



# THE HERO NEWS

HERITAGE ACADEMY POINTE

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## IMPORTANT DATES

- April 24th -- PTO
- April 25th -- Dollar\$ for Dud\$
- May 1st -- PTO
- May 1st -- Open House
- May 6th -- eSports Tournament
- May 13th -- Drama(1)/Dance Showcase
- May 15th -- Drama (3) Spring Show
- May 16th -- Glow Social
- May 16th -- Last Day for Seniors
- May 22nd -- Graduation @ 7pm

**KICK OFF THE NEW YEAR ON THE RIGHT FOOT**

HERITAGE ACADEMY  
Building America's Heroes, Together

gotsneakers.com

««« GOT SNEAKERS??? »»»

**SHOE DRIVE**

PTO is collecting gently loved athletic shoes.

Clean out your closet over the Holiday Break and help PTO raise some money

We **DO NOT** accept non-athletic footwear of any kind including: dress shoes, heels, sandals, wedges, water socks, rain boots, crocs, and other non-athletic styles.

**Be apart of our new Facebook Group**

*Click Here*



# \$ Dollars for Duds \$



On Dollars for Duds days, scholars are allowed to wear non-uniform clothing **(INCLUDING JEANS)** that meet Heritage Standards. **\$2.00** for shirt and **\$2.00** for pants/shorts.

Wristbands purchased for participation must be worn on your scholar's wrist throughout the day. Dollars for Duds is optional and scholars do not have to participate. Money raised goes to support Scholar Council and the school activities and dances they support.

Heritage Standard means: no sleeveless or midriff shirts; shorts must be 4" from the middle of the knee and skirts must come to the middle of the knee; no cargo pants or shorts; no pants or shorts that are ripped or torn; no leggings; no inappropriate slogans or symbols on the clothing; and NO PAJAMAS.

If a scholar is wearing inappropriate clothing, they will be dress coded and will need to change into uniforms we have on hand in the office.





Capture Your Memories in  
this year's

## HERITAGE ACADEMY POINTE

### Yearbook!

Customize Your 2 Free Pages

Add photos from your computer, Facebook, Instagram, Google Drive & more.

Answer fun Memory Questions to help remember the year.

The 2 Custom Pages are FREE and are printed ONLY in your book. Want more pages? Each additional 2 pages is just \$0.99.

#### To Purchase & Customize Your Yearbook

Must be a parent or student 13 years or older.

- 1 Go to: [www.treering.com/validate](http://www.treering.com/validate)
- 2 Enter your school's passcode:

Regular price: **\$50.96**

Create Custom Pages by:

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# SCHOLAR OF THE MONTH

# MARCH

The following scholars have been recognized as 'scholar of the month' for exhibiting the pillar of Knowledge during the month of March.



**JH Scholar**  
**Aurora B. Gainer**



**JH Scholar**  
**Tyran M. Golding**



**HS Scholar**  
**Chyanne T. Kroeze**



**HS Scholar**  
**Saul Pino Armenta**

# HAPPY April Birthday

Dean B. 4/13, Ezekiel H. 4/14, Jaden M. 4/14, Lilah J. 4/17,  
Marcos C. 4/19, Dairon C. 4/20, Xavier D. 4/27, Lilyth S.  
4/27, Maddison-Ann N. 4/28

# May

Ena A. 5/1, Ace B. 5/1, Levi C. 5/2, Nikolas R. 5/2, Joshua  
H. 5/5, Ajla R. 5/5, Anesa R. 5/5, Ms. Castro 5/13, Baze P.  
5/14, Mrs. Lueraharris- Vasquez 5/20, Reem A. 5/23,  
Emmanuel H. 5/25, Jose R. 5/25, Joshua 5/11, Eduardo B.  
5/27, Mrs. Weiler 5/30, Cesar M. 5/31

# June

Izaiah D. 6/6, Salet 6/7, Peter S. 6/7, Victoria H. 6/12,  
Juliana W. 6/16, Guillermo G. 6/18, Melody E. 6/21, Joy K.  
6/21, Jacob H. 6/22, Justice T. 6/25, Itzel F. 6/29, Lilly F.  
6/30

*Congratulations!*

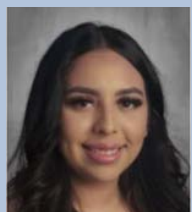
# ADMINISTRATION UPDATE



## Principal Alexandra Castro

**Ms. Castro** will begin her role as Principal at the Heritage Pointe campus on Monday, July 1, 2024. Ms. Castro joined the Heritage Academy family in 2021 as a Special Education Teacher. Over the last three years, she has led the strengthening of the special education department at the Laveen campus.

**Ms. Castro** is a first-generation college graduate who earned a Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education and Special Education from Arizona State University. She earned a Master of Education in Educational Leadership from Grand Canyon University. Over the last 11 years that she has been in education, she has taught children with a variety of needs ranging from kindergarten to 12th grade. As well as supported teachers and led school-wide development in an administrative capacity. Ms. Castro has led successful educational programs in both public and charter schools throughout her career. Her passion is helping students strengthen their abilities and develop the skills needed to succeed in and out of the classroom. Born and raised in the valley, Ms. Castro spends her time traveling and attending soccer events with her family.



## Assistant Principal Elicia Lueraharris-Vasquez

**Mrs. Lueraharris-Vasquez** started off at our Laveen campus, teaching Algebra 1 and 2, as well as having the opportunity to coach Girls Basketball. This year she has transitioned to Pointe as our Junior High Math and Science teacher as well as taking on the role of Athletic Director.

**Mrs. Lueraharris-Vasquez** is excited to expand her role next year; she will continue to help build our Athletic program as the Athletic Director and become a part of our leadership team as Assistant Principal. She is excited to continue to build the foundation of our new and growing school community while nurturing the relationships with our already awesome scholars and families here at Pointe!







# Puerto Rico 2024



## 2024 Tours Sign up Now



HERITAGE ACADEMY – 2024 FALL LIBERTY TOUR  
BOSTON, MA AND NEW YORK CITY, NY

### Northern Arizona Tour

Date: **April 17th and 18th**

[Sign Up Form](#)

Tour is only open to **7th and 8th Grade**  
Scholars



[Tour Itinerary](#)

**Anticipated cost:**  
**\$400**

[Payment Schedule](#)



# General Informtion

My Hot LunchBox



**TUESDAY**



**THURSDAY**



REMINDER

## Dress Code



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Dress Code - As the weather cools, outerwear needs to be solid red, white, or navy blue. Polos should be worn underneath at all times. Heritage Modesty Standard means: no sleeveless or midriff shirts; shorts must not be shorter than 4" from the middle of the knee and skirts must come to the middle of the knee; no cargo pants or shorts; no pants or shorts that are ripped or torn; no leggings; no inappropriate slogans or symbols on the clothing; and no pajamas.

## Seniors

[Link for Cap and Gown](#)

## Powerschool

[Check Grades](#)  
[Here](#)

