



## 2023 – 2024 Kindergarten Program Options

### Gilbert Campus

We are pleased to offer a variety of Kindergarten program options for the 2023 – 2024 school year! Our programs are designed to meet the varying scheduling and financial needs of our families. Please see below for detailed information about each option.

### TOPS (Technology Optimized Programs & Schedules):

EDUPRIZE families have come to know and love our amazing TOPS program! TOPS features approximately the same number of instructional minutes as our regular, full-day program, but in a student-centered, highly productive day. All TOPS classes have access to Chromebooks that are used as a curriculum-enhancing teaching tool. TOPS also features schedule options that are perfect for young children and busy families. This program utilizes the acclaimed EDUPRIZE curriculum and methodology.

**AM TOPS – 7:15 am – 12:15 pm (M-F)**

**Tuition-free option**

**PM TOPS – 10:40 am – 3:40 pm (M-F)**

**Tuition-free option**

In the TOPS Program, we have eliminated the full lunch period, but there are opportunities for the students to snack in the classroom and to interact at recess. TOPS also features specials daily! We strongly recommend our TOPS Program for Kindergartners, as we believe that the five hour experience is most age-appropriate. The TOPS program is TUITION FREE and is offered through 6<sup>th</sup> grade.

#### A Sample TOPS Day (M-F):

AM TOPS	7:15 – 7:50	7:50 – 8:30	8:30 – 9:20	9:20 – 9:50	9:50 – 11:30	11:30 – 12:15
Activity	Calendar (Math, Language, Reading)	Language Arts	Math	Snack/Recess	Labs/Reading/Writing/Cottage	Specials/Dismiss

PM TOPS	10:40 – 11:20	11:20 – 12:10	12:10 – 12:50	12:50 – 1:40	1:40 – 1:55	1:55 – 3:40
Activity	Specials	Snack/Calendar (Math, Language, Reading)	Language Arts	Math	Recess	Labs/Reading/Writing/Cottage/Dismiss

### TOPS Plus Program:

This optional program for Kindergartners includes the same great TOPS program outlined above, PLUS the opportunity to extend your child's day! We developed this program to accommodate those families who work and need child care or who want to extend their child's experience beyond the TOPS school day. The Plus program features a full lunch/recess period as well as enrichment opportunities! TOPS Plus is our alternative full day program option, which offers busy families a seven hour kindergarten experience with an earlier start (AM TOPS) or later end (PM TOPS) than the regular full day program.

**AM TOPS Plus – 7:15 am – 2:30 pm (M-Th)**

**7:15 am – 12:15 pm (Fri)**

**\$550 yearly fee**

**PM TOPS Plus – 8:30 am – 3:40 pm (M-Fri)**

**\$550 yearly fee**

The additional time between the standard TOPS program and the Plus program would consist of lunch and recess, a daily computer-based instruction component, an enrichment experience, and an active fitness lesson.

#### A Sample TOPS Plus Day (M-Th):

AM TOPS Plus	7:15 – 12:10	12:10 – 12:50	12:50 – 1:20	1:20 – 2:00	2:00 – 2:30
Activity	TOPS Core	Lunch/Recess	Computer Lab	Enrichment	Fitness
Facilitator	Certified Teacher	Lunch Aide	Specialist	Specialist	Specialist

PM TOPS Plus	8:30 – 9:30	9:30 – 9:50	9:50 – 10:10	10:10 – 10:40	10:40 – 3:35
Activity	Fitness	Computer Lab	Enrichment	Lunch/Recess	TOPS Core
Facilitator	Specialist	Specialist	Specialist	Lunch Aide	Certified Teacher

- ❖ There is a modest yearly enrollment fee for the Plus program that is an ECA allowable tax credit, as it is outside of the normal instructional TOPS day! Payment is due at the time of registration to secure placement in the TOPS Plus program. All payments are non-refundable and non-transferrable due to the nature of the ECA tax credit.
- ❖ Students must adhere to school policy in order to participate in the Plus program option.

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## **AM TOPS Plus Holding Room Program:**

This optional program, just for AM TOPS Plus Kindergartners, extends the AM TOPS Plus day a little further to more closely align with older siblings' release times.

**AM TOPS Plus Holding Room – 2:30 pm – 4:00 pm (M-F)**

**\$200 yearly fee (\$750 total for PLUS and Holding Room)**

- ❖ The fee for this program is \$200 per school year. The Holding Room participation fee is in addition to the TOPS PLUS enrollment fee. Payment is due at the time of registration to secure placement in the AM TOPS Plus Holding Room program. All payments are non-refundable and non-transferrable.
- ❖ Students must adhere to school policy in order to participate in the Holding Room program option.
- ❖ **Holding Room** is available until older siblings are released. The Holding Room portion of the fee is not ECA allowable.

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## **PM TOPS Plus STEAM Program:**

This optional program, just for PM TOPS Plus Students, provides an opportunity for our youngest EDUPRIZE Eagles to participate in a variety of engaging Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math activities. This program will meet daily on our Gilbert campus, allowing an earlier start to the PM TOPS Plus day. This program is provided for PM TOPS families whose busy schedules require their child to be at school from 7:30 am to 3:40 pm daily.

**PM TOPS Plus STEAM – 7:30 am – 8:30 am (M-Fri)**

**\$200 yearly fee (\$750 total for PLUS and STEAM)**

- ❖ The fee for this program is \$200 per school year. The STEAM participation fee is in addition to the TOPS PLUS enrollment fee and is ECA allowable. Payment is due at the time of registration to secure placement in the PM TOPS Plus STEAM program. All payments are non-refundable and non-transferrable due to the qualification as an ECA allowable tax credit.
- ❖ Students must adhere to school policy in order to participate in the STEAM program option.

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## **Regular Full-Day Kindergarten:**

The Regular Full-Day Kindergarten program features our award-winning curriculum and includes kindergarten specials (Music, Science, PE, Technology Lab, and Live Learning Lab), a dedicated lunch period, and an additional recess. The Regular Full-Day program utilizes Chromebooks in the classroom for supplemental instruction. The schedule and routine align closely with our Regular schedule for 1<sup>st</sup> grade and beyond, and provide a foundation for success in this program. Students will be with their classroom teacher for all activities except lunch and specials.

**Regular Full-Day KG – 8:00 am – 2:45 pm (M-Th)**

**Now tuition-free**

**8:00 am – 11:30 am (Fri)**

### **A Sample Regular Full-Day Program Day:**

Mon - Thu	8:00 – 8:15	8:15 – 9:30	9:30 – 9:50	9:50 – 11:00	11:00 – 11:40	11:40 – 12:20	12:20 – 12:45	12:45 – 1:30	1:30 – 2:45
Activity	Arrival/ morning work	Math	Recess	Language Arts/ Writing	Specials	Lunch & Recess	Calendar/ Read Aloud	Labs/ Reading Groups	Cottage/ Pack up

- ❖ We have eliminated tuition fees for the Regular Full-Day Kindergarten program beginning with the 2022-23 school year!