

**Sandra Master**

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## Archway Arete NEWSLETTER

September 18th, 2025



### CHIPOTLE FUNDRAISER FOR ARCHWAY ARETE PSO

25% OF EVENT SALES GET DONATED TO THE CAUSE

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25TH | 4-8PM  
1411 S POWER RD STE 103, MESA, AZ, 85206

ORDER ONLINE FOR PICKUP USING CODE **DNRGLGF**  
OR SHOW THIS FLYER IN RESTAURANT



For online orders to count towards the fundraiser, they must be placed for pickup only from the restaurant location of, and during the hours of, the fundraiser. Delivery orders and gift cards do not qualify. \$150 minimum event sales required to receive any donation.

**Charger Night on Thursday, September 25th**

## Important Dates

### September

**9/17:** Half-day/ Fall In-service  
**9/19:** 2nd Gr-Boxcar Diorama (8:15-9am)  
**9/23:** Teacher Appreciation Lunch (PSO)  
**9/24:** Fall Picture Day  
**9/25:** Charger Night 4-8pm (PSO)

### October

**10/3:** Spirit Wear Day  
**10/6-10/10:** Fall Break (No School) R&R  
**10/15-10/17:** Parent/Teacher conference (No School)  
**10/31:** 1st Gr-Egyptian Museum (8:15-9am)

### November

**11/7:** PSO Board Meeting (8:15-9:45am)  
**11/7:** Spirit Wear Day  
**11/7:** 3rd Gr-Habitat Project (8:15-9am)  
**11/10-11/11:** Veteran's Day (No School)  
**11/14:** 4th Gr- Castle Showcase (8:15-9am)  
**11/25:** Winter Concert (Higley Center)  
**11/26-11/28:** Thanksgiving Break (No School)

**Charger Night Flyer**

## FROM THE HEADMASTER

Keeping up with the latest information when it comes to digital devices, online games, apps, and software systems can feel like a full-time job. As difficult as it is to navigate the online world, and as uncomfortable as these conversations may be, now is the time to press in. As parents, you can use these opportunities to deepen your child's understanding of your family's core values and proactively build their online skills. With explicit content so readily available, it is important to have open dialogue with our children about online safety: what they should avoid, what to do if they are exposed to uncomfortable content, and how to put healthy safeguards in place. I have put together some online safety resources below to equip parents as you navigate these important conversations at home.



**Cassie Mason | Headmaster**

[Online Safety Resource](#)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



**Wednesday, September 24th**

Fall picture day is here. Pre-ordering is recommended using the following:

**Picture Day ID: EVT8QF3XS**

**Website: [mylifetouch.com](https://mylifetouch.com)**

[Order Here](#)

### Lunch Leftovers

If students have a hot lunch and do not finish it all, they have two options: throw leftovers in the trash or store them in an insulated lunch box that they've brought from home. This will ensure our playground stays clean, and our students stay healthy.

## Great Hearts Day at the D-Backs!

Great Hearts is partnering with the Diamondbacks once again to bring you another [Great Hearts Day at the D-Backs](#)! Enjoy discounted tickets, enter for the opportunity to win game day experiences and prizes, and arrive early to participate in a special pre-game parade around the warning track- exclusive to Great Hearts families and faculty! Find out more information and purchase your tickets by scanning the QR code or via the link below. We hope to see you there!

[Buy Tickets Here](#)



## Title I Annual Parent Meeting

The annual Title I Annual Parent Meeting will be held virtually **Monday, September 29, 2025**. Two sessions will be available:

Session 1 at 9:30 AM: <https://arizona.greatheartsamerica.org/title1/morning/>

Session 2 at 1:00 PM: <https://arizona.greatheartsamerica.org/title1/afternoon/>

These sessions will answer the questions: What is Title I? What is the Title I Grant Program? What resources are available for students who qualify for this assistance? The meeting will conclude with an open Q & A. Following the meeting, a brief survey will be distributed to collect feedback from attendees.

Questions about this event or Title I: Please email Missy Penniman at [melissa.penniman@greathearts.org](mailto:melissa.penniman@greathearts.org)



## Winter Concert

Coming soon! November 25th at Higley Center for the Arts. See flyer for more details.

[Winter Concert Flyer](#)

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# ACADEMY GIVING

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Giving is at the heart of  
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**2025-2026**



Community Investment directly impacts the resources required to provide young minds and hearts a Great Hearts classical liberal arts curriculum.

Join us today by giving to Community Investment

At Great Hearts, we believe every scholar deserves a rich, well-rounded education. One that not only challenges the mind but also shapes the heart. By giving a **Community Investment**, it makes this vision a reality for all our students.

Thanks to the generous support of families like yours, we're able to offer a curriculum rooted in classical liberal arts, character-building extracurriculars, and the dedicated faculty who bring learning to life.

Help support the education you have chosen for your child by following the links below or contacting the Family Giving Officer, Stephanie Reed, at [sreed@archwayarete.org](mailto:sreed@archwayarete.org)

Arizona Tax Credit

Community Investment

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES





### Library visits

Our library visits officially begin on **Friday, September 12th**, and we'd love your help! Volunteering in the library is fun, easy, and a wonderful way to see our scholars in action. We are looking for at least **three volunteers each Library Day** to help with checking books in/out, shelving, and assisting students as they find new reads. Whether you are a returning volunteer or trying it for the first time, we welcome you!

[Library Volunteer sign up](#)

### 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!

[September Lunch Volunteer Sign up](#)

[October Lunch Volunteer Sign up](#)



## PSO - PARENT SERVICE ORGANIZATION

### Teacher Appreciation Lunch - Tues. 9/23

Help to celebrate the September birthdays for our teachers. Sign up to bring something using the

[Teacher Appreciation Sign up](#)



### Spirit Wear Shirts

Check out our NEW and VINTAGE spirit wear designs in the Configio store... now featuring shirts for Mom & Dad

[Buy Shirts Here](#)



## Kindergarten Facebook Group

Kindergarten Parents, the Kindergarten Facebook page is up and running. Please click the link below or search "Archway Arete Kindergarten Class" to join and stay up to date on what is happening with the PSO and our school, meet other families and parents!

Kindergarten Facebook Group

Snack Shop	
<b>Drinks</b>	<b>Salty</b>
Gatorade ..... \$1.00	Nuts ..... \$1.25
Capri Sun ..... \$1.00	Popcorn ..... \$1.00
	Pirate Booty ..... \$1.00
	Pretzels ..... \$1.00
	Cheez-Its ..... \$1.00
	Chips ..... \$1.00
	Granola Bites ..... \$1.00
	Granola Bar ..... \$0.50
<b>Sweet</b>	<b>Special</b>
Apple Chips ..... \$1.50	Chomp Stick ..... \$2.50
Fruit Bar ..... \$1.00	Popsicle ..... \$1.00
Fruit Rolls ..... \$1.00	*Sold on Friday's Only*
Fruit Whips ..... \$1.00	
Fig Bar ..... \$1.00	
Applesauce ..... \$0.75	
Fruit Snacks ..... \$0.25	

### New Snack Menu in the Lunchroom!

We are thrilled to announce a **brand-new snack menu** in the lunchroom! Our updated menu features a variety of **healthier options**, including **dye-free** and **gluten-free** choices, so there's something for everyone to enjoy.

See Snack Shop Menu for details.

### Great Hearts Gala

Enjoy a memorable evening out while making a difference—come celebrate at the Great Hearts Gala! Get your tickets before prices increase Oct. 1st.

GreatHearts  
GALA

AN EVENING  
OF ELEGANCE

**GOLD RUSH**  
AND FORTUNE

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>**

Join us at the 8th annual Great Hearts Gala in support of our Teacher Excellence Fund which rewards and retains our best teachers through bonus compensation every December. All proceeds directly support our great-hearted teachers!

**Discounted tickets are on sale NOW**

**PRICE INCREASES OCT 1**

Purchase tickets today at [GreatHeartsGala.org](http://GreatHeartsGala.org) or by scanning the QR code.



Gala Tickets

## Used Uniforms

Please use the updated form below to receive credit for your used uniform donations. If you need to purchase uniforms, please contact DeaAnna Carpenter or Kristen Murphy at [psouniforms@archwayarete.org](mailto:psouniforms@archwayarete.org).

Used Uniform Credit Form



## 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](mailto:psopresident@archwayarete.org)

# ATHENAEUM NEWS

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Click on the photo to view the Athenaeum Newsletter.

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](mailto:Programs.Arete@greathearts.org).

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## PREP CORNER

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### Get a Taste of Prep Side at Homecoming - Friday 9/19

Arete Prep's HOCO Community Tailgate starts at 5pm with music, face painting, a balloon artist, Big Nates BBQ, Roasted Corn, Kona Ice, and more! Arete Prep Varsity Football game starts at 7pm, **featuring a halftime performance by Archway Arete's Cheer Club!** Arete students, faculty, and staff get in free. Adults \$5. Other students, seniors, and military \$3. Hope to see you there!

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## REFERENCE SECTION

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### Specialists Blogs

Coach Gethings: [2-5 PE](#)  
Melissa Palafox: [K-1 PE](#)  
Madame Gebara: [2-5 French](#)  
Madame Ramadan: [K-1 French](#)

### Quick Links

- [Family Calendar \(25-26\)](#)  
- [Family Handbook \(25/26\)](#)

Rachel Helton: [2-5 Music](#)  
Kandyce Register: [K-1 Music](#)  
Michelle Bullock: [3-5 Art](#)  
Jessica McCorkle: [K-2 Art](#)

- [My Hot Lunchbox - Register Here](#)
- [Parent Payment \(Configio\)](#)
- [Volunteer Application](#)
- [Archway Arete Website](#)

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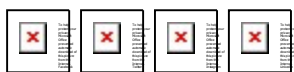
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[President](#)

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