

GLADIATOR WEEKLY UPDATE

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Upcoming Events

9/9 - Middle School Social

9/15 - Blazer & Pinning Ceremony

9/15 - Half-Day Schedule

9/23 - PSO Mixer

9/30 - Homecoming

10/9-10/13 - Fall Break

10/16-10/17 - Conferences (No School)

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Family Pulse Survey

Gladiator Families,

Now that we are one month into school, we would like to get your feedback on a few back-to-school logistics. The survey should take less than five minutes to complete, and we appreciate your willingness to engage.

<https://forms.gle/gyxnesFco8B8bmCw6>

Sincerely,

Corinne Jacobson | Headmaster





College Counseling

www.northphoenixprep.org/college |
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.

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



Seniors

Thank you for attending Senior Info Night last Monday evening! You can now [access presentations and handouts](#) from the program related to College Counseling, senior thesis, and our end-of-the-year senior trip.

Tri-University Information Workshops – Sunday, September 10 at ASU’s West campus. ASU, NAU and UA have partnered to offer a variety of admissions and financial aid workshops. Learn about new programs, very important updates to the FAFSA for the 24-25 years, review of admission requirements and the evaluation process. [RSVP Online](#)

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.

All High School Grades

College Rep Visits – Meet with college admissions representatives in the Library.

Tuesday, September 5 at Lyceum	University of Oregon
Tuesday, September 5 at Lunch	PV Community College
Friday, September 8 at Lyceum	Prescott College
Friday, September 8 at Lunch	Wabash College

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



Upperclassmen Field Trip

Field Trip to Northern Arizona University

Thursday, September 21

Juniors will participate in a group visit to Northern Arizona University in Flagstaff! The visit will include a campus tour, presentations about admissions and financial aid, and an opportunity to see what it's like on a college campus. Lunch will be provided. A limited number of seats are open to seniors; first-come, first served!

To confirm their seat, please sign the permission slip and pay the \$30/student participation fee in our [Payment Portal](#) by Monday, September 11. Email College Counseling at college@northphoenixprep.org if you are interested in chaperoning (Raptor approval required).



Memorial for Mr. Olsen

On Saturday, September 16th, we will honor the life and memory of our beloved Mr. Olsen with friends, family, and our community. We would love to see some of our families and students there! If you can make it, please RSVP at this link, as food and drink will be provided: (<http://evite.me/171H9VRBHF>). If you know of families who are no longer at our school but would like to attend, please feel free to share this invitation with them. The more, the merrier!



PSO Corner

The Samaritan - Issue 3 *New*

Meeting Minutes 8.9.2023

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.

A Note From the Dean

Dear Middle School Parents,

Preparations for the MS Social are in full swing, and we are excited to welcome your students to campus on **Saturday, 9/9, from 5:00 – 7:00 PM for our “Color Wars” theme night!** We encourage students to dress in their grade level’s color (6th grade – Gold, 7th grade – Maroon, 8th grade – Black). 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.

This year we are weaving the virtues throughout our community using Gladiator tickets, the Mentoring program, and other intentional learning opportunities. Two of the virtues which are particularly relevant to the upcoming social are those of Citizenship and Friendship. We practice Citizenship by honoring the values and expectations of a Gladiator through our own actions and in service to others. Virtuous Friendship is treating others as though they deserve kindness and justice, always seeking the good for them. As we continue to prepare for the social, I would invite you to discuss these virtues with your student at home. I’ve linked some [Table Talk starters for you here](#) to help get those conversations going.

Attendance at school events such as the socials is a privilege, and one that we want all of our students to enjoy. However, if a student has a behavioral infraction prior to the social (8/28 through 9/8), or has an accumulation of detentions and/or disciplinary consequences, they may not be permitted to attend.

Please talk with your students 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 social!

We are also looking for volunteers to chaperone this event! Volunteers must be cleared through Raptor to attend. If you are interested in chaperoning, please email PSO President Darrell Horton at PSOPresident@northphoenixprep.org.

Sincerely,
Erin Lentz
Dean of Middle School



Middle School Social

Purchase your tickets here!



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NORTH PHOENIX PREP MIDDLE SCHOOL

Color Wars 2023

September 9, 2023 | NPX Courtyard | 5-7pm
\$10 in advance | \$15 the week of | \$20 at door

JOIN YOUR FELLOW GLADIATORS FOR A NIGHT OF TEAM SPIRIT AND CAMARADERIE. EACH GRADE WILL DRESS IN THEIR ASSIGNED COLOR FOR THE EVENING AND COMPETE FOR BRAGGING RIGHTS. THERE WILL BE PIZZA, DRINKS, AND DESSERT FOR ALL WHO ATTEND.

6TH GRADE GOLD | 7TH GRADE MAROON | 8TH GRADE BLACK



Freshmen Retreat 2024

9th Grade Families - Be on the lookout for a private link to photos taken over the 3-day retreat! It was quite the adventure!



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Yearbook
by October 31st!

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purchase by
October 31

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[treering.com/ 1016597386001337](https://treering.com/1016597386001337)

Regular Price: \$50.00

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Annual Title I Grant Program Meeting

The annual Title I Grant Program meeting will be held virtually **Tuesday, Sep 19, 2023. Two sessions will be available on this date:**

Session 1 at 9:30 AM <https://greathearts.zoom.us/j/96438604344>

Session 2 at 1 PM <https://greathearts.zoom.us/j/98531593449>

These sessions will answer the questions: What is Title I? What is the Title I Grant Program? What resources are available for students who qualify for this assistance? The meeting will conclude with an open Q & A. Following the meeting, a brief survey will be distributed to collect feedback from attendees.

Questions about this event or Title I: Please email Missy Penniman at melissa.penniman@greathearts.org.



We Are Hiring!

Interested in working in the front office? Perhaps you are interested in assisting teachers? We are currently hiring for a part-time office assistant and full-time teaching assistant. Please contact Ms. Jacobson, cjacobson@northphoenixprep.org for details.

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](mailto: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 an email 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.

