

# EAGLES EDITION



## Principal's Message



**Robin Yeargain**

Dear EDUPRIZE Parents,

We have almost completed half of the school year--unbelievable! So much has occurred, yet so much is still to be done! This week was a lot of fun with Spirit Week and Cottage Fair, it was like one celebratory day after another! Monday we had our current 6th graders meet with next year's 7th grade teachers to start thinking about the transition into Junior High. Tuesday and Wednesday were Cottage Fair nights, filled with excited students sharing all they've achieved with their proud parents...I love these nights! I love the hustle and bustle in the halls, the band playing their songs, the selling of created products, the watching of student-created movies, the competitive game nights, the singing and reciting of plays, and the sharing of completed class works and projects! Cottage Fair is incredible and I thank you for making it happen by seeing the value of celebrating your child's work. Today we had an assembly where we honored Exceptional Eagles, Student of the Month for the Town of Gilbert, and all the sports teams and school clubs. In addition, the winning classes for our Level Up quarterly challenge participated in a Minecraft-style game that was also a blast. I hope you can see the theme running through my message: We love your child and want to showcase and celebrate his/her learning!

Next week is a short week, with Monday and Tuesday being regular days and then Wednesday is a half day for ALL schedules. Please see the early release information below for Wednesday. Have a great weekend!

Kindly,  
Robin



# QUICK REFERENCES

## Calendar Items

### DECEMBER

**19th: Cottage Fair**

AM TOPS Kindergarten (Soliven/Johnston)

**19th: Cottage Fair**

PM TOPS Kindergarten (Lacy/Gonzalez)

**20th: Early Release**

All School

Pre-K AM Class	7:30-10:15
Kinder AM TOPS	7:15-11:00
Kinder AM TOPS Plus	7:15-11:00
Kinder AM TOPS Plus Holding Room	7:15- 11:00
Kinder PM TOPS	*9:50-1:30
Kinder PM TOPS Plus	8:30-1:30
Kinder PM TOPS Plus STEAM	7:30-1:30
Kinder Traditional	8:00-11:30
1st-3rd Regular Day	8:00-11:30
4 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> Regular Day	8:00-11:45
1st-6th AM TOPS	7:15-11:00
1st-6th PM TOPS	*9:50-1:30
7th-8th Traditional	7:48-12:00
9th-12th Traditional	7:48-12:00

There will be no Kinder AM TOPS Plus or  
Kinder AM TOPS Plus Holding Room

\*PM TOPS starts earlier – at 9:50 a.m.

## Helpful Links

[Gilbert's Parents  
Resource Page](#)



[K-6th Regular  
Day Calendar](#)

[K-6th TOPS  
Day Calendar](#)



[K-6th Events  
Calendar](#)

[Website](#)

[Facebook](#)

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# SEL CORNER

(SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL LEARNING)



**Heather Vehon**  
Dean of Students K-6th

Dear EDUPRIZE families,

This week's tip is short and sweet - enjoy the memories you will make as a family over this winter break. These are the times that both you and your child(ren) will look back on fondly. They will likely remember the traditions more than the gifts - so give each other the gift of your presence!



Sincerely,  
Heather Vehon  
Dean of Students  
Eduprize Schools - Gilbert Campus  
[heather.vehon@eduprizeschools.net](mailto:heather.vehon@eduprizeschools.net)

# ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

## **Upcoming Week Sports Schedule At A Glance:**

Please check [AZCAAPREPS.COM](https://www.eduprizeschools.net/gilbert-sports-and-extracurricular-activities) for up to the date game schedule and location.

**ALL Athletic fees need to be paid by the first game. Unpaid fees can lead to not playing in games.**

**All paperwork should be in for all sports at this time. Please with your coach to be sure all your paperwork is turned in.**

### **Cornhole Practice:**

Monday 3:30 - 4:45, B4 Outside Basketball Courts

### **Boys JV Basketball Practice Schedule:**

Monday 4:30-6:00 in B4

### **Boys JV Basketball GAMES:**

Tuesday(12/19) @ Heritage GAteway (19705 E Germann Rd) @ 5:30PM

### **Boys Varsity/OPEN Basketball Practice Schedule:**

Monday 7:00-9:00pm in B4

### **Boys OPEN Basketball GAMES:**

Wednesday (12/20) @ Premier Prep (the PHHacility 4600 E. Cotton Gin Loop) @ 7PM

### **Boys Varsity Basketball GAMES:**

Tuesday (12/19) @ LFPA (3939 E Warner Rd) @ 7PM

### **Girls JV Basketball Practice Schedule:**

Monday 5:30-7:30 in B3

### **Girls JV Basketball GAMES:**

Tuesday (12/19) @ Heritage Academy Gateway (19705 E Germann Rd) @ 4PM \*\* EARLY DISMISSAL @ 2:30\*\*

### **Girls Varsity Basketball Practice Schedule:**

Monday 5:30-7:30 in B3

### **Girls Varsity Basketball GAMES:**

Tuesday (12/19) Vs Heritage Gateway @ 5:30 in B4 Gym

### **JH BoysFlag Football Tryouts:**

Tuesday (12/19) @ 3:20 on the field between B1 and B3. ALL paperwork needs to be completed to participate in tryouts

You can find all forms listed here:

<https://www.eduprizeschools.net/gilbert-sports-and-extracurricular-activities>

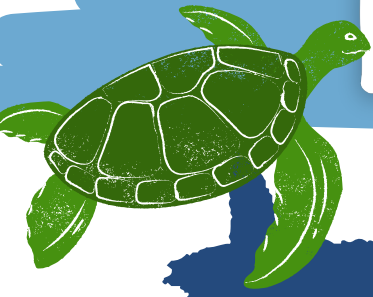
Make sure you wear proper attire and bring plenty of water.

If you have any questions please email the Athletic Director  
[Clint.ambos@eduprizeschools.net](mailto:Clint.ambos@eduprizeschools.net)



# PROJECT EXPLORATION

Countdown to Departure:  
64 days (as of 12/15/23)



## Project Exploration

### Parents:

- Complete total payment of \$530 by January 4, 2024 (2 ways to pay)
  - Pay via [ECA](#)
  - Pay via Project Exploration. How to pay [HERE](#).
- Email Ms. Schott all receipts
- Complete this [form](#) ONLY IF your student has any dietary restrictions, allergies, or medication that needs to be given during the trip.
- Join our Class [Dojo](#)

### Mandatory Student Meeting:

- Attend an informational meeting during lunch
- Students will have time to pick up their hot lunch and go to their assigned meeting room. AM TOPS will come to carpool immediately after the meeting and PM TOPS may need to miss some of their class time.
- - 5th grade: 12/18 during lunch time (12:20-1:00PM) – In Mr. Fitz Room
  - 6th grade: 12/19 during lunch time (12:20-1:00PM) – In Mrs. Jimison's Room
- Start thinking of 3 people you would be comfortable rooming with.

**\*\*Not all 3 people are guaranteed to be in your room.\*\***

## Important Dates:

### **Dec 18th:**

Chaperones are selected and contacted by Mrs. Yeargain and Ms. Vehon

### **Dec 18th:**

5th Grade meeting in B2 RM72

### **19th:**

6th Grade meeting in B2 RM93

### **Jan. 4th**

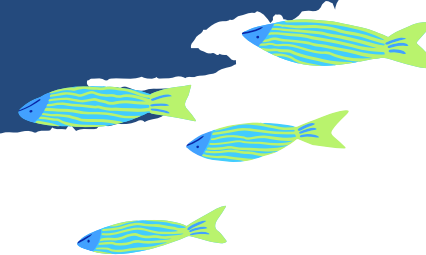
Deadline to pay remaining balance of \$530

### **Jan. 8th**

Deadline to fill out dietary restriction, allergies, or medication form

### **Feb. 16-18, 2024**

Oceanography Trip



Oceanography  
February 16-18, 2024

Please email Ms. Schott if you have any questions.

# EDUPRIZE SCHOOLS

## Q3 Lunch Menu

Prices and purchasing will be on Infinite Campus  
starting 12/11/23

Online orders will close on 12/22/23 at 4:00 pm

**LUNCH START DATE WILL BE 1/8/24**

**MONDAY**



**2 CHICKEN FINGERS W/ FRIES**

**TUESDAY**



**CHEESE PIZZA**

**WEDNESDAY**



**CHICKEN TERIYAKI BOWL**

**THURSDAY**



**BEAN AND CHEESE BURRITO  
W/ RICE**

The lunch program is for regular day students and AM TOPS STEAM program only!  
Hot lunch is NOT for PM TOPS. Lunches are purchased every quarter.

For questions please contact Tym at [tym.britton@eduprizeschools.net](mailto:tym.britton@eduprizeschools.net)



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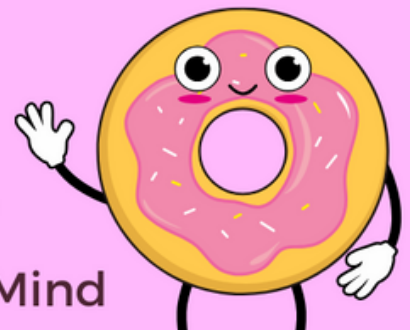
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## DUNKIN' DONUT & MILK SALE

DEC. 19TH

For K-12 at morning drop off  
Proceeds benefit Odyssey of the Mind



# PTN Notes

The 23-24 PTN board:

President: Lena Freeman

Co-Vice Presidents:  
Penelope Harrell & Kim Wood

Secretary: Tiffany Stradling

Treasurer: Jessica Griesi

PTN's biggest job is FUNDRAISING, which enables us to support the students, staff and school.

Our next meeting will be on January 11th at 5:30PM.

Hope to see you there but if you can't make it we'll send out a zoom link so you can join virtually!

## EVENTS:

**\*\*** ALL of these events are only made possible by having volunteers.  
Please contact PTN to help..

**Spring Spectacular** – Our second largest fundraiser is our Spring Spectacular! It will be held on February 23rd. More details are still to come, but if you would like to be on the planning committee or are interested in running a booth at the event, please let us know!

**Yearbook** – The yearbook committee needs photographs of special events & sports games up through 6th grade. If you have great photographs, please email them to [eduprizeyearbookchair@gmail.com](mailto:eduprizeyearbookchair@gmail.com) for a chance to have them featured in the yearbook!

Did you know you can earn money for Eduprize simply by shopping at Fry's?

Just link your Fry's Rewards card online with Eduprize. Go to: [www.fryscommunityrewards.com](http://www.fryscommunityrewards.com) & sign in.  
Then click Community Rewards and find your organization (Edu-Prize Parent Teacher Organization)  
or enter our number: HM079.

If you are interested in getting involved with PTN and volunteering at school events,  
please emails us at [ptn@eduprizeschools.net](mailto:ptn@eduprizeschools.net)

HELP BRING JOY TO KIDS IN NEED

# EDUPRIZE CHRISTMAS TOY DRIVE

Please bring your donations by December 18th!



Click [HERE](#)  
or  
scan to help





# Future 7th Graders

We invite you to learn more about EDUPRIZE Junior High and High School. We look forward to supporting your student as they transition into junior high here at EDUPRIZE. Go Eagles!



## 7th Grade Pop-In Visits: December

This will be an opportunity for 6th grade students to visit 7th grade classrooms during the school day. 6th graders will get to meet some of the 7th grade teachers, check out the classrooms, see some of the projects they might get to work on next year, and meet other junior high students (current 7th & 8th graders) for Q & A sessions. This is a great chance for 6th graders to also interact with junior high campus staff.

## Why EDUPRIZE For 7th Grade

- Academic Excellence: Honors Courses Available
- Variety of Elective Choices: Band, Strings, Art, Choir, Theater, Gateway to Engineering, PE, Dance, World Cultures, Graphic Design
- Athletics: Flag Football, Softball, Basketball, Baseball, Soccer, Cross Country, Corn Hole, Dance Club
- Student Life: NJHS, Teacher Office Hours, Two Field Trips a Year, Yearbook, Dances, Socials, Spirit Weeks, Lunch & After School Clubs, Student Council



## Keep Your Eyes Peeled For.....



January	Parent Meeting More Student Classroom Visits
February	Course Request Forms
March	7th Grade Honors Testing



## For More Information, Event Dates, & Enrollment

School Website: [Eduprizeschools.net/gilbert/](http://Eduprizeschools.net/gilbert/)

Dr. Jennifer Murphy (7-12 Principal): [jennifer.murphy@eduprizeschools.net](mailto:jennifer.murphy@eduprizeschools.net)

Nicole Aguilera (7th Grade Team lead): [nicole.aguilera@eduprizeschools.net](mailto:nicole.aguilera@eduprizeschools.net)

EDUPRIZE Enrollment: 480-813-9537 ext. 1030 or [gilbertenrollment@eduprizeschools.net](mailto:gilbertenrollment@eduprizeschools.net)

Enroll online today!



# E.A.G.L.E. Initiative Gifted Program

– Odyssey of the Mind teams

Did you know you can use ECA Donations to help out? You can donate on Infinite Campus.

Check out our teams from last year taking 1st place at the Regional Tournament AND the State Tournament



LORD OF THE WINGS

2023

## ODYSSEY OF THE MIND

1ST PLACE – ARIZONA STATE TOURNAMENT

APRIL 1, 2023



CARSON, JAYDEN, QUENTIN, AEDAN, and DYLAN

## ODYSSEY OF THE MIND

1ST PLACE – CENTRAL REGION TOURNAMENT

MARCH 4, 2023



QUENTIN, CARSON, JAYDEN, AEDAN, and DYLAN



# FUTURE 6TH GRADERS

**In preparation for next year, the Arizona Department of Health requires two vaccinations for all students that are 11 years or older entering 6th grade.**

- **Tdap**
- **Meningococcal**

**Please send a copy of your child's vaccination update to [nurse@eduprizeschools.net](mailto:nurse@eduprizeschools.net)**

**See the state mandate [HERE](#)**

**If you have any questions please feel free to contact the Health Office at (480)813-9537 or email [nurse@eduprizeschools.net](mailto:nurse@eduprizeschools.net)**

*Red Robin® will give*

**20% OF FOOD SALES\*  
BACK TO**

## **EDUPRIZE GILBERT**

**Show this flyer or simply mention the fundraiser to  
your server to have your sales counted.**

### **FUNDRAISER DETAILS**

**1636 South Stapley Drive, Mesa, AZ 85206**

**January 11, 2024\***

**If ordering online, please follow these instructions:**

- 1** Start your order at [order.redrobin.com](https://order.redrobin.com) and select the restaurant above.
- 2** In the menu, go to the category labeled "Fundraisers (To-Go Only)" and click on that item.
- 3** Click the "add" button, and then "add to bag."
- 4** Add your meal items and check out.
- 5** Arrive at Red Robin, come in, say hi, grab your food and be on your way! If your location has curbside pick-up, we can bring it to your car too!

\*Fundraiser during restaurant operating hours. Visit [redrobin.com](https://redrobin.com) and find this location to view hours.  
Donation based on all eligible net dine-in and to-go food sales only. Excludes sales from catering (at select locations), 3rd party ordering and delivery sites, alcohol, gift cards, retail, tax and gratuity. Offer void if flyer is distributed in or near the restaurant during fundraiser day & hours.





# Kindergarten

## Roundup!

### Join us:

Thursday,  
February 29th  
4:30 - 6:00 pm



### CHECK US OUT!

Bring your incoming kindergartner to participate in engaging activities featuring our amazing, hands-on curriculum and teachers. You will get a glimpse of Kindergarten life at EDUPRIZE and learn why our students SOAR!

### FREE EVENT!

- Children will participate in FUN curricular stations taught by our fabulous kindergarten teachers
- Parents will receive information and guidance regarding program options and registration for the 2024-25 school year
- Open house style

EDUPRIZE Gilbert Campus  
Building 1  
580 West Melody Avenue  
Gilbert, AZ 85233

### QUESTIONS?

480-813-9537 x1030

[gilbertenrollment@eduprizeschools.net](mailto:gilbertenrollment@eduprizeschools.net)

[www.eduprizeschools.net](http://www.eduprizeschools.net)

**LEAP into  
Kindergarten  
at our award-  
winning school!**





# ENROLLMENT

## 2024-2025

**Intent to Return (re-enrollment) for the 2024-25 school year is now open!**

**Click [HERE](#) to complete the form today.**

**Intent to Return for the 2024-2025 school year is open now until January 15th. The LIFE Fund Fee for next school year will be discounted to \$50 per returning student during this same time frame!**

**Please contact the enrollment office with any questions:  
gilbertenrollment@eduprizeschools.net or (480) 813-9537  
x1030.**



AZ National School Choice Week event will be on

**Saturday, January 20, 2024.**

**at the AZ Children's Museum of Phoenix**

**215 N 7th St, Phoenix, AZ 85034**

**from 6:00 pm—8:00 pm**

This **FREE** Once a Year Family event will have a HUGE School Fair, Refreshments, & Fun Activities.

**Email [Barbara@chooseaschoolaz.org](mailto:Barbara@chooseaschoolaz.org) to reserve your school's table & talent presentations.** Last year we had **over 600 families**, this year we are expanding the event to **reach 1,000 families.**



# SCHOOL FAIR AT THE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM OF PHOENIX



Join **Choose A School** and the **National School Choice Awareness Foundation** for a school fair at The Children's Museum of Phoenix on Saturday, January 20th, from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. This school fair is Phoenix's largest school choice week event, with over 40 schools attending to represent a range of education options like traditional public schools, public charter schools, magnet schools, and private schools. Information regarding online and home schooling will also be available.

You'll get the chance to meet educators and get your questions answered to help you make the best and most informed choice for your family. Come explore the museum and enjoy family-friendly entertainment like face painting, photo booths and a DJ - we'll even have a balloon drop!

Please register online at [phoenixschoolfair.com](https://phoenixschoolfair.com).

Kindly contact [barbara@chooseaschoolaz.org](mailto:barbara@chooseaschoolaz.org) with any questions.

Sign up **HERE**

[www.phoenixschoolfair.com](https://www.phoenixschoolfair.com)

**JAN 20, 2024**  
**6:00 - 8:00 PM**  
THE CHILDREN'S  
MUSEUM OF PHOENIX  
215 N. 7TH STREET  
PHOENIX, AZ

FACE  
PAINTING  
PHOTO BOOTHS  
DJ



celebrate



# HONORING OUTSTANDING ARIZONA TEACHERS

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SILVER  
APPLE



*Nominate your teacher*

for the Silver Apple Award.

**NOMINATIONS ARE ACCEPTED THROUGH MARCH 15, 2024**

Silver Apple  
Award  
Rules

There is no doubt that EDUPRIZE has some of the most outstanding teachers in the state! The 2023-2024 Silver Apple Award is a local teacher recognition program, sponsored by Channel 3 News and Arizona Bank & Trust. Eight nominated teachers are rewarded each year with a feature on 3TV and special prizes. The nominations are completed by students and signed by the principal. You can print an application [here](#).

Silver Apple  
Award  
Nomination  
Form

In years past, we have had three Silver Apple Award winners at EDUPRIZE! If this award does not sound like the perfect recognition program, please take a look on the internet for other programs honoring educators. In addition, [greatschools.org](https://www.greatschools.org) is a great place to share your support for your child's teacher and the school!

# Health Office Updates



## IMPORTANT HEALTH OFFICE INFORMATION

As illness or health situations occur throughout the school year, it may be necessary for medication to be administered at school. All prescribed AND over the counter medication (i.e. Tylenol, Ibuprofen, Benadryl, etc.) will need to be checked into the Health Office, along with a [Prescription and Non-prescription Medication Consent](#) form which requires a doctor's signature. These forms can be found on our website [www.eduprizeschools.net](http://www.eduprizeschools.net) under the Parent & Student Resources>Health Office Forms, or you can just click on any of the links provided in light blue.

- HEALTH ACTION PLAN: Please be aware that children who have asthma, diabetes, or seizures will need an action plan provided by their health care provider, ALONG with the signed [Prescription and Non-prescription Medication Consent](#) form .
- ASTHMA: If your child has asthma, an asthma action plan will need to be provided by your doctor ALONG with a signed [Prescription and Non-prescription Medication Consent](#) form .
- ALLERGIES: Allergies that require an EpiPen will need an [Anaphylaxis Management Packet](#) filled out and signed by a doctor along with the [Prescription and Non-prescription Medication Consent](#) form .
- MEDICATION: As a reminder, ALL medications need to be checked in at the Health Office. Students should not carry medications in their backpacks. A [Prescription and Non-prescription Medication Consent](#) form will also need to be filled out for any medications, prescription or non prescription.

We cannot accept ANY medications without these forms.

Any questions can be directed to the Health Office staff at (480) 813-9537 option 7

## Medication Authorization

If you would like your student to be able to access medication at school, please complete the authorization [FORM](#) and return to the health office.





# Give us a Review!



Hey everyone!

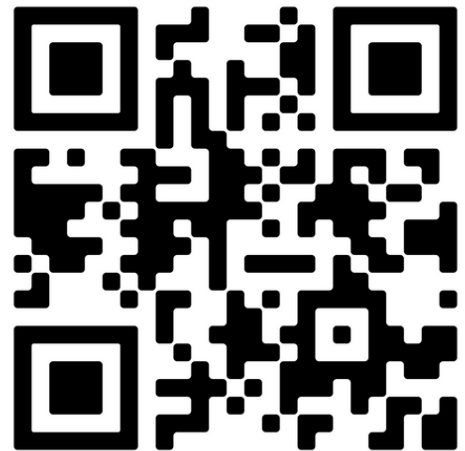
Positive reviews from awesome parents like you help other parents just like you to feel confident about choosing EDUPRIZE. Could you take 60 seconds and share your happy experiences?

We will be forever grateful. Thank you in advance for helping us out!

Use the QR Codes to write a review  
for EDUPRIZE Schools on  
Niche.com and Greatschools.org



Niche.com



Submit a Review

# Campus Students & Campus Parents

## Logging into the App

1. Download the app at the [App Store](#) or [Google Play](#).
2. Search for your District Name (Eduprize) and State. Select your district from the list.
3. Enter your Username and Password. (If you haven't create an account, please email: [april.talley@eduprizeschools.net](mailto:april.talley@eduprizeschools.net))
4. Click Log In!

## Logging in from a Web Browser

1. Visit <https://eduprizeaz.infinitecampus.org/campus/portal/parents/eduprize.jsp>
2. Enter your Username and Password. (If you haven't create an account, please email: [april.talley@eduprizeschools.net](mailto:april.talley@eduprizeschools.net))
3. Click Log In!



# WE ARE HIRING

The Kindergarten Department has an opening for classroom aides. We are interviewing for these positions internally and externally.

Internal applicants should submit a resume to Robin Yeargain by Friday, September 22, 2023.

External applicants should submit a support staff application found on our website [www.eduprize schools.net](http://www.eduprize schools.net).

**Position: Kindergarten Classroom Aide (3 total openings)**

**Hours:** up to 40 hrs. per week

**Pay:** Starting from \$14/hour

**Start Date:** October 16, 2023

## General Aide Job Description:

- ✓ Follow directives provided by the classroom teacher
- ✓ Provide assistance to children as necessary
- ✓ Monitor student's work for compliance with teacher's instructions
- ✓ Conduct learning exercises with small groups of students
- ✓ Help maintain order in the classroom; monitor students to keep them on task
- ✓ Prepare instructional materials
- ✓ Perform related work as required

If you have any questions, please email Janet, at [janet.mecone@eduprizeschools.net](mailto:janet.mecone@eduprizeschools.net)



## **COME AND JOIN OUR AIDE STAFF !**

**LOOKING FOR HARD WORKING PEOPLE WHO LOVE SAFETY AND WORKING WITH KIDS!**

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### **TIMES NEEDED ARE:**

**7:00-8:05 A.M.**

**10:20 A.M.-1:10 P.M.**

**2:30-3:40 P.M.**

**-GREAT FOR STAY AT HOME PARENTS, RETIREES AND COLLEGE STUDENTS  
OVER 21 YEARS OR OLDER.**

**- WE ARE VERY FLEXIBLE WITH SCHEDULES.**

**- FRIENDLY ENVIRONMENT**

**JOB TYPE: PART-TIME 19HRS A WEEK**

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### **IF INTERESTED PLEASE CONTACT:**

**TYM BRITTON**

**AIDE SUPERVISOR**

**CAR LANE COORDINATOR**

**LUNCH PROGRAM COORDINATOR**

**EDUPRIZE GILBERT**

**PHONE: (480) 813-9537 EXT.1270**

**EMAIL: TYM.BRITTON@EDUPRIZESCHOOLS.NET**



**NOW HIRING**

# **SUBSTITUTES**

## **We offer:**

**Competitive pay** - \$20.75/hour (teacher certified)  
\$19.50/hour (sub certified)  
\$17/hour (no certification)

**Flexible Schedules** - Traditional day and AM/PM TOPS

**Range of Classes** - Grades PreK-12th grade and specialty classes like dance, PE, computers, and much more.

**Incredible Community** - Our staff, students, and parents are a welcoming and loving community you will enjoy being apart of.

***IF INTERESTED PLEASE EMAIL***

[emily.yeaman@eduprizeschools.net](mailto:emily.yeaman@eduprizeschools.net)