

Archway Glendale Weekly E-Blast May 7, 2020



Yearbooks

This week we found out that the 19/20 yearbooks will not arrive by May 8th, as we were originally told. They will arrive sometime this summer. Once we receive the yearbooks, we will notify those that purchased them and arrange for delivery. There are some extra copies available. If you would like to purchase a copy, please log on to the [Payment Portal](#) to purchase one.

Virtual Athenaeum Now and 20/21 Athenaeum Registration

Virtual Athenaeum

The Athenaeum After-School program is proud to announce *Virtual Athenaeum*! Virtual Athenaeum is a free online resource for all scholars that allows you to experience Athenaeum from the comfort of your own home. All the videos are designed to be 10-15 minutes long, require little to no supplies, and provide your scholar with a fun mental break at any point in the day. You can find Virtual Athenaeum videos on our academy website under 'Academy Life à After School Programs.' You can also find a full playlist of videos from all our academies here:

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL8UyUmxS7VL0eo0tuQzYtSr77hEr8nn_1

New videos will be posted weekly so be sure to check back each week!

20/21 Athenaeum Registration

Registration for After-School Athenaeum for the 20/21 school year is now open! After-School Athenaeum is focused on the liberal arts and promotes learning by providing students dedicated homework time in addition to a diverse array of culturally enriching, academically oriented activities beyond the classroom. But it's not all academics! Athenaeum scholars also enjoy time for recreation, games, socializing

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Important Dates

5/18 - 5/20
HALF DAYS
(Assignments Reduced)

and just plain fun. Athenaeum runs daily from the dismissal bell (even on half-days) until 6:00 p.m. Flexible and affordable options are available to fit any family's after-school needs.

[Click here to register for the Athenaeum After-School Program 20/21.](#)

Great Hearts Bard Competition Final Round

Last night was the final round of the Great Hearts Bard Competition. Ten of the Great Hearts Arizona Archway Academies were represented, including Archway Glendale. Mikaela, a fourth grader, represented Archway Glendale and 4C, performing an excerpt from Patrick Henry's famous speech, 'Give Me Liberty or Give Me Death'. We are all so very proud of Mikaela and would like for you to join us in congratulating her on her hard work and wonderful performance.

Three cheers for Mikaela! And many thanks to Mrs. Hurley who worked very hard as the Archway Glendale Bard Coordinator!

To see Mikaela's performance click [this link](#).

Returning Items - Extended

We will continue to put the blue cart for returned items outside the school office until May 15th. If you haven't had a chance to return your student's library books or other school-owned books or items yet, please try to drop them off as soon as possible. Below you will find a list of what each grade or class may have at home that needs to be returned. Please clearly label the returned items with your student's name and section. Some suggestions of how to label items are: use a post-it note or a piece of paper tucked inside the cover or taped to the outside. **If you are not able to return the items by May 15th, please contact the school office.**

K: Leveled Readers and Library Books

1st: Library Books

2nd: Library Books

3rd: Library Books

4th: Library Books, Lit Circle Books, Math Textbooks and

4B Only: Math Toolkits

5th: Library Books

Tutors

If you are interested in hiring a tutor over the summer, please contact the school office at 623.866.4710. We have a few names that we can share with you.

Academy Giving

5/21
**LAST DAY OF
SCHOOL
HALF DAY**

5/22
**5TH GRADE
CLAP/OUT and
PROMOTION**
TBD am - speeches on
FB
10 am - 5A car parade
11am - 5B car parade
12 pm - 5C car parade
***UPDATED TIMES**

**CHOOSE
JOY!**



We're at 84% of our goal for our 19/20 Community Investment campaign! Will you help us cross the finish line? Community Investment supports our operating budget, which allows our teachers to bring our incredible curriculum to our students in a new way. **It's the best way to support our academy in this uncertain time!** In addition to a financial contribution, you can share the hashtag #CommunityInvestment on social media to help us spread the word to our school community. Contact Cathy Sparks at csparks@archwayglendale.org or at 602.770.7552 for more information.

Headmaster Corner

Believe it or not, two weeks from today is the end of the school year and the end of the most unusual 4th quarter I have experienced in my forty-six years as an educator. Our goal has been, and continues to be, to stay connected and show every family and student how much we care: care and connect! If your family needs anything from our school community, do not hesitate to ask. We are here to serve our families, and it is our privilege and joy to do so!

I have directed our teachers to give half day assignments on May 18, 19, and 20, but few or none of those assignments will be collected for comment or review by teachers. We ask that you parents report to your student's teacher when and if your student completes the assignment. May 21 should see a zoom end of year celebration for your student's class.

Our teachers will have more to do than usual to close the year and have classrooms clean, safe, and ready for the start of school in August. As you know we have the most amazing group of dedicated teachers and staff you will find anywhere. I am so happy our families have made the time to show them your appreciation this week, and really, throughout the year.

This morning, as Mrs. Kersting and I were taking our daily early morning walk, two bikers whizzed by us in cool shades and bike helmets, and what do you think? It was Nolan (2C) and his mom. We recognized them when they stopped a few yards ahead on the path and

took off their shades. We had the most delightful conversation, and the gratitude and joy of that mom and son are typical of Archway Glendale families. We are so blessed to be able to serve such inspiring and loving families. This summer, please put love, care, and connectedness at the top of your family agenda (but never neglect reading and math games!).

We are planning to be on campus for a normal, or almost completely normal, school year starting August 6. Please consult the school calendar. The plan is to stick to the calendar, provided state and local officials allow, which we have every indication they will. Great Hearts has a team of our finest leaders working to solve any problems and overcome any safety obstacles to our successful return to campus in August. We will keep you updated throughout the summer as we progress toward opening day, 20/21.

All the best to the best school families anywhere!

