

GLADIATOR WEEKLY UPDATE

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Welcome back everyone! We hope you had a restful and joyful break. This will be an exciting semester, starting with a high school formal dance and an 8th-grade social/dance. In addition, our Seniors will be busy wrapping up their theses and getting ready for their defenses. As this semester tends to fly by, it's a perfect time to refine homework strategies, clean out lockers, and get organized. Let's embrace the new year as a fresh start!

Dear Gladiator Families,

We are noticing an increasing number of students who are dropped off well before the beginning of the school day, and who are staying on campus after the school day is over. We are unable to provide supervision before the school day begins, nor do we provide after school care. Students who arrive to school before the doors open at 7:50 AM are permitted to wait on the south side of the Prep school building and must stay on the sidewalk near the wall due to traffic and safety concerns. Students must exit campus by 3:55 PM unless they are enrolled in an ECNA or participating on a sports team.

Students who are enrolled in an ECNA need to report directly to that teacher's classroom after school. Students who have athletic practices should go straight to the MPR for study hall or to the gym after school. Should your student need to wait for a sibling who is in an athletic practice, please contact the coach directly.

Thank you for your partnership in ensuring the safety of our students, and please reach out to me directly with any questions.

Sincerely, Erin Lentz



ALL GRADES HEADMASTER CHAT

Parents, please join Ms. Lentz on
Monday, 1/13, at 8:30 AM in the Library
for this casual conversation and campus tour.

Upcoming Events

01/10, 01/11 Used Uniform Sale - See ad below

01/12 Parent Portal closes

01/20 No School (Civil Rights Day)

01/25 High School Winter Formal

(Archway MPR 7:00 - 10:00 PM)

02/08 8th Grade Dance and Social

(Archway MPR 6:00 - 9:00 PM)



[FULL NPX EVENTS CALENDAR HERE](#)

Look What's Going On

SOCCER
- MONDAY, JANUARY 13TH -
NPX
GIRLS @ 4:00 BOYS @ 6:00

A poster for a soccer event. It features a soccer ball in the center, flanked by two stylized figures. The text is in a bold, sans-serif font. The background is a light blue color.

BASKETBALL
TUESDAY, JANUARY 14
BOYS JV @ 4
GIRLS @ 5:30
BOYS VARSITY @ 7

A poster for a basketball event. It features a basketball in the center, flanked by two stylized figures. The text is in a bold, sans-serif font. The background is a light brown color.

USED UNIFORM Sale
JANUARY 8TH: 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM
JANUARY 10TH: 5PM - 7PM
JANUARY 11TH: 10 AM - 12PM
PRE-LOVED CLOTHING
\$10 POLOS
\$15 SKIRTS
\$15 SWEATSHIRTS
LOCATED ON CAMPUS

A poster for a used uniform sale. It features a rack of clothes and a starburst graphic. The text is in a mix of bold, sans-serif and cursive fonts. The background is a light yellow color.

save the date...
NPX
8th Grade Dance
Saturday, 2/8/2025
6 PM
Archway MPR

A poster for an 8th grade dance. It features a background of green ferns and string lights. The text is in a mix of bold, sans-serif and cursive fonts.

BLOOD DRIVE!
Donate your blood to save a life!
Saturday, February 22nd, 2025
Located in the Archway MPR
Must be at least 16 to donate!

A poster for a blood drive. It features a red blood bag and a tube. The text is in a bold, sans-serif font. The background is a light pink color.

JOIN US & BRING A FRIEND TO
NPX'S
WINTER FORMAL
Bows and Bowties
SATURDAY, JANUARY 25
LOCATION: ARCHWAY MPR
TIME: 7-10PM

A poster for a winter formal. It features a black background with white text and a white bow. The text is in a mix of bold, sans-serif and cursive fonts.

Community Giving

LAST CALL- OPT IN NOW!

Hello Great Hearts North Phoenix Families,

We are excited to share that a parent volunteer, the Burt family, has been working on creating a business directory platform for our Great Hearts North Phoenix community. This directory will be available to all families through our school website, and we plan to launch it in January 2025. If you have a business and would like to be included in the directory, please follow the link below to opt-in. Data will be collected through December.

For any questions about this new resource, feel free to contact our Family Giving & Community Engagement Officer, Jackie Curtis.

Thank you for your participation and support!
Opt-in by clicking on the link below.

[Great Hearts Community Business Directory](#)



Winter Sports are wrapping up - come out and support your Gladiators!

College Counseling



10th Grade Field Trip to the University of Arizona

Thursday, February 13 from 7 AM – 4:30 PM

Sophomores will participate in a group visit to the University of Arizona in Tucson! Check-in at 7 AM; lunch will be provided. The visit will include workshop on choosing a major that aligns with their goals, a student panel and campus tour. Lunch will be provided. To confirm their seat, please sign the permission slip and pay the \$15/student participation fee in our [Payment Portal](#) by Friday, February 7 Contact [College Counseling](#) with your questions.

Alumni Panel

On Tuesday, sixteen NPX Alumni shared their college journey with our sophomores, juniors, and seniors. Representing Babson College (MA), University of Dallas, Arizona State University, and more, they talked about the impact of a Great Hearts education post-graduation.



Quarterly Junior Parent Webinar | Tuesday, January 21 at 6 PM
[Microsoft Teams Link](#). Learn about NPX's college preparation curriculum offered during monthly in-class workshops for Juniors. Tuesday's webinar will especially focus on financial aid opportunities for college.



Great Hearts College Symposium – Saturday, March 1 from 3 – 6 PM at Scottsdale Preparatory Academy. A MUST-ATTEND event for our Juniors, all high school students and parents are invited to this network-wide college fair. School uniform is mandatory for participation. [Register today!](#)

College Counseling Continued

We strongly encourage students to participate in enrichment opportunities and test out the waters related to their academic interests. For example, Arizona State University hosts Leadership Academy on Monday, January 20, a half-day mock trial related to the 2022 Supreme Court case 303 Creative LLC v. Elenis. It's a great opportunity to practice their Socratic seminar skills and (include Kai photo from Arizona Boys State 2024)

Check out our Announcements page to learn about upcoming admitted student workshops for Seniors, HEFAR Group's financial aid presentation, and more!

From the Front Office: Procedures and Policies Overview

Leaving Items/Lunches at the Front Desk: All lunches, water bottles, and other items must be dropped off at the front desk before 10:00 AM to avoid classroom interruptions. Students will not be called to the office after this time.

Reporting Absences: email Attendance@NorthPhoenixPrep.org before 8:00 AM with:

- Student's First and Last Name
- Grade
- Date of Absence(s)
- Reason (illness, appointment, family emergency, etc.)

Unexcused absences will be marked if no email is received.

Tardies: Late students must check in at the front office. Tardies for appointments will be unexcused until a note is provided. After 3 tardies, a detention is issued.

Gladiator Gear: Support school spirit on Fridays with Gladiator attire from the Spirit Store. NPX-approved sweatshirts are available throughout the year.

Outerwear Policy: Approved outerwear includes NPX Gladiator sweatshirts, Academy sweaters, and Senate sweatshirts. All other outerwear should be stored in lockers.

Parent Engagement Opportunities

- Headmaster Chats & PSO Meetings: Upcoming Meetings
- Campus Visitors & Volunteers: Complete your annual **Raptor authorization** with a \$6 fee [here](#).
- Volunteer with Parent Service Organization: Email Jessica at PSOPresident@northphoenixprep.org

QUICK LINKS



[Headmaster Chats](#)

[Yearbook Purchase](#)

[Student Newspaper](#)

[NPX Family Handbook](#)

[Academy Giving](#)

[Configio Payment Portal](#)

[Bell Schedule](#)

[Uniform Policy](#)

[School Calendar 24.25](#)