

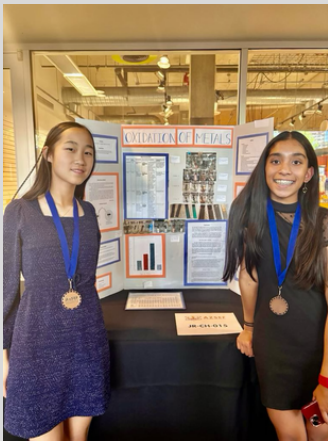
# GLADIATOR WEEKLY UPDATE

## North Phoenix Prep Shines at State Science Fair!



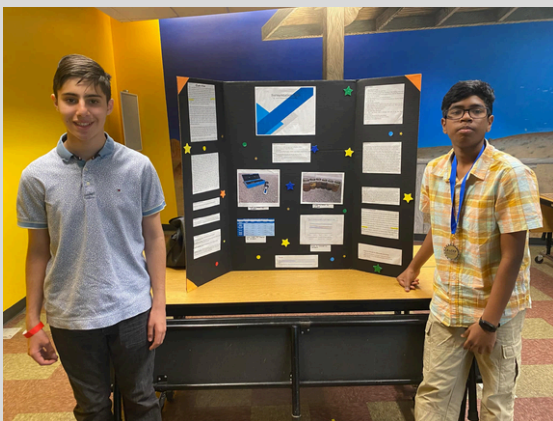
Congratulations to our Seniors, Colton Bombard, Jaxon Bombard, and Abraham Jones for winning the **Stockholm Junior Water Prize** at State in the Senior Division.

Their project consisted using a bacteria called bacillus subtilis in order to measure the rate at which microplastics are degraded by the bacteria. Bacillus subtilis utilizes extracellular enzymes like proteases, xylanases, and lipases, as well as biosurfactants (like surfactin) to enhance the degradation process.



**This year, we have two middle school winners at the Arizona Science Fair!**

Seventh graders Anuvrata Navaneet and Emmie Lou won third place with their project on oxidation and corrosion in metals. They hypothesized that iron would oxidize the most, while aluminum would corrode the least. After three weeks in a salt solution, results showed that iron did oxidize the most, but tin corroded the least instead of aluminum. They chose this study because metal oxidation leads to resource waste, weakened infrastructure, and artifact loss. Understanding it helps prevent these issues.



Our second-place winners at the middle school level are 8th graders Aviel Pinkhasov and Suhaas Pachika.

Their project explored which type of sugar is best for growing bacteria in Kombucha. Through their research, they discovered that whole cane sugar produces the best results. They chose to study Kombucha because of its potential health benefits, including aiding digestion, managing Type II diabetes, and reducing the risk of heart disease.

## 04/08 ACT Testing Juniors

04/11 Cozy for a Cause - Dress down for \$5

04/12 Junior Senior Prom

04/15 Tax Credit Day - Thank you for your family tax credits!

04/16 - 04/17 "Bits and Pieces" 6th Grade Drama performance (6:00 PM)

04/18 No School

04/22 PSO Meeting (8:30 AM - All parents welcome!)

04/22 Rising Senior Night (Juniors) 6:00 PM in the Prep MPR

04/23 Administrative Professionals Day - Let's support our front office team!



[2025-2026 Calendar Now Online](#)

[FULL NPX EVENTS CALENDAR HERE](#)

# Thesis Defenses '25

GREAT HEARTS' SENIOR CAPSTONE PROJECT



**NPX**  
**Seniors**

Defenses are open to the public and start **promptly at 4 PM**. Please check in at the front office by 3:40 PM.

Monday, April 7	<b>Josh Christian</b>   Lord of the Flies, Things Fall Apart	Classroom 208
Monday, April 7	<b>Madison Hovel</b>   Great Expectations, Pride and Prejudice	Classroom 209
Monday, April 7	<b>Joshua Duenas</b>   The Screwtape Letters, Job	Classroom 210
Tuesday, April 8	<b>Ximena Escobedo Flores</b>   Pride and Prejudice, The Four Loves, Nicomachean Ethics	Classroom 208
Tuesday, April 8	<b>Ashley Hernandez</b>   Genesis, Pride and Prejudice	Classroom 209
Tuesday, April 8	<b>David Vela</b>   Meditations, Job	Classroom 210
Wednesday, April 9	<b>Raegan Kusnell</b>   The Alchemist, The Little Prince	Classroom 208
Wednesday, April 9	<b>Youssef Choukair</b>   The Republic, Brave New World	Classroom 209
Thursday, April 10	<b>Braxton Rash</b>   Nicomachean Ethics, Charlotte's Web, A Separate Peace	Classroom 208
Thursday, April 10	<b>Fabian Lugo Escalante</b>   The Trial, Nicomachean Ethics	Classroom 209
Thursday, April 10	<b>Aryaman Pandey</b>   East of Eden, Nicomachean Ethics	Classroom 210
Friday, April 11	<b>Maryn Taylor</b>   Frankenstein, Nicomachean Ethics	Classroom 208
Friday, April 11	<b>Noah McColley</b>   Robinson Crusoe, My Antonia	Classroom 209
Friday, April 11	<b>Jaxon Bombard</b>   A Grief Observed, Crime and Punishment	Classroom 210



# MIDDLE SCHOOL SOCIAL SO FUN!





## Academy Giving



We've got just 11 days until tax day, and we're SO CLOSE to reaching our budgeted goal for this school year—78% to goal! 🌟 A **HUGE** thank you to everyone who has contributed so far!

If you've already contributed and/or filed, we need your help to spread the word! 🌟 Share the amazing dollar-for-dollar tax credit opportunity with your family and friends. It's a win-win for everyone, and it's a simple way to support North Phoenix Prep while benefiting from this amazing program!

👉 Take the Credit with NPX today: [give.northphoenixprep.org/taxcredit](https://give.northphoenixprep.org/taxcredit)  
Let's make these final 11 days count and hit that goal! 🙌



You can also find this directory on our PSO webpage [HERE](#)

**College Counseling**  
**[college@northphoenixprep.org](mailto:college@northphoenixprep.org)**

**Enrichment Opportunities** – We strongly recommend that students engage in enrichment opportunities this summer to test out the waters related to their academic interests and college search. Check out College Essay Guy's article on 5 ways to spend your high school summer. (include high+school+summer jpg if you want)

**NACAC Virtual College Fair** – Wednesday, April 27 at 10 AM – 4 PM, Virtual. Colleges and universities from the US and worldwide will be ready and waiting to talk with you at the NACAC Virtual College Fair! Attend information sessions, chat your questions, download informational resources, and demonstrate interest... all without leaving home. Register today and check out the list of participating colleges!  
(virtual fair jpg attached)

A promotional poster for the NACAC Virtual College Fair. The top left corner has a teal banner with "SPRING 2025" in white. Below it, the text "NACAC Virtual College Fair - April" is in bold blue. Underneath, "Sunday, Apr. 27" and "1 p.m. – 6 p.m. ET" are in orange. A QR code is on the left, and to its right is the text "REGISTER NOW!" followed by the URL "nacacattend.org/fairs". The bottom left features the NACAC logo and "National College Fairs". The right side of the poster is a collage of diverse student portraits.

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NACAC  
National College Fairs

A poster titled "HOW TO SPEND YOUR HIGH SCHOOL SUMMER" in large white letters. The background is a vibrant image of a pink flamingo floating in turquoise water. In the bottom right corner, there is a small cartoon character of a man with glasses and the text "College Essay Guy" with the website "www.collegeessayguy.com".

**HOW TO SPEND YOUR HIGH SCHOOL SUMMER**

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## **FRONT OFFICE SUPPORT NEEDED**

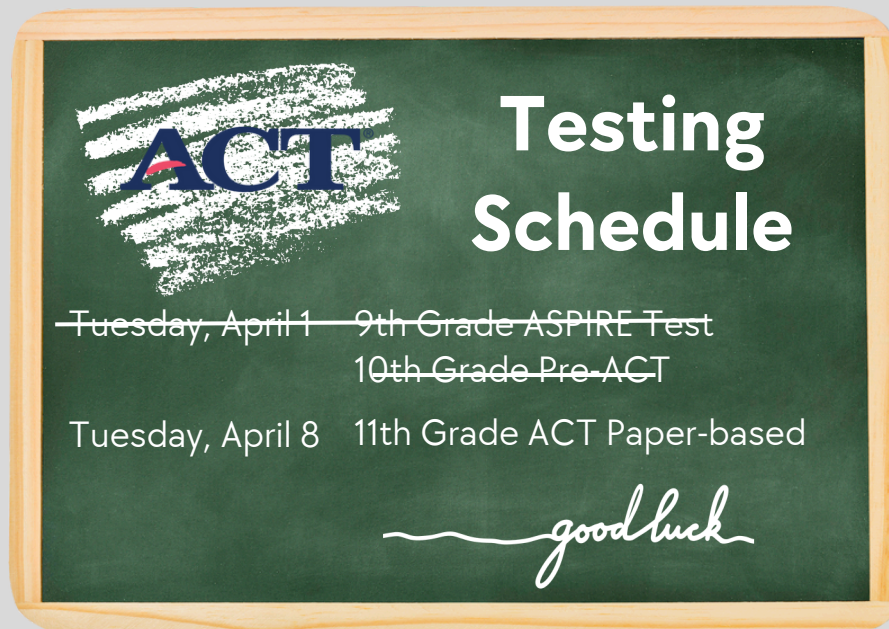
We are currently seeking to hire a Front Office Assistant  
Part-time at North Phoenix Prep (Mondays and Fridays)  
For information on how to apply [CLICK HERE](#).

# DON'T MISS RISING SENIOR NIGHT!

11th Grade  
Students & Parents  
**TUESDAY, APRIL 22**  
6-7 PM Prep MPR

Ensure your success Senior year! Connect with other families and learn about the college application process, Senior trip, and so much more!

*[college@northphoenixprep.org](mailto:college@northphoenixprep.org)*



**9th - 10th Grades:** The ASPIRE and Pre-ACT should be treated simply as practice for future standardized testing. These tests offer students a great benchmark!

**11th Grade:** Prior to test day, create a student account at [myACT.org](https://myACT.org) for test score notifications. Students must arrive to campus on time! Encourage your child to be well rested and eat a filling breakfast. Optional items to bring:

- No. 2 pencils with good erasers
- Snacks and drinks for test breaks
- [Approved calculator](#)
- Sweatshirt



**2025 GRADUATION COUNTDOWN INFORMATION:  
IMPORTANT SENIOR INFORMATION AND DATES**

[CLICK HERE](#)



# 2025-2026 Dual Enrollment Offerings at North Phoenix Prep

To register: <https://greatheartsaz.configio.com>

Opening soon for fall and spring semesters!

## 12th GRADE

Calculus II <b>NEW</b>	4 credits/year	3	MATH 2244 FRE 301	Southeastern
French IV	credits/semester	3	FRE 302 SPA 301	AZ Christian
Spanish IV	credits/semester	4	SPA 311 GRK 311	AZ Christian
Greek II	credits/semester	3	GRK 312 ENG 1233	AZ Christian
Humane Letters IV	credits/semester		ENG 3003	Southeastern

## 11th GRADE

Calculus I	French III	4 credits/year	4	MATH 2144	Southeastern
<b>NEW</b> Spanish III	<b>NEW</b>	credits/semester	4	FRE 201   FRE 202	AZ Christian
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Humane Letters III	<b>NEW</b>	credits/semester	3	ENGL 1133   PHIL 2XX3	Southeastern
		credits/semester			

## 10th GRADE

Algebra II/Trig	3 credits/year	4	MATH 1413	Southeastern
Chemistry <b>NEW</b>	credits/year	3	CHEM 1533 & CHEM 153L	AZ Christian
Economics <b>NEW</b>	credits/semester	3	BBUS 2103	Southeastern
Humane Letters II <b>NEW</b>	credits/semester		ENGL 2133   HIST 1XX3	Southeastern

**Course Costs:** \$300 for 3-credit courses | \$385 for 4-credit courses **non-refundable**

**Eligibility:** Unweighted 3.0 GPA for Southeastern courses | Unweighted 2.5 GPA for AZ Christian courses

*Tuition assistance is available for those who qualify. It is the student's responsibility to research and determine how dual enrollment credits may transfer to their future 4-year college or university.*



**NORTH PHOENIX**  
PREPARATORY ACADEMY  
A Great Hearts Academy

For more information:  
[college@northphoenixprep.org](mailto:college@northphoenixprep.org)  
[northphoenixprep.org/college](https://northphoenixprep.org/college)

Our Parent Service Organization (PSO) needs your help! We organize and host middle school socials, run a snack bar every Wednesday during morning break, and are actively planning next year's community-wide Fall Festival. Additionally, we celebrate faculty birthdays, support extracurricular activities, foster a strong school community, and help fulfill faculty wish lists for their classrooms—just to name a few of our contributions.

Join us in making a difference! Contact PSO President Jessica Nunez at [psopresident@northphoenixprep.org](mailto:psopresident@northphoenixprep.org) to learn how you can get involved today.

[PSO LINK TREE](#)

PSO 

**INFORMATION**  
**HERE!**

Parents Supporting NPX

## 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](#)

[NPX WEBSITE](#)

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