GLADIATOR WEEKLY UPDATE

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Upcoming Events

1/26 - Senior Athletic Night @ Bball Game

2/3 - Blazer & Pinning Ceremony for 11th & 12th

2/4 - HS Winter Dance

2/10 - 11th Gr. Field Trip

2/17 - R & R Weekend

2/20 - No School

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Community Investment

Because of the support we receive through Community Investment we are able to offer our students a classical liberal arts curriculum, that not only cultivates the hearts and minds of students in the pursuit of Truth, Beauty, and Goodness, but also graduate as great-hearted leaders prepared for success at the top colleges and universities worldwide.

A cornerstone of the liberal arts curriculum at North Phoenix Preparatory Academy is the Humane Letters Seminar. In the 9th through 12th grades, English and History are combined in our Humane Letters courses: these are 2-hour long, daily seminars, directed Socratically and revolving around readings from Western Civilization's best works in philosophy, drama, history, autobiography, poetry, novels, and essays. Students learn to read carefully, discuss clearly, and write coherently.



Academy Giving

Investment is the best way to support North Phoenix Prep! Community Investment Funds help keep our curriculum rigorous while supporting our teachers and administration. Does your family want to support our school through Community Investment? Email Jackie Curtis, Family Giving & Community Engagement Officer, with any questions or click here for more information.

PSO Corner

PSO Meetings

Contact PSO

Amazon Smiles

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Senior Thesis

The culminating project for an Academy student is the senior thesis. At the beginning of the senior year, the student selects a field of inquiry from the curriculum – literature, philosophy, math, science, the arts – and then selects a faculty member to act as his or her thesis advisor. The thesis is an exploration of one of the "Six Great Ideas" of humanity summarized as Truth, Beauty, Goodness, Justice, Liberty, and Equality.

The end of junior year involves the selection of readings, directed study, note-taking, and conversation with the advisor.

The first semester of senior year involves the writing of the thesis in sections, with the advisor offering feedback and guidance at each successive stage.

The thesis is not a research paper, and it should not attempt to prove a specific point. Rather, the senior is asked to logically develop and assertively present his or her own philosophy on a topic of personal interest derived from the chosen texts. The thesis culminates with the senior defending his or her final draft in front of a committee of three faculty member.

Presentation of the Thesis begins after Spring Break in the third quarter of senior year. We invite family, friends, and our school community to attend any and all Thesis Defenses. See for yourself the beauty and truth that is found in the great books through the work and thoughts of each senior as they defend their thesis.

Thank you to the families that have already made your gift for this school year.

If you have not already made your family's gift to Community Investment, now is the time. Please consider setting up a monthly contribution that best fits your family's budget or schedule a one-time gift here.

Tax Credit

Tuesday, January 24th is the first day you can start filing your taxes. Don't forget to make your tax credit to our amazing academy before you file. You can complete your dollar-for-dollar tax credit online at this link right before you file, using the emailed receipt to complete Form 322.

Teacher Excellence Fund

The Great Hearts Gala is heading West! Great Hearts is seeking families to represent our academy on the 2023 Great Hearts Gala Committee. The Great Hearts Gala raises funds to benefit the Teacher Excellence Fund, which is distributed to our faculty as bonus compensation on an annual basis. If you are interested in serving on the committee, please contact Haley Kucharo at hkucharo@greatheartsaz.org.



College Counseling Update Website: www.northphoenixprep.org/college

Email: college@northphoenixprep.org

Seniors

Continue to check your email (even junk email!) and college portals for important updates. Deferred or waitlisted? Review your application and determine whether you want to write a letter of continued interest. If you're confused about the purpose of a waitlist, read this blog post by an admission director.

Juniors

This week kicks off our 1:1 College Counseling meetings with the Class of 2024. We're excited for the opportunity to build meaningful relationships during these student-only appointments. Save the date Tuesday, February 28th for Rising Senior Night, an evening program open to students and parents.

Wednesday, February 1 from 2:45 - 3:45 pm in the MPR. Get a head start on college prep at February's MUST-ATTEND workshop featuring an exploration of majors and core values.

Learn more about the University of Arizona's **Med-Start Health Careers Program**, a six-week summer academic enrichment and residential program for health professions. Online applications are due February I (UA scholarships available).

Freshmen - Juniors

Check out this article on 5 ways to spend your high school summer. Think about your summer in the context of how your choices can help you to lead a happier life (really!).

NPX HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

YOU'RE INVITED TO THE

Winter Sall

A FORMAL WINTER DANCE!

February 4, 2023

DRESS IN YOUR FORMAL BLUE, WHITE & SILVER.

6-9 PM IN THE ARCHWAY MPR

Buy tickets online or during lunch/lyceum

\$15 ONLINE : \$25 AT THE DOOR



8th Grade Families

Please complete this <u>SURVEY</u> to let us, and Great Heart leadership, understand your driving factors when choosing to stay at North Phoenix for High School or seek out additional school options.

Headmaster Chats & PSO Meetings

Please join Ms. Jacobson for a casual discussion about how the school year is going followed by a campus tour. Please click <u>here</u> to see dates for all upcoming Headmaster Chats and PSO Meetings.

Reporting Absences

To report your scholar(s) absence, please provide an **email to Attendance@NorthPhoenixPrep.org** with the following information:

- 1. Student(s) First and Last Name
- 2. Grade
- 3. Date of Absence(s)
- 4. Reason for absence (please be specific)

Please provide an email to the attendance line before 9:00 am. Without an email, we will send a robo call and ask that you respond quickly so we may clear the absence. Note: All absences will be marked unexcused should we not hear from you.

Absences

When a student is absent and in need of make-up work, they should first check the Weekly Homework Chart for assignments. Should they have questions or need additional assignments, they are to email their teacher(s) directly. Please do not ask the attendance line to acquire assignments for your student. If items need to be picked up from campus, teachers will leave these items in the front office.

Tardies

We ask that any appointments (e.g., medical, dental, etc.) reported as a tardy to bring the documentation/slip from that office for auditing purposes. At time of check in, our Raptor system, allows to select reason for tardy "Doctor/Dentist or appointments.

