

GLADIATOR WEEKLY UPDATE

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Upcoming Events

9/21 Middle School Social
 9/24 Picture Day
 9/28 Homecoming Dance
 10/1 PSO Meeting
 10/4 Cozy for a Cause
 10/7 - 10/11 Fall Break
 10/14 - 10/15 Conferences
 10/14 - 10/15 No School
 10/16 Afternoon Conferences
 10/19 GH Day at GCU
 10/21 Headmaster Chat 11 & 12
 10/21 Spirit Week Begins

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Picture Day is September 24

Mark your calendars for picture day. Envelopes were sent home or you can place your order online. [ORDER HERE](#)

Senior Class of 2025 Reminders

- Save a seat for your student to attend this year's Senior Trip (May 15-20) by paying the \$500 deposit in the [Payment Portal](#) by **Monday, September 30th**. Questions? rmarquez@northphoenixprep.org
- Senior class t-shirts, designed by Senior Ian Columbe, are available for purchase for a limited time! Order one for your Senior and yourself for \$20/t-shirt in the [Payment Portal](#) by **Tuesday, October 1st**!



- Order your Senior's [cap and gown](#) from Josten's by **Tuesday, October 1st**. Only the cap and gown unit, which includes the 2025 tassel, for \$44.95 is required for participation in our graduation ceremony.
- Parents, save the date Friday, October 25th for our **Senior Sunrise Breakfast**. Join us for this early morning tradition event that honors our Senior class and families with pancakes and special toasts by faculty.

Teachers' Wish Lists

Parents, let's help the teachers get all the school supplies they need! The PSO has a wish list from the faculty, and they are buying the items on the list. Click on the link to see the list and help purchase supplies for our teachers.

[Teacher Wish List](#)



Academic Giving

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

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THANK YOU FOR INVESTING IN YOUR STUDENTS' EDUCATION!



EVERY GIFT MAKES A DIFFERENCE

PIC-COLLAGE

ONE LUCKY STUDENT WILL GET THE OPPORTUNITY TO INVITE A FRIEND TO HAVE LUNCH WITH THEM AND A STAFF MEMBER OF THEIR CHOICE. LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED!

TWO FREE ADMIT ONE ADMIT ONE

TO THIS YEAR'S GREAT HEARTS GALA



Join us for the 7th annual Great Hearts Gala: Classical Roots and Western Boots presented by Great Clips. Held in the heart of downtown Phoenix at the Van Buren, this year's event will take place on Friday, November 1st. Enjoy delicious food and beverage, live and silent auctions, a diamond raffle, and live music. All net proceeds support our Teacher Excellence Fund which distributes bonus compensation every December to reward and retain our exceptional teachers.

Secure Your Tickets Today

If you are unable to attend the Gala but want to honor our amazing faculty, make a donation to the 2024 Teacher Excellence Fund today!

Featured Performance by Chayce Beckham

We are pleased to announce our featured performer is Season 19 American Idol Winner Chayce Beckham! His debut album *Deal for Me* features the #1 Billboard Country Airplay and certified Platinum single "22" which is now on sale and streaming on all major platforms.



Thank You to our Sponsors and Partners for your generous support:

Annual Campaign Kickoff week has been so fun and a great success. Thank you to everyone that has participated this week with your Gladiator Spirit and with your financial support. We have made a great stride toward our Community Investment and Tax Credit goals, but we still have a long ways to go.

**Every family, every gift makes a difference.
Please use the links above and set up a monthly or annual onetime gift TODAY.**

****As a small token of our appreciation** and to help us get that much closer to our goals: Every family that has already given or makes a gift by this Sunday at midnight will be entered to WIN 2 FREE tickets to this year's Great Hearts Gala and one lucky student will get the opportunity to invite a friend to have lunch with a staff member and a friend. Both Drawings will be held on Monday, September 23rd.

Should you have any questions or need help setting up your giving, please reach out to our Family Giving Officer, Jackie Curtis jcurtis@northphoenixprep.org



College Counseling

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

Seniors

Arizona State University Application Workshop – Wednesday, September 25 from 1:30 – 2:30 PM on [Zoom](#). An admissions representative will walk Seniors through their application from start to finish (above 3.0 core ABOR GPA only). By correctly self-reporting grades, students can maximize their core ABOR GPA and scholarship opportunities, so we invite them to ask us for guidance. Please note that College Counseling continues to offer in-person application workshops on campus.

ASU's Barrett Honors College Application Workshop – Wednesday, September 25 from 2:30 – 3:30 PM on [Zoom](#). Seniors interested in applying to Barrett are invited to attend this webinar to learn more about Barrett and their competitive application process.

Juniors

During Physics classes this week, our College 101 workshop focused on Standardized Testing and [test prep resources](#). We discussed how test scores can impact college admissions and merit-based scholarship opportunities. Please encourage your student to complete the **Strengths Explorer assessment** under the Self-Discovery tab in Naviance for a scholarship ticket.

Thank you for attending last week's first quarter College Night, a webinar for Junior families! Access a [recording](#) of the webinar and [presentation](#) with live links. On Friday, September 13, all Junior parents should have received an email invitation to register for parent access to [Naviance Student](#), Great Hearts' college planning portal. We look forward to offering our next quarterly College Night on Tuesday, November 5th!

Sophomores – Juniors

The PSAT/NMSQT is digital! The test is easier to take, shorter, has more time per question, and comes with a built-in calculator. It can also qualify Juniors for the National Merit Scholarship Program and other recognition opportunities with College Board. To prepare, full-length adaptive digital [PSAT/NMSQT free practice exams](#) are available on the Bluebook app. Mark the date **Tuesday, October 29th** when NPX will proctor the test for sophomores and juniors on campus.

All High School Graded

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University Admissions Presentation – Saturday, September 21 from 1 – 2:30 PM at the Hilton Scottsdale Resort. Attend a multimedia presentation to learn about Embry-Riddle's world-class STEM-focused degree programs, career outcomes, scholarships/financial aid and more. [Register today!](#)

Great Heats Day at Arizona Christian University – Wednesday, September 25 from 3:30 – 5 PM. Attend a guided campus tour followed by refreshments with faculty and experience all that ACU has to offer. [Register today!](#)

College Rep Visits 9/23 – 9/27

Meet with college admissions representatives in the Library or in the Courtyard.

Monday, September 23 at Lyceum

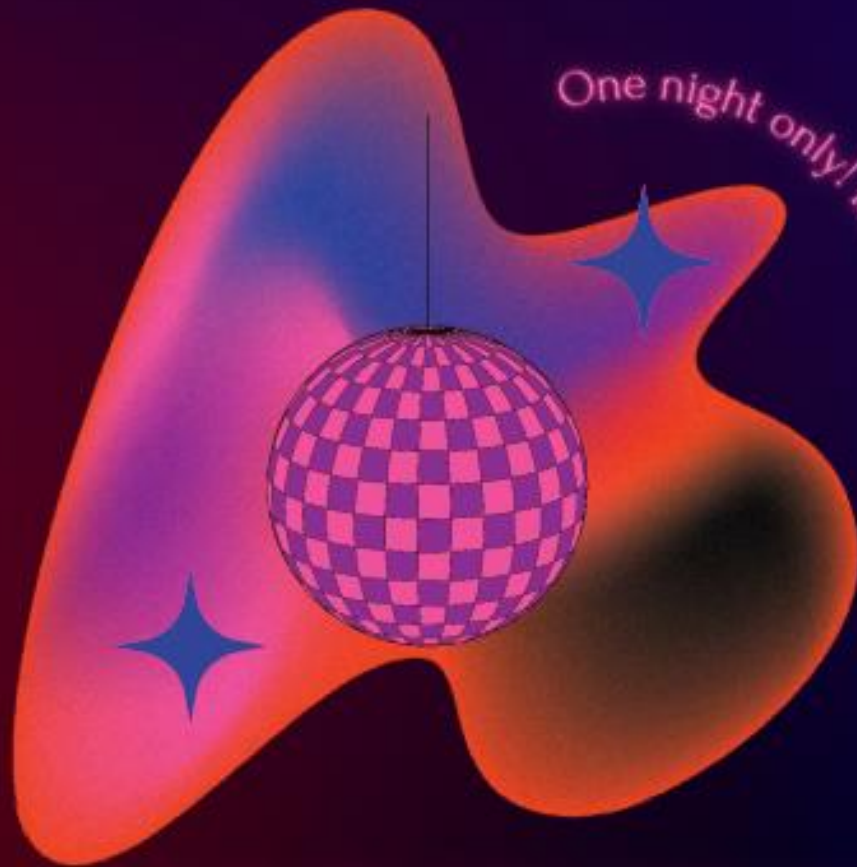
University of Arizona [W. A. Franke Honors College](#)

Monday, September 23 at Lunch

Special Presentation: [Cybersecurity](#) from Paradise Valley Community College in the Library

Learn about the growing field of cybersecurity and how industries secure, protect and identify vulnerabilities in a network, including various operating systems and network devices.

HOMECOMING



One night only! Invite a friend!

UNDERGROUND DISCO

Saturday, September 28th from 7-10pm
Archway MPR Price: \$25

Congratulations!

We're proud to announce to announce that Senior Zander Luo was recognized as a **National Merit Semi-Finalist**! Zander will move on to compete for one of 6,870 National Merit Scholarships worth nearly \$26 million that will be offered next spring.

Congratulations also go to our Seniors whose PSAT score last fall qualified them as **National Recognition Scholars**: Eoin Brogan, Eric Gardner, Connor Schweda and Maryn Taylor!

**Pictured from left to right: Eoin, Zander, Maryn, Connor, Eric*



**SENIOR SUNRISE
BREAKFAST**

Friday 10/25
7:15 - 8:15

Seniors and parents are invited to our annual sunrise pancake breakfast ceremony in the garden. As the sun rises, we honor our rising seniors for this momentous year!

Reminder →

we want your feedback!

TAKE THE PSO SURVEY

Forty College Rep Visits and Counting

All high school scholars have the opportunity to meet college representatives from across the country at lyceum and lunch. During in-class college workshops, students practiced their Elevator Pitch in preparation for introducing themselves to the college reps who play a role in future admission and scholarship awards.





Gladiator Athletics

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High School

Girls Varsity Volleyball continues to dominate! They beat Salome in 3 sets and turned around and beat Patagonia Union in 3 sets! They will look to defend their Epic Tourneys Championship from last year this weekend with matches starting tomorrow afternoon! Next home game is Friday, 9/27 at 6pm, versus Cicero and this will be the game of the season!

Girls JV Volleyball lost to Salome on Tuesday but bounced back and beat Patagonia Union in true Gladiator fashion! They are off this weekend and look forward to beating the Centurions of Cicero next Friday, 9/27, here at home at 5pm!

HS Cross-Country participated in the 4 Corners Invitational last Saturday with our Girls team finishing in 6th place in their meet. Special shoutout to Aslyn Lindsay who took 12th place out of 104 participants in the individual competition. They have a time trail this weekend with the huge Desert Twilight Invite next Friday, 9/27!

FALL SPORTS

Middle School

Girls A Volleyball beat Glendale Prep in their first match this past Saturday and lost the second match despite only have 6 girls to start with a 7th showing up later on. They have home games this weekend vs Veritas Prep at 11:30 and 12:30 on Saturday.

Girls B Volleyball lost last weekend and continue to work hard in their trainings! They play Veritas this Saturday at home starting at 9:30am.

All C Volleyball teams did well in their Jamborees last weekend with the results below. Next round of Jamborees is this coming Saturday, 9/21 with C4 at Anthem, C2 at Anthem, C1 at Glendale and C3 here at home starting at 8am.

Middle School C2 team defeated both Roosevelt Prep and Trivium Prep

Middle School C3 team defeated Glendale Prep

Middle School C4 team defeated Veritas Prep

Middle School Girls Cross Country took 3rd place in their meet last Saturday with a special shoutout to Eden Lindsay who took 7th place in the individual competition. Middle School Boys Cross Country took 6th place in their meet with many boys improving on their times from the previous meet! Next meet is this Saturday at Vista Del Camino Park.

Middle School Flag Football C team defeated Arete Prep and the A team fought hard but lost to a very good team. First home games are this Saturday with C playing at 10am vs Roosevelt and A team playing at 12 vs Heritage-Laveen. Come out and support our Gladiators!

Leaving Items/Lunches for Students at the Front Desk

All lunches and other items such as water bottles and homework must be dropped off at the front desk **BEFORE 10am**. To avoid disruption to classroom learning and reduce classroom interruptions, **students will not be called to the office after 10am**.

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 attendance@northphoenixprep.org **before 8:00am**. A notification reminder will be sent mid-morning to those who have not indicated, via email, that the student is missing school. Absences will be marked unexcused if an email is not received or if the reason for absence is anything other than illness, doctor appointment, bereavement, family emergency or suspension.

Tardies

Students arriving late to campus must check in through the front office. For auditing purposes, all tardies due to an appointment (e.g., medical, dental, etc.) will be marked unexcused until a note is received; and we ask that parents sign in their scholar at the front desk. If a student is tardy more than 3 times, a detention will be issued.

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 teachers directly.

Gladiator Gear

Show your school spirit on Fridays! Visit the [Gladiator Spirit Store](#) to purchase clothing that may be worn on Fridays. Throughout the year, 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 student's locker 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 applied for your Raptor authorization. This is a yearly background check and \$6.00 fee that must be verified before any volunteering with students. Please follow this link to complete your Raptor authorization: <https://www.greatheartsamerica.org/volunteer/>

North Phoenix Prep Drop Off and Pick Up Traffic Flow



Heading South on 32nd St, enter the North Entrance to the parking lot. Stay in the RIGHT lane. Drive around the field. Follow the signs designating NPX drop off and pick up.

Please note:

- It is illegal and dangerous to park, wait, drop off, or pick up on Hearn Rd.
- Archway uses the left lane for drop off and pick up; NPX uses the right lane until signs specify otherwise.