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ARCHWAY CLASSICAL ACADEMY | VERITAS A Great Hearts Academy

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Headmaster Newsletter

Dear Friends,

I understand how a letter to all ACV families regarding an outbreak can be unsettling news. Such a letter churns up all kinds of emotions - frustration, anger, anxiety, sadness or exhaustion. It brings to the forefront for some families disagreements with Great Hearts' mitigation policy, and for other families agreement with the protocols in place. Others, right down the middle.

I am grateful for all the voices that are involved in this conversation. Whether in agreement or not, you are a part of this community. As a community, we must value engaging in the conversation to understand another's journey. These difficult conversations also create the opportunity for us to demonstrate respect for one another. I hope that our interactions are the opportunity for both of us to show our genuine respect for the dignity of everyone on our campus. I hope the conversations can highlight that we can treat each other with respect—especially those with whom we might disagree. We can ground the demonstration of respect in fairness, kindness, love and civility. Most importantly, through our respectful engagement of each other we can model for our children that we value each other's intrinsic worth – the importance of each person's part of the ACV community.

In partnership,

Dr. Jeffries

School Dates to Note

- September 3rd: Half-Day Release (12:00pm) | Food Truck Friday Chicken Coop
- September 6th: No School in Observance of Labor Day
- September 7th 10th: Hearing/Vision Screening
- September 8th: Sweet Treat Wednesday; Cerealphoria!
- September 13th: No School; Great Hearts Summit Networkwide Professional Development
- September 15th Dine Out; Modern Market Eatery
- September 20th 24th: Usborne Book Fair
- September 25th: <u>Great Hearts Telethon Rewarding Great Teachers!</u>

Meet the First Grade Team



(left to right)

Mrs. Jaramillo, 1D TA | Miss Ureta, 1A Lead | Miss Tish, 1B TA | Mrs. Potts, 1C TA Miss Stevens, 1D Lead | Mrs. Carter, 1A TA | Mrs. Van Leuven, 1C Lead | Mrs. Huisman, 1B Lead

Drop Off: 7:45am is the earliest drop-off time for students. Please make sure your children are left at school no earlier than 7:45am. Faculty supervision will be available to *all* students on the playground beginning at 7:45am.

Pick Up: Don't forget to use your family car placard when picking up. Students are dismissed at 1:30pm on Wednesdays, 12:00pm on Half-Days and 3:15pm on regular school days, please arrive no earlier than 30 minutes prior to the scheduled dismissal times.

Please obey ALL traffic laws

No parking on the west side of 54th street

Do not turn right into the main driveway from the middle lane off of 56th street

Do not turn left when exiting the campus during drop off and pick up onto 56th street

Community Courtesy

Do not block driveways of homes in the neighborhood Be sure to drive the proper direction through parking lots and nearby streets

Message from the Health Office

While masks are not mandatory, we encourage all families to make the best decision for their family.



As always, students **MUST** stay home when they are sick.

As our partner in helping keep classrooms healthy, it is imperative that you keep your students home if they are showing symptoms of being ill. This includes fever or chills,

cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, nausea or vomiting and diarrhea.

If your child comes to school sick, they will be sent home. Our aim is to provide a safe campus for everyone.

Volunteer

Each year, volunteers will need to complete the Raptor process. If you would like to be approved to volunteer for next school year, please <u>follow the link here</u>. The process should only take 10 minutes to fill out the information and you will receive an answer from the Raptor system within 48 hours. The cost is \$5.00. All volunteers must be approved through this process, <u>no exceptions</u>. Please note, when selecting the school it will not separate the Archway and Prep. The system will approve you for both schools. You can choose multiple campuses if that applies to your family. If you have any questions or concerns you can reach out to John Lund, Great Hearts Safety Manager at <u>jlund@greatheartsaz.org</u>.

Want to make a difference? We have many volunteer opportunities! Volunteer opportunities can be found by following the link <u>HERE</u>.



SAVE THE DATE September 25, 2021

Your support is needed as we search for parent, student (11th and 12th grade only), and alumni to **volunteer in-person at the Teacher Excellence Fund Telethon on Saturday, September 25th at Veritas Prep.** Veritas's highlight segment will be co-hosted by Headmasters Mary Frances Jeffries and Heather Washburn from 5:30-6:00pm. You are not limited to volunteering during that time only, but it could be fun for your Headmasters and Academy Giving Manager to have you there alongside them.

Sign Up Here to confirm your volunteer shift!

BONUS: Students will receive community service hours upon completion of their volunteer shift.

Are you interested in a sponsorship, want to make an early donation, or have questions? Please click the links below or contact Kelli Grove at gmail.com (Telethon Committee Member) for more information.

DONATE CLICK HERE

Sponsorship Opportunities click **HERE**

Archway Veritas Parent Service Organization (AVPSO)

The Archway Veritas Parent Service Organization (AVPSO) invites you to join our family directory. The AVPSO uses this list to send bi-weekly email updates about events, volunteer opportunities, and more.

Please click here to update or activate your account.

Amazon Smile

You can still support our school by purchasing from Amazon!

- 1. Go to https://smile.amazon.com/
- 2. Select your charitable organization (Archway Veritas)
- 3. Bookmark https://smile.amazon.com/
- *Hint: It works best on your desktop

Quick Links:

Family Handbook | Family Resources | Amazon Smile | Archway Veritas Board Meeting | Phonogram Videos

School Hours: 8:15-3:15 (M,Tu,Th,F) | 8:15-1:30 (W) | 8:15-12:00 (Half-Days

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