

Golden Eagle E-Blast

October 1, 2020



Fall Break/Project Week/Conferences

Archway Glendale wishes all students and families a week full of rest, relaxation, laughter, and fun! There will be no school from October 5th through the 9th for Fall Break.

The week of October 12th is Project Week. Students should be at home working on their grade level projects which are due when school begins on October 19th.

Parent/Teacher Conferences are taking place via Zoom, the week of October 12th. Every family should have received a signup from the classroom teachers and a signup from the specials teachers. If you did not receive a signup, please reach out directly to the classroom or specials teachers. Parent/teacher conferences with classroom teachers are mandatory, so please be sure to signup!

Quarter Two - Please Read!

Quarter two will begin on Monday, October 19th. Archway Glendale is working on how to deliver great results for both Distance and Brick and Mortar Learners. More than 80 students will be changing from Distance Learners to Brick and Mortar. Quarter two will be a new beginning for many students and families. Nunc Coepi!

- Please be patient during drop-off with the increased amount of vehicles.
- Distance Learning families, please continue to give us feedback on how your student and family are doing with the program.
- If you have a GREEN pickup tag, please try to arrive on campus before 2:35 so that you do not end up behind vehicles with orange tags who are waiting for older students to be released at 2:40.
- If you have an ORANGE pickup tag, please try not to arrive on campus until 2:40. Older students will not begin to leave classrooms until 2:40 at the earliest.
- On Friday, October 2nd, students changing from Distance Learning to Brick and Mortar will receive an email with details about the return.
- First and Second grade Distance Learning families will be invited to a Zoom meeting where they will receive details regarding the start of quarter two, please watch for an email on Friday, October 2nd.

Picture Day

Picture Day is coming! All Brick and Mortar students will have their picture taken for the yearbook on Thursday, October 22nd. Distance Learning students

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Important Dates

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

are invited to campus the evening of October 22nd to have their picture taken. To signup, click [here](#).

To order pictures of your student, please click [here](#).

Q2 Reminders from the Dean of Students

As the first quarter at Archway Glendale wraps up, please review and recommit to the policies that reduce COVID exposure. The [Great Hearts Mask Policy](#), as of now, is still in effect and will stay in effect for the second quarter. Please check that your child's mask fits snugly and is free of sayings/phrases and pop culture. If your child requires a face shield, please email [Sara Swinford](#), Dean of Students. Please remember that you are the first line of defense in creating a healthy campus by screening your child for illness before sending him to school. Please view the UPDATED [Great Hearts Health Policy](#) to help inform your decision on whether or not to send your child to school.

The no backpack policy will remain in effect during the second quarter. There are many reasons to have students use backpacks, but health officials urge schools to put social distance as a high priority. Using backpacks means storing them in cubbies. To use cubbies, greatly reduces the floor space for desks and invites students to congregate near cubbies at the beginning and end of the school day. There is hope that the second semester will bring the return of backpacks, but in the meantime, thank you for your partnership and understanding. It is appreciated.

No Blast Next Week

There will not be a weekly blast next week, October 8th, but there will be a blast on October 15th.

TriMega Youth Sports Begins on 10/21

Don't miss the opportunity for your student to participate in our new Wednesday sports program! TriMega Youth Sports, run by Coach Chris Thomas (GP Cross Country Coach), will be offering three classes on Wednesdays beginning on 10/21. Three classes will be offered: Fitness Training, Speed and Agility Training, and Yoga. Please click [here](#) to get more information or to register.

Weekly Lost and Found Items

This week's Lost and Found items are pictured below. Please let us know if any of the items belong to your children or stop by to pick them up. If items are clearly labeled they should eventually go back to the student. Please clearly label all items.

10/19

FIRST DAY OF QUARTER
TWO

10/22

[SCHOOL PICTURES](#)

10/28

[READ-A-THON](#)

10/28

HALF-DAY

Half-Day K pickup @ 11

K-2 pickup @ 11:30

3-5 pickup @ 11:45



Message from Mr. Kersting

Nunc Coepi!

As we end this first quarter, we are very much aware that we have only just begun and in 17 days we begin again.

On October 19th, we welcome more than 80 students back to campus from Distance Learning (DL). We have been re-thinking and re-imagining how best to serve our distance learners and our brick and mortar students. Changing numbers require changing responsibilities for our extremely hard-working and dedicated teachers and staff. We have a plan to begin the quarter, but we welcome your input each week ([Email me](#)) letting us know what is working for your family and your students whether your students are on campus or at home.

Most distance learners will probably notice little difference in the second quarter, except that all of us - families and teachers alike - are learning how to do engaging distance learning better, more efficiently, and more effectively. However, first and second grade distance learners (DL) will experience what we believe will be a significant improvement.

Wherever we are in school – at home or on campus – let us renew our commitment to grow our growth mindsets, choose joy, and practice virtue. The more we practice charity and avoid rash judgment the happier and more successful we will all be!

Thank you for your patience, support, on-going communication, and good will. We love our families, students, and teachers, and look forward to beginning again (October 19th) with you!

PS. Make sure you attend a parent teacher conference (October 12-16).

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