



CHANDLER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 80

A Grade "A" District

By the Arizona Department of Education

Welcome to Kindergarten Orientation!



**Tarwater Elementary
An
ADE Grade A School
and
AEF A+ School**



Kindergarten Team



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School Mission Statement

To provide students with the knowledge, skills and attitudes necessary to be life-long learners and responsible citizens

School Vision Statement

“Excellence Through Performance”



ADMISSION

Your child must be 5 years of age by August 31st to register for the 2015-2016 school year.

- If your child's turns 5 years of age between September 1st – December 31st, s/he may be tested for Early Kindergarten Entrance.
- If you feel that your child displays kindergarten readiness skills, please contact the Early Childhood Department in Community Education at 480-812-9314 to inquire about testing.





KINDERGARTEN READINESS INDICATORS

Social & Emotional

- Sits quietly for 10-15 min
- Shares with others (teamwork)
- Follows simple 2-3 step directions
- Exhibits self-control and respect for others
- Reacts appropriately to consequences or redirection
- Separates from parents
- Exhibits self-control and respect for others

Language, Listening & Speaking

- Pays attention to adult-directed tasks and direction
- Speaks clearly using complete simple sentences using 5-6 words
- Listens to stories without interruption
- Uses imagination to tell or retell a story by looking at pictures
- Recognizes rhyming sounds



KINDERGARTEN READINESS INDICATORS



Large & Fine Motor Skills

- Prints his/her name.
- Uses pencil & scissors correctly
- Draws basic shapes.
- Walks and runs without falling.
- Turns pages in a book easily.

Self-Management

- Can say his/her first and last name clearly.
- Manages bathroom needs independently.
- Is able to feed themselves.
- Ties shoes independently or with very little help.



KINDERGARTEN READINESS INDICATORS

Pre-Reading Skills

- Traces and/or writes letters and numbers.
- Recites & recognizes letters of the alphabet.
- Recognizes sight words and environmental print (i.e. stop).
- Identifies rhyming words.
- Starting to identify the beginning letter sound of words.

Pre-Math Skills

- Names basic shapes.
- Understanding of times of day (morning, afternoon, evening).
- Sorts similar objects by color, size, and shape.
- Counts from 1-20+ & recognizes most numbers 1-20
- One-to-one correspondence while counting



SPECIAL AREA CLASSES

Students receive (2) 30-minute sessions with our special areas teachers of the following classes during a 6-day rotation:

- Physical Education
- Music Education
- Library and/or Technology Class





LUNCH TIME



- 20 minutes on the playground & 20 minutes in the cafeteria.
- Students may purchase school lunch or bring a sack lunch from home.
- How to put money on your child's lunch account:
 - Log onto: www.mylunchmoney.com to load money into the account.
 - Download the app under "CUSD Food" in iTunes on your smartphone.
 - Prearrange payment through the school cafeteria.
 - Send your money in an envelope labeled with your child's name, teacher's name, and room number.



SAMPLE DAILY SCHEDULE

8:20-9:00	Math & Tier 2 Oral-Vocab/Conv.
9:00-9:30	Specials
9:30-10:05	Math/Calendar Oral-Vocab/Conv.
10:05-10:20	Recess
10:20-11:00	Phonemic Awareness/Writing
11:00-11:40	Lunch/Recess
11:40- 1:50	Language Arts Grammar (30 min) Writing (20 min) Reading (60 min) <u>Centers</u> (Guided Reading Groups)
1:50 -2:05	Recess
2:05-2:50	Science/Social Studies Grammar



KINDERGARTEN CURRICULUM

Arizona's College & Career Ready Standards

- Language Arts (Reading, Writing, Presenting, Listening & Speaking)
- Mathematics
- Science
- Social Studies
- Technology/Library
- Health
- Physical Education
- Art
- Music





READING

- Read Alouds, Guided Reading, Literacy Centers/Stations.
- Research-based Instruction Blending Phonics and Literature.
- Daily Whole Group & Small Group
- Classroom & District Assessments
- D.I.B.E.L.S. Universal Reading Screening Tool & Benchmark Assessment: Beginning of Year (July), Middle of Year (December), and End of Year (May).





WRITING

- Journals
- Shared Writing
- Thinking Maps
- Literature Response
- Spelling
- Penmanship (Letter formation)
- Grammar Focus





MATH

Using AZ College and Career Ready Standards McGraw-Hill My Math

- It's organized by domain: counting and cardinality, operations, algebraic thinking, number and operations, measurement and data, and geometry
- Standards for mathematical practice are woven throughout
- Essential questions are addressed before every lesson



SCIENCE & SOCIAL STUDIES

- Integrated into reading and writing
- Thematic teaching following state standards
- Hands-on experiences
 - Multi-cultural performance
 - Butterfly life cycle
 - Farm visitation





CURRICULUM INFO.

- Visit our Instructional Resource Center (IRC) webpage to obtain more information about the curriculum and standards at:

<http://cusd80.com/Page/31389>

- Download the free “Kindergarten Under Construction Student Workbook: A guide created to help families prepare their children for kindergarten” at:

<http://www.cusd80.com/Page/55330>





PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT

Classroom Support

- Sign-up with teacher to work with small groups/centers
- Preparing materials (at home or at school)
- Art Masterpiece
- STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math)
- Class Celebrations
- Field Trips

School Support

- PTO
- Dad's Club
- Workroom Volunteer
- School Events & Functions
- Site Council
- Running Club/Meets
- Book Fairs



BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Kids Express

You can now register for the Kids Express program online. For more information, call (480) 224-3915 or email: Kids-Express@cusd80.com. You can also register in person at the Community Education Department at the CUSD District Office.

- 6:30 AM – 6:30 PM
- ADHS licensed
- Quality staffing
- Structured environment
- On-site childcare





CLUB C.U.S.D. ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS

Chandler Unified School District

CLUB C.U.S.D.

Registration is open NOW
for Fall Club C.U.S.D. classes at our website:
www.CUSDcommunity.com

Enrichment Programs:

- AIT: Athletes In Training - The Valley's Premier Sports Club
- GUITAR: FUN-DAMENTALS
- THE CHESS EMPORIUM: Where Chess is Played
- NYS: Play-Well TEKnologies - Teaching Engineering to Kids (play-well.org)
- Dance Sequins Studio
- Enrichment Services Inc.
- Escuela! Spanish Academy
- Girls on the Run
- TUMBLE TOWN: Gymnastics (480-821-4640)
- Achievement Learning: Academics & Speech
- MOVIES BY KIDS
- Sportball
- BRICKS 4 KIDZ
- ATA MARTIAL ARTS
- ATA: Artistic Training Association
- i9 SPORTS
- REACH BASKETBALL
- Kre8tive Kids: Where Character Counts
- Tempe Union HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
- SAN TAN VALLEY
- YOUNG CHAMPIONS: DISCOVERING DREAMS
- Junior Golf Success
- INMOTION AZ
- Talent TEAM: TRAINING ARTS
- PRIME TIME ATHLETICS
- Community Education (CUSD logo)
- ZAPS LEARNING COMPANY
- YR: The Power of Drawing (Young Rembrandts)
- Uno...Dos...Tres: SPANISH FOR KIDS
- NEC Dance Co.
- ETS: Empowerment Through Sports
- BONANZA EDUCATIONAL
- elementz music: the first century keyboard method
- Soccer Shots



CLUB C.U.S.D. ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS

- Club C.U.S.D. is filled with **Athletes in Training** and **Kre8tive Kids** **Discovering** their **Dreams** on every campus!
- Now is the **Prime Time (Athletics)** to focus on Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math!
- **Imagine** what **Tomorrow** will be for your child as he/she explores the **Elements (Music)** of aviation, claymation, and robotics! **Spice Up (Arts & Design)** and **Tumble (Town)** into something new! **Uno, Dos, Tres!** (Spanish)





THANK YOU FOR COMING!



Kindergarten Orientation

Mandarin Immersion Program



Daily Instructional Activities

- Chinese instruction: 2 hours a day
- Content area: Chinese, Social Study, and Math

Learning Content
Pronunciation / Dialogue
Follow Directions / Routine Training
Sight Characters / Handwriting Chinese Characters
Story Time / Learning Videos/ Chinese Songs
Crafts / Holiday Celebrations / Cultural Lessons
Social Studies / Math



Day 1 Mandarin Class Schedule

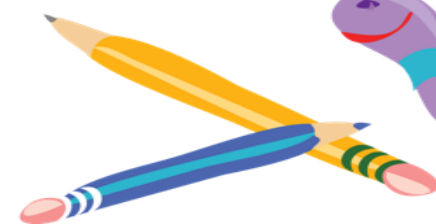


Morning: Mrs. Ezolt's Class-Room 3	
8:20am-8:40am	Attendance Pledge Allegiance Seatwork
8:40am-9:30am	Mandarin Instruction Calendar
9:30am-10:00am	Library Visit
10:05am-10:20am	Recess
10:20am-11.00am	Math Instruction Learning Centers



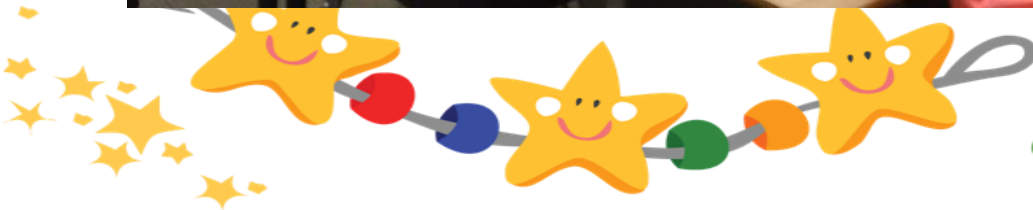


Students Introduce School Supplies





Students Line Up





Students Lead to Celebrate Birthday





Students Learn Math In Mandarin

