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Archway Arete NEWSLETTER

August 21st, 2025



Important Dates

August

8/22: PSO Orientation (8:15-9:45am)
8/27: Curriculum Night 3-5
8/29: Spirit Wear (R&R)

September

9/1: Labor Day (No School) R&R
9/11: PSO Board Mtg (6:30-8pm)
9/12: R&R weekend
9/13: PSO Family Game Night
9/17: Half-day/ Fall In-service
9/19: 2nd Grade- Boxcar Diorama
9/24: Fall Picture Day



Rainbow over the campus during the K-2nd Curriculum Night, Wednesday, August 20th

FROM THE HEADMASTER

On Monday, August 18th, all Great Hearts families received an email asking for partnership in completing an updated ESEA (Elementary and Secondary Education Act) form. Thank you to everyone that has already completed the ESEA form. We are currently at 50 percent of our goal of 100 percent participation. This form should take about two minutes to complete, and one form should be submitted for each child attending our academy and by the parent that has the School Axis account. This form plays a vital role in helping the Arizona Department of Education determine our eligibility for additional funding to support student success. Your information will remain confidential, and your participation helps strengthen our entire community.

Thank you in advance for your partnership in this endeavor.

For your convenience here is the link to the ESEA form:

[ESEA Form Link](#)



Cassie Mason | Headmaster

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Teacher Appreciation Lunch

Please sign up to bring food items or volunteer your time to serve the teachers and staff a birthday appreciation lunch on Tuesday, 8/26 from 10:45am-1:00pm. Backyard BBQ is the theme of the month.

Use the button below to sign up.

[Teacher Appreciation sign up](#)

Curriculum Nights

We request that all parents attend the Adult only Curriculum Night to learn the grade-level specifics of our classical curriculum and how to partner with the teacher to support your child's learning.

This event begins in the gym please enter through the south side gym doors next to the bleachers.

3rd grade through 5th grade parents will join us on **Wednesday, August 27th** from 5:30pm - 7pm followed by a parent social until 7:30pm in the MPR.

3rd-5th Flyer

CURRICULUM NIGHT

Arete means excellence. We choose. We own. We grow.

WHEN?

Wednesday, August 27, 5:30-7:00 PM*

WHERE?

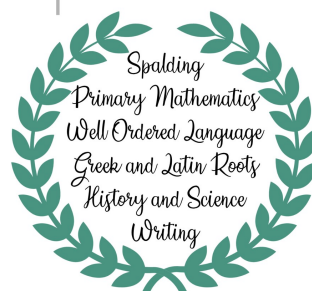
Arete Gym and your child's Archway classroom

FOR?

All 3-5 Parents

WHY?

To learn the grade-level specifics of our classical curriculum and how to partner with teacher to support your child's learning



We request all parents attend Curriculum Night.
Thank you for making every effort to be present.
Please reach out to Amber Dill (3-5 Dean) if you have any questions regarding the event.
adill@archwayarete.org

*Stay until 7:30 for a Parent Mix & Mingle in the MPR.



New Clubs Available

There is still time to sign up for first semester clubs! These clubs include sports club, jazz dance, chess, volleyball, running, Sportskidz basketball and an additional BookNics club on Friday!

Club sign up

Traffic Reminder

Be considerate of others. This means respecting our neighboring businesses and their private parking spaces during drop off or pick up. INSPIRE has graciously allowed Arete families park in their lot before 8:00am only. However, no parking is allowed after school as this creates a problem for their business causing INSPIRE, to delay their class start time by 15 minutes or longer.

Thank you for your partnership and consideration.





Bike Helmet Giveaway

We have an opportunity to partner with the Gilbert Town Council in their bike helmet giveaway. If you are interested in receiving a free helmet for your child/ren, simply print off and complete the waiver below. Waivers can be dropped off at the front office through Friday, August 29th and helmets will be sent home with students the following week.

[Bike Helmet Giveaway Waiver](#)

ACADEMY GIVING

Great Hearts Middle School League



Virtue based learning opportunities



Prep athletic program costs



Academic competition



GreatHearts®

What does my Arizona Tax Credit contribution support?



On-campus fine arts visits



Field trips



Enrichment programs



Extracurricular programs



Off campus learning experiences



How does it work?



Donate up to \$200 single or \$400 joint to the academy of your choice



Save your receipt



File AZ Form 322 with your taxes and include your receipt



Get every dollar back from Arizona*

[Arizona Tax Credit](#)

[Community Investment](#)

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

[PSO Volunteer Orientation](#)

PSO Orientation is Aug 22nd, from 8:15-9:45am in the library. Come learn all about the PSO and how you can help our community. Can't make it to the meeting? No sweat - complete the following form to get started right now!

PSO Volunteer Orientation Information

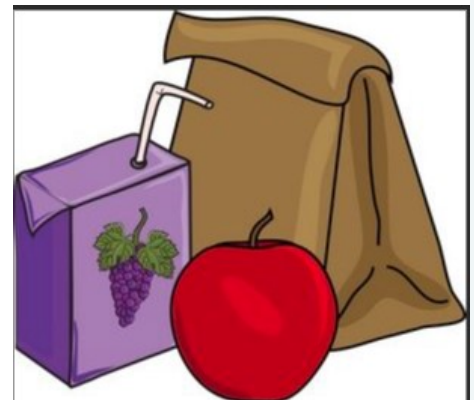
Forgotten Lunch Policy

Please remember to send your child to school with a sufficient lunch, 2 snacks (1 for half day kindergarteners) and a filled water bottle every day. This includes Wednesday early release days which do include a scheduled lunch for all grades; however, hot lunch and the snack bar are not available.

In the event that your child indicates that they do not have a lunch, our lunchroom volunteers provide a forgotten lunch to them as a substitute that consists of a sandwich, apple sauce and XXXX.

As a courtesy, we ask that you reimburse our Parent Service Organization \$4.00 for the cost of the lunch and to help us to continue to help meet the needs of our students. An email notification with payment options will be sent from the front office.

We encourage busy families to order hot lunches daily using the My Hot Lunchbox program. The order deadline is noon one day prior to the date the lunch is served.



My Hot Lunchbox



Lunch Volunteers

The August Lunch Volunteer sign up is live! Lunch volunteering is a great way to meet other parents and to see your kiddo in action. Our hot lunch program runs 100% on volunteers. Sign up today!

August Lunch Volunteer Sign up

September Lunch Volunteer Sign up

PSO - PARENT SERVICE ORGANIZATION



PSO Board Opportunities:

We are still looking for parent volunteers to lead in the following areas at Archway Arete for the 25/26 school year.

- Lunch Co-Lead

If you want more information or are interested in serving in one of these roles, please email psopresident@archwayarete.org

ATHENAEUM NEWS

Athenaeum After-School Program

The Athenaeum After-School Program is so much more than just 'after-care'. Serving Grades K-5, Athenaeum is a comprehensive program that has the same culture and educational focus as the academy. Each day, students are provided with time for homework completion in addition to time for recreation, games, snack, socializing with friends, and enriching hands-on activities that follow a unique monthly theme.

Athenaeum is available from dismissal to 6:00 PM on all days the academy is in session.

For more information and to register today, please visit: <https://archwayarete.greatheartsamerica.org/academy-life/after-school-programs/>

For questions about the program, please contact our Campus Coordinator, Linda Saldana, at Programs.Arete@greathearts.org.

REFERENCE SECTION

Specialists Blogs

Coach Gethings: [2-5 PE](#)
Melissa Palafox: [K-1 PE](#)
Madame Gebara: [2-5 French](#)
Madame Ramadan: [K-1 French](#)
Rachel Helton: [2-5 Music](#)
Kandyce Register: [K-1 Music](#)
Michelle Bullock: [3-5 Art](#)
Jessica McCortle: K-2 Art

Quick Links

- [Family Calendar](#)
- [Family Handbook](#)
- [Newsletter Archives](#)
- [My Hot Lunchbox - Register Here](#)
- [Parent Payment \(Configio\)](#)
- [Volunteer Application](#)
- [Text Updates from PSO](#)
- [Spirit Wear Shirt \(Order here\)](#)
- [Archway Arete Website](#)

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