



MARYVALE PREPARATORY ACADEMY

A GREAT HEARTS ACADEMY

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 16, 2025



MARYVALE PREPARATORY ACADEMY SCHOOL HOURS/INFO

ARCHWAY (K-6th Grade)

FULL DAYS: 8:00AM-3:15PM
HALF DAYS: 8:00AM-12:45PM

Archway Office Phone Number:
623-247-6095

Report an absence at:
attendance@maryvaleprep.org

OFFICE HOURS:

FULL DAYS: 7:00AM-4:00PM
HALF DAYS: 7:00AM-1:30PM



PREP (7th-12th Grade)

FULL DAYS: 8:00AM-3:00PM
HALF DAYS: 8:00AM-1:00PM

Prep Office Phone Number:
623-247-6095 Option 2

Report an absence at:
prep.attendance@maryvaleprep.org

GATE CLOSURE TIMES:

FULL DAYS: 1:00PM-2:30PM
EARLY RELEASE DAYS: 11:00AM-12:15PM

www.maryvaleprep.org



YouTube

PREP AND ARCHWAY NEWS

SPORTS MP

- **October 16th, 5:30pm** in the Marley Center, we will be having our Winter Sports Parents Night! If your scholar wants to play a winter sport, please attend this meeting; this is your chance to ask questions about pricing, registration, and to meet your coaches!

PICTURE RETAKES

Picture Retake Day is next **Thursday, October 23**. If you would like your child to retake their pictures, please email enrollment@maryvaleprep.org by **Tuesday, October 21**.

All students who missed Picture Day in September will automatically get their picture taken.



COFFEE WITH THE COUNSELORS

HOSTED BY OUR SCHOOL COUNSELORS
MRS. SOPER AND MS. MARTINEZ.



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24
FROM 8AM-9AM IN THE PREP MPR
Discover powerful resources for Mothers
presented by Fresh Start Women's Foundation

Thank you for your continued cooperation and support!
If you missed Coffee with the Counselors in September, or would like to watch it again,
you can view the session at the link below

[Counselor Roles at Maryvale](#)

A MESSAGE FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE



Regarding 2 notices, if your scholar has failed hearing and/or vision, a letter was sent home. If your scholar is non-compliant with vaccinations, a letter was

sent home specifying which one(s). Please schedule an appointment immediately to have your scholar immunized or submit the exemption form prior to **October 30, 2025**. After such time, your scholar may be excluded from school until such documentation has been received. If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact the Health Office. Please check your scholar's backpack for these 2 letters.



OCTOBER LUNCH MENUS

BREAKFAST MENU

KINDER LUNCH MENU

1ST-8TH LUNCH MENU

9TH-12TH LUNCH MENU



PREP AND ARCHWAY NEWS

PSO EVENTS



Jean Day



Allowed:

- Archway & Prep
- Students & Staff
- Spirit wear
- jeans

October 24, 2025
\$1.00



Not Allowed:

- No Ripped Jeans
- No crocs, boots or open toe shoes
- No jean shorts, skirts or overalls
- Students not following guidelines will be required to call home for a change of clothes

Need spirit wear?

Contact Mr. Jones:
DJones@MaryvalePrep.org

To build excitement for our upcoming Fall Festival, we are hosting a Spirit Wear & Jeans Day on **Friday, October 24** during school hours! For just \$1, students can wear:

- Non-ripped jeans
- A Maryvale spirit wear top
- Athletic shoes

Let's show our school spirit and kick off the Fall Festival fun in style!

PIZZA PARTY CONTEST

WANT TO WIN A CLASS PIZZA PARTY?

The class section that collects the most candy (unopened & sealed bags) wins a pizza party sponsored and paid for by PSO. Donated candy will be used for Fall Fest Trunk-or-Treat.

Winning class will be announced
Friday, October 24, 2025

GOOD LUCK!



FALL FEST



TRUNK OR TREAT, HAUNTED HOUSES & FOOD

Friday, October 24, 2025

6:00 – 9:00 pm
4825 W Camelback Rd.

PSOPresident@maryvaleprep.org

Buy your wristbands on configio!!

Fall Fest Volunteers:

Get free wristbands for your Maryvale students when you volunteer! Use this [LINK](#) to sign up now!

Trunk-or-Treat Reservation:

Please use this [LINK](#) to reserve your spot to decorate your trunk and hand out treats during our Fall Festival.



ARCHWAY NEWS KINDER- 6TH GRADE

A MESSAGE FROM ARCHWAY HEADMASTER DR. CRUZ



Hello Maryvale Prep Families,

We are glad to start the second quarter and excited for the progress to come post parent teacher conferences. Thank you for making the time to attend your child's conference. We had 94% of families attend and our goal is 100% as these first conferences are mandatory. This means that 43 students are still in need of a conference. If you did not attend your child's teacher will continue reaching out to schedule. Please continue to partner in the areas where we are working to ensure progress. We look forward to a strong quarter ahead and hope to see you all at our upcoming Fall Festival.

Maryvale Preparatory Academy
GreatHearts®
K-5 INFO NIGHT



Help Us Spread the Word!!

Great Hearts is hosting Info Nights at all of our Archway Academies soon, and we'd love for you to invite friends, family, and co-workers who may be considering school options.

NOVEMBER 6 | 5:30 PM

At Info Night, prospective parents will:

- Tour the campus
- Meet teachers, leaders, and families
- Learn more about our classical education
- Connect with representatives from our Prep schools who can answer questions



Your voice makes the biggest impact, please share this opportunity with families in your circle so they can experience firsthand the welcoming community that makes Great Hearts unique.

LINK: [ENROLLINFONIGHT](#)

GALILEO TESTING

Our remaining Galileo Test dates are as follows:

10/20 5th ELA	10/27 3rd ELA
10/21 5th Math	10/28 3rd Math
10/22 6th ELA	10/29 6th Math
10/23 4th ELA	10/30 2nd ELA
10/24 4th Math	10/31 2nd Math



Please ensure your children are present, well rested and well nourished for these tests. Encourage them to take their time and try their best!

ATHLETIC FIELD DAY



Our upcoming Athletic Field Days are on the following dates:

- Wednesday, October 29- 3rd- 6th grades.
- Wednesday, November 5- 1st and 2nd grades.

Please feel free to come out and watch your children. Note that Kinder happens later on.

GRADEBOOK ACCESS

Every Monday grades will be updated in the parent portal for 3rd-6th grades. We highly encourage you to review these with your child and reach out to your child's teacher with any concerns or to find out how else you can support your child.





DRESS CODE REMINDER

Please be sure to review our uniform and dress code policy on pages 40-42 of our Archway Family Handbook. Our faculty and staff are doing their best to log any dress code infractions which you should be receiving.

With cooler weather approaching, please review the outerwear dress code:

Sweaters:

- Color: Navy blue with the MVA Crest
- Style: Cardigan or pullover with a ¼ zipper
- Available from Dennis Uniforms and Anton Uniforms

Outerwear/Jackets:

- Jackets may be worn to school for warmth but must be free of logos and messages
- Definition: Waterproof fabric or wool, with zipper or buttons, and a single color scheme — no words or images allowed
- Jackets may only be worn before school, after school, and during recess

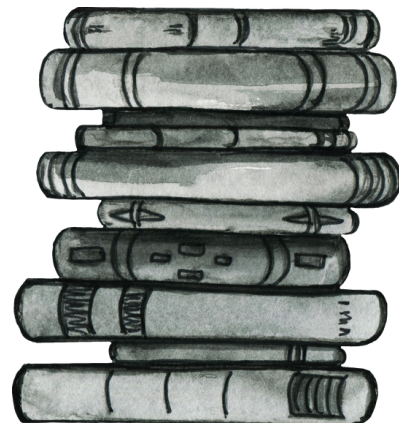
Other items:

- Beanies and gloves are allowed when it's cold but must be single-color and free of logos or messages
- Cardigans with the MVA Crest may be worn inside and outside the classroom
- Long sleeve undershirts are not permitted

Thank you for helping us maintain a neat and consistent dress code as temperatures drop!

THEMATIC GOAL REMINDER

As the fall season settles in and the weather begins to shift, we're reminded of how beautifully change mirrors growth. The turning of the leaves and the slower rhythm of the season invite us to pause, reflect, and take joy in the process of learning, both the challenge and the curiosity that come with it. In our classrooms, we center around our thematic goal of Rigor and Wonder with a balance of disciplined thinking and joyful discovery. In classrooms, this looks like students grappling with meaningful problems, asking deep questions, and delighting in those "aha" moments that make learning memorable. We hope you see this same spirit at home and further engage with and promote your children to stretch their minds, take ownership of their learning, and notice the beauty in the world around them. As families, you play such an important part in cultivating both rigor and wonder. Thank you for helping your child persist through challenges while also encouraging them to stay curious and imaginative.





HOT COCOA & DONUT HOLES

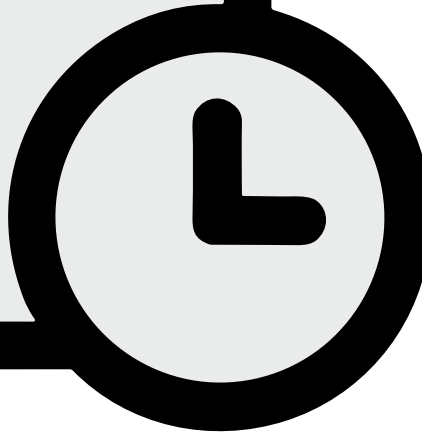


FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2025
7:00-7:45 AM

PREP ONLY

ATHLETIC FIELD DAY

Save the Date: Athletic Field Day for 7th- 12th grades is on **Wednesday, October 22**. Tennis shoes and athletic wear are required. Please remind your students to stay hydrated throughout the day.



GALILEO TESTING

Galileo testing is quickly approaching! The Galileo assessment is a valuable tool that helps us understand your scholars' progress and make informed decisions to support their academic growth.

Here are some essential details and tips to help your child prepare for the upcoming Galileo Testing:

Testing Dates:

•Galileo Testing will take place on **Wednesday, October 29**.

Test Preparation:

- Encourage your scholar to review class notes and materials to reinforce their learning.
- Ensure they have a quiet and well-lit space for studying and homework.
- Be supportive and provide a positive environment for their preparation.

Test-Day Essentials:

- On test days, please ensure that your scholar arrives at school on time.
- Make sure they get a good night's sleep and have a nutritious breakfast.

Stay Informed:

If you have any questions or need additional information regarding the Galileo Testing, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at smiano@maryvaleprep.org



PSAT

The PSAT for 10th and 11th-grade students will take place on **Tuesday, October 21, at 8:00 a.m.** Students should arrive by **7:45 a.m.** and expect testing to last about three hours.

Why the PSAT Matters:

The PSAT helps students prepare for the SAT and provides valuable feedback on their academic strengths and areas for growth. It also serves as the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test, which can open doors to college scholarships and recognition.

What to Bring:

- A water bottle and a snack for the break

How to Prepare:

- Review the PSAT format and content, focusing on math and evidence-based reading and writing
- Practice with official PSAT materials provided by HL and math teachers

Tips for Success:

- Encourage your scholar to get a good night's sleep and eat a healthy breakfast
- Offer support and reassurance to help ease any test-day nerves

We're confident scholars will do their best on this important step in their academic journey. Please let us know if you have any questions.



COLLEGE COUNSELOR

- Coffee with the Counselors- 10/24 @8:00am

- Study for the PSAT! Exam will take place on October 21st for 10th and 11th grades. Students, [click here](#) to create an account and download the Bluebook App for practice exams.



- 10th grade [ACE Application](#) Deadline, Nov. 1st.
- [AP-Registration](#) Deadline is Nov 1st.
- 12th grade University Application Priority Deadline, Nov. 1st.

See Mrs. Ayala for details or send an email to gayala@maryvaleprep.org