# Golden Eagle E-Blast February 4, 2021



# Spirit Day - 2/5

Please see the information sent out in the PSO Blast this week about Spirit Day on 2/5:

February 5th will be a SPIRIT DAY for Archway Glendale students. Students will be allowed to wear spirit shirts, spirit hoodies, jeans, and tennis shoes (as long as they are free of pop culture/offensive images) on the 5th.

# **Reminder Regarding Holidays**

With Valentine's Day approaching, please be reminded of Great Hearts policy of not celebrating pop-cultural holidays. Thank you for refraining from sending Valentine's Day treats or cards to school for classmates.

Please reach out to <u>Mr. Kersting</u> if you have any questions or concerns about this matter.

## Will Our Campus Have to Close?

Thank you to the Archway Glendale community for your diligence in supporting a healthy campus. Several families have reached out over these past few weeks asking if there is a "magic" number that determines if the school moves to remote learning. There is no predetermined number. Instead, the Great Hearts network COVID Response Team meets daily regarding positive cases at all Great Hearts schools. They take note of which grade level and section the positive case is in, and where the student or faculty member contracted the virus. In this way, Archway Glendale can be proactive about containing any potential spread right away. Great Hearts looks to contain the virus by isolating in the most local way. When possible, just the close contacts of the positive person have to isolate. There may come a time when the number of positive cases will reveal a prudent choice to shut down an entire section (as was

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### Important Dates

**2/5** HALF-DAY Half-Day K pickup @ 11 K-2 pickup @ 11:30 3-5 pickup @ 11:45 done earlier in the school year), a grade level, or the entire school (as other Great Hearts schools have had to do previously this school year). Archway Glendale is confident in its protocols and in the time and effort the team is taking to keep the students safe and the school open.

# **Calendar Changes**

1. The PSO sponsored Fun Run, previously scheduled on 2/5, has been postponed until 3/5.

2. On 2/8 and 2/9, all Glendale Prep students will be participating in asynchronous learning at home. All Archway Glendale Brick and Mortar students will be on campus learning.

3. The Archway Glendale Field Day, previously scheduled on 3/5, has been rescheduled to April 1st.

Please watch future blasts for more information and details. Please click <u>here</u> for an updated copy of the 20/21 Calendar.

# Preliminary 21/22 Family Calendar

Below, please find a link to the preliminary 21/22 Family Calendar. Additional dates will be added such as, Meet the Teacher Nights, etc. Once board approval has been received and dates have been added, a color copy will go home with each student. Archway Glendale wanted families to have as much information as possible so that vacations and student time off can be planned on non-school days as often as possible.

#### 21/22 Family Calendar

# Lost and Found

Please see the pictures below for this week's lost and found. Items that are clearly labeled are returned to the student's classroom:



2/15 NO SCHOOL President's Day

### 2/19

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

#### **3/5** FUN RUN

### 3/5

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

**3/15 to 3/19** NO SCHOOL

Spring Break

<b>Glendale Prep Sports Information</b>
Spring Sports – Around the Corner
Are you interested in joining a spring sport? Visit registermyathlete.com and sign up for the upcoming spring sports! GP offers both middle school and high school sports during the spring. For more information on preseason open fields or gyms, contact one of our coaches below.
Coach DiPietro (MS Girls Basketball) – mdipietro@archwayglendale.org
Coach Roundy (MS Boys Basketball) – <u>noahroundy25@gmail.com</u>
Coach Fuller (MS Track) – <u>sfuller@glendaleprep.org</u>
Coach Belanger (MS Tennis) – <u>sbelanger@archwayglendale.org</u>
Coach Costina (MS Swim) - coachannacostina@gmail.com
WE ARE GP!!
<b>Schedules:</b> Winter Schedules are viewable on <u>glendaleprepathletics.com</u> .
<b>Tax Credits:</b> GP Athletics is thankful for the many friends and families who contribute their Arizona Tax Credits to Glendale Prep. If you haven't done so yet, click here to learn more: https://www.facebook.com/1655544328008727/posts/289275024095 4790/
Follow Us: @gpathleticdept – Instagram & @Glendale Prep Athletics – Facebook
<b>Thank you to our GOLD Level Athletic Sponsors</b> <i>Clean Air Solutions, Penny Chiropractic, Pete King Construction,</i> <i>and Shipley Orthodontics</i> Contact them today and tell them Glendale Prep sent you!
To join our Athletic Parent Board email <u>gp_APO@glendaleprep.org</u> with your full name and the sport that your child participates in.
Academy Giving



Please be sure to contribute your tax credit BEFORE you file your taxes. Simply give up to \$400 to the Arizona State Public School Tax Credit Program, then deduct 100% off your Arizona taxes! That means you get every dollar back with no money out of your pocket! Then, ask your family and friends to do the same. EVERY Arizona taxpayer that participates will receive their contribution back as a dollar-for**dollar credit** on their state tax liability. Plus, this year Archway Glendale can use your tax dollars towards COVID-19 related expenses. This is great news because Archway Glendale has spent \$435 per student on COVID-19 related expenses, while only receiving \$87.34 per student in emergency government support. Now, you can make a difference and impact our school! Please join us in supporting our students and teachers by contributing your Arizona Public School Tax Credit to Archway Glendale. The deadline to give your tax credit and claim it on your 2020 tax bill is April 15<sup>th,</sup> 2021. Thank you for being part of something great!

### **Headmaster Corner**

Trust is the foundational virtue for the success of any family, institution, or team. I am continuing to encourage all of us to commit ourselves to practicing the 13 high-trust behaviors.

Talk straight, demonstrate respect, create transparency, right wrongs, show loyalty, deliver results, and get better are the first seven high-trust behaviors. Confront reality is #8.

James Stockdale was an American admiral navy pilot shot out of the sky during the Vietnam War and made a prisoner of war in the Hanoi Hilton for seven and a half years. He was later awarded the Medal of Honor.

How did Admiral Stockdale and his men make it through all those years and eventually experience freedom? Who were the men who did not make it out of Hanoi Hilton alive? Stockdale says, "The optimists...they were the ones who would say and believe, 'We are going to be out by Christmas' or 'We are going to be out by Easter', and when that did not happen, they died of a broken heart."

Stockdale said, "This is a very important lesson. You must never confuse faith that you will prevail in the end – which you can never

afford to lose – with the discipline to confront the most brutal facts of your current reality, whatever they might be."

Wishing and hoping and planning, without confronting reality is worse than useless. The "Stockdale Paradox" is that without losing faith in ultimate victory, we must face the scoreboard and analyze where we are exactly and confront that reality. Address the tough stuff directly. Do not ignore it. Do not pretend it will just go away magically. Acknowledge the unsaid. Lead out courageously in conversation and action. Face the real issues head on.

When we confront reality, we are on our way to success, and on our way to being someone others can trust to be their companion in work and in life.

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