

# Instructional Days Amendment Request

## Charterholder Info

### Charter Holder

**Name:**  
Archway Classical Academy  
Scottsdale

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## Contractual Days

180

To  
179


**Fiscal Year Effective Date**  
2015

**Type of Change**  
Permanent Change

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## Signature

**Charter Representative Signature**  
Daniel Scoggin 11/19/2014

**ARCHWAY CLASSICAL ACADEMY-SCOTTSDALE**

**Board of Directors Minutes**

Date: 24 February 2014

Time: 4 p.m.

Location: Great Hearts Academies

A meeting of the Great Hearts Academies-Archway Classical Academy-Scottsdale Board of Directors was held at Great Hearts Academies, 3102 N. 56th Street, Suite 300, Phoenix AZ 85018, pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.02, notice having been duly given.

**I. Call to Order**

Mr. Huseth called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. The following directors/administrators were present/absent:

| <b>Directors</b>      | <b>Office</b>  | <b>Present</b> | <b>Absent</b> | <b>Notes</b>      |
|-----------------------|--|----------------|---------------|-------------------|
| Ward Huseth           | President  | x              |               |                   |
| David Denton          | Vice President                                       |                | x             |                   |
| Jerilyn Olson         | Secretary  | x              |               |                   |
| Polly Friess          | Director   | x              |               | 4:12 p.m. arrival |
| Helen Hayes           | Director   | x              |               |                   |
| <b>Administration</b> |  |                |               |                   |
| Robbie Kuhlman        | Headmaster, Archway Scottsdale                       | x              |               |                   |
| Amanda Shearer        | Controller, GH                                       | x              |               |                   |
| Cole Arnold           | Staff Accountant, GH                                 | x              |               |                   |
| Katie Charles         | Director of Academy Giving, Archway Scottsdale       | x              |               |                   |
| Sarah Marbach         | Incoming Director of Academy Giving, Veritas Schools | x              |               |                   |

## **II. Call to the Public**

Mr. Huseth made a call to the public at 4:00 p.m. No public was present.

## **III. Approval of Consent Agenda**

## **IV. Headmaster's Report**

## **V. Review and Possible Approval of the SY 2014-15 Calendar**

Ms. Martin will verify that instructional hours meet state guidelines.

Ms. Olson made a motion that the board approves the SY 2014-15 calendar. Ms. Hayes seconded, all in favor, none opposed, the motion carried at 4:32 p.m.

## **VI. Financial Report**

## **VII. Great Hearts Reports**

## **VIII. Possible Executive Session**

N/A.

**IX. Leave Executive Session**

N.A.

**X. Possible Motions from Executive Session**

N.A.

**XI. Announcements/Adjournment**

Ms. Hayes made a motion that the board adjourns. Ms. Olson seconded, all in favor, none opposed, the motion carried at 4:52 p.m.

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Submitted by Jerilyn Olson, Secretary  
-Allison Harmon, Scribe-

Archway Classical - Scottsdale  
2014-2015 School Year

Normal School Hours: 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

|           | S  | M  | T  | W  | T  | F  | S  |          | S  | M  | T  | W  | T  | F  | S  |    |
|-----------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| JULY      | x  | x  | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | JANUARY  |    |    |    |    | 1  | 2  | 3  |    |
|           | x  | x  | so | so | so | so | WK |          |    |    |    |    |    | BR | BR | WK |
|           | 6  | 7  | 8  | 9  | 10 | 11 | 12 |          | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  | 8  | 9  | 10 |    |
|           | WK | so | so | so | so | so | WK |          | WK | BR | HD | HD | HD | HD | WK |    |
|           | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |          | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |    |
|           | WK | so | so | so | so | so | WK |          | WK | FD | FD | FD | FD | FD | WK |    |
|           | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |          | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |    |
| WK        | so | so | so | so | so | WK | WK | HL       | FD | FD | FD | FD | WK |    |    |    |
| 27        | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | x  | x  | 25 | 26       | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 |    |    |    |
| WK        | so | so | so | so | x  | x  | WK | FD       | FD | FD | FD | FD | WK |    |    |    |
| AUGUST    | S  | M  | T  | W  | T  | F  | S  | FEBRUARY | S  | M  | T  | W  | T  | F  | S  |    |
|           | x  | x  | x  | x  | x  | 1  | 2  |          | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  |    |
|           | x  | x  | x  | x  | x  | so | WK |          | WK | FD | FD | FD | FD | FD | HD | WK |
|           | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  | 8  | 9  |          | 8  | 9  | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |    |
|           | WK | so | HD | FD | FD | FD | WK |          | WK | FD | FD | FD | FD | FD | WK |    |
|           | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |          | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 |    |
|           | WK | FD | FD | FD | FD | FD | WK |          | WK | HL | FD | FD | FD | FD | WK |    |
| 17        | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 22 | 23       | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 |    |    |    |
| WK        | FD | FD | FD | FD | FD | WK | WK | FD       | FD | FD | FD | FD | WK |    |    |    |
| 24        | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 28 | 30 |    |          |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| WK        | FD | FD | FD | FD | HD | WK |    |          |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| SEPTEMBER | S  | M  | T  | W  | T  | F  | S  | MARCH    | S  | M  | T  | W  | T  | F  | S  |    |
|           | 31 | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  |          | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  |    |
|           | WK | HL | FD | FD | FD | FD | WK |          | WK | FD | FD | FD | FD | FD | WK |    |
|           | 7  | 8  | 9  | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |          | 8  | 9  | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |    |
|           | WK | FD | FD | FD | FD | FD | WK |          | WK | BR | BR | BR | BR | BR | WK |    |
|           | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |          | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 |    |
|           | WK | FD | FD | FD | FD | FD | WK |          | WK | FD | FD | FD | FD | FD | WK |    |
| 21        | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 22 | 23       | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 |    |    |    |
| WK        | FD | FD | FD | HL | HD | WK | WK | FD       | FD | FD | FD | HD | WK |    |    |    |
| 28        | 29 | 30 | x  | x  | x  | x  | 29 | 30       | 31 |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| WK        | FD | FD | x  | x  | x  | x  | WK | FD       | FD |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| OCTOBER   | S  | M  | T  | W  | T  | F  | S  | APRIL    | S  | M  | T  | W  | T  | F  | S  |    |
|           | x  | x  | x  | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  |          |    |    |    |    | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  |
|           | x  | x  | x  | FD | FD | FD | WK |          |    |    |    |    | FD | FD | HL | WK |
|           | 5  | 6  | 7  | 8  | 9  | 10 | 11 |          | 5  | 6  | 7  | 8  | 9  | 10 | 11 |    |
|           | WK | FD | FD | FD | FD | HD | WK |          | WK | FD | FD | FD | FD | FD | WK |    |
|           | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |          | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |    |
|           | WK | BR | BR | BR | BR | BR | WK |          | WK | FD | FD | FD | FD | FD | WK |    |
| 19        | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 19 | 20       | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 |    |    |    |
| WK        | HD | HD | HD | HD | HD | WK | WK | FD       | FD | FD | FD | FD | WK |    |    |    |
| 26        | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | x  | 26 | 27       | 28 | 29 | 30 |    |    |    |    |    |
| WK        | FD | FD | FD | FD | FD | x  | WK | FD       | FD | FD | FD |    |    |    |    |    |
| NOVEMBER  | S  | M  | T  | W  | T  | F  | S  | MAY      | S  | M  | T  | W  | T  | F  | S  |    |
|           | x  | x  | x  | x  | x  | 1  |    |          |    |    |    |    |    | 1  | 2  |    |
|           | x  | x  | x  | x  | x  | so | WK |          |    |    |    |    |    | HD | WK |    |
|           | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  | 8  |          | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  | 8  | 9  |    |
|           | WK | FD | FD | FD | FD | FD | WK |          | WK | FD | FD | FD | FD | FD | WK |    |
|           | 9  | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |          | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |    |
|           | WK | FD | HL | FD | FD | FD | WK |          | WK | FD | FD | FD | FD | FD | WK |    |
| 16        | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 17 | 18       | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |    |    |    |
| WK        | FD | FD | FD | FD | FD | WK | WK | FD       | HD | HD | HD | HD | WK |    |    |    |
| 23        | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 24 | 25       | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |    |    |    |
| WK        | FD | FD | HD | HL | BR | WK | WK | HL       | so | so | so | so | WK |    |    |    |
| December  | S  | M  | T  | W  | T  | F  | S  | JUNE     | S  | M  | T  | W  | T  | F  | S  |    |
|           | 30 | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  |          | 31 | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  |    |
|           | WK | FD | FD | FD | FD | FD | WK |          | WK | so | so | so | so | so | WK |    |
|           | 7  | 8  | 9  | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |          | 7  | 8  | 9  | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |    |
|           | WK | FD | FD | FD | FD | FD | WK |          | WK | so | so | so | so | so | WK |    |
|           | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |          | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |    |
|           | WK | FD | HD | HD | HD | BR | WK |          | WK | so | so | so | so | so | WK |    |
| 21        | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 21 | 22       | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 |    |    |    |
| WK        | BR | BR | BR | HL | BR | WK | WK | so       | so | so | so | so | WK |    |    |    |
| 28        | 29 | 30 | 31 | x  | x  | x  | 28 | 29       | 30 |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| WK        | BR | BR | BR | x  | x  | x  | WK | so       | so |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |

|  | Half Day | Early Release | Full Day |
|--|----------|---------------|----------|
|  | HD       | ER            | FD       |

|           |   |   |    |
|-----------|---|---|----|
| July      | 0 | 0 | 0  |
| August    | 2 | 0 | 17 |
| September | 1 | 0 | 19 |
| October   | 6 | 0 | 12 |
| November  | 1 | 0 | 16 |
| December  | 3 | 0 | 11 |
| January   | 4 | 0 | 14 |
| February  | 1 | 0 | 18 |
| March     | 1 | 0 | 16 |
| April     | 0 | 0 | 21 |
| May       | 5 | 0 | 11 |
| June      | 0 | 0 | 0  |

|    |   |     |
|----|---|-----|
| 24 | 0 | 155 |
|----|---|-----|

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## NARRATIVE

Archway Classical Academy Scottsdale was approved for 180 instructional days. In creating the calendar for the FY15 school year the administrative staff with the approval of the school's Board of Directors set the number of instructional days at 179.

The reason for reducing the number of instructional days was two-fold: a) to provide more instructional time per period per day and b) to provide additional non-instructional days within the school year for professional development for teachers. Both of these actions result in improved pupil achievement since a) increasing the amount of instructional time per period provides time for more intense and focused instruction and for teachers to spend more time with students who may require additional help in understanding the concepts presented in the lesson and b) providing additional days for professional development increases the effectiveness of the school's teachers in delivering instruction and meeting students' academic needs.

The school calendar and daily instructional schedule provided demonstrate compliance with ARS §15-901 regarding instruction for each grade served as follows:

### Explanation of the Calendar

The Calendar shows the total number of instructional half-days (24), early release days (0) and full days (155), which add to the total 179 instructional days for the year.

### Explanation of the Daily Instructional Schedule

The Daily Instructional Schedule for each grade (K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5) provides two tables: the one on the left shows the periods that meet on each full day, early release day, and half day and the total amount of non-instructional time and instructional time (shown in the column labeled Attendance Minutes Countable) for each category. The total instructional minutes for full days is highlighted in blue, for early release days in yellow, and for half days in orange. These color-coded instructional minutes are carried over to the table on the right, which shows the number of half days, early release days, and full days for each month of the school year in the green columns. The color-coded instructional minutes are at the top of each green column with the total number days in each category (half day, early release day, full day) at the bottom of each green column. Multiplying the total number of days in each category by the number of instructional minutes at the top of each column provides the total number of instructional minutes per year for each category, which is the number in red below each green column. Dividing each of these red numbers by 60 provides the number of instructional hours per year for each category, which is the number in blue below the number in red. The total instructional hours per year is at the bottom of column 5.

For Archway Classical Academy Scottsdale, the total number of instructional hours provided per year in each grade served compared to the number required by ARS §15-901 is:

| GRADE   | INSTRUCTIONAL HRS PROVIDED | INSTRUCTIONAL HOURS REQUIRED |
|---------|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| ½ day K | 566.83                     | 356                          |
| K       | 882.83                     | 356                          |
| 1       | 882.83                     | 712                          |
| 2       | 981.25                     | 712                          |
| 3       | 981.25                     | 712                          |
| 4       | 973.25                     | 890                          |

In every grade, as shown by the Daily Instructional Schedule, the number of instructional hours provided by Archway Classical Academy Scottsdale in its 179 day calendar is greater than the number of instructional hours required by ARS §15-901, thereby demonstrating compliance with the statute.

The timeline for implementing the 179 day calendar is the FY15 school year.