

# Heritage Academy Mesa Campus 2020-21 School Calendar

(Four-day school week, no regular school on Fridays)

Date:	Event:
Monday, Aug 3, 2020	First Day of Classes
Monday, September 7, 2020	<i>Labor Day - No school</i>
Tuesday, September 8, 2020	No school
Monday, October 5 thru Thursday, October 9, 2020	<i>October Break - No school</i>
Wednesday, November 11, 2020	<i>Veterans Day- No School</i>
Wednesday, November 25, 2020	No school
Thursday, November 26, 2020	<i>Thanksgiving – No School</i>
Monday, December 21, 2020 thru Thursday, January 3, 2021	<i>Winter Break</i> No School
Monday, January 4, 2021	First day of classes – 2 <sup>nd</sup> sem.
Monday, January 18, 2021	<i>Civil Rights Day - No school</i>
Monday, February 15, 2021	<i>Presidents Day – No school</i>
Monday, March 8, 2021 thru Thursday, March 12, 2021	<i>Spring Break - No school</i>
Wednesday, May 19, 2021	Last day of classes Graduation

**First Semester: 3 Aug – Dec 17, 2020**

**Second Semester: 4 Jan – May 19, 2021**

**Total = 144 days**

Heritage Academy Mesa:  
Class begins at 8:00 am and ends at 3:30 pm, Monday – Thursday

# Dress Code

One of the most valued objectives at Heritage Academy is to help scholars learn to make responsible choices and thereby be prepared to govern themselves. Our dress code is based on principles of maintaining modesty, cleanliness, and professionalism in your dress. Think of dressing for school as if you were applying for a job. Heritage Academy is not the place to experiment with fads. Any hairstyle, clothing, make-up, or jewelry which is distracting by nature is not modest, and therefore violates the dress code. **Due to the changing nature of dress and grooming which is particularly popular among youth, administrative decisions in matters not addressed in these guidelines are final.**

Our use of the word “uniform” in this handbook is somewhat modified. While we require uniform shirts to be purchased from approved vendors, other articles of clothing can be obtained at other places. Parents and guardians have the responsibility to make sure that their children comply with our dress code before bringing them to school. Scholars not in compliance with the dress code will be sent home.

When scholars are on campus during school days, they are to be in full uniform. Full uniform is required for all activities held during or immediately following school hours. The only exception to this rule is when the instructor requires alternate clothing for a class. Clothing changes under such circumstances are to be made during class time. While on campus, scholars are not to chance out of their uniform prior to leaving campus for the day. On non-school days such as Fridays and Saturdays, scholars must still conform to the Heritage standards of modesty. For more information, see *Friday Activities* under **Dress Code for Scholar Activities** on page 23 of the Scholar Handbook.

## Uniform Clothing

To be in full uniform, scholars must wear the Heritage uniform shirt, shorts, pants, or skirts, and footwear, all of which meets the requirements below.

- **Heritage uniform shirts** must be purchased online from Educational Outfitters, Lands’ end, or Tommy Hilfiger and must be embroidered with the Heritage logo. Be sure to buy uniform shirts long enough (even after laundering) to prevent the showing of skin from the midriff or back when standing, sitting, moving, stretching, bending, etc. Scholars whose midriff shows will not be allowed in class. Any shirt worn under a Heritage shirt must be solid red, white, or navy with no words or graphics.
- **Pants or shorts** must be solid beige khaki or navy blue—the same color as our navy-blue Heritage uniform shirts. No jeans, parachute, or nylon-like material is allowed. No baggy pants, pants with holes, pants which are frayed, or have cut-leg appearance will be allowed. Also, no pockets, loops, designs or other décor are allowed on the legs. Cargo shorts and cargo pants are not allowed, but outside pockets on front and rear are allowed. Shorts can be no shorter than four inches above the kneecap. Leggings worn under are not a substitute for the length of the shorts.
- **Skirts** are to be solid navy blue or beige khaki and contain no jeans, parachute, nylon-like, or sheer material, and must be no shorter than to the top of the knee when sitting or standing (front and back). Leggings are not a substitute for skirt length.
- **Shoes** may be open-toed and must have a back support. Shoelaces are to be tied at all times.
- **Winter Wear:** Some Heritage departments offer a variety of approved winter wear items bearing the Heritage logo and other academic, arts, or athletic icons, but these items are optional. Heritage-branded winter wear items are approved, unless restricted by local school administration.

Any solid red, white, or navy-blue sweater, sweatshirt or coat, with no pictures or writing of any kind, is also acceptable (The inside may be a different color than the outside, but the inside must be solid red, white, navy blue, or a neutral color such as gray.) It may be button, zipper, or pullover, but with no pictures or writing of any kind. The Heritage logo is not required on sweaters or sweatshirts. Non-uniform winter wear is not allowed on campus. Winter wear items such as jackets, sweaters, and coats are not a substitute for the Heritage uniform shirt. When winter wear is worn, the collar of the Heritage uniform shirt must be visible to show that a correct uniform shirt is being worn. Please be sure your name is marked inside your winter wear so it may be easily returned if misplaced.

## Uniform clothing for PE and Sports

All scholars in **sports or PE classes** will wear the Heritage PE uniform purchased from Educational Outfitters unless otherwise required by the teacher.

## Hair

Hair must be maintained so as not to reflect faddish styles and not to bring attention, such as the use of long spikes, unnatural colors, etc. Hair is not to cover the face or any part of it. Boys' hair length should be above the collar and not touching the ears and any side burns are to be no lower than the ear lobe. Boys are to be clean-shaven.

## Jewelry and Other Items

Any ornamentation to the body, including jewelry and make-up, must be simple and considered merely an accessory. Overuse of these items, which includes peculiar colors, faddish jewelry (such as the peace symbol, chains, spikes, large bracelets, etc.), is not allowed.

Body piercing of any kind is unacceptable. Girls may have a small piercing in ear lobe for small earring. Gauges and plugs are not allowed.

- No more than one small bracelet may be worn.
- No more than one necklace may be worn, and it must be worn inside the shirt.
- No visible tattoos, permanent or temporary, and no writing or drawing on the skin.
- No make-up is permitted in classrooms.
- No curlers, curling irons, hair dryers, etc., are allowed at school.
- No hats are allowed in the building.
- No dark glasses are allowed in the building.

With respect to any other item in the classroom not mentioned in this handbook, *each teacher has authority to say what will or will not be allowed in his or her classroom.*

## Dollars for Duds Day and Friday Activities

Dollars for Duds Day is a fundraiser run by Scholar Council. This is a day when scholars pay a fee to wear clothes other than the school uniform, if they choose to participate in the fundraiser. (There is no fee required if they choose to wear their uniform.) Monies collected are used for scholar activities. Dollars for Duds is not a time to wear costumes, pajamas, etc. All clothes worn must still meet our standards of modesty with sleeves, no showing of the midriff, no torn, shabby or frayed material, and positive, uplifting words or graphics, etc. These rules also apply to activities, including tutoring, held on Fridays and Saturdays, but no fee payment is required on these days.

## DUAL ENROLLMENT PROGRAM



Heritage Academy is the perfect place to not just prepare for college, but to start taking college courses. Many Heritage teachers are adjunct professors for Rio Salado Community College or University of Arizona. Your scholar will be able to take college level classes without leaving campus. In addition, Heritage provides seminars and college coaching customized to the needs of every scholar and parent. These college readiness services enable the college-bound scholar to qualify for the top scholarships and institutions in the nation. Download a copy of the "**Heritage Academy College Preparation Guidebook**" from our website for more information.

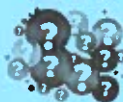
### College Fast Track Program



The College Fast Track Program enables scholars to earn college credits while at Heritage Academy. College credits can be earned in three ways:

1. Advanced placement courses (AP)
2. Online courses
3. Dual Enrollment courses taught at Heritage

### FAQs:



#### What is the process to take Dual Enrollment classes?

- Identify the appropriate classes you need to meet your goals
- Enroll in the Heritage classes
- Take any required placement testing with Rio Salado or University of Arizona
- Register online with Rio Salado or University of Arizona
- Pay all required fees

#### What are the benefits for your scholar to work on college credits while in high school?

- Save time & money, eliminate duplicate classes, progress at own speed, better prepared for college, credits transfer in most cases

#### How much does dual enrollment cost?

- Currently Maricopa County Community College District charges \$85 per credit and Rio Salado College charges a \$15 registration fee. Textbooks vary in costs and will be required in some cases. All costs are paid directly to the Community College.

#### How do I graduate at Heritage and receive an Associate degree?

This is a very aggressive goal that requires a highly motivated scholar to earn approximately 60 college credits in four years. The unique block schedule at Heritage Academy offers scholars more time in the week to incorporate college classes but some of those courses may have to be taken off campus. The following steps must be taken:

1. Create a path for High School Graduation.
2. Identify a potential college major for an Associate's Degree.
3. Create a plan to incorporate Online or Dual Enrollment.

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## How can I learn more about what credits transfer?

- Credits earned at Rio Salado transfer to most major colleges around the country. They are accredited by the National Alliance of Concurrent Enrollment Partnerships (NACEP) as well as the Higher Learning Commission, a commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.
- More specific transfer information for universities within Arizona can be found at [AZTransfer.com](http://AZTransfer.com)
- Contact an advisor at Rio Salado College at 480-517-8080
- Ultimately, the scholar's college or university will make the final decision on classes and credits. It's always a good idea to contact the institution *and* department (e.g. engineering, education, business) to validate transferability.

## Scholar Testimonial:

"I graduated from Heritage Academy with 30 units completed, which is equivalent to my Freshman year of college done. The Dual Enrollment program was incredible for me. I enjoyed getting the college-level education, while having my teachers there who were willing to help me in any area I needed. The teachers are extremely supportive and want you to succeed, while a college professor generally isn't that involved in your education. The workload did not change based on whether or not you were a DE scholar, so it just made sense to take it for college credit. But the best part really is that I only have 3 years until my Bachelor's degree, which saves me a whole year of spending. I would highly recommend taking dual enrollment classes because it makes life a little bit easier when you get to college." – Anna Taylor, Class of 2017

## \$ Scholarships \$

Each year scholars who graduate from Heritage Academy are awarded scholarships to the various in-state universities as well as the community colleges.

**Maricopa Community Colleges:** Presidential Scholarships offered to those who 1) Graduate in the top 15% of the class **OR** 2) Score high on the Asset Test **OR** 3) Partial scholarships are awarded for taking an honors course at a Maricopa Community College

**Arizona Board of Regents:** Eligible scholars are those who pass all AIMS tests with an Exceeds and who have an unweighted 3.0 GPA in each core classes. (e.g. English, Math, Science, and History)

**Presidential Freedom Scholarships:** Heritage Academy offers 2 Presidential Freedom Scholarships in the amount of \$1000 for qualifying scholars who can show at least 100 hours of community service during the past year. Heritage Academy presents approximately \$8,000 in scholarships each year to graduating scholars based on GPA.

## College Night



College Night at Heritage Academy is an opportunity for scholars and families to get more information about attending post-secondary school after high school. Scholars are given advice regarding courses taken while in high school, taking the ACT and/or SAT tests, and how to pay for and apply for college. University and College representatives are present and will give families firsthand knowledge about the best way to do things as well as what their campus has to offer for potential scholars. Check calendar monthly for important dates.

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## HERITAGE ACADEMY ENROLLMENT AGREEMENT

**Gateway Campus**  
19630 E. Germann Rd.  
Queen Creek, AZ 85142  
480-461-4400

**Laveen Campus**  
4275 W. Baseline Rd.  
Laveen, AZ 85339  
602-290-8546

**Maricopa Campus**  
41000 West Heroes Way  
Maricopa, AZ 85138  
(520) 367-3800

**Mesa Campus**  
32 S. Center  
Mesa, AZ 85210  
(480) 969-5641

The scholar and guardians agree to the following:

### SECTION 1. HERITAGE ACADEMY agrees to use its best efforts to:

1. Instill into the minds and hearts of the students knowledge of and respect for the ideals and values of the great men and women of history, including those who founded the American nation.
2. Provide a structured learning environment in a traditional setting that promotes high student academic achievement and effective instruction.
3. Provide students with challenging instructional curricula that will enhance their intellectual, social, and emotional development.
4. Emphasize a set of standards for personal responsibility, self-discipline, and self-respect through a strict disciplinary policy and focus on expectations for academic performance.
5. Respond to Parent concerns.
6. Provide opportunities for many educational field trips and American Heritage tours, which will be open to students who qualify to participate.

### SECTION 2. THE STUDENT agrees:

1. To maintain a level of academic performance and conduct that meets or surpasses Heritage Academy standards.
2. To do all work as assigned by the teachers of my classes.
3. To be properly attired according to the required dress policy as established by Heritage Academy.
4. To be on time and attend classes every day that school is in session when in good health.
5. To observe all other established rules and policies as contained in the Scholar/Parent Handbook.
6. I will enter the school with expectations of doing better than I have done in any school before and will improve any behavior or attitude weaknesses, which may prevent me from learning and enjoying the spirit of Heritage Academy.
7. To take an active part in Citizenship classes and activities.
8. To do my part, as assigned, in keeping school facilities clean.
9. To use only positive, uplifting language in any social media when referring to our students and teachers.

### SECTION 3. THE PARENT agrees:

1. To participate in and assist in optional Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) activities to the extent possible for their family.
2. To monitor student's progress using PowerSchool online features.
3. To ensure that his/her child is properly attired according to the required dress policy of Heritage Academy.
4. To ensure that his/her child regularly attends school on time when in good health.
5. To support our closed campus policy wherein a student must be signed out by parent in order to leave campus.
6. To reimburse Heritage Academy for books, or other school property that his/her child loses or damages.
7. To support all other activities and policies contained in the Scholar/Parent Handbook.

### SECTION 4. CONSEQUENCES OF BREACH OF AGREEMENT:

If the Student or Parent fails to abide by this Agreement, the student's enrollment may be terminated by the school.

BY SIGNING ONLINE, THE PARTIES ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THEY HAVE READ THIS AGREEMENT AND WILL BE BOUND BY ITS TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

2020-21 Mesa Fee Schedule—Return this page to the school with your payment.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Receipt # \_\_\_\_\_

**2020-21 Heritage Academy Mesa Fee Schedule: Circle Y if you want tax credit receipt for your payment:**

ITEM/COURSE	Fee Amount	Fall	Spring	Total Due	Tax Credit
<b>Suggested PTO DUES</b>	<b>\$20 per family</b>	<b>XXXX</b>	<b>XXXX</b>	<b>\$20.00</b>	<b>N/A</b>
Yearbook Full-page Senior Ad (yearbook purchased separately)	\$100	XXXX	XXXX		N/A
Yearbook	\$50	XXXX	XXXX		N/A
Piano Class (no fee for Jr. High students)	\$25/semester				Y / N
Senior Art (supplies fee)	\$15/semester				Y / N
Digital Photography (supplies fee)	\$25/semester				Y / N
Dance (performance fee--Max \$25/semester regardless of how many dance classes taken)	\$25/semester				Y / N
<b>NOTE: Tennis, Golf, Bowling, Club Fitness and Swimming fees are non-refundable, unless student drops class before semester begins, as these fees are paid to the respective venues.</b>					
Tennis (court fees)	\$75/semester				Y / N
Golf (greens fees)	\$100/semester				Y / N
Bowling (alley fees)	\$150/semester				Y / N
Club Fitness (facility fee)	\$30/semester				Y / N
<b>NOTE: Scholars participating in the following multiple team sports are not required to pay more than \$375 per school year unless they play football, in which case they are not required to pay more than \$650 per school year.</b>					
Cross Country (class fee) <b>Fall</b>	\$150		XXX		Y / N
Girls Volleyball/basketball (class fee) <b>Fall</b>	\$150		XXX		Y / N
Flag Football/Basketball (class fee) <b>Fall</b>	\$150		XXX		Y / N
J.H. Softball (class fee) <b>Fall</b>	\$150		XXX		Y / N
Basketball/H. S. Softball (class fee) <b>Spring</b>	\$150	XXX			Y / N
Basketball/Baseball (class fee) <b>Spring</b>	\$150	XXX			Y / N
Basketball/Soccer (class fee) <b>Spring</b>	\$150	XXX			Y / N
Boys Volleyball (class fee) <b>Spring</b>	\$150	XXX			Y / N
Swimming (facility fee)	\$175/semester		XXXX		Y / N
Tackle Football (high school only)	\$400/season		XXX		Y / N
<b>Total Fees Due by August 1, 2019</b>					

- Fees may be paid by cash, check or credit/debit card. Make checks payable to HERITAGE ACADEMY. Indicate if you would like your payments designated as state tax credit (ECA) or regular payments. **ECA payments are non-refundable.** Unless indicated otherwise, all payments will be recorded as NON-ECA payments. Receipts will be emailed to the Payor.
- For credit/debit card payments, go to our website: [www.hamesa.com](http://www.hamesa.com). Click on **PARENTS** and then **PAYMENTS** and follow the prompts. Unless indicated otherwise, all payments will be recorded as NON-ECA payments. Receipts will be emailed to the Payor. **ECA payments are non-refundable.**
- Cash payments must be made in person at the school. Receipts will be emailed to the Payor. **ECA payments are non-refundable.**
- Yearbook, Yearbook Senior Ad, and PTO dues are **not** eligible for ECA (state tax credit).
- Class and sports fees must be paid IN FULL to attend the class or perform in the extracurricular activity.
- **Fees for all classes, both Fall and Spring, must be paid by August 1, 2019, or student may be dropped from the class. NO refunds after the first 3 weeks of class.**



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**The past is my heritage;  
the present-my responsibility;  
the future-my challenge.**

# Graduation Requirements

A scholar receives a graduation diploma from Heritage Academy when requirements of the school and of the Arizona State Board of Education have been met.

<b>Subjects</b>	<b>Credits</b>
English	4
Math	4
Science	4
History	3
Foreign Language	2
Fine Arts	1
Physical Education	1
Electives	7
<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>26</b>

Academic courses listed above receive one full credit and electives one-half credit.



# Serving Up



## A Successful Lunch Service

We take the guesswork out of what's for lunch by delivering hot, delicious meals directly to your child's school.

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### **ONE** NO FEES

We do not charge any fees to create an account or to order student lunches. Our meal prices are typically at or below a restaurant's in-store price.

### **TWO** SIMPLE

Place orders and process payment on our secure website. No more forgetting or losing lunch money!

### **THREE** FLEXIBLE

No minimum orders. You can order lunches for one day, one week or months in advance. Add, edit or cancel an order up to noon on the day before delivery.

### **FOUR** ORGANIZED

You can print a calendar view of lunch orders and receive weekly opt-in email reminders. Additionally, if you add orders and forget to process payment, you will receive an alert.

### **FIVE** VARIETY

We offer a range of selections at a variety of price points. Our menus include combos, entrees and a la carte options.

Current vendors: Chick-fil-a , Panera, Streets of New York and Panda Express. Vendors may change each year.

Our Customer Service Team is happy to help. For any inquires please call: 1-888-894-8295

My Hot Lunchbox is happy to accommodate gluten-free, dairy-free and vegetarian meal choices; we are a peanut free company.



## MESA PTO

Dear Parent,

Welcome to Heritage Academy! As parents of Heritage scholars, we all have one thing in common: a commitment to the educational success of our children. We've chosen a highly-rated school with talented educators. We've chosen a staff that is dedicated to not only teaching the basics, but to molding the next generation of American citizens who will follow in the footsteps of the men and women who formed the foundation of our great country.

As part of this commitment to our scholars, the Heritage Academy Mesa PTO asks that you take an active role in our organization. PTO serves several functions at Heritage. We sponsor festivals, help coordinate special events, raise money (mainly through PTO dues of \$20 per family per year) for items our school needs, and meet monthly to discuss ideas that may improve the learning experience of our scholars.

The PTO meets at 6pm on the second Tuesday of each month in room 1 (exceptions for certain holidays and breaks).

Please let the PTO know how we can make your transition to Heritage Academy smoother. If you have any questions about PTO meetings or just want to discuss school-related issues with another parent, please do not hesitate to join our meetings and/or contact one of us for assistance.

Kind regards,

Heritage Academy PTO Board

### Directory of PTO Officers and Board Members:

#### PTO Board 2019-2020:

**President:** Raymond Jones <raymond.c.jones@gmail.com>

**Vice President:** Colette Hansen <tnchansen@gmail.com>

**Secretary:** Holli Pearce <hpearce2@cox.net>

**Treasurer:** Sandra Johnstun <sandrajohnstun@yahoo.com>

**Historian:** Anson Jack <anson\_jack@hotmail.com>

**Communications:** Geniel Oakes <goakes@heritageacademyaz.com>

**PTO EMAIL:** <heritageacademy.pto@gmail.com>

#### Committee Assignments 2019-2020:

**Athletics:** Melissa Gill <sully161@cox.net>; Taryn Sweetnam <tarynsweetnam@gmail.com>

**Constitution Week:** Anson Jack <anson\_jack@hotmail.com>

**Fine Arts:** Anna Phelps <aphelps@heritageacademyaz.com>

**Humanities:** Eve Seaman <eseaman@heritageacademyaz.com>

**Music & Art:** Amy Nyman <phxamy@yahoo.com>

**Performing Arts:** Colette Hansen <tnchansen@gmail.com>

**Staff Appreciation:** Taryn Sweetnam <tarynsweetnam@gmail.com>

**S.T.E.A.M.:** David Bear <dbear@heritageacademyaz.com>

## UNIFORMS

Heritage Academy has 5 approved vendors for uniforms. They may vary in price. (more information at: <https://hamesa.com/uniforms/>)



**Dennis** (<https://www.dennisuniform.com/>)

**School code: QHM**

We are your local provider offering **in-store** (3645 E. Indian School Road Suite #1 85018) and **online** purchases.

**Land's End** (<https://www.landsend.com/shop/school/S-ytp-xe8>)

**LANDS' END**

School number: **900147471**.

**TOMMY HILFIGER**

(<https://www.globalschoolwear.com/>)

School code: **HERI01** or search by name

**HERITAGE ACADEMY UNIFORMS**

(<https://heritageacademyuniforms.com/>)

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(<http://phoenix.educationaloutfitters.com/find-my-school/heritage-academy-mesa-campus/>)

For information about dress code, go to [hamesa.com](https://hamesa.com).

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If you have any questions regarding ordering, please contact: [heritage@heritageacademyaz.com](mailto:heritage@heritageacademyaz.com) and title the email "Uniform question"

Thank you,

Heritage Academy Administration

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