Golden Eagle E-Blast September 17, 2020



Tomorrow is a Half-Day!

Please be sure to pick up your students on time tomorrow! Halfday kindergarten pickup will be at the usual time, 11 am. Pickup for full-day kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grade will be 11:30, and pickup for 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade will be at 11:45. Walkers will be released at 11:55.*

*Walkers are released later for a couple of reasons. One of the main reasons is safety. It allows the person on the iPad to become an on-campus crossing guard near the flagpole when she is done with entering names.

Signup Now for the Quarter Two TriMega Youth Sports Program

Coach Chris Thomas (GP Cross Country Coach) will be starting the Wednesday sports program in the second quarter. His company is TriMega Youth Sports and he will be offering three classes - Fitness Training, Speed and Agility Training, or Yoga - on Wednesday afternoons from dismissal to 2:45. Please click <u>here</u> to get more information or to register. Classes will begin on 10/21.

Drop Off in One Location Only

If you have children at both Archway Glendale and Glendale Prep, please drop them off at the same location. Vehicles that drop off students on the north curb near the Glendale Prep gym, SHOULD NOT continue to the east curb to drop off any additional students. <u>Archway Glendale leadership strongly</u> <u>recommends that families dropping off both Archway</u> <u>Glendale and Glendale Prep students use the east curb</u> <u>only.</u>

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Important Dates

9/18 HALF-DAY Please be aware that there is a faculty member directing traffic between the north and east curbs. The sun can be blinding in the morning and may be affecting your ability to see the faculty member. Please be aware and drive with care.

Deadline to Make a Change From Distance Learning to Brick and Mortar for Quarter Two

Families with students in Distance Learning that want to change to Brick and Mortar for the second quarter should email <u>Erinn</u> <u>Mobley</u> by 3 pm on Friday, September 25th.

Updated 20/21 Academic Calendar

Please find an updated 20/21 Academic Calendar <u>here</u>. The updates include R and R days (days without homework) and our updated picture day, 10/22.

Distance Learning Attendance and Guidelines

Distance Learning attendance is only taken during the main live Zoom Session with the class. If your student is not on time or misses most of the session due to a poor connection, he may be counted absent for the day. Attendance will not be based on Google Classroom work.

Distance Learners must be prepared with all needed materials each day. Please be sure your child is in a quiet place, free of distractions and muted so that no background conversations can be heard.

Distance Learners who are not able to attend the Zoom sessions should call the attendance line to report the absence.

Please reach out to the $\underline{\text{school office}}$ with any questions or concerns.

ID's Required on Campus for Visitors and Volunteers

The school office doors are now locked all day. Please ring the doorbell if you are not buzzed in by the office staff. <u>All</u> <u>volunteers and visitors are required to bring a state</u> <u>issued ID with them!</u>

Half-Day K pickup @ 11 K-2 pickup @ 11:30 3-5 pickup @ 11:45

9/25

SECOND QUARTER CHANGE DEADLINE

10/2

HALF-DAY Half-Day K pickup @ 11 K-2 pickup @ 11:30 3-5 pickup @ 11:45

10/5 - 10/9 NO SCHOOL - FALL BREAK

10/12 - 10/16

NO SCHOOL - PROJECT WEEK AND PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES For those of you who would like to volunteer, please be sure you fill out the <u>new volunteer application</u>. Arizona Level One Clearance Cards are no longer accepted. The new volunteer background check is more extensive.

Health and Safety Update from the Dean of Students

Archway Glendale knows that the risk of COVID-19 cannot be totally eliminated but is committed to reducing identified risks whenever possible. With this in mind, parent/teacher conferences will be held via Zoom. Conferences will take place the week of 10/12. Conferences will be via Zoom only, and each teacher will be scheduling her own conferences. Please watch for a signup from your child's teacher on Tuesday, 9/29.

Glendale Prep Sports (for 5th Graders)

Griffin Merge

GP Athletics is constantly trying to provide the best experience, service, and coaching to our student-athletes, their families, and our great coaches. As such, we are transitioning how we communicate from Team App to VNN Team Chat. VNN has several advantages for the Athletic Program in how we operate and communicate.

On September 28th, all teams will use VNN Team Chat for our key communication between coaches and teams instead of Team App. We are calling this process the "Griffin Merge".

We will take the following steps to help make the Griffin Merge smooth:

- 1. Download the VNN Team Chat App on your phone or device.
- Email Communication The Athletic Department will periodically mass email encouraging the download of VNN Team Chat until the 28th.
- 3. Remember, we will continue to use Team App until the 28th, then we will merge to VNN Chat.

Middle School Sports – THIS WEEK

MS Golf - Match 9/16 @Arrowhead Legends Course

MS Cross Country - Meet at 11:30 am @North Phoenix Prep. 1

Spectator per athlete.

Visit glendaleprepathletics.com for all schedules. **High School Sports** High School Schedules are now posted to www.glendaleprepathletics.com. Search the calendar for updates on our HS Sports. **Payment Portal** Click here to pay for the Fall Middle School Sports: Middle School Fall Sports 20-21 **Sideline Store** To purchase your **GP Athletics Swag** visit: http://sideline.bsnsports.com/schools/arizona/glendale/glendalepreparatory-academy. This is a 24/7 store that allows you to purchase any item of swag that you desire. **Coaches Directory:** For information on any sport within the Athletic Department, visit glendaleprepathletics.com and find the coach of your desired program. Any questions, email athletics@glendaleprep.org or the coaches contact that is listed. Follow Us Instagram - @gpathleticdept Facebook – Glendale Prep Athletics Twitter - @gpathletics This Blast was brought to you by our GOLD Level Athletic Sponsors. Penny Chiropractic. Pete King Construction. Shipley Orthodontics. Contact them today and tell them Glendale Prep sent you! To join our Athletic Parent Board. Email *qp APO@qlendaleprep.org with your full name and sport that* your child participates in. Jerome Garrison | Director of Athletics **Academy Giving**

GREAT HEARTS TELETHON



Watch our Glendale campus take part in this Saturday's Great Hearts Telethon as we raise funds for our amazing teachers! From 3:00 - 3:30 pm, tune in to see our students, teachers, and headmasters play, "Quiz Bowl!" Which team will win? Tune in to find out! The Telethon can be viewed on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>YouTube</u>, or <u>tinyurl.com/GHTelethon</u>.

Message from Mr. Kersting

Last week, I wrote/spoke too soon. This week we had one positive test and one conflicted test result in one of our classrooms. We will do all we can to prevent any further spread.

If you have questions about the protocol in general, Mrs. Swinford or I can answer those. If you want specifics, we are not at liberty to give many since we must protect the confidentiality of all students and employees.

We are starting to make plans for the second quarter. We hope to improve DL and brick and mortar instruction for our teachers, students, and families. Please email me with any ideas you think can help us. We welcome your input.

Please email the office no later than September 25 if your family plans to have students transition from DL to brick and mortar at the start of the second quarter.

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