)

Holiday Appreciation: Donate any amount by November 17th instead of individual holiday gifts to one pool of funds that will be equally split amongst all faculty. [Click here to donate your Holiday Appreciation Today!](#)

If you have any questions about philanthropic giving at Maryvale, please contact me at Keara.Katayama@GreatHearts.Org or (602) 239-3966.

Holiday Teacher Appreciation

Donate any amount instead of individual holiday gifts to one pool of funds that will be equally split amongst all faculty.

DONATE NOW - NOV 17TH

November 28th, 2023

GIVINGTUESDAY

All donations given on November 28th will directly benefit
#CommunityInvestment

YOUR GIFT DOES GOOD

Community Investment

Make your tax-deductible gift today & help your child's school cover the gap between public funding and the cost to provide Great Hearts education.

Donate Now

Tax Credit

Direct your AZ Public School Tax Credit to our school & claim the credit on your state income liability.

Donate Now

Holiday Appreciation

Make your gift today to support teachers during the holiday season.

Donate Now

MINI MATADORS



BASKETBALL

MINI SEASON

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29TH, 2023
- WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24TH, 2023

for more information, click the QR Code:

Sign Up before prices rise

Mini Matador Winter Season is about to kick-off!!
Kinder to 4th grade students can participate in Basketball or Cheer

Season is from November 29th (first meet) to January 24th.
Students practices are Wednesdays from 12:45pm to 1:45pm

Participation fee will provide a uniform shirt to keep
More details and to sign up visit Configo:

[Basketball](#)

[Cheer](#)



WINTER SEASON
29TH NOVEMBER

SIGN UP W/ QR CODE BELOW

MINI CHEERLEADING

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29TH, 2023
- WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24TH, 2023

REGISTER SOON BEFORE PRICES INCREASE

PSO EVENTS



MARYVALE PREP PSO PRESENTS

TEENAGE MUTANT NINJA TURTLES MUTANT MAYHEM

GRAB YOUR FRIENDS AND JOIN US FOR OUR FALL MOVIE NIGHT

NOVEMBER 17TH @ 7PM. DOORS OPEN @ 6:30PM

WE WILL BE ON THE MVP LAWN

SO COME WITH CHAIRS AND BLANKETS

CONCESSIONS WILL BE OPEN, ACCEPTING CASH OR CARD

