



August 10, 2020

Dear Families,

In addition to the weekly update, I wanted to send some important information early in the week about support for parents who are struggling to juggle remote learning, work responsibilities, and all the rest.

Great Hearts will be providing a physical space for students who have a specific need for support that cannot be met in the online learning environment. From Monday, August 17 until our schools open for in-building learning, we will host Great Hearts students at three of our Phoenix-area locations. Those locations will be Archway Chandler/Chandler Prep, Archway Scottsdale, and Archway Trivium East. This service is open to all students in the network and is not limited only to those students currently enrolled at one of these locations.

Each location will offer a space to study, connectivity to the internet, and adult supervision during normal school hours. It will not include before or after-school care, transportation, academic support, or instruction. The service will be provided in large multi-age groups in multi-purpose rooms with possible overflow into other areas of the campus. We will staff the program with Athenaeum employees, coaches, and staff volunteers. All staff will have fingerprint clearance cards. Masks will be required while at desks as the desk shields will not yet be installed.

Parents/guardians will need to ensure that their student(s) have all of the tools needed to learn (i.e., fully charged laptop, charging cord, headphones/earbuds with a microphone, pencils, pens, paper, books, etc.), lunch, and refillable water bottle. The program will run from 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM M-F for grades 1-12 and 8:00 AM – 11:45 AM for Kindergarten. Full-day Kindergarten will not be offered during this program.

If you are interested in participating in this program, please complete the registration form via [the Great Hearts Parent Portal](#) by 5:00 PM on Thursday, August 13 in order for your child to attend the program on the first day, Monday, August 17.

Completion of registration after Thursday, August 13 will mean that your child cannot attend the program until Tuesday, August 18.

ELL – English Language Learners

If your student(s) need(s) assistance understanding directions on Google classroom and they are part of our ELL program (English Language Learner), and you are unable to help them, a volunteer will help them to access the learning on Google Classroom. Daily ELL instruction will occur over Zoom, which can be accessed at home or at a school building. If you would like to volunteer to assist our ELL students, please contact [Melissa Penniman](#).

ESS- Exceptional Student Services

If your student is currently on an IEP, and you think s/he may need one-on-one in-person support, this can be provided by your own academy. Please call your school to set up an IEP meeting to

determine whether or not this one-on-one support is needed. If your student requires only supervision, s/he is welcome to attend one of the three on-site locations at Archway Chandler/Chandler Prep, Archway Scottsdale, Archway Trivium East.

FRL- Free and Reduced Lunch

If your student attends Maryvale Prep and is enrolled in the School Lunch Program for free or reduced lunch, their lunch will be provided at Maryvale Prep for the week.

To complete the On-Site Support Learning Form, please follow the steps below:

1. Please log into the [Great Hearts Parent Portal system](#) using your username and password. If you do not remember your log-in information, please click on the "Forgot Password" and follow the instructions. If you continue to experience issues, please reach out to ghenrollment@greatheartsaz.org.
2. Once you are in the enrollment system, click on the On-Site Support Learning Button to access the form.
3. Complete the On-Site Support Learning Form for all students that you would like to register in the program.
4. Once you submit the form, you will receive an email confirmation to the email registered in the enrollment system.

****If you experience any technical difficulties with the form, please reach out to ghenrollment@greatheartsaz.org.*

Again, once you have completed the registration by 5:00 PM on Thursday, August 13, you are registered for the first day on Monday, August 17. To manage space and staffing, we ask that you notify us of your return to the program via a shortened form in the parent portal at the end of each day. **Failure to notify us will forfeit your child's spot for the next day.** Registration will remain open until in-building learning begins across the entire network.

We are here to serve you as best we can. As always, thanks for your patience with us as we move forward together.

If you have questions, please reach out to us at questions@greatheartsamerica.org.

All my Best,

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