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Dear Parents and Guardians,

We welcome you to the first full week of school. Archway Lincoln has stuck to its culture of beginning school towards the end of the week. Why do we do this? We want our teachers to spend the first two days of school, helping our students acclimatize to their new classroom environment while honing in on procedures and systems that become routines for the rest of the school year. During the first two days of school, our teachers began teaching right away; however, they also put effort into establishing procedures that enable their classrooms to run smoothly and efficiently. We are optimistic that very soon, these network of procedures will become successful classroom systems that become routines for our students. We are excited for the success stories that lie ahead of us. Here are the updates for week two:

Heat Advisory

Archway Lincoln is diligently tracking heat advisory updates from the Department of Health Services. Once there is excessive heat warning, our teachers are required to skip afternoon recess as a rule of thumb and have indoor recess instead. To ensure that our students get all the support they need, we ask that you give them a water bottle every day. We have water fountains at school where they can refill their bottles.

Prep Sibling Drop Off

This message is for parents that have Prep siblings. In the mornings, please drop off your kids at the Lincoln Prep entrance, and have the Prep older sibling walk their younger ones to the gym. The siblings of Prep students should not be on the playground or around Archway building until the teachers supervising, line them up to proceed to the Archway building.

Early Drop Off

This is a message for Archway parents that have paid for early morning drop-off. Teachers open the MPR door to accept students for early drop off at 7:15 am. At 7:25 am, they transition them to the playground. Please, do not drop students off in the front office.

Welcome to Nurse Shira

We welcome a new addition to our Health office Team, Mrs. Melissa Shira. Mrs. Shira joined our faculty this school year, after working for our sister school, Archway Arete last year as a substitute nurse. She is a registered nurse with over ten years of experience in nursing. Mrs. Shira will work part-time to support Mrs. Mustard. We are excited about this new addition and wish Mrs. Shira well on this new chapter.

Health Office Update

As we begin our new school year, please be aware that your child's classroom may become a nut free environment. In order to protect our students, we ask that you refrain from packing snacks that contain nuts as an ingredient until we have identified all of our students that have a severe nut allergy. This may take up to two weeks. Your teacher will be in contact with you to let you know if your child's classroom is "nut free". Thank you very much for your cooperation.

Please contact me via phone, email: KMustard@archwaylincoln.org, or in person if you have any questions.

Extra Curricular Clubs

As a reminder, all afterschool and Wednesday clubs will **begin on the week of August 12th**. There will not be any clubs offered this Wednesday and all students will be dismissed at 12:30. Please plan accordingly for the early dismissal. Dates for clubs are outlined below.

- 8/1 Club Registrations began
- 8/9 Last day to register for clubs
- 8/12- Clubs begin on the week of the 12th. (With the exception of Morning Club which began on the first day of school)

For questions please contact Cindy Kim at hkim@archwaylincoln.org

GH Middle School League Athletic Information

PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT - If you were unable to attend our athletics information evening held on July 24th please review a summary of what was covered.

PHYSICALS & REGISTRATION - must be complete in order for your student-athlete to participate. Payment must be made prior to the first competition. <u>Information on how to register and obtain the AIA Physical paperwork.</u>

ATHLETIC BAGS/BEFORE & AFTER PRACTICE PROTOCOL - All student-athletes are welcome to place their athletic bags in the gym locker-rooms prior to first period. The locker-rooms will be locked during the school day and opened at 3:10pm to allow students to change for practice. Pick-up for all gym sports will be on the south side of campus at the southwest gym doors. Pick-up for all field sports will be at the parking lot north of the field.

MIDDLE SCHOOL ATHLETICS - MS Volleyball – All 5th and 6th graders interested in playing Volleyball will tryout on Monday, Aug. 19 and Thursday, Aug. 22 in the gym from 3:30pm-5:00pm. All 7th and 8th graders will tryout on Tuesday, Aug. 20 and Friday, Aug. 23 in the gym from 3:30pm-5:00pm. No cuts take place, tryouts are held to evaluate the skill level of each student-athlete and determine on which team they will be placed. We will have an A, B and potentially three C teams. All student-athletes will know their team and coach by the end of the second day of tryouts.

MS Flag Football – All 5th – 8th graders. Practice begins Monday, Aug. 19th from 3:30pm-5:00pm on the Lincoln field. Weekly practice schedule: Mon., Tues. & Thurs. from 3:30pm-5:00pm.

MS Cross-Country – All 5th- 8th graders. Practice begins Monday, Aug. 19th at 5:45am on the Lincoln field. Please contact Coach Drake Kennon with questions.

MS Golf – All 5th- 8th graders. Practice begins Monday, Aug. 19th at 4:00pm-5:30pm at San Marcos Golf Club

OUTDOOR STORAGE SHED NEEDED – Do you have an unused, functional storage shed sitting empty in your yard? If so, the athletic department would be happy to take it off your hands. As our programs grow so, too, does our need for athletic equipment storage. Ideal size would be 6 feet x 6 feet. Please contact <u>Athletic Director Jenn Bradley</u> if you would be willing to donate or have any lead

Volunteer Fingerprinting Event

Upcoming Fingerprinting Event will be held on Friday, August 16th from 8:00am-10:00am.

All school volunteers who work with students, are required to be fingerprinted and have a criminal background check conducted by the Arizona Department of Public Safety and the FBI. Fingerprinting must be completed by a Certified Great Hearts Employee prior to volunteering at Archway Lincoln. If you are dedicated to working with students in a classroom or as a chaperone, lunch assistant, office volunteer, or for any other purpose, we encourage you to attend one of our scheduled fingerprinting days. The Arizona Department of Public Safety (AZDPS) charges \$20 for each individual volunteer fingerprint check. You may pay online in the Payment Portal or bring cash or checks payable to Archway Lincoln to the event.

Great Hearts Gala

Join us at the **Great Hearts Gala on September 28th**, including a hosted cocktail hour, silent and live auction, dinner, program, music, and dancing under the stars! Funds raised at the Gala support Great Hearts teachers network-wide through professional development and the Teacher Excellence Fund. Visit the <u>Great Hearts Gala website</u> to purchase your tickets or sponsorship package today! Contact our school's Gala Committee Chair Anastasia Ginzbursky at 480-524-2994 or aginzbur@mac.com for additional information.

From the PSO

Back-to-School Skate Party at Skateland

Celebrate Back-to-School with all your friends at Skateland! Join us **August 8th from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** Admission is free and skate rental is \$3.50. For additional information, check out our flyer on the PSO website here

Spirit Wear is on Sale Now!

This year's spirit wear t-shirt is now available for purchase. Your student will be allowed to wear the approved Spirit Wear T-Shirt on Spirit Wear Days. (Last year's t-shirt may also be worn) To order and see the list of spirit wear days, <u>visit our website</u> The store will be open through Friday, August 23rd. Shirts must be ordered by Aug 23rd, and will take up to 3 weeks to arrive. Parent Shirts are also available! All ordered shirts will be shipped to school and sent home with your student the week of Sept. 16th.

Hot Lunch ORDERING Starts Tuesday, 7/30; LUNCH SERVICE Starts 8/12

Dishes2U registration and ordering starts Tuesday, July 30. Lunch deliveries will begin Monday, August 12th. For more information on how to order, our school password, and a FAQ page, visit the School Lunches School Lunches page on the PSO website.

Please note that lunches are not available until August 12th, so plan to send in a lunch with your child until then.

To Make Our Hot Lunch Program Successful, We Need Volunteers

Did you know our school lunch program is run 100% by volunteers? To make this program successful we need your help! Please see the sign up for August – October.

First PSO Board Meeting

Our first PSO Board meeting of the year is on Tuesday, August 6th at 2pm, right before pick up. If you would like to know what is happening with PSO and the upcoming year, please join us. All parents are welcome to attend. (Please note that only PSO matters will be discussed at the meeting).

PSO Events Meeting

The Events Committee is having its first meeting of the year on Wednesday, August 7th at 8:15am, right after drop off. Meetings are held at Panera near the school, Germann and Gilbert. We will be discussing the schedule of events for the year and deciding what each event will be. If you would like to help shape what our events are for the year, please join us!

Volunteering

For all current volunteer opportunities visit our Volunteer page here.

Important Dates

- July 30 Meet the Teacher Night
- Aug 1 FIRST DAY of School
- Aug 6 PSO Board Meeting
- Aug 7 PSO Events Meeting
- Aug 8 Skateland Back-to-School Party

Contact Information

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Website and Links

Archway Lincoln Website
Archway Lincoln PSO Website
Lincoln Prep Athletics Website
Archway Lincoln PSO Facebook Group
Great Hearts Facebook
Teacher Blog Pages