



# MARYVALE PREPARATORY ACADEMY WEEKLY COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER APRIL 6, 2018

## A WORD FROM OUR HEADMASTER...

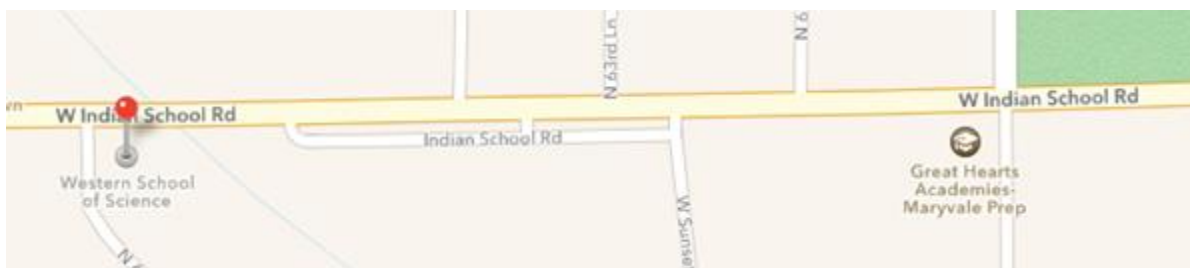
Dear Maryvale Prep Parents,

We had a strong week of AZMERIT testing in 3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade. Overall, our kids seemed to do their best and showed confidence. See below for tips to continue helping your children be successful especially this month as we continue to administer testing. Thank you for your continued partnership and support.

I am so excited to see you all again at our Annual Spring Fiesta tonight!

Here are the quick details for the evening:

- **Admission:** Free
- **Start Time:** 5:00 p.m.
- **End Time:** 8:00pm
- Not too late to [Invite Friends and Family that want to learn more about Maryvale Prep! Click here to give us their contact information and we will send them an invite](#) & Enrollment Information for Entry Grade Levels K-1
- Enter the \$100 Visa Gift Card Raffle [click here](#) for the details
- **What to Bring:**
  - One dessert to donate (for the Dessert Walk)
  - Cash for dinner, carnival snacks, Dessert Walk, photo booth, and 50/50 raffle
- **Volunteering:** Contact Ms. Anderson or Ms. Seitz at [randerson@maryvaleprep.org](mailto:randerson@maryvaleprep.org) or [mseitz@maryvaleprep.org](mailto:mseitz@maryvaleprep.org)
- **Food:** There will be many options so bring cash to buy food tickets!
- **Parking:**
  - Main Parking: Maryvale Prep parking lot (enter and exit from Indian School Road only)
  - Overflow Parking: Western School of Science parking lot (6515 W. Indian School Road)



## Fiesta Activities

### Blue Ticket

- Fiesta Activity/Food Ticket Sales – Entrance
- New Family Enrollment – Irmer Hall
- 50/50 and Raffle – Covered Patio **1 Ticket min (write full name on ticket)**
- Face Painting, Room 212–**1 Ticket**
- MVP Spirit Gear – Entrance- **Tickets Needed**
- Dessert Walk – Irmer Hall – **1 Ticket**
- Dunk Tank – Parking Lot - **1 Ticket**
- Coloring Station – Room 211
- Selfie Station – Room 214
- K-5 Game Bounce House – Parking Lot
- MS Basketball game – Parking Lot
- Pin the Tail on the Burro – Room 213
- 6:00 Hula Hoop Contest - Covered Patio
- 6:25 Dance off – Covered Patio
- 6:50 Folklorico Dancers - Turf
- 7:15 Raffle Winners Announced - Turf
- 7:30 Banda – Turf

## Dinner/Snack Menu

### WHITE TICKET

- Taco Plate-  
1 Taco = **2 Tickets**  
2 Tacos = **4 Tickets**  
3 Tacos = **5 Tickets**

Choices:

Tacos de Asada	Tacos de Birria
Tacos de Cabeza	Tacos de Pollo
Tacos de Chicharrón	

- Elote cups – **1 Ticket**
- Elote – **2 Tickets**
- Tostitos – **3 Tickets**
- Large Churros - **3 Tickets**

#### Beverages– **1 Ticket**

#### Concessions: **1 Ticket per item**

- Location: Covered Patio
  - Cotton Candy
  - Snow Cone
  - Popcorn

With Devotion,

Mac Esau  
Headmaster

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**MARYVALE PREP NEWS**

### UPCOMING EVENTS & IMPORTANT DATES

<b>AzMerit Testing (Grades 3-8)</b>	<b>April Month Different Dates By Grade Level</b>
<b>Annual Spring Fiesta</b>	<b>Friday, April 6</b>
<b>KA Virtue Assembly</b>	<b>Thursday, April 12</b>

<b>Headmaster Coffee Chat: Topic Kindergarten Promotion</b>	<b>Monday, April 16</b> 3:15pm Room 101
<b>2018-19 Kindergarten Orientation</b> (event for new kindergarten families next school year)	<b>Wednesday, April 18</b>
<b>4B Virtue Assembly at 12:30pm</b>	<b>Thursday, April 19</b>
<b>School Closed- Family Day</b>	<b>Friday, April 20</b>
<b>Great Hearts Family Day with the Diamondbacks</b>	<b>Sunday, April 22</b>
<b>New Student Enrollment Info Night</b>	<b>Wednesday, April 25</b>
<b>K-5 Academic Field Day</b>	<b>Thursday, May 3</b>
<b>Teacher Appreciation Luncheon</b>	<b>Please Drop-off Goodies</b> <b>7am-1:15pm</b> <b>Thursday, May 3</b>
<b>Spring Drama Performance</b>	<b>Wednesday, May 9</b>
<b>Spring Concert: K-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade, 7B, &amp; 8B</b>	<b>Thursday, May 10</b>
<b>Teacher Appreciation Day- School Closed</b>	<b>Friday, May 11</b>
<b>Sports Recognition Night</b>	<b>May 16</b>
<b>8<sup>th</sup> Grade Celebration Dinner</b>	<b>May 18</b>
<b>Consecutive Early Release Days</b> K-2 <sup>nd</sup> grade: 12:30pm 3rd-8 <sup>th</sup> grade: 1:00pm	<b>Wednesday, May 23</b> <b>Thursday, May 24</b> <b>Friday, May 25</b>
<b>Last Day of School: Early Release Day</b>	<b>Friday, May 25</b>
<b>Maryvale Prep Summer School Program</b>	<b>June 4-June 29</b>

## HELPING CHILDREN BE SUCCESSFUL DURING THEIR TESTS

Preparing your children for school is a daily priority but on testing weeks it is important to double check that your children are physically and mentally prepared to have great testing days. Please read and practice the following tips during these critical days.

### MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD GETS A GOOD NIGHT'S SLEEP AND EATS A HEALTHY BREAKFAST

Nationwide many educators report that students who don't do well on tests haven't gotten enough sleep and haven't eaten breakfast on the mornings when they test. Doing both of these things will ensure that your child is working at full capacity and focused.

### MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD IS PREPARED

As a school we supply the tools your child needs for the test, such as pencils, an eraser, paper, etc. Check with your child's teacher to see if the class needs any materials. Also, check to see whether your child will be able to make up the test if he/she is sick on test day the day after or take it a day prior. Please schedule all doctor appointments if possible for the afternoon as all testing will take place in the mornings. Students that arrive late might not be allowed in the classroom until their testing session is complete. They will have to wait in the office.

## REMAIN POSITIVE

Staying calm will help your child stay calm. If he/she gets nervous about the test or is likely to experience anxiety during the test, help him/her practice some relaxation techniques that he/she can try once he/she is taking the test. Encourage your children at home to give their best effort! Reassure them that a test is just an assessment intended to measure their knowledge and evaluate what areas they may need to improve and/or need more practice.

## SUMMER SCHOOL

We will once again be hosting a summer school program on our campus to provide students in need with more instruction and practice in reading and mathematics. We will be capping class sizes to 20 students to allow for more individualized support time in each room. Enrollment will take place in two phases and classes will be filled on a first-come, first served basis. In Phase 1, only students that are recommended for summer school will be permitted to enroll. In Phase 2, any remaining spots in classes will be made available to our full student body. Summer school at Maryvale Prep will be held at our current campus on 63<sup>rd</sup> Ave and Indian School Rd. from June 4 to June 29. **Summer school invitations will be sent starting next week as teachers begin to evaluate student academic data.** Please be on the lookout for further details.

## ACADEMIC FIELD DAY

We are so excited for our sixth annual K-5 Academic Field Day on Thursday May 3<sup>rd</sup>! Academic Field Day is not only a joyful and fun day for Maryvale Prep but it is also a day for our students to join together and celebrate their learning! The students will be competing in multi-grade level teams and participating in a variety of different games. We look forward to seeing our students recap what they have learned so far and extend that learning outside of the classroom. Students do not need to bring anything to school. We will also be serving lunch at the normal time, as well as a snack during the morning. We are also looking for any parent volunteers to help out during the day. If you would like to volunteer, please email Mrs. Horne ([ahorne@maryvaleprep.org](mailto:ahorne@maryvaleprep.org)) or Mrs. Scofield ([cgardner@maryvaleprep.org](mailto:cgardner@maryvaleprep.org)) by Wednesday, April 25<sup>th</sup>. Thank you!

## 2018-19 SCHOOL INFORMATION

The excitement for next year continues to build! See below for video and document links that provide a wealth of information of what we are pursuing in this great mission to prepare every child for college, a virtuous life, and leadership in the community.

### 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Info Night Videos

1. [Intro to 5th/6th Grade Info Night \(partial\)](#)
2. [Academics, Athletics, Moral Formation, & Building Habits of the Mind](#)

### High School Preview Night Videos

1. [Intro to HS Preview Night](#)
2. [The Maryvale Prep Graduate](#)
3. [Academic Experience \(1/2\)](#)
4. [Academic Experience \(2/2\)](#)
5. [Social & Athletic Experience](#)
6. [College Counseling](#)
7. [Q&A with Seniors from other Great Heart Academies](#)

### Other Links

- [2018-19 School Year Frequently Asked Questions \(Bilingual\)](#)
- [New Campus Construction Update](#)
- [Great Hearts Academies College Timeline for Students \(Bilingual\)](#)

- [College Counseling Powerpoint Presentation](#)

## ATHENAEUM AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM

**After-School Athenaeum** is a tuition-based extension of the school day starting **next school year**. It will feature dedicated homework time and high-quality enrichment opportunities. Our activities and lessons are aimed at improving students' scholastic performance by reinforcing the lessons, virtues and curriculum of the classroom. But it's not all academics! Athenaeum scholars also enjoy time for recreation, games, socializing and just plain fun. Athenaeum is open to grades K-9 and runs daily from the dismissal bell (even on Early Release Days) until 6:00pm.

Early-Bird Registration Begins April 23, 2018

[CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION](#)

## TEACHER APPRECIATION LUNCHEON

The PSO is inviting families to host another faculty luncheon for our teachers Thursday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please drop off goodies at the front office anytime between 7am-1:30pm. Click [here](#) to sign up to bring a dish! 😊

## MEAL MENU

Click [here](#) for the April Menu.

## GREAT HEARTS FAMILY DAY AT THE DIAMONDBACKS

Join us at Chase Field on April 22nd to watch the Arizona Diamondbacks take on the San Diego Padres for **Great Hearts Family Day**. Visit [www.Groupmatics.events/Groupmatics](http://www.Groupmatics.events/Groupmatics) to purchase your tickets.

All students who participate in this offer will be entered for a chance to enjoy VIP exclusives, like watching batting practice from the dugout, and running out with the D'backs as they take the field. [Click here to download the flyer.](#)

**New 2018 Experiences, everyone who purchases a ticket will also be entered to win the following:**

- Each ticket will have \$5 of D-bucks included in which can be used on concessions, merchandise or in the team shop!
- On-field batting practice viewing for four (4)
- Upgraded tickets behind Home Plate
- One (1) Autographed item
- One (1) Promotional item
- Hot Dog Derby featured on the DBTV
- Steal-A-Base featured on the DBTV

## MARYVALE PREP ATHLETICS: MIDDLE SCHOOL

The Please visit [www.maryvaleprepathletics.org](http://www.maryvaleprepathletics.org) to view game results and learn more about our middle school athletics program or email Coach Rea-Clark at [mreaclark@maryvaleprep.org](mailto:mreaclark@maryvaleprep.org). Support the teams and join in the games! Save the date for our Sports Recognition Night, May 16!

With Devotion,

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