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PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

Parents,

I want to honor a special shout out to a few folks who have been consistently working with me behind the scenes for a few things. Katrina has been instrumental to organizing the spring event. She is able to turn my ideas and chicken scratch notes into a cohesive story. Rhonda has worked endlessly to secure vendors and raffle donations from vendors for our spring event. Darrell never ignores my calls or texts with countless questions. Christin has been significant in working to establish Wednesday snack sales coming soon. Words cannot express the appreciation for their dedication to building our community.

I am blessed by the way so many have been showing up to pitch in and respond. Thank you to everyone listed below. There are still many different ways to get involved and I really do need help. The school would love to see PSO expand further, however we need parent resources to support more endeavors. Keep

reading for more.

Valerie Abrams	Helen Stricklen	Veronica Williams
Maria Quantarino (Fulton)	Rhonda Bombard	Roberta Mantern
Melissa Brandebourg	Christin Luther	Linda Mounsey
Katrina Cuoco	Alexis Goodrich	Steve Mounsey
John Reye	Jodi Jerich	Julie Church
Neetu Jalal	Darrell Horton	Jamie Suppanz
Janelle Price	Jennifer Delaney	Gina Montion
Sarah Whisler	Bo Mostow	Gail LeBrun
Summer Taylor	Julie Burch	YOUR NAME HERE
Margaret Wagner-Smith	Jackie Curtis	YOUR SPOUSE'S NAME HERE
Anissa Hamlin	Jeremy Johnson	

Your devoted and open-minded PSO President,

Our overarching goal remains to foster unity among families and we are reliant on the active engagement of our parents. If there's a barrier preventing you from getting involved, I am all ears. Let's come up with solutions together.



SAVE THE DATE!

APRIL 13 - SPRING EVENT - 5 to 8pm
Invite your friends and family to join us for games, food, AND lots of fun. Cake walk, bounce houses, lip sync battle, food trucks & more!



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May

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PSO Meetings

...are held at 8:30 am in the school. Drop off your worries and come offer your insights to the team.

Events Calendar for 2024

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Chipotle Dine Out

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Rubio's Dine Out

March



Middle School Social

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Barro's Dine Out

April



HUGE FAMILY SPRING EVENT lay

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Pancake Breakfast

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Teacher
Appreciation Week



PIZZA NIGHT

Join the NPX PSO and help us raise some dough, 25% of you order will be donated to the PSO! Make sure you mention NPX PSO when you order.





March 20, 2024 • 10AM - 10PM Barro's Pizza 4030 E Greenway Rd

COME SAY HI TO THE PSO BOARD We will arrive at 1:30-3pm & at 6pm

Did you know?



Each grade level has their own Facebook page?
Follow North Phoenix Prep to find the links for each grade level. Scroll down to the end of this newsletter for PSO links. Need help? Ask Jessica!
psopresident@northphoenixprep.org

Scholars forget their lunch?? Click the link below to sign up to send a few snacks to help be the solution to this problem. <u>CLICK HERE!</u>



Dine outs are a way to meet other parents & passively give to the school. PSO uses the funds earned to give back to our school, scholars, and faculty. Join us at the next event to find out more. See the Barro's flyer included in today's newsletter!

We have a PSO spirit shop?

\$2 from every item purchased goes to the PSO. Unfortunately we have not had very much traction with this. Check out the site and send your feedback. Want to see something added? Just ask and it can likely be done. Click here or scan the QR code







Did you know?

Ms Hatch runs a MS Gladiator store?

Middle School students earn Gladiator tickets when they show virtues around campus. These nine virtues are: courage, friendship, perseverance, wisdom, honesty, integrity, humility, responsibility, and citizenship. Examples of virtuous behaviors: cleaning up after lunch, being on time to class, helping a peer, holding the door open for a teacher, or starting their Do Nows in a quiet & timely manner. The students ways they can spend their Gladiator tickets each Friday. Two Fridays a month they have their Gladiator Teams where they can add to their team ticket total in order to win prizes. One Friday a month they can enter their tickets into a raffle during Lyceum to win experiential passes around campus (First in line for lunch, Lunch bunch with a teacher and a friend, extra bathroom pass, late homework pass). One Friday a month is a Gladiator Store. Students get to 'shop' at tables in the Courtyard during their Fine Arts class for things such as: Slime, fidgets, bracelets, water bottle stickers, Croc jibbitz, mini stuffed animals, bouncy balls, bubbles, snacks, and all sorts of other fun things. Every staff member on campus has 'Gladdies' to give to MS students showing expected behaviors. This helps to keep our campus clean, safe, and comfortable for everyone!

If you would like to help contribute to the Gladiator Store, here's an Amazon Wishlist. <u>CLICK HERE!</u>

Want to jump on campus to help out at the next store? March 8th will be the next store event. Send Jessica an email to participate!





VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Food Superhero

Come sell food for one hour per week on Wednesday's!
Really it's 30 minutes of sales, with 15 mins of set up and 15 mins to clean up. A HUGE reward for students
AND PSO!

Passive Revenue Champion

We are always looking for ways to earn money for the school. Many company's offer kick backs to schools, but we need you to get those set up.

I have a list already!

<u>Teacher Appreciation</u> Advocate

This is a unique role that only comes for one week per year.
That's right, one week and you're done! Recruit helpers, spend PSO money, and be the creative hero we all need!
Only have time for an idea?
Send it over!

Pancake Breakfast Crusader

We have 2 breakfasts per year. This position is coordinating the details, showing up, and keeping your focus on pancakes for both events fall and spring.

Contact Jessica if you're interested!

<u>PSOPresident@</u>

<u>NorthPhoenixPrep.org</u>

Dine Out Promoter

Do you like food? Or scheduling food related events? This person would reach out to local eateries to schedule restaurant nights from the comfort of their own home. I have a list already!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Volunteer Sign Up

Last, but certainly not least. These individuals do not want to own or manage anything. These volunteers are willing to become Raptor cleared, if not already, and simply prefer to sign up to help at events when asked. We need you! We need many of you! Please reach out to me ASAP if this is you so I can ensure you consistently receive the sign up genius requests.

8th Grade Liasion

Are you a parent of an 8th grader? Do you want to meet other parents? Or want to help improve communication from school to parents and vice versa? Contact me for more info.

Gift Giver

We need classroom supplies and faculty snack donations! Send me an email for a list and look over this newsletter too. There are various different gift donations needed.

AS YOU CAN SEE, WE DEFINITELY NEED YOUR TALENTS. THERE IS SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE.

CONTACT JESSICA TODAY!

PSOPRESIDENT@NORTHPHOENIXPREP.ORG

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Click Here!

Email me if you already follow us OR just did. You will be entered into a drawing to win Spirit Shop Swag! Double entry if your scholar follows us too!! No one won from the last newsletter because we had no one email. You could be an immediate winner! Faculty included!

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Fry's Community Rewards

Did you know you can support NPX PSO just by shopping at Fry's Food Stores? Simply enroll in Fry's Community Rewards® Program and link your V.I.P. card to North Phoenix Prep. Supposedly each

August you must re-enroll your card in the program, however that has not been my personal experience.

Fry's awards up to \$500,000 each quarter to participating organizations based on their percentage of spending as it relates to the total spending of all participating Fry's Community Reward organizations. The money adds up quickly, so please take a few minutes to enroll your V.I.P. card.

To get started, visit www.FrysCommunityRewards.com with your V.I.P. card and select:

North Phoenix Preparatory Academy

Step by Step Instructions

- 1. Go to www.FrysCommunityRewards.com
- 2. Select 'Enroll Now'
- 3. Enter your email address, password, and then select 'Sign in'
- 4.** This is the email and password tied to your Fry's Account
- 5. Select 'My Account' from the drop-down menu
- 6. Select 'Community Rewards'
- 7. Under 'Find an Organization' enter North Phoenix Preparatory Academy and select 'Search'
- 8. Select 'Enroll'

**If you have registered correctly, you should now see North Phoenix Preparatory Academy listed under 'Community Rewards'.

Questions? PSOPresident@NorthPhoenixPrep.org

NPX Family Tax Credit Contest 2024- Help us reach our Tax Credit Goal!



Share this with all your friends, family, neighbors and co-workers that you know pay AZ State Taxes!! *The grade level with the highest percent of participation in Tax Credits Received by April 15th - Will Earn A FREE Dress Day!

(school dress guidelines will apply, more details to come.)

Questions: Contact Jackie Curtis, Family Giving Officer jcurtis@northphoenixprep.org

At NO Cost To You...

Support our School's Athletics & Enrichment Programs!

Scan the QR code to make your contribution today (be sure to fill in student referral) OR visit northphoenixprep.org/support to learn more about our Tax Credit Drive

#ItsaWIN-WIN #DOLLAR-FOR-DOLLAR

#AZPUBLICSCHOOLTAXCREDIT #FREEMONEYFOROURSCHOOL

Did you know that you can double, or even triple your Community Investment and Tax Credit donations to North Phoenix Prep? Many companies will match their employees' donations to our school through their Corporate Gift Matching Programs, and that is an easy way to increase the impact of your donations! Search our directory to see if your company is listed. If they are not there, please take the extra step to inquire with your Human Resources department to find out if your company offers a matching gifts program.

Thank you and shout out to all the families that already have taken advantage of this opportunity to support our school.

The first step? Making your <u>Community Investment</u> or <u>Tax Credit</u> gift! Give to NPX Community Investment | Contribute your Tax Credit to NPX

Please contact Ms. Curtis, Family Giving Officer at (602) 404-7414 with any questions. Thank you!





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Bounce Houses Lemonade Food trucks Raffle at Door SATURDAY **Glow sticks Dunk Tank APRIL 13TH** Mechanical bull Lip sync battle Cake Walk Nerf battle **Vendors** Family fun **Picnic**

We need your help! Contact Jessica to volunteer your time and talents. I am still looking for a photobooth vendor, as well as so much more. We want to make this event one that everyone of all ages will want to attend.

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