

Archway Veritas

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Dear Friends,

It is my hope that you are enjoying leisurely time with family and friends during the final week of summer. Archway Veritas faculty and staff have been actively planning for an exciting and enriching school year. We look forward to the many months of learning and friendship that you and your children will engage in as members of the Archway Veritas community of learners.

In Ancient Greece, human excellence resided in reaching the highest of human potential both morally and intellectually. To quote Aristotle, "Excellence is an art won by training and habituation. We do not act rightly because we have virtue or excellence, but we rather have those because we have acted rightly. We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence, then, is not an act but a habit." Each day at Archway Veritas your children will develop the habit of pursuing excellence, which will lead them in the future to reach their fullest human potential.

We are honored to have so many families seek to enroll their children in our school. We do not take this honor lightly and promise to strive to do our best for our families. This will require hard work, serious fun, and a focused partnership with each of you.

Through our school events, grade level events, volunteer opportunities, Headmaster coffees and Headmaster newsletters I hope we can explore how your partnership is an integral part of making Archway Veritas an outstanding school.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to me with any questions, concerns, or suggestions. It is my desire that your children feel a spark of joy upon entering our building, eager to seek out knowledge and strengthen their hearts, minds and souls. As partners, let's join together to make this happen!

Yours,



Dr. Jeffries

How else can we help? This newsletter contains important information, please read in it's entirety.

We do our best to keep our [Facebook](#) & Instagram pages up to date with all our school events and important information - don't forget to check them out.

### Important Dates:

- August 1st: AVPSO Bounce Back into School Bash
- August 2nd: Back to School Night
- August 4th: **First Day of School**
- August 17th: Kindergarten - 2nd Grade Curriculum Night
- August 18th: School Pictures
- August 24th: 3rd - 5th Grade Curriculum Night

### Arizona State Guidelines

Per Arizona State Guidelines, **ALL** students must be in attendance with in the first 10 days of school. Students who are not in attendance within the first 10 days of school will be automatically withdrawn.

First day of school: Thursday, August 4th



**IMPORTANT**

Please ensure that students have the **correct** copy of consumable texts for the school year prior to school start date. Your textbook deposit does not cover the cost of consumable books. The consumable book lists can be found in the *2022-2023 Family Information* packet on our website by following the link [HERE](#) or the links provided below.

- **1st - 5th grade families** the **NEW** Singapore Math Curriculum can **only** be purchased through the Archway Veritas Payment Portal. These are new books that are not

available to the public for purchase.

Follow the link [HERE](#) to purchase books for each student.

- **Kindergarten families** the Riggs paper can **only** be purchased through the Archway Veritas Payment Portal.

Follow the link [HERE](#) to purchase for each student.

**Consumable booklist by grade level:**

[Kindergarten Consumable Literature Book List](#)

[First Grade Consumable Literature Book List](#)

[Second Grade Consumable Literature Book List](#)

[Third Grade Consumable Literature Book List](#)

[Fourth Grade Consumable Literature Book List](#)

[Fifth Grade Consumable Literature Book List](#)

If you were unable to take advantage of the Edukit program, you can find the school supply lists by following the link [HERE](#). If you purchased your child's school supplies through the Edukit program, they will be on your child's desk at Back to School Night, August 2nd.

**NEW THIS YEAR!**

Have labels made to make your time efficient when organizing your scholar's materials when visiting the classroom August 2nd.

Follow the link [HERE](#) to be redirected.

*\*If the cost of these consumable materials presents a financial hardship for your family, please contact the school office for assistance.*

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**[2022-2023 Family Calendar](#)**

Please [follow the link HERE](#) to be redirected to the 2022-2023 school calendar.

Please make note of important dates.



### **SCHOOL HOURS:**

8:15am – 3:15pm (M, Tu, Th, F)

8:15am – 1:30pm (W)

8:15am – 12:00pm (Half Day Fridays)

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### **First Day of School**

We've all eagerly been counting down the days, and now that most wonderful time of the year has almost arrived! We are excited to see all those smiling faces on the first day of school! Students should be in their seats, ready to learn, at 8:15am.

On the first day of school, August 4th, Kindergarten guardians and new families to Archway Veritas may walk their child to their classroom if they wish.

Beginning Friday, August 5th, guardians will no longer be able to walk their child back to their classroom. Students should be dropped off in the designated drop-off lanes.

Please click [HERE](#) for the traffic flow map.

**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.

\*Students should never be dropped off prior to 7:45am except students enrolled in Sunrise Club @ 7:15am

OR

Veritas Prep siblings @ 7:30am.

**Pick Up:** Whoever said the world is all chaos clearly had never witnessed the Archway Veritas parking lot in action. It is a bumper-to-bumper-into-bumper efficiency. Although the first few weeks may be more chaotic as we all resume our routines, please know that this too shall pass. Don't forget to use your family car placard when picking up. The car placards assist our faculty pick up helpers to safely and quickly get students into the family car. 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.

**\*Click [HERE](#) to print a walking waiver\***

**\*Click [HERE](#) to print the sibling pick-up waiver\***

**For your child's safety...**

Each Family will need to print out a *CURB* Pick-Up placard to pick-up their child. Go to the enrollment portal, [greathearts.schoolaxis.com](http://greathearts.schoolaxis.com) and log in to your account. Please see image below.

**If you do not have a placard you will be required to PARK and present your driver's license to Mrs. O'Connor in the front office in order to pick up your child.**

Sample QR Placard:



Returning families: Print out a new placard as it is linked to your child's classroom.

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Students who are late to school will need to be walked in by a guardian and signed in to receive a tardy pass. Students are not authorized to walk into the building unaccompanied

after school has started. Families who fail to do so will be called to return to school to sign their child in.

If your child is going to be absent please call the school, 602-489-7341. You are welcome to email the teacher to advise them of their absence, please include the attendance email as well so we can enter it into the State Compliance System, [attendance@archwayveirtas.org](mailto:attendance@archwayveirtas.org) and/or Mrs. O'Connor, [moconnor@archwayveritas.org](mailto:moconnor@archwayveritas.org).

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Parents and Guardians: Archway Veritas utilizes the SchoolMessenger system to deliver emails, voice messages and text messages. Text messages are sent straight to your mobile phone with important information about events, school closings, safety alerts and more. You can participate in this free service just by sending a text message of "Y" or "Yes" to our school's short code number, 67587.

You can also opt out of these messages at any time by simply replying to one of our messages with "Stop".



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## [AVPSO Bounce Back into School Bash](#)

Altitude Trampoline Park - Arcadia  
30% GiveBack  
Address: 3921 E Indian School Rd  
\$17.00 per student socks are included

When: August 1st  
K-1: 10:00- 12:00

2nd-3rd: 12:30-2:30

4th-5th: 3:00-5:00

Event is all day, you are welcome to join anytime from 10:00-5:00 with your Archway sibling

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Back to School Night is Tuesday, August 2nd from 5-7pm. The evening is an open house format for students and families. We highly recommend that families allot 1 hour for the event. Halls will open to the classrooms at 5pm. Students will meet their homeroom teacher, find their desks, and receive their textbooks.

Parents will have an opportunity to learn about social events and community building, sign up to volunteer, order yearbooks, and purchase used uniforms and spirit wear through the Archway Veritas Parent Service Organization (AVPSO) beginning at 4:30pm in the ACV cafeteria.

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### **Archway Veritas Parent Service Organization (AVPSO)**

In order to receive access to news blasts, social calendars, volunteering opportunities, and the family directory, You will need to join Membership Toolkit (MTK).

Veteran families - please update your families information to regain access.  
Please follow the link [HERE](#) to help direct you to MTK and don't forget to download the app.

***“Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart.”***



Want to make a difference? Volunteer opportunities can be found by following the link [HERE](#).

Every year, volunteers need to complete the Raptor process. If you would like to be approved to volunteer for this school year, please [follow the link here](#). 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.

**Volunteering includes: Chaperoning field trips, reading groups, on-site events, etc.**



**Ordering lunches has never been easier!**

We partnered with BOONLI to provide a secure, fast, and easy-to-use online ordering system that allows you to view our lunch menu, order, prepay and manage student lunches from their smartphone, tablet or computer.



Follow the link [HERE](#) for instructions. | **Registration is open now!**

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## Community Courtesy

When teachers, students, staff and parents follow arrival/dismissal expectations, we all work together to keep everyone safe. School parking lots can be incredibly busy places in the morning when children arrive and in the afternoon during dismissal. Safety is a primary concern of the school staff, but it requires everyone's participation. Please model the virtues of patience and charity when entering and exiting the parking lot. **There is no more immediate way to show we are a true community**, and the stakes are high.

Here are some safety tips for safe arrival and dismissal:

- Stay in designated pick up areas as directed by school personnel.
- Yield to pedestrians, crossing guards, and buses, and be aware that children who are walking/riding bikes may not look both ways before venturing in or across a roadway.
- **For those walking or riding** themselves to campus, please remind them to stay on designated pedestrian/bike routes, look both ways, and cross only at designated areas (do not walk/ride in between cars). Wait for crossing guards, and walk bikes, skateboards, etc., across school driveways.
- Put your phone down and keep your eyes forward.
- Speed on school campus is to be kept at or below 10 mph and drivers must operate their vehicles with due care and caution at all times.
- Be sure to drive the proper direction through parking lots and nearby streets.
- When waiting for students to be released, pull all the way forward on the curb to allow other cars ample room and minimize driving around.
- Make sure your child is fully buckled in before pulling away.

Most important, parents should be patient, respectful, and courteous to other drivers while they pick their students up from school as well as the faculty and staff who are keeping students safe while on duty in the parking lots. Anger and frustration can lead to careless, unsafe behavior, and being a positive role model can help students learn safe procedures.

\*There are so many great reasons to ride your bike: It offers fun, freedom and exercise, and it's good for the environment. Please be safe and remember to ensure your child is **wearing their helmet** when riding their bike.



**\*Obey ALL traffic laws\***

**NO** parking on the west side of 54th street (there are signs!)

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

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## **Community of Learners**

The administration team and teachers will be working with students this year to ensure each student is following the uniform and dress code and have proper backpacks/lunchboxes free of icons of pop culture. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Mrs. Gandy, the Dean of Students, [CGandy@archwayveritas.org](mailto:CGandy@archwayveritas.org). Click [HERE](#) to be redirected to the Family Handbook.



Follow the links below to approved uniform vendors:

[Dennis Uniforms](#) | [Anton Uniforms](#)

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Follow the link [HERE](#) to be redirected to the 2022-2023 extracurricular clubs list for semester 1 (August – December). Clubs are grouped by the day of the week they are offered for your convenience.

For more specific details including dates, times, cost, grade levels, and minimum enrollment for each club, please follow the link [HERE](#).

Take note of key dates; ALL clubs have different start, end, as well as not in session dates.

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## **Student Portraits**



Pre-Order a portrait package online easily and securely. Grads Photography will be at

Archway Veritas on August 13 photographing students for Fall Pictures. For your convenience, you may PRE-ORDER your pictures by [CLICKING HERE](#). Please remember to be prepared to have a picture taken on picture day. If you have any questions, please call Grads Photography at 623.580.4723.

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## **Curriculum Night**

Parents are encouraged to attend Archway Veritas' Curriculum Night! Walk the halls, meet the teachers and learn about your child's school day. Each teacher will lead parents through a short lesson.

Kindergarten - Second grade: Wednesday, August 17th

Third - Fifth grade: Wednesday, August 24th

The evenings will begin in the Lund Center at 5:30pm.

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## **Message from the Health Office**

**Water is essential!** In our very hot and dry climate in Arizona, we need to be aware of how easily it is to become dehydrated. Please send your child *daily* with a reusable water bottle. Their water bottle can be refilled at any one of our rehydration stations. Apply sunscreen to any exposed areas before school.

**We monitor the Maricopa County heat index** very closely. Any time the temperatures exceed 90-105 degrees or above in conjunction with humidity levels, the heat advisory guidelines are put into effect which means limiting or canceling outdoor recess. Your students' safety is our number 1 priority!

**Hearing and Vision Screening** will be done the week of September 6th, on Kindergarten, First, Third, and Fifth graders. All new students will be tested as well.

**Reminder** for parents of Fifth Graders who will be turning 11, **Tdap** and **Meningococcal Vaccine** is required when the student turns 11. Please send in the records to the Health Office.



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

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

If your child is known to have asthma, severe food allergy, diabetes, seizure disorder, or any other condition that may require further management, please visit our Health page on our website by following the link [HERE](#). Please complete any forms necessary and drop off or send to Nurse La Perna.

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## **Yearbook Sales**

Order your yearbook for the 2022-2023 school year! Yearbooks include 112 pages of student portraits, class and grade level activities, 5th grade dedications, as well as Archway Veritas community events. **Hardcover order deadline is March 1st. Softcover order deadline is March 17th.** Part of your purchase goes to the AVPSO. Books will be distributed the last week of school.

Hardcover = \$40

Soft Cover = \$30



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## **Moment of Silence to be Required at Public Schools**

The Arizona Legislature passed, and the Governor signed, [HB2707](#) in April 2022. Due to the requirements outlined in [HB2707](#), Kindergarten through 12th grade students will participate in a moment of silence. Archway Veritas faculty and students will have this moment of silence at the start of the school day, following the Pledge of Allegiance. A moment to collect one's thoughts and focus on the day ahead is a rather lovely idea. Please discuss with your child how to best use this moment of silence to make the day a great one.

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If you'd like to get involved or learn more about the Gala, please contact our school's Gala Committee Chair, Molly Livak, by phone at 480-980-6590 or by email [mdlivak@gmail.com](mailto:mdlivak@gmail.com).

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## **Looking for other ways to support ACV?**

You can support our school by purchasing from Amazon! Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of your eligible purchase back to the school.

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](#)

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Website: [Archway Veritas](#)

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