

GLADIATOR WEEKLY UPDATE

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Upcoming Events

- 4/15 - Tax Day
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- 4/19 & 4/20
- Jr. Drama Performances
- 4/26 - Honor Choir Performance
- 4/26 - Tax Credit Winners
Free Dress Day
- 4/26 - Progress Report
- 4/27 - Prom
- 4/29 - Spirit Week
- 5/1 - Cabinet of Curiosities
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From the Headmaster's Desk

Dear Gladiator Families,

It was wonderful to be with so many of you on Saturday evening at the PSO's Spring Festival! From the cake decorating contest, to the bounce houses, to the fabulous food trucks, there was something for everyone. Thank you to the many volunteers who worked tirelessly to bring this event to life!

I am pleased to announce the faculty members who will be stepping in to new leadership roles for next school year. Michelle Jensen will serve as our Assistant Headmaster of Academics; Sarah Schripsema will be the Assistant Headmaster of Faculty and Culture; Bruce Black will be the Director of Operations; and Dane Poulson will be our Dean of High School. Each of these individuals are known for their dedication to our students and love for NPX. I am excited for the enthusiasm they bring to these positions, and I look forward to serving our school alongside them.

This weekend we will enjoy the Junior Drama classes' presentation of *Henry V*. Join us on Friday, 4/19, and Saturday, 4/20, at 5:30, for what are sure to be unforgettable performances!

Have a wonderful week,
Ms. Lentz

**TAKE THE
CREDIT HERE**



**TAX CREDIT:
UNTIL MIDNIGHT
TONIGHT**

**FREE DRESS DAY COMPETITION
CLASS STANDINGS as of 4/14**

- 1ST -CLASS OF 2024 WITH 33%
- 2ND -CLASS OF 2026 WITH 29%
- 3RD -CLASS OF 2029 AND 2028 WITH 28%
- 4TH -CLASS OF 2025 WITH 27%
- 5TH -CLASS OF 2027 WITH 26%
- 6TH -CLASS OF 2030 WITH 25%



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.

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Senior Thesis Defenses

Senior Thesis Defenses continue through April 26. The Senior Thesis is a culminating project for Academy students aimed at exploring one of the “Six Great Ideas” of humanity - Truth, Beauty, Goodness, Justice, Liberty, and Equality. Thesis Defenses are open to the public, please check in through the front office by 3:40pm if you are interested in attending.

Thesis Defenses Schedule

15-Apr	Reno	208	Carlson	1984 and The Lord of the Flies — Increased Consciousness in a Corrupt Atmosphere Elevates Social Awareness
15-Apr	Logvin	209	Flood	<i>Master and Margarita/Bible/Faust</i>
16-Apr	Gagliano	208	Faust	<i>Pride and Prejudice and Mediations -- Societal Coexistence</i>
18-Apr	Etemesi	208	O'Sullivan	<i>The Awakening; The Scarlet Letter</i>
18-Apr	Christiana-Price	209	Gray	<i>Human Action, Second Treatise and the Bible</i>
19-Apr	Doetsch	208	Conner, S.	<i>Pride & Prejudice, Tale of Two Cities, Art of Loving</i>
22-Apr	Estrella	208	Crowley	"Paradise Lost" "Ethics" "Iliad"
22-Apr	Case	209	Shisler	Crime & Punishment, The Scarlet Letter, The Trial
23-Apr	Pike	208	Bain	<i>1984; Republic: The Noble Lie</i>
24-Apr	Holguin			<i>Utopia, Thomas More; 1984, George Orwell; Freedoms in Tightly Controlled Societies</i>
24-Apr	Marquez	208	Leyva	
25-Apr	Bain	208	Pagani	Homer's <i>Iliad</i> and <i>The Silmarillion</i> , Tolkien
25-Apr	Arevalo	209	Aquila	Odyssey and Paradise Lost. Topic
26-Apr	Khare	208	Coffey	George Orwell, 1984; Thomas More, Utopia
26-Apr	Thompson	209	Fleming	Elie Wiesel - Night; Plato - Phaedo

NOTICE

A Junior Class Play – Henry V

Here ye, here ye! Lords, ladies and fair gentlefolk of the land! William Shakespeare was his name and Henry V was his fame! You are hereby summoned to gather together in festive spirit with THE 2025 JUNIOR DRAMA CLASS as they unite on the stage. Make haste! Join this merry band of minstrels and misfits for jolly good mirth! There will be brandishing of swords, a melody of lute and the wooing of a fair love! This is a revelry that shant be missed!

Timings: 5:30pm Friday, April 19th & 5:30pm Saturday, April 20th

Wence: West Courtyard

Attendance is encouraged!

With The Most Sincerest Regards,

Ms. Violet Conner
Drama Teacher





College Counseling

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

Seniors

Students are encouraged to submit their 2024-2025 [Free Application for Federal Student Aid](#) (FAFSA) **as soon as possible**. Please ensure that you click the APPROVE button to provide *Consent and Approval To Retrieve and Disclose Federal Tax Information*. Reference [College Ready AZ](#) to schedule an appointment for application assistance from ASU, NAU, UA or the Arizona Board of Regents. Paradise Valley Community College (PVCC) is offering in-person [FAFSA workshops](#) to families.

Financial aid processing has started, which means your students should be receiving Financial Aid Award Letters from colleges and universities soon. Check out Sallie Mae's [financial aid offers comparison worksheet](#) to help your family determine the total cost of attendance.

Juniors

Rising Senior Night – Monday, April 29 at 6 PM, Prep MPR. Join us for an information session designed to ensure success Senior year! Learn more about senior thesis and the college application timeline, hear from current seniors, and visit Senior Commons ([flyer](#)).

All High School Grades

Virtual College Fair – Sunday, April 21 from 10 AM – 4 PM. NACAC virtual college fairs offer a dynamic digital meeting space for students and families to connect with top universities, explore academic programs, and get expert advice. [Register to attend!](#)

We strongly recommend that students engage in [enrichment opportunities](#) this summer to test out the waters related to their academic interests and college search. Featured program: Northern Arizona University is offering a free overnight camp called Game Jam to high school sophomores and juniors. Student teams will compete in a 32-hour sprint to produce the best Construct3 game. [Apply today!](#)

Earn College Credit while enrolled at Great Hearts Academies! [College-Level Examination Program \(CLEP\)](#) helps students receive college credit for what they already know, for a fraction of the cost of a college course. Upon successful completion of learning modules using [Modern States](#), students receive a voucher for a free CLEP test.

Senior Spotlight

Aaron Osborne, Class of 2024, was admitted to the Popular Music program at Arizona State University's Downtown Phoenix campus. In addition to an interview, the Herberger Institute requires applicants to audition using three to five selections of live or digital music performance.

Congratulations Aaron!





Academic Giving

Family Giving Officer: Jackie Curtis 602-404-7414 | jcurtis@northphoenixprep.org

Community Investment Contest

We are currently **97% to goal** with time left to support this year’s operating budget.

Contest Details

Help us reach our Community Investment goal and be entered to WIN reserved seating at the Spring Music Concerts! Families that have made a gift by **May 10** will be entered to WIN. Watch for more details.

[Make your Community Investment HERE](#)



Corporate Gift Matching Program

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 to all the families that already have taken advantage of this opportunity to support our school.

Tax Credit Contest –2023 Tax Filing

Today is the last day and we only need 18 more tax credits to reach our budgeted goal.

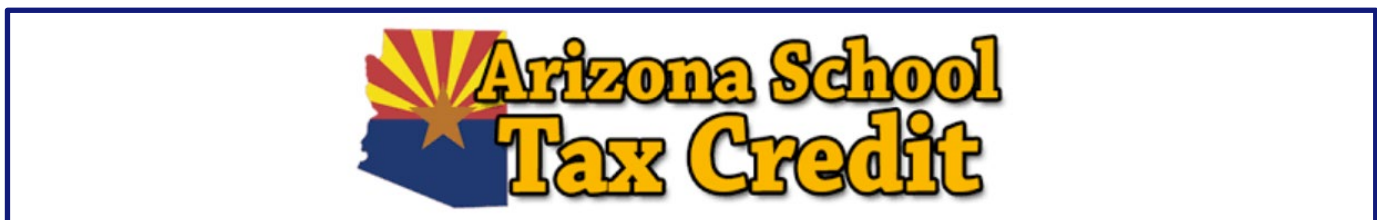
Free Sports Seasons up for grab. Three lucky athletes will have the opportunity to get their sport’s registration fee paid in full. Everyone that makes a tax credit will be entered to win!

ANYONE that pays Arizona state taxes can utilize The Arizona Public School Tax Credit. The credit allows taxpayers to make contributions to a public school in the state and receive a dollar-for- dollar tax credit against their AZ state taxes. In other words, it costs you nothing to donate.

Moneys raised are used for athletics, field trips, enrichment offerings, and student leadership programs. Share this with your family, friends, neighbors and co-workers. We are 77% to our goal.

The grade level with the highest percent of participation and tax credits will earn a **FREE dress day!** Tax credits must be received by **April 15, 2024 by Midnight.**

[Contribute here TODAY!](#)



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

Save the Date – Cabinet of Curiosities

**WEDNESDAY
MAY 1ST
2:30-4:00 pm**

**ART SHOW
DRAMA
POETRY
READINGS
MUSIC
CRAFTS
FOOD
& MORE!**



**CABINET OF
CURIOSITIES**

FREE open house for students and families. Help us celebrate the fine arts and the beautiful crafts, projects, and experiments that our students are engaged in.

It is a bit of everything!

Sell Your Art or Craft Pieces

If you are the creative type and enjoy designing and making crafts, see Mr. Crowley to sign up for a table to sell your pieces at the Cabinet of Curiosities. You'll need to provide your name and the item you plan to sell. There are only ten tables available, so don't wait! Use your imagination and happy crafting!

What: An amazing school open house that showcases our students' artwork, craft projects, drama, music, experiments and more!

When: Wednesday May 1st (2:30 – 4:00)

Where: The NPX courtyard, gym, and multi-purpose room.

Cost: Entry is free, cash for the student art/craft sale



NO & LOW COST
* Up to \$3

BACK SCHOOL²

& SPORTS PHYSICALS

MAY 28 - AUGUST 31

ALL PHYSICALS COME WITH A FREE BACKPACK!

**CALL 24/7
(602) 243-7277**
OR SCAN THE QR CODE TO SCHEDULE ONLINE





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1st Tuesday of Every Month	2nd Friday of Every Month	3rd Thursday of Every Month	3rd Friday of Every Month	4th Tuesday of Every Month
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9 a.m. - 11 a.m. or while supplies last
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FRESHMAN RETREAT

AT FRIENDLY PINES (CAMPWAY)
IN BEAUTIFUL PRESCOTT
2024 - 2025
08/28 - 08/30



SAVE THE DATE FOR NEXT YEAR'S 9TH GRADE RETREAT. EXPECT SOME FUN WITH A ROPES COURSE, ROCK WALL, CANOEING, GAGA BALL, VOLLEYBALL, TEAM BUILDING, BASEKETBALL, TIE-DYE, ARCHERY, CAMPFIRE, GREAT FOOD AND MORE!

PAY EARLY AND SAVE
\$240 JULY 1 - JULY 22
\$265 JULY 22 - AUGUST 5
\$275 AUGUST 5 - AUGUST 20

Snacks For Sale



Wednesdays

- During Lyceum/Break -
10:30 - 11:00am

cash only

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.

Outerwear

Please remember that the only school approved outerwear 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:

<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).**

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 **[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.*