

# 2021-2022 ECCEL PRESCHOOL Registration Information

Available to Preschoolers (at least 3 years old) at 15 locations and, only at Glendale Community College, Toddlers (18 months and walking to 3 years old). Options are available for part day, full day or full day with wrap-around care

# Registration:

Registration consists of 3 parts. Each part of the registration process is necessary.

- 1. Complete an online registration and pay the registration fee through Eleyo. Use this link/web address: https://peoriaunified.ce.eleyo.com/
  - The online process takes approximately 45 minutes and will not save until submitted.
  - Registration fees are non-refundable and due at the time of registration. They are paid online through Eleyo. Peer Model: \$20, General Education: \$60
- 2. Complete a Required Forms Packet and submit
  - The Required Forms Packet is fillable and can be completed by clicking the link in Eleyo during your registration process (one of the last questions). Contact the preschool office if you did not have the opportunity to do this and they can be emailed to you. Forms must be signed (print and sign or sign electronically). Make sure to save the forms to a file, prior to emailing, to save the content.
- 3. Submit birth certificate, immunization records and current proof of residency
  - ➤ You can register for preschool if you are missing a birth certificate and/or immunization records, but you must provide proof of residency at the time of registration. You will have 30 days to provide a birth certificate and 15 days to submit immunization records.

**Scholarship opportunities**: Applications will be available in the Preschool Registration Office and online in May 2021. **Scholarships are awarded for one year only. Returning families must reapply**. Scholarships are limited and based on eligibility criteria. There is a monthly copayment for scholarship recipients.

# **Preschool Registration Office:**

8 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., Monday – Friday | Sky View Elementary School, 8624 W. Sweetwater Ave., Peoria, AZ 85381 | PHONE 623-773-6675 | FAX 623-773-6680 | EMAIL <a href="mailto:preschool@pusd11.net">Preschool@pusd11.net</a>

# **Learning Options**

The Early Childhood Center for Excellence in Learning (ECCEL) Preschool Program provides programming that meets the needs of the whole child – socially, academically, and emotionally – to prepare them to enter kindergarten ready to learn. We believe children need time to be children and learn best through discovery and play in a literacy-based environment that builds skills and challenges thinking. Through side-by-side classrooms on elementary school campuses, typically developing and developmentally delayed three- and four-year-olds have their individual needs met through interaction with general education teachers, special education teachers, therapists and special education inclusion teachers. All programs are licensed through the Arizona Department of Health Services and are part of the continuum of special education services for children identified with special education needs. Preschool staff and students integrate across classrooms daily.

Breakfast or a snack is provided daily in all programs.

- Half Day in a General Education Setting \$60 non-refundable registration fee
  16 students with a general education teacher and one instructional assistant
  Must be typically developing no delays or concerns (see Child Find below if you have concerns)
  \$330 per month: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday; 3 hours AM or 3 hours PM (times vary)
- Half Day Peer Models in a Special Education Setting \$20 non-refundable registration fee
  13 students with a special education teacher and two instructional assistants
  Must be typically developing no delays or concerns (see Child Find below if you have concerns)
  \$175 per month: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday; 3 hours AM or 3 hours PM (times vary)
- Full Day Options in a General Education Setting \$60 non-refundable registration fee
  Must be typically developing no delays or concerns (see Child Find below if you have concerns)
  - Frontier Elementary \$660 per month Students will bring lunch or purchase lunch in the cafeteria (free and reduced lunch application available online at <a href="https://www.peoriaunified.org/Page/328">www.peoriaunified.org/Page/328</a>). Monday-Friday: 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., with wrap-around care available Monday-Friday: 6:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at no additional charge
  - Glendale Community College (GCC)
    A snack and lunch are provided in the AM; a snack is provided in the PM
    Monday-Friday; 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., with wrap-around care available 7 a.m. 4:30 p.m. at no additional charge
    - Toddlers (18 months and walking to 3 years) \$875 per month, \$435 per month for AM or PM only
    - **Preschoolers** (ages 3 and 4) \$660 per month, \$380 per month for AM or PM only
    - Priority placement is given to GCC students and faculty

Please note that all fees are proposed and are pending Peoria Unified School District Governing Board approval.

# **Financial Assistance**

Limited scholarships are available through Quality First for students in a general education classroom and DES Child Care Assistance is accepted at all locations. Eligibility criteria apply and a co-payment may be required. There is a 20% discount when paying for two or more siblings attending preschool or for children of Peoria Unified School District employees.

# **Child Find**

If you have concerns about your child's development including vision, hearing, communication, motor, socialization or special health problems, call 623-773-6685 and request a preschool Child Find screening.

# **Location Options**

Locations listed are anticipated for the 2021-2022 school year. They are dependent on campus space and subject to change. You will be notified if there is a change in the location you register for.

LOCATION OPTIONS	SESSION OPTIONS		
	AM	PM	
	PART	PART	FULL
	DAY	DAY	DAY
<b>Alta Loma Elementary</b> : 9750 N. 87 <sup>th</sup> Ave Between Peoria and Olive on 87 <sup>th</sup>	YES	YES	N/A
<b>Apache Elementary</b> : 8633 W. John Cabot Rd. – Between Bell and Union Hills on 87th	YES	YES	N/A
Country Meadows Elementary: 8409 N. 111 <sup>th</sup> Ave Between Northern and Olive on 111 <sup>th</sup>	YES	YES	N/A
<b>Desert Harbor Elementary:</b> 15585 N. 91 <sup>st</sup> Ave Between Thunderbird and Bell on 91 <sup>st</sup>	YES	YES	N/A
<b>Desert Palms Elementary:</b> 11441 N. 55 <sup>th</sup> Ave Between Peoria and Cactus on 55 <sup>th</sup>	YES	YES	N/A
<b>Foothills Elementary:</b> 15808 N. 63 <sup>rd</sup> Ave Between Greenway and Bell on 63 <sup>rd</sup>	YES	YES	N/A
<b>Frontier Elementary:</b> 21258 N. 81 <sup>st</sup> Ave Between Union Hills and Deer Valley off of 83 <sup>rd</sup>	YES	YES	YES
Glendale Community College: 6000 W. Olive Ave North of Olive on 59 <sup>th</sup> – Priority placement to GCC Students/Faculty	YES	YES	YES
Lake Pleasant Elementary: 31501 N. Westland Rd Vistancia Blvd. Left on Lone Mtn. Right on Westland	YES	YES	N/A
Oasis Elementary: 7841 W. Sweetwater Ave Between Cactus and Thunderbird on 78 <sup>th</sup>	YES	YES	N/A
Parkridge Elementary: 9970 W. Beardsley Rd 99 <sup>th</sup> Ave & Beardsley	YES	YES	N/A
<b>Peoria Elementary:</b> 11501 N. 79 <sup>th</sup> Ave Between Cactus and Peoria on 79 <sup>th</sup>	YES	YES	N/A
<b>Sky View Elementary:</b> 8624 W. Sweetwater Ave North of Cactus on 87 <sup>th</sup>	YES	YES	N/A
<b>Sundance Elementary:</b> 7051 W. Cholla St Between Cactus and Peoria on 71st	YES	YES	N/A
Vistancia Elementary: 30009 N. Sunrise Pt 127 <sup>th</sup> East of Vistancia Blvd. Right on Whispering Ridge	YES	YES	N/A

# Frequently Asked Questions

# 1. How old does my child have to be to attend preschool?

Children must be 3 to attend preschool and completely potty trained. Toddlers attending Glendale Community College (GCC) must be 18 months and walking.

#### 2. When do classes start?

ECCEL Preschool classes follow the Peoria School District calendar. Preschool classes start on August 9, 2021. If you have a child with a birth date that falls after August 9<sup>th</sup>, your child will not be permitted to start school until he/she turns three. This is to keep in compliance with Arizona Department of Health Services (DHS) Child Care Licensure regulations which differ for two-year-olds and three-year-olds. Holidays match the district calendar. Glendale Community College programs will follow the GCC calendar.

#### 3. Can I volunteer in the class?

Yes. Volunteer training is required through the school district, however because of DHS regulations we must limit the number of days per month and a licensing file will be required.

# 4. Is financial assistance available for monthly fees?

Limited scholarships are available through Quality First for students in a general education classroom. Eligibility criteria apply. Scholarships are for one year only. *If you are currently receiving a scholarship* **YOU MUST REAPPLY** to be eligible for a scholarship for the 2021-2022 school year. It is anticipated that applications will be available in May. You must have completed the registration process before scholarship applications will be reviewed. All scholarship applications and documentation must be submitted to the Preschool Registration Office. There is a monthly copayment for scholarship recipients. Scholarship criteria is subject to change based on funder's eligibility requirements. Call the preschool office for information.

# 5. Is there a discount when paying for two or more children enrolled from the same family or for PUSD employees?

Yes. There is a 20% discount when paying for two or more siblings attending preschool <u>or</u> for children of PUSD employees. It is your responsibility to let us know if one of these discounts apply to you.

# 6. When are preschool fees due? How are fees calculated?

Installments are due the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month, August through May. The total cost of the program has been divided into ten equal payments based on the number of preschool days in the year. Payment installments are the same each month regardless of the number of school days in the month. The total does not include the two-week Winter Break or one-week Fall Break and Spring Break. There are no refunds or credits for absences or illness. Tax credit donations cannot be used for preschool.

# 7. I have only lived here a short time and I do not have anyone to put down as an emergency contact.

We must have at least two local emergency contacts or we are required to list the Department of Child Safety and/or the police department as a contact.

# 8. I have tried to get a birth certificate/immunization records, but they have not arrived yet.

We can register your child; however, these documents will be required. Birth certificates are required within 30 days and immunizations within 15 days of your child's first day of school. The Hepatitis A immunization is required for all preschoolers in Maricopa County. When you are updating your child's immunizations, be sure to include this immunization as well. If you need a list of immunization clinics, please call the preschool office. You may request an immunization exemption for religious beliefs if you wish.

#### 9. Does my child have to be toilet trained?

For your child to attend the community preschool program, they are required to be fully toilet trained prior to starting preschool. Fully toilet trained means they can self-toilet and do not need assistance. They cannot be in diapers or pull-ups. Toddlers do not need to be fully toilet trained to attend GCC.

# 10. I have concerns about my child's development. What should I do?

If you have concerns about your child's vision, hearing, communication, motor, socialization, or special health problems, call 623-773-6685 and request a preschool Child Find Screening.

# 11. I live out of the district. Can my child attend preschool in Peoria School District?

Out of district variance requests will be considered beginning August 2, 2021 based on availability. Out-of-district residents need to complete a variance request at the time of registration. Variances may not be approved until after the first day of preschool. Exceptions: PUSD employees living out-of-district can apply for a variance at *any time*, based on availability. If you are unsure if you reside within PUSD boundaries, then visit the Interactive School Locator under Our District and School Boundaries at <a href="https://www.peoriaunified.org">www.peoriaunified.org</a>.

# 12. Can anyone register for the Glendale Community College location option?

Yes. Priority placement is given to children of GCC students and faculty. A variance form will be required for those residing outside of PUSD attendance boundaries.

# 13. When will I know if my child has been accepted into the program?

General Education - You will receive an email in the summer. Registration is not final until then. We need to be sure space is available at the locations offered.

Peer Models – Your registration will be reviewed by the Preschool Assessment Team. You will be contacted to confirm your acceptance into the program. (Peer Models are typically developing with no concerns or special needs and they participate in a Special Education Classroom setting.)

# 14. When will I hear from my child's teacher about a classroom visit?

A classroom visit gives your child the opportunity to meet their teacher in a **small group setting**. It is also an opportunity for you to ask questions and discuss concerns about your child. Your child's teacher will contact you between July 29<sup>th</sup> and August 6<sup>th</sup> to schedule your classroom visit. Classroom visits will take place August 2<sup>nd</sup>— August 6<sup>th</sup>. The program at Glendale Community College may differ from the PUSD calendar.

# 15. What does my child need for school?

A backpack is helpful to carry things safely to and from school, but it is not a requirement. Children will need a complete set of extra clothing. Everything else will be supplied by the program.

# 16. Is there a registration fee?

Yes. General Education Classes - \$60 non-refundable registration fee.

Peer Models – \$20 non-refundable registration fee.

This fee covers processing costs and is required to hold your spot. It will not be applied to your monthly installments.

# 17. How do I register?

Complete the online registration and pay non-refundable registration fee through Eleyo. Submit registration documents (birth certificate, immunization records, proof of residency) and completed Required Forms Packet by email or fax. Registration is not complete until online registration, documents, fees, *and* required forms are received by the Preschool Registration Office.

# 18. How is placement determined?

Early registration for the 2021-2022 school year will begin on Monday, April 5<sup>th</sup> and ends on Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup>. A lottery drawing will take place the week of April 19<sup>th</sup> to determine placement. For your child to be eligible for placement during the early registration period, your online registration, documents, and fees must be submitted no later than April 18<sup>th</sup>. Currently enrolled preschoolers, their siblings and PUSD employees will be given priority during the early registration period. Starting April 19<sup>th</sup>, placements will be based on availability on a first come, first served basis.

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