

CHANDLER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 80

A Grade "A" District

By the Arizona Department of Education

Welcome to Kindergarten Open House!





TONIGHT'S SCHEDULE

- 5:30-5:40 Welcome, Introductions
 5:40-6:05
 - Students Go to Classrooms for Activities
 - Parents Remain in MPR for Presentation
- 6:05-6:20 Campus Tour
- 6:20-6:30 Visit the Office & PTO
 - Hancock Elementary



ABOUT OUR SCHOOL

Hancock Elementary is proud to be:

- An A+ School
- "A" rated by the Arizona Dept. of Education
- An Accelerated Academy



KINDERGARTEN PHILOSOPHY

Hancock Elementary School's mission is to provide students with the knowledge, skills and attitudes necessary to be lifelong learners and responsible citizens. We work to provide a safe, disciplined, and productive environment where students and staff are meaningfully engaged in learning.



INTRODUCTIONS

- Connie Hull, Principal
- Sherry Bollard, Student Services Coordinator
- Hannah Housmyer, Ashley Ellinwood, Laura Lopez,
- Kylea Suman and Shannon Riley, Kindergarten Teachers
- Andrea Dickson, Administrative Assistant
- Sue Dunham, Attendance Registrar
- Amy Fricke, Office Assistant



ADMISSION

Your child must be **<u>5 years of age by August 31st</u>** to register for the 2014-2015 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 <u>480-812-9314</u> to inquire about testing.

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KINDERGARTEN READINESS INDICATORS

Social & Emotional

• Sits quietly for 10-15 min.

- Clear understanding of the concept of cause & effect.
- Shares with others (teamwork).
- Will follow simple directions (2-3 steps).
- Able to recognize and follow directions from adults.
- Exhibits self-control and respect for others.
- Understands and reacts appropriately to consequences or redirection.
- Separates from parents.

Language, Listening & Speaking

- Recognizes and identifies colors.
- Pays attention to adult-directed tasks and direction.
- Speaks clearly using complete simple sentences using 5-6 words.
- Listens to stories without interruption.
- Can use their 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.
- Holds a pencil correctly.
- Uses and handles scissors correctly.
- Draws basic shapes.
- Bounces a ball.
- 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.
- Can button and use zippers.
- Ties shoes independently or with very little help.



KINDERGARTEN READINESS INDICATORS

Pre-Reading Skills

- Traces and/or writes letters and
 numbers.
- Recognizes letters of the alphabet.
- Recognizes sight words and environmental print (i.e. stop).
- Identify letters in his/her first and last name easily.
- Verbally recites the alphabet in
 order.
- Identifies rhyming words.
- Currently or is starting to identify the beginning letter sound of words.
- Identifies some alphabet letters.

Pre-Math Skills

Names basic shapes.

- Begins to recognize numbers 1-20.
- Understanding of times of day (morning, afternoon, evening).
- Sorts similar objects by color, size, and shape.
- Counts from 1-20+.
 - One-to-one correspondence while counting (is able to touch an object and count without skipping). Hancock

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SPECIAL AREA CLASSES

Kindergarten students also have the opportunity to learn special subjects! 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

- Kindergartners eat in the lunchroom every day before/after recess. 20 minutes on the playground + 20 minutes in the cafeteria.
- Students may purchase school lunch or bring a sack lunch from home.
- There are four ways parents can put money in their child's lunch account:
 - Log onto: <u>www.mylunchmoney.com</u> 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.

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SAMPLE DAILY SCHEDULE

8:35 - Unpack procedures, attendance, lunch count, pledge

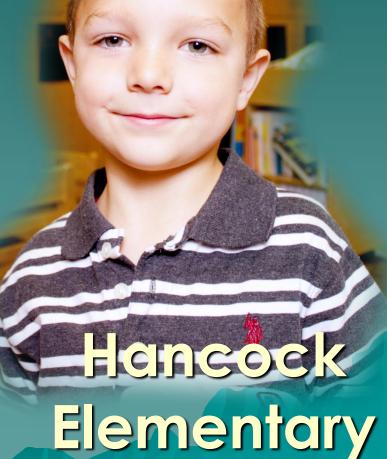
- 8:55 Daily 5 (Reading Block)
- 10:00 Recess, snack & bathroom break
- 10:20 Phonics and writing
- 11:30 Lunch & recess
- 12:15 DEAR/quiet time & bathroom break
- 12:45 Calendar & daily word problem
- 1:10 Bathroom break
- 1:20 Specials (PE, computers, music, PE, library, music)
- 1:55 Snack
- 2:05 Math
- 3:05 Dismissal



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

- 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).
- Read Alouds
- Shared Reading
- Guided Reading
- Daily 5



WRITING

- Handwriting
- Thinking Maps
- Spelling
- Journals
- Shared Writing







- Whole Group
- Small Groups
- Hands-on Activities
- Manipulatives
- Story Problems



SCIENCE & SOCIAL STUDIES

- Science Fair
- Integrated with Writing and Reading
 - Plant Life Cycle
 - Human Body
 - Community Helpers
 - Explorers
 - Desert
 - National Symbols
 - Life Cycles
 - Oceans



CURRICULUM INFO.

- Visit our Instructional Resource Center (IRC) webpage to obtain more information about the curriculum and standards at: <u>http://cusd80.com/Page/31389</u>
- 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
- Assist with Reading or Writing Centers/Stations
- Preparing Materials (at home or at school)
- Art Masterpiece
- Class Celebrations
- Field Trips

School Support

PTO

- Art Masterpiece
- 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: <u>Kids-Express@cusd80.com</u>. You can also register in person at the Community Education Department a 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





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- 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 has 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) Hancock Elementary



THANK YOU FOR COMING!

- KIST Testing May 21, 22, 23, 24 & 30th
- Meet the Teacher/Curriculum Night July 17, 2014
- First day of School July 21, 2014 8:35 am

Welcome to the Hancock Family! We are "Blazing a Path to the Future."