

# GLADIATOR WEEKLY UPDATE

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## Summer Updates!



Dear Gladiator Families,

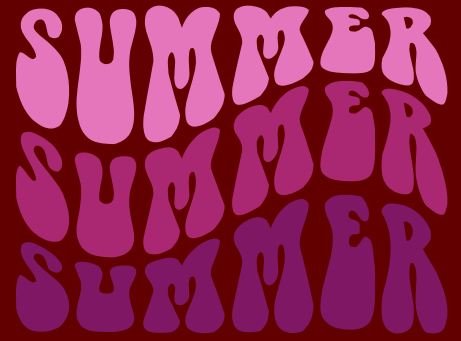
We are a little less than a month away from the first day of school, and our teachers and staff are busily preparing for the start of the school year. As you begin to think about the year ahead, here are a few important reminders:

- **The Family Handbook** for '25-'26 is now posted on our [website](#) and includes the streamlined dress code that we adopted last school year. Please note the updates to the Accessories policy in particular.
- **The official uniform vendor** for Great Hearts is Lands' End. You can purchase new uniforms at this [Lands End Link](#).
- **Used Uniform sale** hosted by NPX Senate to be on 7/19 from 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM, as well as during Greet the Gladiators. Please note this sale is cash only.
- **Greet the Gladiators** will be on 8/4. New Students (8:00 - 10:00 AM) and returning Students (10:15 - 12:00 PM). All students to receive their schedules, textbooks, and locker assignments, and to meet their teachers.
- **Rise of the Tiro** (6<sup>th</sup> grade Orientation) will take place on 8/5 from 8:00 – 10:30 AM. Students should arrive in uniform for this event. Parents may drop off students, or stay on campus to meet with the Headmaster, Dean of Middle School, and PSO.
- **9<sup>th</sup> graders** – The link to register for the 9<sup>th</sup> grade retreat is live! [Sign up here to save your spot!](#)
- **Updated School Supply and Classics to Keep** lists are posted on our website [HERE](#). All grade levels supply lists include clear pencil cases to support our no cell phone policy during the school day.

Please reach out with any questions, and Go Gladiators!

With devotion,  
Erin Lentz | Headmaster

# Important Dates



- 07/01: Portal is now open for 9<sup>th</sup> grade retreat
- 07/19: Used Uniform Sale (9:00 - 12:00 AM)
- 07/19: PSO board meeting (11:00 - 2:00 PM library)
- 08/02: Senior Bootcamp (9:00-2:00 PM MPR)
- 08/04: Greet the Gladiator / Used Uniform Sale
- New Students (8:00 - 10:00 AM)
  - Returning Students (10:15 - 12:00 PM)
- 08/05: 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Orientation Day (8:00 - 10:30 AM)
- 08/05: Alumni Send Off (10:00-11:00 Sr. Commons)
- 08/06: First Day of School (8:15 - 1:15 PM Wednesday Early Release)
- 08/12: 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Rise Up Night (6:00 - 8:00 PM)
- 08/12: PSO Meeting at NPX (8:30 AM)
- 08/18: 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents - Headmaster Chat (8:30 - 9:30 AM -Library)



## **ANNOUNCING THE 2025 9TH GRADE RETREAT!**



**AUGUST 27, 28, 29**

Next year's 9th grade class will be going up to CampWay in Prescott, AZ  
for a three day and two night retreat.

Get ready for an unforgettable adventure! Our 9th grade retreat to CampWay is a special three-day, two-night experience where students bond, build leadership skills, and dive into life at North Phoenix Prep—all in a stunning pine forest setting.

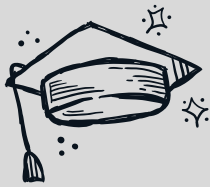
**Pay early to save money:**

**\$275 July 1st - July 22nd**

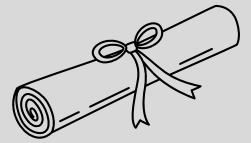
**\$300 July 23rd - August 12th**

**\$320 August 13th - August 20th**





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



## 25-26 DUAL ENROLLMENT

Students entering grades 10-12 can earn college credit for the high school courses they are already taking at North Phoenix Prep. Each dual enrollment course is taught by the student's regular Great Hearts teacher.

- When registering, have a current high school transcript and list of course offerings handy.
- Create a separate Great Hearts AZ Configio account.

## FROM COLLEGE COUNSELING



Did your student participate in an enrichment activity this summer, such as attend a **summer camp, intern, volunteer, or tour a college**? Complete a **[brief online form](#)** and upload a photo to enter a drawing for college swag! Select entries will be featured in an upcoming newsletter or social media post.

Please help your high schooler create a **professional email address** that they can use for Naviance, our college planning portal.

Encourage your child to **get involved** this school year in on-campus extracurricular activities (ECNAs) and Gladiator athletics!

Finally, simply **“favorite” or “add to VIP”** **[mailer@email.naviance.com](mailto:mailer@email.naviance.com)** to ensure you're receiving important communications from us!

\$300 **nonrefundable** for 3-credit course

\$385 **nonrefundable** for 4-credit course

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

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FOR OFFERINGS**



# NORTH PHOENIX

PREPARATORY ACADEMY  
A Great Hearts Academy

# Class of 2025

## By the Numbers



NUMBER OF GRADUATES

**63**



AVERAGE WEIGHTED GPA

**3.92**

AVERAGE SAT SCORE **1254**  
+ **226 points** above the national average

AVERAGE ACT SCORE **23**  
+ **2 points** above the national average

AMOUNT OFFERED IN MERIT-BASED  
SCHOLARSHIPS

**\$9,522,902**



**98%** of students will immediately attend college



**77%** of students received merit-based scholarships



**62%** of students are pursuing STEM degrees

**1**

NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLAR

**4**

NATIONAL RECOGNITION

**23**

ACCEPTED INTO  
HONORS PROGRAMS

**1**

AWARDED NAVY ROTC  
SCHOLARSHIP

### SPECIAL PROGRAM ADMISSIONS

Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine Early Acceptance Program  
New York Institute of Technology Joint Bachelor's/D.O. Program  
Nova Southeastern Razor's Edge Research  
Saint Louis University Medical Scholars Program  
Seton Hall Buccino Leadership Institute  
Seton Hall University Joint Bachelor's/M.D. Program  
Stevens Institute of Technology Pinnacle Scholars Program

**NOTABLE SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS** Baylor Distinction Award | Embry-Riddle Presidential Scholarship | Hofstra Presidential Award  
Loyola Chicago Presidential Scholarship | Loyola Marymount Arrupe Scholarship | Michigan-Ann Arbor Engineering Scholarship of Honor  
Muhlenberg Presidential Merit Scholarship | US Navy ROTC Scholarship | New York Institute Presidential Scholarship | Occidental President's  
Scholarship | Rhodes Presidential Scholar | Rose Hulman Merit Scholar | U of Alabama Presidential Scholarship | U of San Diego Presidential  
Scholarship | Ursinus Zacharias Honors Scholarship | Wabash President's Scholarship | Willamette Trustees' Scholarship

### COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES

Arizona State University  
Barrett, The Honors College at ASU  
Baylor University  
Bentley University  
Boston College  
Brigham Young University-Idaho  
Carleton College  
Coconino Community College  
Colorado School of Mines  
Colorado State University-Pueblo  
Coppin State University  
Delaware State University  
Drexel University  
Eastern Washington University  
Elmhurst University  
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University  
Farmingdale State College  
Florida Institute of Technology  
Georgia State University  
Glendale Community College  
Grand Canyon University  
Hastings College  
Hawaii Pacific University  
Hiram College  
Hofstra University  
Illinois Institute of Technology  
Iowa State University  
Juniata College  
Kenyon College

Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine  
Loyola Marymount University  
Loyola University Chicago  
Millikin University  
Muhlenberg College  
Naropa University  
New York Institute of Technology  
North Carolina State University at Raleigh  
Northern Arizona University  
Nova Southeastern University  
Occidental College  
Oklahoma State University  
Oral Roberts University  
Palm Beach Atlantic University  
Paradise Valley Community College  
Phoenix College  
Point Loma Nazarene University  
Quinnipiac University  
Rhodes College  
Rogers State University  
Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology  
Saint Louis University  
San Diego State University  
Scottsdale Community College  
Seton Hall University  
Soka University of America  
St. Mary's University  
Stevens Institute of Technology  
Texas Christian University  
The Ohio State University  
The University of Alabama

University of Arizona  
University of Arkansas  
University of California-Irvine  
University of Cincinnati  
University of Colorado-Boulder  
University of Colorado-Colorado Springs  
University of Colorado-Denver  
University of Dallas  
University of Denver  
University of Hawaii at Manoa  
University of Maryland Eastern Shore  
University of Memphis  
University of Michigan-Ann Arbor  
University of New Mexico  
University of Northern Colorado  
University of Oklahoma  
University of Oklahoma-Honors College  
University of Oregon  
University of San Diego  
University of Utah  
University of Washington-Seattle  
Ursinus College  
W.A. Franke Honors College at the UA  
Wabash College  
Washington & Jefferson College  
Weber Honors College at SDSU  
Wellesley College  
Western Oregon University  
Widener University  
Willamette University

## Notes From the Front Office

**IMPORTANT: If you are not planning on attending NPX for the coming 2025-2026 school year, please notify us now.**

**Mrs. Sokolis: [bsokolis@northphoenixprep.org](mailto:bsokolis@northphoenixprep.org)**

**Mrs. Nelson: [anelson@northphoenixprep.org](mailto:anelson@northphoenixprep.org)**

1. Its time for RAPTOR volunteer signup. All parent volunteers must complete the RAPTOR information annually. Volunteer information [HERE](#).
2. We are looking for a parent who is an experienced seamstress to repair our Gladius mascot costume, please reach out to Angie Nelson [anelson@northphoenixprep.org](mailto:anelson@northphoenixprep.org).
3. We are always looking for student volunteers to help this summer from Monday – Thursday 8:00 - 1:00 PM. Stop by and see Ms. Nelson.
4. Parents looking to volunteer for Greet the Gladiator Day are encouraged to reach out to Ms. Nunez or Mrs. Nelson.
5. Have a textbook that you have not returned? Please do so BEFORE the school year starts, office hours are Monday -Thursday, 8:00 - 1:00 PM.



**NPX**  
**PARENT PAYMENT PORTAL**





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# NORTH PHOENIX PREPARATORY ACADEMY

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## STUDENT AND PARENT ACTION ITEMS

- ✓ **Classics to Keep:** Build your student's personal library of annotated classics. Buy exact ISBNs listed on our website to ensure alignment with the curriculum. Don't want to purchase? No problem—students will receive academy copies to use and return unmarked.
- ✓ **Grade Level Supply List:** Supply lists for each grade are on our website. Families can buy supplies from any vendor and should bring them to Greet the Gladiator Day or the first day of class.
- ✓ **Consumable Materials:** Students will use many consumable materials throughout the year. You may purchase through the online Parent Payment Portal.
- ✓ **Academy Giving Community Investment & Tax Credit Drive:** Annual contributions that support our school's operating budget. [www.northphoenixprep.org/support](http://www.northphoenixprep.org/support)

*Visit our website for all of the complete lists and details for each grade level:*

<https://northphoenixprep.greatheartsamerica.org/>

## SCHOOL HOURS

**8:20am-3:20pm**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

**8:20am-1:15pm**

Wednesday

**8:20am-12:15pm**

Half Days

## OFFICE HOURS

**7:30am- 3:50pm**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

**7:30am-1:35pm**

Wednesday



## IMPORTANT DATES

### First Semester

**August 4th:** Greet the Gladiator (all grade levels)

**August 5th:** Rise of The Tiro (6th grade orientation)

**August 6th:** First day of school - Wednesday sched

**August 27th - 29th:** 9th Grade Retreat Friendly Pines

**September 1st:** No school- Labor Day

**September 17th:** Half Day- GH in-service

**October 6th-10th:** No School-Fall break

**October 13th - 14th:** No school / Conferences

**October 24th:** ½ Day - Field Day

**November 11th:** No School - Veterans Day

**November 26th - 28th:** No School / Thanksgiving

**December 17th - 19th:** Half Days

**December 22nd - January 2nd:** No School - Winter Break

### Second Semester

**January 5th - 9th:** ½ Day and Conferences

**January 19th:** No School - Civil Rights Day

**February 6th:** Half Day - GH In-Service

**February 16th:** No School - Presidents Day

**March 9th - 13th:** No School - Spring Break

**April 3rd:** No School

**May 1st:** ½ Day - Field Day

**May 18th - 21st:** Half Days

**May 20th:** 8th Grade Promotion

**May 20th:** Last Day of School - High Sch Graduation

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# 6TH GRADE ORIENTATION



**Tuesday, August 5, 2025 | 8:00AM-10:30 AM**

*Student drop-off and pick-up at the Prepdoors.  
Dressed in full school uniform is required.*

What to Bring?

- Water Bottle
- School Uniform
- Folder with:
  - Class schedule
  - Locker combination

## Event Schedule:

### 8:00 – 8:15 AM

Check-In at the Gym Welcome message from Headmaster + Orientation instructions

### 8:15 – 8:20 AM

Student Line-Up Students line up by their 1st Period Teacher

**8:20 – 10:30 AM** Schedule Walkthrough Begins  
Students will rotate through their daily class schedule to:

- Meet their teachers
- Find their seats in each classroom
- Learn important information about Lyceum, Gladiator Teams, Lunch, Homework, and more

\*Includes a break and provided snack\*

## Parent Session (While Students Are in Class)

### 8:15 – 9:15 AM

Meet with the Deans in the gym  
Q&A session with staff  
Student Leader Panel  
Topics include:

- School policies
- Academic overview
- Communication

### 9:15 – 10:15 AM

Coffee Bar & Meet the PSO in the MPR Optional — parents may stay or leave after coffee

### 10:30 AM

Pick up students outside the Prep doors in the drive line



## Community Giving



### Welcome to a new school year, Gladiator Families!

We are just under a month away from starting a brand-new school year, and we hope you're enjoying a restful and fun summer break!

Thank you for investing in your student's education and for being a vital part of our Great Hearts community. Our fiscal year—and the important work of our dedicated admin team to prepare for the year—has already begun.

Now is the perfect time to make your one-time gift or set up your monthly Community Investment gift to support the 2025–2026 school year. Your support, along with your Tax Credit contribution, provides the financial fuel we need to deliver the Great Hearts education—both in and outside the classroom.

We're grateful for your partnership and can't wait to welcome our Gladiators back soon! Should you have any questions or need any assistance with setting up your giving, please contact our Family Giving Officer, Jackie Curtis 602-404-7414 or at [jcurtis@northphoenixprep.org](mailto:jcurtis@northphoenixprep.org)

★ Thank You For Investing In Your Students Education ★

**GIVING**  
*is at the heart of*  
**NORTH PHOENIX**

#### Community Investment =

Socratic Instruction, School Security,  
Fine Arts, Classroom Supplies,  
College Counseling,  
...and so much more!

#### Tax Credit =

Athletic Program, Field Trips,  
ECNA's



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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.  
**Raptor authorization with a \$6 fee [here](#).**

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Parents Supporting NPX

[PSO LINK TREE](#)

### 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.

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