

# GLADIATOR WEEKLY UPDATE

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## Upcoming Events

2/24 - MS Social

2/28 - Rising Senior Night

3/3 - Cozy for a Cause

3/5 - NPX Family Picnic

3/8 - 8th Gr. Class Photo

3/8 - Science Fair

3/13 - 3/17 - Spring Break

4/5 - Cabinet of Curiosities

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## NPX Family Picnic

North Phoenix Preparatory Academy will host our first community *NPX FAMILY PICNIC* on Sunday, March 5 from 11:00am - 2:00pm. This picnic will be held in memory of Daniel Smith. Families are invited to bring picnic blankets and baskets to the campus field that day. There will also be food trucks, games, and our featured event - A Talent Show! We look forward to bringing our community together that afternoon and hope to see you all there!



## Academy Giving

**Did you know? Community 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

## Connect with NPX



## A Note from the Middle School Dean

The PSO and Pantheon are excited to welcome your students to campus for the MS Spring Social on Friday, 2/24, from 6:00 – 8:00 PM! We encourage students to wear sports-related clothing or athletic wear so they can participate in all the activities. Please refer to the Family Handbook dress code guidelines for “Athletic Practice and Outdoor Field Day Dress Code,” found on page 51, for more guidance on appropriate attire for this event. (Please note that volleyball shorts are not permitted for this event).

This month, our virtue focus is Perseverance. Perseverance takes determination, as we work to complete tasks to the best of our abilities, even – and perhaps, especially – when they are difficult. In Quarter 3, the end of the year is in sight, but we still have much to learn and accomplish. For these reasons, this time of year can be the toughest for our students, both behaviorally and academically. Our MS Social is an opportunity to reward students for all they have accomplished so far, and to encourage them to finish the year strong.

As a reminder, attendance at school events, such as the MS Social a privilege, and one that we want all of our students to enjoy.

**However, if a student has a behavioral infraction during the weeks of 2/13 through 2/24, or has an accumulation of detentions and/or disciplinary consequences, they may not be permitted to attend.**

Please talk with your student this week and encourage them to continue making wise and virtuous choices. Thank you for partnering with us as we seek to cultivate virtue in our students, and we look forward to seeing them all at the Middle School Social on Friday, February 24th!



# Middle School Social

**February 24th**

**Volleyball  
Basketball  
Games & Music!**

**Ticket includes:  
pizza, drinks, and snacks  
\$10 online, \$15 at the door.  
NPX courtyard/gym**

**6-8 PM**





### **PSO Mixer: Smoked Part 2**

**An opportunity for our NPX community to come together while eating delicious BBQ!**

**February 25th, 2023**

**5-8 PM**

**15243 N 10<sup>th</sup> St. 85022 - *Darrell Horton's House***

**\$10 online \$15 at the door.**

Purchase Tickets here: <https://northphoenixprep.configio.com/pd/2233/22-23-ps0-parent-mixer-pt-2>

**NORTH PHOENIX  
PREP ACADEMY**

# **RISEING SENIOR NIGHT**



**PARENTS & STUDENTS  
WELCOME!**

**FEBRUARY 28, 2023  
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM**

**ARCHWAY  
MPR**

## **TOPICS**

**SENIOR COURSE OPTIONS** ✓

**SENIOR THESIS** ✓

**COLLEGE COUNSELING** ✓

**MS. JACOBSON  
MS. STONE  
MS. CONNER  
MS. TISSOT**

**| EVENT QUESTIONS? [ASTONE@NORTHPHOENIXPREP.ORG](mailto:ASTONE@NORTHPHOENIXPREP.ORG)**



## College Counseling Update

Website: [www.northphoenixprep.org/college](http://www.northphoenixprep.org/college)

Email: [college@northphoenixprep.org](mailto:college@northphoenixprep.org)

### *Seniors*

If possible, attend in-person and virtual events for admitted students to get your questions answered and help inform your decision-making process. The typical deadline for your enrollment deposit is May 1<sup>st</sup>, otherwise known as College Decision Day. Continue the [scholarship hunt](#) for institutional aid and private scholarships.

### *Juniors*

Save the date **Tuesday, February 28<sup>th</sup> for Rising Senior Night**, an evening program at 6 PM in the Archway MPR for juniors and parents. Check out College Counseling's [spring handout](#) for upcoming workshops, college fairs and standardized testing opportunities.

**Wednesday, March 1 from 2:45 – 3:45 pm in the MPR.** Get a head start on college prep at March's MUST-ATTEND workshop featuring the personal statement. An admissions representative from [Wabash College](#), a liberal arts college, will introduce juniors to this powerful essay that captures who you are and what you care about.

**QuestBridge College Prep Scholars:** [Learn if you qualify](#) to apply for this top-notch college admission support program and contact College Counseling for support (late March deadline).

### *Freshmen*

Last week, College Counseling visited freshmen classrooms to share some tips for success based on [learning styles](#). Students explored what strategies they might employ in each academic subject as visual, tactile or auditory learners.

### *All High School Grades*

**Scholarship Expo by College Depot – Thursday, February 23 from 4:30 – 6:30 pm** at the Burton Barr Central Library. [Register to attend](#) to learn more about local scholarship opportunities and resources available at College Depot ([event flyer](#)).

**“Pop In” for College Tour – Friday, February 24 at lunch.** Bring your lunch to Mr. Black's art classroom and “pop in” to watch an episode of [The College Tour](#). Enjoy free popcorn and cast your vote as to which university will be featured.

**Free Webinar: How to Make the Most of Your Summer and (Maybe) Build a Self-Directed Project – Saturday, February 25 at 11 AM.** [Register for a free webinar](#) offered by College Essay Guy. Explore five meaningful ways to spend your summer that just might make you happy. Check out our spreadsheet of compiled [summer opportunities](#) with ongoing updates.



NPX GLADIATORS

# COZY FOR A CAUSE

FRIDAY, MARCH 3

\$5.00

Proceeds benefit the Senior Class

Dress Code Strictly Enforced



PAJAMA  
DAY



# Cozy for a Cause Dress Code



MARCH 3 - \$5.00 TO PARTICIPATE

# 2023

## WHAT TO WEAR

- Pajamas
- Flannels
- Onesies
- Sweatpants
- Athletic/Sneakers

Pajamas must be pant or capri length and made of cotton or flannel. Tops must be modest and full coverage.

Shoes are to cover the entire foot - closed toe sneakers only.

Participation is optional! Standard Uniform is permitted - but must wear the full uniform - including uniform shoes.

## NOT PERMITTED

- Jeans
- Short shorts
- Leggings
- Yoga Pants
- Sleeveless shirts
- Midriff showing
- Hats
- Slippers
- Crocs
- Slides/Sandals
- Clothes with holes
- Tight Clothing

**Questions? Ask Ms. Stone**

Proceeds benefit the Class of 2023.

Dress code strictly enforced. Alternative clothing should match or exceed the modesty standard of the regular dress code.



# **NPX FAMILY PICNIC**

**On the NPX field**



- **Student talent show**
- **Food trucks**
- **Music**
- **& More!**

**In memory of Daniel Smith**

**MARCH 5TH  
11:00 - 2:00 pm**

# NPX SCIENCE FAIR

**present and display an original scientific  
investigation on a topic of  
your choosing**

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 08, 2023  
NPX MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM**

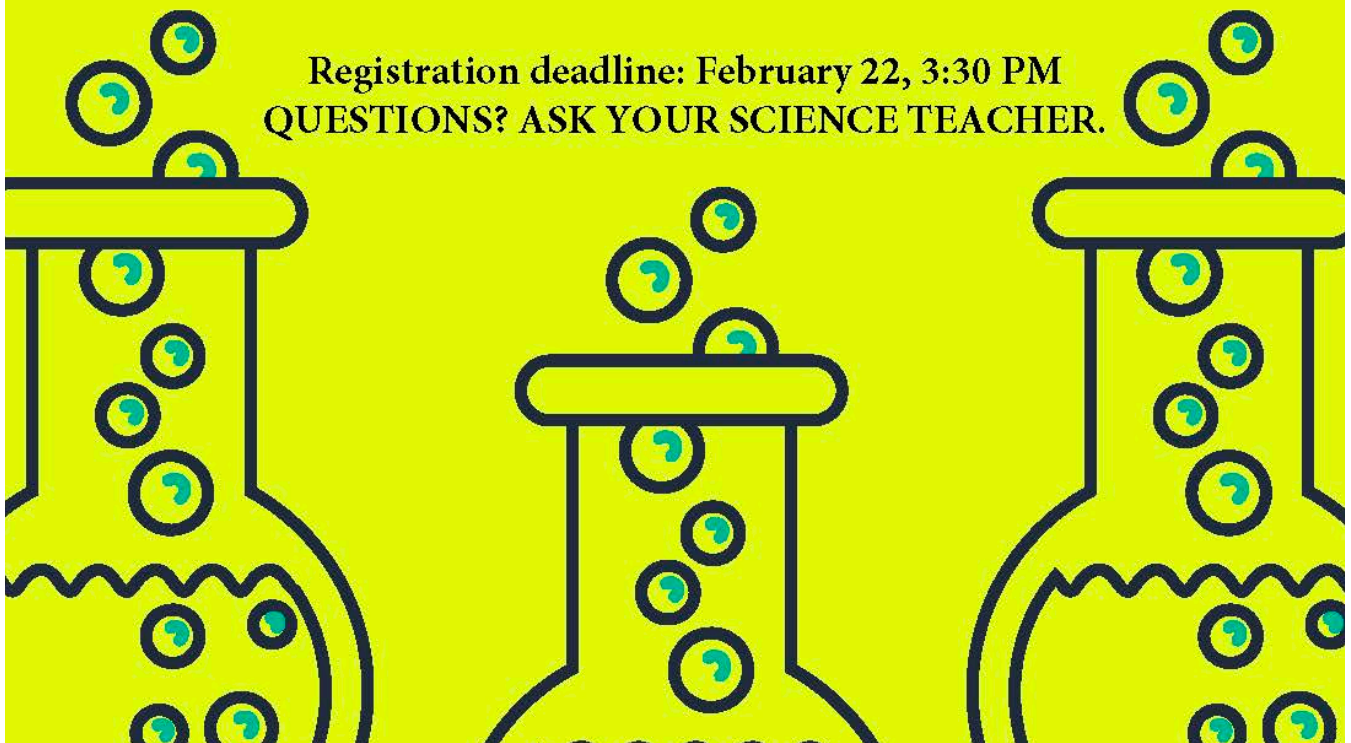
**Projects must be submitted and approved by a  
science teacher to compete. NO FEE TO APPLY!**

**Awards will be presented to the winner of  
each category and the grand prize winner.**

**Category winners will advance to the  
Arizona State Science and Engineering Fair.**

**Request a registration form from your science teacher TODAY! Return  
your form to your teacher to register.**

**Registration deadline: February 22, 3:30 PM  
QUESTIONS? ASK YOUR SCIENCE TEACHER.**



## Rising 9th Graders - Choice Time!

**Attention all current 8th graders** - the time has come for you to make your decision as to your high school plans - specifically, what foreign language do you want to learn in high school!

All current 8th graders are asked to complete [this survey](#) so administration may begin to prepare for foreign language courses and overall enrollment for the 23.24 school year.

**We ask that all current 8th grade families complete this survey regardless of intent to return for the 23.24 school year. Kindly complete this survey by Tuesday, February 28, 2023.**

### *Rising 9th Graders Language Questionnaire*

## Headmaster Chats

Please join Ms. Jacobson for a casual discussion about how the school year is going followed by a campus tour. Please click [here](#) 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](mailto: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.” Please note that if a student is tardy more than 3 times, a detention will be issued. In addition, parents **must** sign students late to 1st period into school when tardy. (*this excludes students who drive themselves*).