



SCOTTSDALE PREPARATORY ACADEMY

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Dear Scottsdale Prep Families,

With Day One behind us, the entire community can breathe a collective sigh, rally ourselves, and prepare for the rest of the week ahead!

On Wednesday, Mr. Gale, Mr. Gilfillan, and I greeted the students at Lyceum to share important announcements to prepare them for the year ahead.

The first day is always challenging for students as they acclimate to new teachers, new routines, and those new lock combinations, but change is good for growth! This year, we welcome our largest freshman class in Scottsdale Prep's history, and they are off to a great start with the Freshman Retreat coming next week.



Faculty commented again and again that they are so impressed with their classes this year, and we look partnering with you at home to fully support our students' success. This year, our returning families will notice that as a part of our goal of *Cultivating Integrity*, the academy has streamlined all course syllabi to contain similar formats and information. I hope you will stay in touch with me about this change should you have any feedback or questions.

Finally, we appreciate everyone's patience with traffic, and **I strongly encourage our middle families to wait until after 3:20 pm and later to enter the Scottsdale Prep parking lot.** If you arrive before 3:05 pm, you will almost certainly be asked to circle back around, so that our high school families may pick up and leave the lot. As a reminder, our building is open from 7:00 am to 4:00 pm each day, so we hope you will consider dropping off early and asking students to stay later.

Onward Spartans!

Alison Chaney

Alison Chaney, Headmaster