

# GLADIATOR WEEKLY UPDATE

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## Upcoming Events

8/25 - NPX Skyzone Event

8/28 - Senior Info Night

8/30 - 9/1 - Freshmen  
Retreat

9/4 - No School

9/9 - Middle School Social

9/15 - Blazer & Pinning  
Ceremony

9/15 - Half-Day Schedule

9/23 - PSO Mixer

9/30 - Homecoming

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## Community Investment & Tax Credit

Gladiator Families,

It's been an incredible start to the school year and one of the best starts I have experienced in my 15-year career in education. We have welcomed an entire cohort of new 6th & 7th graders to campus and though we were prepared with logistics, schedules, and classrooms, we were not prepared for the intense joy they bring to us each day. What a blessing it is to serve your families.

As you may know, our Community Investment and Public-School Tax Credit campaigns make it possible to provide a rich curriculum, character-building activities, and our next level Athletic Program to all students at our academy. I want to sincerely thank the families who have already chosen to partner with us by making a gift to Community Investment and Tax Credit this year. If you have not yet given, please consider partnering with us this year through a monthly gift to Community Investment and by designating your Public-School Tax Credit to our academy. We ask every family to make a gift that best fits their budget. Please know that every gift, no matter the size, matters and will stay right here on our campus supporting our daily operational needs.

You can make your family Community Investment gift [here](#). Designate your AZ public school Tax Credit to NPX [here](#).

Should you have any questions regarding our funding or need assistance in setting up your giving, please reach out to our Family Giving Officer, Jackie Curtis at [\\_jcurtis@northphoenixprep.org](mailto:_jcurtis@northphoenixprep.org)

Gooooooooo Gladiators!!!

Corinne Jacobson| Headmaster



## 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 Website**

**Contact PSO**

**Amazon Smiles**

## Connect with NPX



## AM Dropoff and PM Pickup

- ◆ Keep in mind that Archway dismisses 30 minutes before NPX on regular days. Thus, entering the line prior to 3:30 will likely slow down Archway’s dismissal if a Prep parent is in the line before them. On Wednesday, NPX dismisses before ANP so you are encouraged to be in line by 1:15pm.
- ◆ All Prep parents must stay in the outside drive lane until they pass the field. Please do not block the turn lane which may prevent an Archway parent from moving towards their pickup line.
- ◆ PM Pickup ONLY - Once you have passed the field/Hearn entrance, you may split into 2 different lines for pickup. Once your child(ren) are in the vehicle, please enter the center lane and exit campus. Children may not enter a vehicle that is in the center lane. Please pull to either side for pickup.
- ◆ ANP/NPX Siblings may only exit campus through our academic building. Exiting on the Archway side or through side gates is not permitted.
- ◆ Hearn Road is not monitored by ANP/NPX staff. Crossing in the middle of the road is highly discouraged as it is a significant safety issue.
- ◆ Parking/Stopping along Hearn to dropoff/pickup your scholar is in violation of city ordinance. Please understand that you may be ticketed should Phoenix PD witness this.
- ◆ If/When the Baptist Church cones off their Hearn entrances, please know that parking on their property is no permitted. Please do not move the cones.



## Parking on Campus

Please be mindful of signage that designates Faculty Parking spots. We have just enough parking spots for our faculty and administration and when a spot is taken, even if it may be for a short period of time, our faculty is left scrambling for a spot - which may make them late to teach! Thank you in advance for parking in the guest designated spots in front of school, or in Visitor parking spots near the Archway playground.



## College Counseling

[www.northphoenixprep.org/college](http://www.northphoenixprep.org/college) | [college@northphoenixprep.org](mailto:college@northphoenixprep.org)

We encourage your family to review our [College Road Map](#) and learn how College Counseling supports students at each grade level successfully navigate their college transition.

### *Seniors*

**Senior Info Night – Monday, August 28 at 5:30 in the MPR.** Parents, please join us to learn more about the college application process, senior thesis deadlines, and the senior trip to Washington, D.C.

[Flyer](#)

### *Sophomores – Juniors*

The PSAT/NMSQT is now digital! The test is easier to take, shorter, has more time per question, and comes with a built-in calculator. It can also qualify students for the National Merit Scholarship Program and other scholarship opportunities. To prepare, full-length adaptive digital [PSAT/NMSQT practice](#) is available on the Bluebook app. More resources are available at the [Official Digital SAT Prep on Khan Academy](#). Save the date **Tuesday, October 24** when NPX will proctor the test for sophomores and juniors on campus.

### *Sophomores*

Last week, College Counseling visited sophomore classes to build relationship with underclassmen. Each student practiced their Elevator Pitch, a great method for introducing themselves to college representatives on campus and at college fairs, like [NACAC 2023](#) in mid-October.

### *All High School Grades*

**College Rep Visits – Wednesday, August 23 in the Library.** Learn more about the [University of Arizona](#), a public university in Tucson that blends a deep history with innovative, cutting-edge research.

## ECNA Rush

**Our extracurricular courses are starting soon!** This Tuesday, we will be having our ECNA rush to get students signed for our Extracurricular offerings. The rush will take place during the high school lyceum and middle school recreation times in the courtyard or MPR (weather dependent). There will be tables for our students to sign up and get information. Once your student signs up, parents will need to register through our online parent payment portal. We have lots of exciting offerings this year!

## Academic Progress Update - Coming this Friday!

### MISSING ASSIGNMENT REPORTS (MAR's)

These are meant to be a communication tool between the teacher and parent. This report is back dated to the first day of school. Moving forward, these reports will only have the current and previous week. It is imperative that you are aware of the teacher's late work policies. Please refer to each teacher's syllabus for these parameters. If there is any question about an assignment, please reach out directly to each teacher. The teachers oversee their own gradebooks, and they will have the most up to date information.

### MIDQUARTER PROGRESS REPORTS (MQPR's)

This Friday will be the first time this report is being sent home. This report will have the overall grade for each of your child's classes, including categories. Please understand this first report will have limited grades due to school only being in session for 2 ½ weeks (this is a short quarter). If you have any questions regarding category percentages or why your child's grade is where it is, please contact the teacher directly.

*Questions? Please contact Ms. Jensen, Director of Academic Success and High School Dean.*

# Blazer Pinning Ceremony



September 15th @ 10:30 a.m.  
NPX Gym  
Parking at the Baptist Church

Students may invite up to 2 family members.  
Doors open at 10:00 a.m.  
Enter gym via West side entrance.




Honoring the  
classes of  
2024 & 2025

## Yearbook 23.24

We are happy to share information regarding this school year's yearbook! The yearbook committee is already hard at work to ensure this yearbook is the best ever. Should you have pictures from school events, kindly [upload them here](#) so the yearbook staff may hopefully add to this year's book. We want to be sure to capture all of the Gladiator Spirit in all settings so the more pictures, the better!

[Photo Upload Link](#)



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**Yearbook**  
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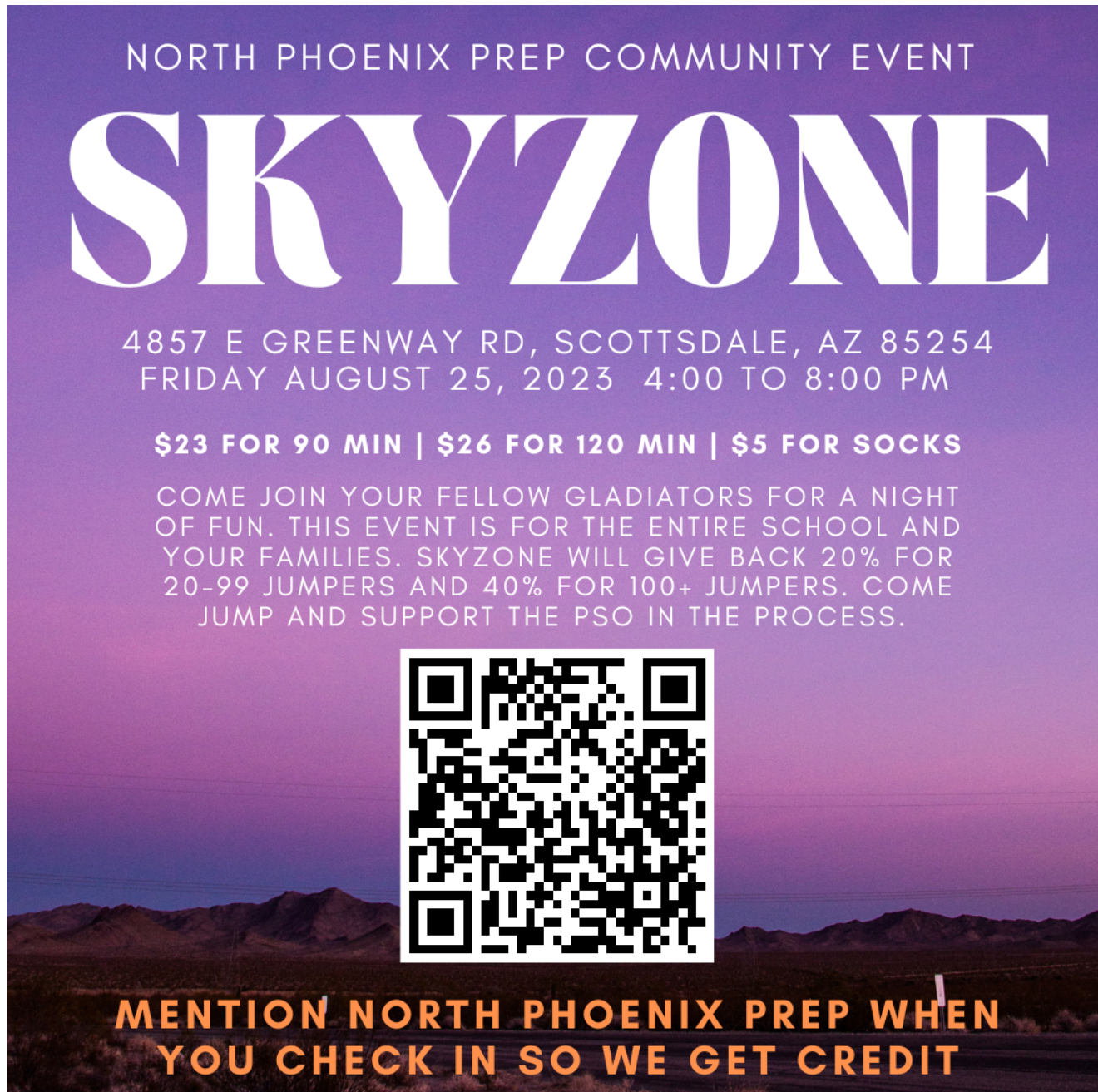
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Regular Price: \$50.00

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## PSO Corner

Join us this Friday from 4-8pm at Skyzone for our first Community Social of the year. We look forward to seeing you there, if you can't make it just drop off your kiddo. There will be plenty of teachers attending to help make connections with our students. Scan the QR code to complete your child's waiver before arriving to skip the line. Feel free to bring all your kids and their friends to jump!




NORTH PHOENIX PREP COMMUNITY EVENT

# SKYZONE

4857 E GREENWAY RD, SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85254  
FRIDAY AUGUST 25, 2023 4:00 TO 8:00 PM

**\$23 FOR 90 MIN | \$26 FOR 120 MIN | \$5 FOR SOCKS**

COME JOIN YOUR FELLOW GLADIATORS FOR A NIGHT OF FUN. THIS EVENT IS FOR THE ENTIRE SCHOOL AND YOUR FAMILIES. SKYZONE WILL GIVE BACK 20% FOR 20-99 JUMPERS AND 40% FOR 100+ JUMPERS. COME JUMP AND SUPPORT THE PSO IN THE PROCESS.



**MENTION NORTH PHOENIX PREP WHEN YOU CHECK IN SO WE GET CREDIT**

# Gladiator Pride!



## Opportunities for Parent Engagement

### *Headmaster Chats & PSO Meetings*

Parents are cordially invited to attend the Headmaster Chats and PSO Meetings this school year. Click on [this link](#) to find upcoming meeting dates.

## Dennis Uniform Update

If your scholar has had issues with the Dennis Uniform shirt logo patch falling off, Dennis Uniforms is replacing the shirt. **Have them use this link to complete a form** for shirt replacement.

## Gladiator Gear

Show your school spirit on Fridays! Visit the [Gladiator Spirit Store](#) to purchase clothing that may be worn on Fridays. Our Senate will be selling uniform approved sweatshirts that may be worn any day.

## Campus Visitors & Volunteers

Have you re applied for your Raptor authorization. This is a yearly \$5.00 fee that must be documented and verified before any volunteering with our students. Here is the link:

<https://www.greatheartsamerica.org/volunteer/>

## 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).**

## 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.

