

MARYVALE PREPARATORY ACADEMY

A GREAT HEARTS ACADEMY

ARCHWAY NEWSLETTER



APRIL 11, 2024

UPCOMING EVENTS:

April 17th
APTT Meeting for
K-2nd Grade Parents
PSO Canes Fundraiser

April 26th
PSO's Movie Night

May 3rd
Great Hearts at
Chase Field

May 15th
Spring Concert
Kinder-2nd Grade

May 22nd
Kinder Promotion

May 23rd Virtue Assembly

May 24th
6th Grade Promotion

A Message from Headmaster Cruz...

We are looking forward to a full week with a normal schedule. We will continue with AASA testing this week for 3rd-6th grades. Please continue to send your children to school, on time, well rested, and well fed. It is important to note their test dates and to not pull them early as they cannot return to their test once they start it and this impacts their scores significantly.

Thanks to all of you who have completed re-enrollment on time, which was April 5th. We 628 re-enrollment applications complete but this does not get us to 100%. Due to being one of the schools still lacking 100% completion, we were granted permission to extend the deadline until yesterday, April 10th. At this point the portal will be closed and we will continue to call, email, and pursue you until we get a response. Remember, even if you intend to withdraw, you need to go in and indicate such.

In this newsletter, please review the overall results from the parent survey. Thank you so much for your participation as it was the highest response rate we have ever seen. Our net promotor score was the highest in the entire Great Hearts network and I am so proud and honored that we serve this community. While there is room to grow, we had above 80% satisfaction rates in every category. We would not be able to see these accolades without your support, trust, and partnership. Yesterday, I was also able to share your individual teacher shout outs with the full staff and it was so heartfelt, timely and appreciated. As I read each one and copied them into a presentation, I was reminded how lucky I am to serve our academy. You have lifted us up!

Have a great 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

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

Half Days: Wed 8:00 AM - 12:45 PM



Parent Survey Results

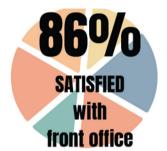
2023-2024

NET PROMOTOR SCORES

Archway Maryvale to other score of all GH Academies!



FRONT OFFICE SATISFACTION

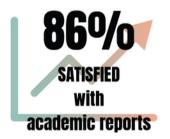


86% SATISFIED with leadership

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HEADMASTER/LEADERSHIP SATISFACTION

Families were asked about HM satisfaction, including questions about presence and availability to school, and approach to concerns.



ACADEMIC DATA REPORTING

Families were asked about progress and data reports from teachers regarding their

TEACHER SATISFACTION

88%

SATISFIED with teachers

SPECIAL EDUCATION

85% SATISFIED

with special education

92% SATISFIED with academics/curriculum

ACADEMICS/CURRICULUM



with **ELL support**

ENGLISCH LANGUAGE LEARNERS

5

SCHOOL CULTURE

Families were asked if MVA has a welcoming environment, if students are kind to one another and happy at school, and if students have close friends.

84% SATISFIED with school culture 10

SPLANS TO RETURN

Families were asked if they plan to return for the 2024-2025 School Year

95% plan to return!

THANK YOU FOR COMPLETING THE SURVEY!

APTT MEETING 3

Please save the date for final APTT Meeting of the year! Please note that this final meeting is for K-2 families only, and **all** meetings will take place from **3:00-4:00pm**. In this final meeting, you will receive an update on the skills from the first two meetings and gain additional resources to support your child's learning at home.



Reminder that attendance at all three meetings for the year will enter you into a raffle to win Classics to Keep for next school year!



Date: Wednesday, April 17th, 2024
Time: 3:00pm-4:00pm
Grades: <u>Kinder-2nd (not 3rd)</u>
Where: Your child's classroom

More information will be sent soon by your child's teacher. Attendance is mandatory.

Students may not attend but childcare will be available.

STATE TESTING

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 2nd, 5th, 8th, 9th, 11th, 12th, 18th, and 22nd	
4th Grade	April 5th, 9th, 15th, 19th, and 23th	
5th Grade	April 11th, 16th, 19th, and 23rd	
6th Grade	April 3rd, 10th, 12th, 17th, and 24th	

CRUSH THE TESTS



Keep encouraging your child to crush their test.

We are collecting donations of canned Crush sodas for our end of testing party on **Friday, April, 26th.**

You can drop off your donation now at the office during normal business hours.

UNIFORM SALE

The Anton Uniform Pre-Season Sale is here!

Save up to 15% off your purchase

Orders over \$200 15% Off CODE: **SAVEBIG** All other orders 10% Off CODE: **SAVE10**







SPRING FLAG FOOTBALL

Students interested in Flag Football next Fall Season, can join the Spring Football Training to prepare for tryouts.



Two weeks (6-sessions) in the Spring can build fundamental skills before the start of the season. Open to current 4-7th graders

Meets will be on the west end of the Sports Field.

A NOTE FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE

Nurse Wilson's last day is tomorrow to pursue another career opportunity closer to home. We are looking for an RN to close out the school year and remain on for next year. This is a great opportunity for anyone in the field looking to be on their child's schedule! Please send any candidates our way. They can email their resume to ccruz@maryvaleprep.org & rmcrado@maryvaleprep.org.

SPORTS



For all Athletics News and Events, please check out the Athletics **Newsletter** and **Website**.

APRIL MEAL MENUS

BREAKFAST

LUNCH K-1

LUNCH 2-6

Effective January 1st, 2024, the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) granted Maryvale Prep free meal benefits for all students regardless of their household income. This benefit was implemented on Monday, January 29th.

FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

JOIN OUR FUNDRAISER AT RAISING CANE'S!

Mention the fundraiser at the register and Cane's will donate 15% of sales to:

Maryvale Prep Academy PSO

DATE & TIME:

April 17, 2024 from 04:00 PM - 09:00 PM

LOCATION:

5301 W Indian School Rd, Phoenix, AZ 85031 +1 623-282-3767





PSO presents the last Movie Night of the school year! Join us on **Friday, April 26th** on the Sports Field to watch

The "Barbie" Movie (PG-13)

admission is free!
Lawn blankets and chairs are encouraged.
Concessions will be open
(cash and card accepted)



SCAN HERE FOR TICKETS

Let's kick off Teacher Appreciation Week with America's pastime!

May 3rd

Join us for another Great Hearts Day at Chase Field, **Friday, May 3rd** as the Dbacks take on the San Diego Padres!

Enjoy a discounted ticket package that includes a co-branded Great Hearts x Dbacks hat (limited quantity), plus the opportunity to win game day experiences and prizes exclusive to Great Hearts families and friends. We hope to see you at the ballpark!

Learn More and Purchase Tickets

IMPORTANT MAY EVENTS

KINDER - 2ND SPRING CONCERT

Our K-2 Spring Concert will be held on **Wednesday, May 15th**. Moving forward, the K-2 concert will take place earlier in the day to accommodate all of the end of year events and campus evening needs.

Parents will enter through Gates 6 and 7, drop their students off in the Marley Center Plaza at the times noted below. Exit

Grade Level	Campus Entry Time	Concert Time
Kinder	1:30 pm	1:45-2:05 pm
1st Grade	2:00 pm	2:35-2:55 pm
2nd Grade	3:00 pm	3:15-3:35 pm

8:15-8:45am - Formal Ceremony

9:45 - 10:15am - Formal Ceremony

9:25am - Departure

10:55am - Departure

8:45-9:25am - Refreshments and Photos

10:15 - 10:55am - Refreshments and Photos

will take place promptly after the concert ends via Gate 15 to allow time for the next grade level to park and enter campus. Students must wear their regular school uniform for the concert.

Please note that Kinder students will not be dismissed via carline, and we do ask that parents wait until pick up ends to make way onto campus and park.

1st and 2nd Grade Students will need to be picked up and then brought back to campus at campus entry time. Please note if you are leaving your child in Athenaeum, you must sign them out and bring them to the Marley Center Plaza at Campus Entry time.

SECTION

KA/KB

KC/KD

TIME

KINDER PROMOTION

Kinder Promotion will take place on **Wednesday, May 22nd,** during the school day.

Guests are asked to arrive no more than 15 minutes ahead of your scheduled time and plan to leave shortly after the ceremony to make room for the next group coming in.

Each student will receive 6 guest tickets

- These will be sent home in homework folders on Friday, May 17
- Each guest must present their ticket at the door for entry.
- No additional guests will be permitted.
- Tickets cannot be given away or shared.
- If a child doesn't have 6 guests, their extra tickets should be discarded in order to maintain adequate room for all guests and for equity amongst all families. Lap babies under 2 years of age do not need a ticket.
- Older MVA siblings are permitted to attend but must be signed out from the main office and back in as though they were leaving for an appointment.

Kinder Parents: We would like to have approx. 4-6 Class of 2036 Photo Frames created for families to take photos and are in need of parent volunteers to create these. Email PSO@Maryvaleprep.org if you would like to help.

VIRTUE ASSEMBLY

Each year grade level teachers choose one student who has embodied one of the 9 core virtues throughout the year. We will honor these students in our Virtue Assemblies on **Thursday, May 23rd**. If your child is selected, you will receive a special invitation to surprise them with your attendance from Ms. Grado the week of May 6th.

6TH GRADE PROMOTION

6th Grade Promotion will take place on **Friday, May 24th** during the school day. Parent attendance is optional but encouraged. We will begin our time with a 6th Grade parent address from the Archway and Prep Headmasters at 8:15 am. Parents are then invited to stay and form a surprise tunnel for our 6th grade students who will walk in procession from the Archway side to the Prep side to enjoy their first breakfast in the Prep Courtyard. Light refreshments will be provided for 6th grade parents who wish to stay and mingle during the student breakfast. The full event will end by 9:30 am and students will resume classes.

*Guests are asked to arrive no earlier than 8 am. Parents can enter at the end of carline and loop back around to park.

SUMMER PROGRAMS

SUMMER SCHOOL

Summer School available for all students from **June 4-28th** (Tues-Fri) 7:50 am to 11:30 am, no school on Mondays.

There are two phases to register:

PHASE I

Registration April 8th - 26th
ONLY for students
recommended for the program

PHASE II

Registration April 29th - May 17th
Open to ALL students
until the maximum size for each class is reached

Summer school is free and meals will be offered to students free of charge too.

Breakfast will be served at 7:30am and lunch after class at 11:30am, students must exit campus at 12:00pm

SPORTS CAMP



SUMMER CAMP

Register for GreatHearts® Summer Camp 2024



GreatHearts® SummerCamp

A traditional camp experience with a classical twist!

June 4th-28th, 2024
Tuesday-Friday | 12:00pm-6:00pm

\$80/week

Includes a t-shirt.

Open to all students entering Grades K-5 in Fall '24, including students on a Great Hearts waitlist.

Early Bird Special

Save \$5 per week, per child before May 1st.

Register: MaryvalePrep.configio.com/summer24 Contact us: Programs@GreatHearts.org | 602.396.7574



Operation Summer Camp • Nature's Hidden Wonders • Celebration of Nations • Farm to Table

REGISTER: MaryvalePrep.configio.com/summer24

GREAT HEARTS BARCELONA FC CAMP

All Great Hearts Students are invited to join the Barça Soccer Camps this Summer at Scottsdale Prep, running from May 28th to June 1st, for boys and girls aged 6-14!

As a gesture of appreciation, Great Heart students are being granted an exclusive invitation with a 10% discount! Secure your spot today! Discount Code: GH24BA

Barca Academy Phoenix Soccer Camp (barcaresidencyacademyusa.com)







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. The safest route to enter our campus at the East entrance is to travel from the West to the East.

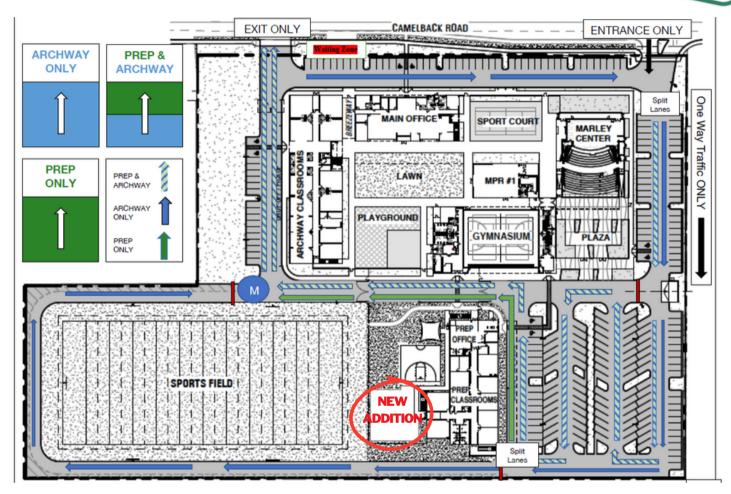
GATE CLOSURE Making a left turn in front of the school, into the declaration lane is dangerous. Please be mindful of a safe

arrival for your students.

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 next to the stop sign. Cars will be towed at your own expense.



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

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Construction crew has cleared the parking lot and is wrapping up last minute details before completing the addition to the Prep Building. This expansion will include a Prep Multipurpose Room (cafeteria), outdoor restrooms, classrooms, offices and interior faculty restrooms. Please continue to drive extra safe.

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.

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

CARLINE ETIQUETTE

- 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

FULL DAYS: 1:00pm - 2:30pm EARLY RELEASE DAYS:

11:00am - 12:15pm

- 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 NOTrecord or take pictures of students