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Archway Arete NEWSLETTER

September 3rd, 2025



Important Dates

September

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

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 Grade-Egyptian Museum

Join us for the PSO Family Game Night, Saturday, 9/13, 5:30-8:00pm

FROM THE HEADMASTER

Thank you, parents, for attending our recent Curriculum Night events. (For those of you who have asked, you can read my 3rd-5th grade Curriculum Night speech below) We saw an overall 27% increase in participation compared to last year and are grateful for your partnership. When parents are able to connect with teachers and also with one another, our community is strengthened.

On that note, I am pleased to announce our Scholarly Habit for the month of September, Collaboration. During morning announcements on Tuesday, I shared with students that collaboration is a big word that means to work well together. It pairs well with our virtue of the month, Citizenship. As students learn more about collaboration this month, we will practice skills such as compromising, disagreeing politely, apologizing, and interrupting appropriately.

Speaking of collaboration, our first PSO event is coming soon! Save the date for our Family Game Night on Saturday, September 13th from 5:30-8:00 PM in our gym. Below you can pre-register and sign up to volunteer, if you are able to help.



Cassie Mason | Headmaster

[Pre-register Here](#)

[Volunteer Sign up](#)

[Curriculum Night speech](#)

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Wednesday, September 17th

This day will be a true half-day release for Faculty in-service. Student release times are as follows:

Kinder - 2nd grades: 11:45am

3rd - 5th grades: 12:05pm

All grades with Prep siblings: 12:30pm

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.



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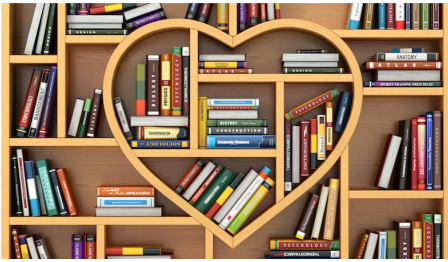

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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



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](#)



PSO - PARENT SERVICE ORGANIZATION

PSO Board Meeting

Join us for an evening PSO Board Meeting starting at 6:30pm in the library on Thursday, September 11th. Parents will enter through the front office for this event.

All are welcome! We hope to see you there.

Family Game Night, 9/13

Join us for Family Game Night! Connect with other Archway Arete families over yard games, board games, and LIFE-SIZE Candy Land! Tell Dad there will even be a TV to check scores during the event. 🏈

Register for Event

Event Flyer

Volunteer at Event



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.

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

ATHENAEUM NEWS



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.

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 McCorkle: [K-2 Art](#)

Quick Links

- [Family Calendar \(25-26\)](#)
- [Family Handbook \(25/26\)](#)
- [My Hot Lunchbox - Register Here](#)
- [Parent Payment \(Configio\)](#)
- [Volunteer Application](#)
- [Archway Arete Website](#)

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