



NORTH POINTE

Calendar for 2009-2010

The 2009-2010 Calendar is available at preptv.org

Spring Athletic Schedules
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April at a Glance

April 2

Jr. High Dance

Student ID & \$5 participation fee is required. Prep Theatre, 6-8 pm.

April 2-4

Band Disneyland Trip

North Pointe's Band will attend a workshop at Disneyland and then enjoy a day in the park.

April 13 and 27

Drum Line Clinic

Drum Line Clinic - 2009-2010, 3-5 pm.

April 20-24

Rock Lobster Spring Fling

Daily extended lunch activities.

April 23

Jr. High Dance

Student ID and \$5 participation fee is required. Prep Theatre, 6-8 pm.

April 24

Prep Assembly

The Prep's Rock Lobster Spring Fling final class competitions, 11:30 am.

April 25

Junior/Senior Prom

'A Night To Remember' at the Pointe Hilton Squaw Peak Resort, 8-11 pm. Student ID and \$60 participation fee.

April 27-28

Honor Society Inductions

27th - Jr. High, 7 pm.
28th - High School - 7 pm



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Curriculum enhanced for 2009-2010



There are many helpful adjustments being made to the Prep's curriculum for next year, creating more flexibility for students in choosing their core track as well as their electives. "We believe these changes will better-prepare our students for the college experience, and introduce them to a wide variety of skills and subjects that are a part of many career choices," said Richard Gow, the Prep's Principal.

ACADEMICS

In the English department, the 9th grade Lit & Comp class will place a much greater emphasis on writing. This will strengthen students writing skills for both the standard and AP curriculum.

In Math, a full year of Geometry will be offered as part of the math track. In addition, Pre-Calculus and Calculus will be expanded to full-year courses.

The Science department will see the most changes. Beginning with Junior High, 7th grade students will take a Life Science course while 8th graders will focus on Earth Science. At the High School level, the standard Freshman course will be Biology. Sophomores will choose between Chem/Physics and Honors Chemistry. Juniors and Seniors may choose any Science elective not previously taken. Options include Anatomy & Physiology, Physics, AP Physics, Forensic Science and Astronomy.

In High School Social Studies classes, although the content presentation will be at the AP level, each student will choose whether to take the course for the standard credit, or opt for additional requirements to earn an AP credit for the class. Students will make their decision by the end of the second week of school.

ATHLETICS

There are also a few changes in the athletic curriculum. Tumbling and weight-lifting will be coed for next year. "We must constantly be pushing to be bigger, stronger, and faster and studies have shown that coed physical training helps improve student work ethic and progress," said Erin Idczak, the Prep's Athletic Director.

ARTS

The Spring 2009 semester saw the addition of the **preptv** class, where students learn all aspects of video production, broadcast **preptv**'s morning show and film a variety of campus events. Two new Arts courses will also be added this Fall - Intro to Electronic Arts for Junior High students, and Intro to Web Animation for High School.

In addition to these recent additions, several elective courses have been streamlined for next year. "In the past, Arts courses reflected the level of achievement reached in a particular subject (Guitar I, Guitar II)," said Ian Morrison, the Prep's Arts Director. "While this remains unchanged for band and choir, our other performance-based Arts classes will see beginners learning alongside advanced students. We feel that this diversity within the classroom will give experienced performers mentoring opportunities as an enhancement to their own individual development."

April 30-May 4**Senior Trip**

The Class of 2009 will travel to Maui for their Senior Trip.

April 30**Drum Line Auditions**

2009-2010 Drum Line auditions 3-5 pm.

May at a Glance**May 5-7****Flag Line Clinic**

New for Football Friday Nights next year. 3:30-5:00 pm.

May 6**Spring Athletic Awards**

Spring athletes recognized - Jr. High 6 pm, High School 7 pm.

May 11**Flag Line Tryouts**

2009-2010 Flag Line Tryouts 3:30-5pm.

May 12-14**HS Cheer Clinic/Tryouts**

12th-13th - Clinic, 3:30-5:00 pm
14th - 2009-2010 tryouts

May 7-15**Spring Arts Festival****May 15****Prep Assembly**

Art Performances/presentations 11:30.

May 18-19**Falcon Player Auditions**

Auditions for the August 2009 High School play, 3:30-5 pm.

May 20-21**Premier Choir Auditions**

Auditions for High School 2009-2010 Premier Choir, 3:30-5 pm.

May 21**Graduates BBQ**

Graduates, parents and faculty will reminisce about the Class of 2009 and their time at the Prep, 6:30 pm.

May 25**Memorial Day Holiday**

No school

May 27-28**Fourth Quarter Exams**

Half Day 27th - Periods 1, 2, 3, and 8
Half Day 28th - Periods 4/5, 6, and 7

May 28**High School Graduation**

Glendale Renaissance Hotel, 7 pm.

May 29**Prep Assembly**

Reception of incoming 7th graders, promotion of Prep 8th graders to High School and year-end awards.

Spring Arts Festival

North Pointe's Spring Arts Festival will be May 7th-15th. The nine day event will begin with the High School musical, 'You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown,' and feature an electronic and traditional arts gallery, piano and guitar recitals, speech and theatre vignettes, choir class performances and a huge band concert finale.

All Spring Arts Festival events begin at 7 pm and are free except the Dinner Theatre presentation of 'You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown' which begins at 6 pm and requires advance ticket purchase.

May 7-8**You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown**

A musical look into a day in the life of Charlie Brown where characters discover true happiness.

May 9**You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown - Dinner Theatre Presentation**

\$14.00 per person advance ticket purchase required.

May 11**Traditional and Electronic Arts Gallery**

Student's work will be on display throughout the week.

Piano Recital

Piano classes will be showcased as a variety of musical styles will be performed. Individual solos as well as group ensemble pieces will be performed.

May 12**Speech and Theatre Vignettes**

Some of the best pieces from this year's very successful Speech Team as well as Theatre class short plays and monologues will be presented.

May 13**Guitar Recital**

In one of the greatest performances in the history of North Pointe, the Prep's guitar classes wowed the audience at the Winter Arts Festival. Great guitar pieces including individual solos as well as group ensemble pieces will be performed.

May 14**Winter Choral Concert**

A great mix of classical and contemporary songs will be performed by the Prep's Junior High, High School Concert and High School Premier choirs.

May 15**Band Concert**

The Spring Arts Festival will conclude with a Band Concert featuring all three North Pointe bands and sixth grade bands from Canyon Pointe and Pinnacle Pointe.



Prep Cares

During the Spring, Prep Cares will focus on Children's Diabetes. The **Cause We Care** project will bring awareness to the disease.

Spring Fling

The Prep's courtyard will be turned into the Rock Lobster stadium for Spring Fling, April 20th-24th. Lunch time activities include sand volleyball and water activities.

Junior/Senior Prom

The Prep will host its annual Junior/Senior Prom on Saturday, April 25th, from 8 pm to midnight at the Pointe Hilton Squaw Peak Resort. It will be a **Night to Remember** as participants experience the Red Carpet, great food, casino games, shows and lots of dancing. The cost is \$60 per person and tickets will be available beginning April 6th.

Fall Tryouts

Several groups/teams hold tryouts in the Spring for the 2009-2010 school year. Many also conduct clinics prior to the tryout so students can prepare themselves and know the expectations. Some of these groups/teams include Drum Line, Flag Line, High School Cheer, Falcon Players High School August Play and Premier Choir Auditions.

Graduation

North Pointe will return to the beautiful Renaissance Glendale Hotel and Spa for the Class of 2009's Graduation Celebration on Thursday, May 28, 2009, at 7:00 pm. The Renaissance was the host for last year's Graduation that attracted a record crowd of over 1400.