## GLADIATOR WEEKLY UPDATE

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#### **Upcoming Events**

1/23 - HS Preview Night

1/27 - HS Winter Dance

2/2 - Half Day Schedule

2/3 - GH Career Fair

4/15 - Tax Day - Take the Credit with NPX!

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## Headmaster Transition Update

Today Ms. Jacobson and Ms. Lentz hosted a Headmaster Chat for all grade levels. These will continue throughout the third quarter and can be found in each newsletter or on the website. This week Ms. Jacobson will be working side by side with Ms. Lentz to review the current budget, enrollment, and hiring needs. Hiring a new Middle School Dean is a top priority so that they may be trained as soon as possible. This week begins Ms. Jacobson's transition to the GreatHearts home office where she will work most Thursdays and Fridays. Please reach out with your questions and we look forward to seeing you at either a HM Chat, HS Preview Night, or another upcoming event.

Ms. Jacobson & Ms. Lentz

### **High School Preview Night**

We invite currently enrolled NPX 8th graders and their parents to learn more about the high school experience here at North Phoenix Prep on Tuesday, January 23rd at 6pm. Kindly click on <u>this link</u> to let us know you plan to attend. *RSVP is not binding or mandatory. We simply want to gather an estimate as to how many families will be in attendance. Should your plans change or you need time to commit, that is fine.* We hope to have all of our 8th grade families represented! **Students/families who are in attendance will be guaranteed to receive their first choice for high school language course.** Please reach out the Ms. Stone should you have any questions.

#### North Phoenix Preparatory Academy



#### **Academy Giving**

#### Did you know? Community Investment is the best way to support North Phoenix

**Prep!** <u>Community Investment</u> <u>Funds</u> help keep our curriculum rigorous while supporting our teachers and administration. Does your family want to support our school through Community Investment? Email <u>Jackie Curtis</u>, Family Giving & Community Engagement Officer, with any questions or click <u>here</u> for more information.

#### **PSO** Corner

**PSO** Website

**Contact PSO** 

**Amazon Smiles** 

#### **Connect with NPX**



## **Upcoming Field Trips**

10th Grade Field Trip Tuesday, February 6 University of Arizona (UA)

Sophomores, pack your bags for the University of Arizona's Road Trip day event in Tucson, AZ! Students will learn about the college-going journey and explore how to pick a major that aligns with their goals. Check-in at 7 AM; lunch will be provided. To confirm their seat, please sign the permission slip and pay the \$10/student participation fee in our <u>Payment Portal</u> by Monday, January 29.

### 9th Grade Field Trip Friday, February 16 Grand Canyon University (GCU)

Freshmen will attend a group visit to Grand Canyon University in Phoenix, AZ! Explore GCU's campus and participate in an interactive "Find Your Career" activity to help prepare for future career conversations. Check-in at 8 AM; lunch will be provided. To confirm their seat, please sign the NPX and GCU permission slips in our <u>Payment Portal</u> by Monday, February 5.

#### 6th Grade Field Trip - UPDATED

Save the date for your trip to the **Pima Air and Space Museum in Tucson on Thursday, February 22.** 





### **College Counseling**

www.northphoenixprep.org/college | college@northphoenixprep.org

#### Seniors

The 2024–2025 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) form is now available. We encourage all seniors and Contributors to create their own FSA ID account (this is simply a login for FAFSA) as soon as possible. Save the date Thursday, February 15 at 6 PM for a Zoom workshop to learn about the updated FAFSA and financial aid from Steven Tokos, our ASU Admissions Representative.

**Maricopa Colleges Application Workshop** – **Wednesday, January 31 at 1:30 PM** in Senior Commons. Admissions representatives from Paradise Valley Community College will walk seniors through any Maricopa Colleges application and share scholarship opportunities.

#### Juniors

Review a list of <u>"parking lot" questions</u> from our recent junior-parent meetings. As juniors expand their college list, identify <u>high-value colleges</u> and explore regional tuition agreements like <u>Western</u> <u>Undergraduate Exchange (WUE)</u>.

#### Sophomores – Seniors

**Great Hearts College Symposium – Saturday, February 3 from 3 – 6 PM** at Scottsdale Preparatory Academy. Great Hearts sophomores, juniors, seniors and their parents are invited to this network-wide college fair; school uniform mandatory for participation. <u>Register today</u>!

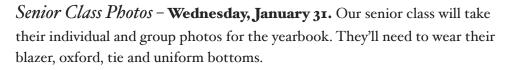
#### All High School Grades

ASU Open Door – Weekends starting January 27. ASU is inviting the Arizona community to explore the four campuses and the spaces accessible only to ASU students — laboratories, living collections, museums and classrooms — in person, and discover everything it has to offer — science, the arts, humanities, sustainability and more. <u>Register now</u>!

**RMACAC College Fair – Sunday, February 4 from 4:30 – 6 PM** at ASU's West Valley campus. Free and open to the public, this in-person fair connects you with colleges and universities in one convenient location. **Register online** and review this **list of questions** to get prepared before you attend.

Earn College Credit while enrolled at Great Hearts Academies! <u>College-Level Examination</u> <u>Program (CLEP)</u> helps you receive college credit for what you already know, for a fraction of the cost of a college course. Free study resources are available through <u>Modern States</u>. Upon successful completion of learning modules, students receive a voucher for a free CLEP test. **CLT Partner Colleges 2024 Summer Programs – Classic Learning Test Partner Colleges** offer a variety of <u>summer programs</u> through which high school students can experience life on campus, explore possible career interests, and delve into avenues of study. Some programs even offer college credit.

### **Class Photos**



8th Grade Class Photo - Wednesday, January 31. Our 8th grade class will take their class group photo. They'll need to wear their polo shirt, uniform bottoms, and uniform shoes. Students wearing sweatshirts will be asked to remove them for the class photo.

### **Gladiator Athletics**

#### Registration is now open for the following spring sports teams:

| Middle School | Boys and Girls Track & Field |
|---------------|------------------------------|
|               | Boys and Girls Basketball    |

High SchoolBoys and Girls Track & FieldBoys and Girls Tennis

For more details, go to our <u>ATHLETICS WEBSITE</u> - <u>https://greatheartsnorthphoenixathletics.org/</u>

All participants must be fully registered to participate including a physical. We highly recommend you get the physical completed at your earliest convenience.

Here is a link to **<u>the only form that will be accepted</u>** as proof of a completed physical: <u>https://</u> aiaonline.org/files/16936/forms-157-a-d.pdf

For more info please email our Athletic Director, Joe Page, at jpage@northphoenixprep.org

2024 North Phoenix Prep Spring High School Teams Information

2024 North Phoenix Prep Spring Middle School Teams Information

## **Academy Giving**

#### Take the Dollar -for- Dollar Credit with NPX!

Next Monday, January 29th, 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 tax credit online <u>at this link</u> right before you file, using the emailed receipt to complete Form 322.

If you have already taken the Credit, thank you!- Share this opportunity to help our school with a friend or family member.

#### Thank you for making our Athletics and Enrichment Programs possible!





# 8TH GRADE PARENTS AND STUDENTS JOIN US FOR HIGH SCHOOL PREVIEW NIGHT

# TUESDAY, JANUARY 23RD 6 - 7:30 PM

North Phoenix Prep Multi Purpose Room

YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS THIS IMPORTANT INFORMATIONAL NIGHT YOU CAN ALSO SIGN UP FOR YOUR LANGUAGE!

CURRICULUM, SPORTS, EXTRACURRICULARS, FIELD TRIPS, DANCES, SOCIALS, COLLEGE COUNSELING, 9TH GRADE RETREAT, SENIOR THESIS, AND MORE!

## SAVE THE DATE FOR THE SEMI-FORMAL HELD IN THE ARCHYWAY MPR SATURDAY 27 JANUARY 6 - 9 P.M.

## OUTSIDE GUESTS ARE WELCOME WITH PERMISSION SLIP

# \$25 AT THE DOOR & ON



# JOIN DR. BAHBAH'S S.T.EM. EXTRACURRICULAR COURSE!

THIS SCIENCE. TECHNOLOGY. ENGINEERING. AND MATHEMATICS COURSE IS OPEN TO ALL NPX MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS AND IS AN AMAZING OPPORTUNITY!



THURSDAYS, 3:50 - 5:15 COST: \$200 FOR THE SEMESTER SIGN UP USING THE NPX PARENT PAYMENT PORTAL FOR MORE INFORMATION EMAIL DR. BAHBAH AT: SBAHBAH@NORTHPHOENIXPREP.ORG

## **ALL NPX STUDENTS!**

A New Semester means new opportunities to get involved! It's not too late to get signed up for an Extracurricular activity.

> Dungeon & Dragons Middle School STEM

> > Chess



Archery Choir Financial Literacy Dance 101 Gardening Ancient Religions



Contact Mr. Black for more info!

# oth Grade Bake Sale

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 31ST & THURSDAY FEBRUARY 1ST DURING BREAKS.

> PROCEEDS SUPPORT THE 6TH GRADE FIELD TRIP TO THE PIMA AIR AND SPACE MUSEUM

Feb. 3rd HIRING EVENT! East Valley: Chandler Prep, 12:30-2:30pm West Valley: Archway Trivium, 12:30-2:30pm North Valley: North Phoenix Prep, 9:30-11:30am

## GreatHeartsCareers.org

### **Gladiator Gear**

Show your school spirit on Fridays! Visit the <u>Gladiator Spirit Store</u> to purchase clothing that may be worn on Fridays. Our Senate will be selling uniform approved sweatshirts that may be worn any day.

## Outerwear

Please remember that the only school approved outwear allowed during the school day are the NPX Gladiator sweatshirts sold by the Senate. As stated in the Academy Handbook: *Outerwear must be stored in the students lockers during the school day. Except for the school letter jacket, black or maroon Academy sweater or sweatshirt, or gray Senate sweatshirts, outerwear may not be worn in classrooms.*"

## **Opportunities for Parent Engagement**

Headmaster Chats & PSO Meetings

Click on this link to find upcoming meeting times.

## **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: <u>https://www.greatheartsamerica.org/volunteer/</u>

## 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*).

## 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.

## **Reporting Absences**

To report your scholar(s) absence, please provide an <u>email to Attendance@NorthPhoenixPrep.org</u> 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.* 

