Parent Handbook 2027-2028

Advantage Preschool - tuition based, Building Blocks, Kindergarten Prep, TOYBOX

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Disclaimer

All information and policies in this handbook have been written with the intent to be a permanent policy. Policies and Procedures may be subject to change at the direction of Gilbert Public Schools, Maricopa County Health Department, CDC Guidance, and Department of Health and Human Services Protocol.

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Gilbert Public Schools Preschool Programs

Mission Statement

The vision of the Gilbert Public Schools Preschool Department was born out of a desire to provide opportunities to enhance its excellent educational programs. Our goal is to create programs that reflect our commitment to providing high standards for quality programs within a nurturing, friendly, and safe environment.

Gilbert Public Schools Preschool Programs provide a loving, safe, fun, and educational environment for children. Children ages three, four and five are given an opportunity to choose from a variety of well-rounded programs that meet their developmental needs and interests.

AZ Early Learning Childhood Standards

All Gilbert Public School Preschool Programs follow the AZ Early Learning Childhood Standards. The Arizona Early Learning Standards, 4th Edition (AzELS) provides a framework for the planning of quality early learning experiences for all children three to five years of age. The AzELS framework provides an essential first step for designing and/or choosing an effective, high-quality preschool curriculum.

Advantage, Building Blocks, Kinder-Prep and TOYBOX Preschool programs are licensed and inspected by the Arizona Department of Health Services (DHS). Facility inspection reports are available for public viewing at the Arizona Department of Health Services, 150 N. 18th Avenue, Suite 400, Phoenix, AZ 85007-3244 and at each campus.

Please carefully read the Parent Handbook.
You are responsible for the information it contains.
If you have any questions, please contact
Gilbert Public Schools Preschool Office at 480.497.3461

Gilbert Public Schools tax ID number for claiming child care expenses: 86-6000530.

Program Descriptions

Advantage Preschool - Tuition-based

This guided play program is aligned with the Arizona Department of Education Early Learning Standards, with a focus on critical thinking skills and social/emotional development. Thematic units are explored by students using a variety of learning styles and modalities, which in turn, ignites curiosity and encourages sustained attention. The program is supplemented using Handwriting Without Tears and Creative Curriculum intentional learning materials. Typically developing peers and those with developmental delays work together and grow in one inclusive environment. Instruction is individualized based upon ongoing progress monitoring (Child Outcome Summary) so the teacher knows what a child knows and what they are ready to learn next. This is data that is collected by the state to ensure that programs are meeting state standards. *Tuition Students in Advantage Preschool are role model students. They need to have typical development in all developmental domains, have fluent English language skills, and be toilet trained.

Building Blocks Preschool

We believe academics and social development are intertwined, and that curriculum is a living, growing aspect of preschool. We have a commitment to each school's design and firmly believe that this commitment is crucial to our students' success. We begin by understanding that every student is different. We focus on using each student's strengths to build upon those areas that need developing. Learning is applied through academics and exploratory play. These activities can be child-directed or teacher-directed. With a fluid schedule, teachers are then able to assess transitions and begin to build a foundation tailored to each individual student. Programming is aligned with the Arizona Department of Education Early Learning Standards and is supplemented with Fundations and Handwriting Without Tears materials. Building Blocks passionately encourages school involvement through opportunities like PE, Library, Music, Art, fun runs, assemblies, school pictures, spirit weeks, and other fun site-specific activities. Building Blocks runs a school day from 7:45 a.m.- 3:15 pm. For an additional cost, parents can extend the day from 6:30 am to 6:00 pm through the Community Education VIK before/after school program.

Within the Building Blocks' programming for 3-year-olds, students will engage with specially designed, curriculum-based material. By utilizing circle time routines, students are introduced to letters, numbers, colors, days of the week, months, and weather. While using a small group setting, they complete six learning centers a day. In between learning centers are lunch, rest time, and exploration play. The day begins and concludes with structured-based play which focuses on socialization. By constructing a curriculum containing a more challenging approach to the same subjects included in our 3's program, our 4 and young 5-year-olds continue to master letters, numbers, colors, the calendar, writing their names, addresses, phone numbers, and begin preparation for reading readiness. Socialization and opportunities to build friendships are encouraged throughout our school day schedule. Upon completion of the Building Blocks program, our students have the foundation in place to enter kindergarten with

the tools, experiences, and passion for learning that helps to ensure academic success now and well into the future.

Dual Language Exploration

At Gilbert Elementary School, we empower our youngest learners with the gift of bilingualism, cultural awareness, and a strong academic foundation. Our Building Blocks Preschool Program offers a dynamic dual-language immersion experience designed specifically for three-, four-, and five-year-old children.

By nurturing early curiosity in both English and Spanish, Building Blocks sets students on a path toward academic excellence, cognitive adaptability, and lifelong multilingual confidence.

The Dual-Language Immersion Experience

Our balanced 50/50 immersion structure provides young children with rich exposure to both languages during their peak developmental years:

- **Half Day in English**: Students participate in interactive learning activities, social-emotional growth routines, vocabulary building, and early literacy instruction conducted entirely in English.
- **Half Day in Spanish**: Taught by a dedicated **native Spanish speaker**, students immerse themselves in rich language acquisition, storytelling, guided play, and foundational content in Spanish, cultivating natural fluency and authentic pronunciation.

Kindergarten Prep

At Gilbert Public Schools, we believe that for a preschooler, the road to knowledge is through exploration and building strong oral language skills. This is the ideal program for young five-year-olds and/or preschoolers who missed the kindergarten cut-off age requirement (September- December birthdays) for the registering school year.

Conventional Kindergarten Prep

Kindergarten Prep is a 20-student program taught by a certified teacher with a classroom Child Educator Assistant, designed to give your child a jump start on becoming a prepared and eager Gilbert Public Schools student ready for the rigors of Kindergarten! Kindergarten Prep curriculum focuses on literacy and academic content in an intentionally developed preschool environment. It is aligned with the Arizona Department of Education Early Learning Standards and is supplemented with: Fundations, Handwriting Without Tears, We Thinkers! Social-Emotional curriculum, S.T.E.A.M. and Unplugged Coding activities.

Advanced Learning/Gifted Cluster Kindergarten Prep

At Ashland Ranch Elementary, we believe every child deserves a strong beginning and an educational experience that recognizes their individual strengths, interests, and readiness to learn. Our KPrep preschool program provides a nurturing environment where children can grow socially, develop confidence, build foundational academic skills, and discover the joy of learning.

What makes Ashland Ranch's Kindergarten Prep program unique is our commitment to meeting the needs of **all learners in the same engaging, supportive setting**. Ashland Ranch Elementary is the only school in Gilbert Public Schools with a **Gifted Endorsed Teacher serving in its Pre-Kindergarten program**. This specialized expertise allows our teacher to provide differentiated instruction and meaningful enrichment opportunities while ensuring that every child is appropriately supported and engaged.

Our students participate in rich, rigorous, and developmentally appropriate learning experiences that build early literacy, mathematics, language, problem-solving, creativity, and critical-thinking skills. We also recognize that young children learn through play, exploration, movement, and relationships. Our program intentionally balances academic learning with purposeful play and opportunities for social development, collaboration, and creativity.

Children do not all learn in the same way or at the same pace. Through differentiated instruction and fluid grouping, students can work with peers based on their learning needs, interests, and areas of strength. Students who demonstrate an aptitude for advanced learning may have opportunities to explore **depth and complexity**, allowing them to make connections, think more deeply, ask questions, and extend their understanding.

Our Kinder Prep program also provides a strong foundation for kindergarten and beyond. For students who demonstrate gifted learning needs, Ashland Ranch offers a unique opportunity to continue their educational journey within **Gilbert Public Schools' only K–6 Gifted program**, right here at Ashland Ranch Elementary. This continuity allows students to grow within a school community that understands and celebrates their strengths.

Families can choose from **full-day or half-day options**, providing flexibility while giving children access to a high-quality early learning experience.

At Ashland Ranch, we want every child to feel **known, inspired, supported, and connected**. Our Pre-Kindergarten program is where children build a strong foundation, develop a love of learning, and begin their school journey knowing they belong.

Traditional Kindergarten Prep

Traditional Preschool aligns with the same curriculum that is found on our Traditional Campuses (Neely and Canyon Rim). Your child will have the opportunity to transform learning into a walk of discovery, offering safe and exciting opportunities for

experimentation, challenge and fun at every turn! This program is designed to give your child a jumpstart on becoming a prepared and eager student ready for the rigors of Kindergarten! A child who is ready to focus and sit a little longer than average is a student who would be the most successful. Traditional Preschool teachings are aligned with the Arizona Department of Education Early Learning Standards and are supplemented with Spalding, Math in Focus, STEM Activities, Unplugged Computer Coding and Learning Without Tears. This classroom is a 20-student program taught by a certified teacher with a classroom Child Educator Assistant.

S.T.E.A.M. Kindergarten Prep

Through project-based learning, the concepts of problem-solving, creativity and investigation are introduced and reinforced to our early learners in the S.T.E.A.M. KPrep program located at Quartz Hill. This is a hybrid-day program (AM, PM or Full Day) where the selected activities align with the Arizona Early Learning standards as they support developing early critical thinking skills and global mindedness. Through these experiences, children will use their imagination, be innovators and be inspired as emerging Trailblazers!

TOYBOX

TOYBOX (Training Opportunities with Youngsters to Broaden Occupational Experiences) offers a full "Play-Based" curriculum teaching all subjects each day, including language and literacy, STEM (science, tools, engineering and math), social studies, art, music, and PE. Our goal is to prepare children for success in Kindergarten as well as their entire educational careers. We work hard to build a positive foundation for school success and a love for learning. The TOYBOX Early Learning Center provides the opportunity for children to develop social relationships with peers, gain a positive self-concept and foster an attitude of enthusiasm about school at an early age.

Children learn to think critically, solve problems creatively, and interact in group situations. Having the support of the high school students helps to maintain a low child-to-adult ratio, resulting in more one-on-one attention and learning. The high school students observe, plan and work with the children under the direction and guidance of Early Childhood professionals. Being on a high school campus allows TOYBOX unique opportunities to participate in many activities such as trying out the instruments in orchestra, creating pottery with clay, participating in simple science experiments, making a creative snack with culinary, or visiting the animals in the agriculture lab.



Preschool Program Locations

Advantage Preschool

- Ashland Ranch
- Augusta Ranch
- Boulder Creek
- Burk
- Canyon Rim
- Carol Rae Ranch
- Finley Farms
- Gilbert El
- Greenfield
- Harris
- Highland Park
- Meridian
- Mesquite
- Oak Tree
- Patterson
- Playa del Rey
- Settler's Point
- Sonoma Ranch
- Spectrum
- Superstition Springs
- Towne Meadows
- Val Vista Lakes

Building Blocks

- Ashland Ranch
- Boulder Creek
- Carol Rae Ranch
- Finley Farms
- Gilbert El (Dual Language)
- Greenfield El
- Islands
- Meridian
- Mesquite
- Playa del Rey
- Sonoma Ranch
- Spectrum
- Superstition Springs

Kindergarten Prep

- Ashland Ranch
- Canyon Rim
- Highland Park
- Neely Traditional Academy
- Quartz Hill *(S.T.E.A.M.)*
- Val Vista Lakes

TOYBOX

- Campo Verde High School
- Desert Ridge High School
- Gilbert High School
- Highland High School
- Mesquite High School

Program Policies and Procedures

Minimum Age Requirements

Advantage Preschool
*3 years old by August 31, 2027

Building Blocks
*3 years old by August 31, 2027

Kindergarten Prep
4 years old by August 31, 2027

TOYBOX
*3 years old by August 31, 2027

**Students meeting the age requirement may not start attending the program until they turn 3 years of age per AZDHS Licensing. These age requirements align with the Arizona Department of Education's age requirements for kindergarten.*

Enrollment Procedures

Registration must be completed online. All information needs to be filled in completely during registration. The required information will be used to complete your child's registration form and emergency information sheet. You will need to submit a copy of your child's birth certificate along with proof of current immunizations. During the registration process on Arux you will create your username and password for future access to your account. A non-refundable registration fee per child and security deposit or first month's tuition is due at the time of registration. After your registration has been approved, you will receive a confirmation email. Employee discount must be verified before registration approval. ***If your child has an IEP or 504, the supervisor of your specific program must review and approve it prior to registration approval.** Please email your student's IEP or 504 to nancy.parker@gilbertschools.net

In addition to the Arux registration into a preschool class, an online district pre-enrollment must be completed for each preschooler. *Please Note: Enter the child in the Infinite Campus enrollment as an "enrolling student". & "GPS Holding" as the campus.* New Family Registration | Existing GPS Family Registration (Infinite Campus) If your child is a returning GPS student, you may skip this step.

Food

Lunch in full-day preschool classrooms may be purchased from nutrition services for an additional fee or your child may bring their own lunch from home. Snacks are provided in Building Blocks and TOYBOX, but a family may send in snacks for their child if they prefer to do so. In Advantage Preschool and Kindergarten Prep, the snacks are sent with the student. Their teacher will advise you on how snacks are handled in their classroom.



Requirements

Age

To enroll, students must turn 3 years old by August 31, 2027. For July and August birthdays, they may not start until on or after their 3rd birthday. For **Kindergarten Prep, students MUST turn 4 by August 31, 2027** to enroll in the program. This aligns with the state age requirements for beginning kindergarten.

Toileting

All students must be completely independent in toileting; to be considered **completely** independent in toileting, a child must be able to do ALL of the following:

- *Are able to communicate the need to go to the toilet, including but not limited to, demonstrating control over going if they must wait for someone who is in the bathroom or if away from the bathroom*
- *Can independently pull down their underwear and pants and pull them back up when done. This includes clothing with belts, buttons, zippers etc., if worn to school.*
- *Can independently clean their bottoms after using the toilet*
- *Get on and off the toilet by themselves*
- *Wash and dry their hands by themselves*
- *Disposable training pants (i.e. Pull-ups) are not permitted per AZDHS Licensing*

Enrollment Dates

Registration opens November 2, 2026 and, pending availability, will remain open throughout the first semester. *Both the Arux and Infinite Campus registrations must be completed by July 16, 2027 in order to ensure the ability to start on the first day of school.* Registration must also be finalized on the campus before the child's start date. **Your student may not attend the program until you have received a confirmation email, completed the additional district registration AND finalized registration at the campus.** GPS Preschool Programs enroll on a first-come, first-served basis.

An incomplete "Emergency Information and Immunization Record" may delay enrollment or start date in the program. It is the parent's responsibility to keep enrollment records current.

Enrollment Limits

Student enrollment limits in GPS Preschool Programs are determined by two factors: availability of space and AZDHS capacity limit guidelines. Each school determines the space that the program will utilize. Programs offered during the school day may be reduced or relocated yearly due to changes in student enrollment at individual school locations.

Schedules

Gilbert Public Schools Preschools provide a variety of programs and schedules to fit the community needs. Upon registration, families can select a program and schedule for the school year. Modification to contracts can be requested in the Arux system, requests will be reviewed, approved or denied based on availability of the specific program.

Department of Economic Security (DES) Child Care Assistance

Participants receiving DES Child Care Assistance are responsible for their co-pay assigned by DES and any remaining charges not reimbursed by DES during the school year. Please note that **DES only reimburses for days that the child/children attend per our DES Contract.** If a child has been scheduled and does not attend, a charge will be assessed for that day at regular program rates. Please ensure a contract and schedule has been selected per program policy to avoid any extra fees.

Parents are required to sign and date the DES Signature Log for each child/children attending a preschool program on a monthly basis so that it can be included with the DES Billing Document. If the DES Signature Log is not signed by the parent, the regular rate will apply and be charged to the account. Parents are responsible for charges not reimbursed by DES.

Billing and Payments

A security deposit and/or first tuition payment is due at the time of registration along with a registration fee.** Subsequent payments are invoiced on the 10th of each month, auto-drafted on the 15th of the month prior to the month attending. A late payment fee will be applied on the 20th of each month if tuition has not been paid for the following month. Attendance will be on hold for any account with an outstanding balance on the 1st of the month. *If your account is not brought current by the 5th of the month, the registration will be forfeited and a new preschool registration will be required for enrollment.* Programs require an AutoPay be saved in your Arux account to be used for monthly payments.

Tuition will remain the same as the prior school year, billed at the daily rate and invoiced monthly. This allows for lower payments during months with breaks, but months with no breaks will have a higher payment for that month. Payment is due for all school days within the contract period. Credit is not given for sick days or vacation days as the child's placement in the class is still held.

Security deposits will be applied to the first scheduled tuition payment.

All payments must be submitted online in your Arux account.

The Community Education Business Office
6839 E. Guadalupe Road, Mesa, AZ 85212
Monday-Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Closed on Fridays during June & July.

Computers are available to use during regular office hours.
The Community Education Office is not responsible if payment is late due to personal technical difficulties.

Gilbert Public Schools tax ID number for claiming child care expenses: 86-6000530



Fee Schedule and Hours of Operation

Registration Fee: $50

Fees listed below are DAILY tuition fees. The tuition will be billed monthly according to the number of school days in the billing month. The yearly tuition has remained the same as the previous school year.

Advantage Preschool - Tuition Based

AM - 8:00 am-10:30 am
PM - 11:15 am-1:45 pm

Integrated
3 Day Option
M/T/Th
$25.00/Day

Integrated
4 Day Option
M/T/Th/F
$22.06/Day

Integrated SPICE
Canyon Rim and Finley Farms
M/T/Th/F
$7.25/Day

Building Blocks

School Day - 7:45 am-3:15 pm

T/Th - $63.33/Day

M/W/F - $57.14/Day

Mon-Fri - $45.83/Day

**Extended day hours (6:30 am - 6:00 pm) are available for Building Blocks preschool students for an additional charge through the Community Education VIK before/after school program; additional registration required.*

Kindergarten Prep - Conventional and Traditional

Hybrid Locations *(AM, PM or Full Day*)*
Conventional:
Ashland Ranch*
Highland Park
Val Vista Lakes
*****Instructed by a Gifted Endorsed Teacher
Traditional:
Canyon Rim
Neely Traditional

AM Classes: Mon-Fri 8:15 am-11:15 am
$29.78/Day
PM Classes: M/T/Th/F 12:15 pm-3:15 pm
$29.71/Day

Full Day : Mon-Fri* (4.5 days per week)
8:15 am-3:15 pm
Wednesday Early Release 11:15 am
$53.37/Day

Kindergarten Prep - S.T.E.A.M.

Quartz Hill

AM Classes: Mon-Fri 8:00 am-11:00 am
$29.78/Day
PM Classes: Mon-Fri****** 12:00 pm-3:00 pm
$29.59/Day

Full Day : Mon-Fri****** 8:00 am-3:00 pm
$57.87/Day

*****Every Wednesday Early Release at 2:00 pm***

TOYBOX

School Day - 7:00 am - 4:30 pm

Part Time (3 days/week) - $57.14/Day**

Full Time - $42.50/Day

**TOYBOX 3 days per week daily cost is figured with a Monday, Wednesday, Friday schedule. This will be your daily rate regardless of your chosen schedule.

- **GPS employees may call the Community Education office for employee rates**
- **Only one discount may be applied per preschool schedule-the largest discount will be used.**

Tours

If you would like to schedule a tour of a GPS preschool program you will submit your tour request online at gilbertschools.net/visit The campus office staff and/or classroom teacher will make the arrangements for your visit.

Registration Payments

For registrations prior to or on June 9, 2027, a $50 registration fee and $100 security deposit will be collected at the time of registration with the remaining tuition balance due by June 15, 2027. **Both the registration fee and security deposit are non-refundable.**

For registration on or after June 10, 2027, the non-refundable registration fee is due at the time of registration approval. The first month's tuition will be invoiced and due within 5 days.

Refund Policy

GPS Preschool Programs have a non-refundable registration fee, security deposit and monthly tuition policy. **Refunds are not given for student absences, including unused days, sick days and vacation days.**

All preschool program's enrollment is on a first come first serve basis. There are maximum and minimum enrollment requirements for all programs. Parents will be notified if enrollments are not adequate to have a program at a site.

Early Drop Off or Late Pickup

An early/late pick-up fee of $1.00 for every minute will be assessed for any drop-offs before your scheduled class time or late pick-ups after your scheduled class time. Attendance is taken through the iPad at each site with the exception of Advantage Preschool. Children who are signed in early or out late, according to their Program Contract time, will be charged the early/late fee per the policy of the program attending. The charge will be applied to your account and will show on the following month's invoice.

More than five early drop-offs and/or late pick-ups per semester may result in dismissal of your child from the program.

Additional Fees

Late payments: A $25.00 late fee will be billed if the account is not paid in full within 5 days of the due date.

Program Start Dates

Advantage Preschool
Thursday, July 29, 2027

Kindergarten Prep
Tuesday, July 27, 2027

Building Blocks
Tuesday, July 27, 2027

TOYBOX
Tuesday, July 27, 2027

Program End Dates

Advantage Preschool
Tuesday, May 23, 2028

Kindergarten Prep
Thursday, May 25, 2028

Building Blocks
Thursday, May 25, 2028

TOYBOX
Thursday, May 25, 2028

Closures - All Preschool Programs

All Preschool Programs will be closed on the following days. Dates are subject to change, based on GPS District Calendar.

Labor Day
September 6, 2027

Fall Break
October 4-15, 2027

Veteran's Day
November 11, 2027

Thanksgiving
November 24-26, 2027

Winter Break
December 20-31, 2027

Martin Luther King Day
January 17, 2028

President's Day
February 21, 2028

Spring Break
March 6-17, 2028

Spring Holiday
April 14, 2027

Additional Program Closures and Early Release Days

Kindergarten Prep

AM & Full Day

11:15 am Release

EVERY WEDNESDAY

September 23-24: Parent Conferences

October 1: Grading Day

December 17: Grading Day

March 3: Grading Day

PM Kinder Prep

No Class

EVERY WEDNESDAY

October 1: Grading Day

December 17: Grading Day

March 3: Grading Day

Advantage Preschool

no school days

September 23-24: Parent Conferences

October1: Grading Day

December 16-17: Grading Day

March 3: Grading Day

Kindergarten Prep Quartz Hill

AM & Full Day

2:00 pm Release

EVERY WEDNESDAY

12:00 PM Release AM & Full Day

No Class for PM

August 25: Teacher Training

September 23-24: Parent Conferences

October 1: Grading Day

October 27: Teacher Training

December 17: Grading Day

January 12: Teacher Training

February 16: Teacher Training

March 3: Grading Day

Building Blocks

N/A

TOYBOX

Closes at 3:30 the day before

Fall, Winter, Spring & Summer Breaks

Holidays Camps

Enroll in any GPS Preschool Program and enjoy a waived registration fee for our GPS Holiday Camps. Additionally, students in the Building Blocks program have access to VIK extended day programing. You can find all registration in your Arux account.

GPS offers Holiday Camps at a few select locations on the following holidays:

Fall Break

Oct 4-8 & 11-15, 2027

Veteran's Day

November 11, 2027

Day before Thanksgiving Holiday

November 25, 2027

Winter Break

December 20-30, 2027

Martin Luther King Day

January 17, 2028

President's Day

February 21, 2028

Spring Break

March 6-10, & 13-17, 2028

Community Education Business & Preschool Offices are Closed On Holiday Camp Days

All Holiday Camp sites and dates are subject to change and are based on enrollment.

Family Involvement

GPS Preschool Programs truly believes the key to the success of the program involves both staff and parents. The staff appreciates your thoughts, ideas, and concerns regarding the program.

Special events give you a chance to spend time with staff, engage in various activities, meet other parents, and explore your child's environment. Parents are invited to attend field trips with their children or visit them at classrooms at any time.* Each family will receive information about curriculum, activities, and special events. Parents may have access to the areas of the facility premises where their child is receiving services. Our curriculums are available for review at each site or at the Preschool Office.

*For security reasons, all visitors must enter and sign in through the campus front office.

Away for the Day (Cell phones & Smartwatches)

At the start of the school day, upon entering the preschool classroom, cell phones and smartwatches must be turned off or set to silent (airplane mode) and stored out of sight (for example, in a backpack) during the whole school day, unless instructed otherwise by a staff member. Cell phones can only be used during class when permitted by a teacher or staff member for educational purposes.

Behavioral Guidelines

Because social growth is so crucial during the preschool years, our preschool teams will focus on helping children learn appropriate behaviors. Behavioral guidelines have been established with the goal of not only maintaining the physical and emotional well-being of each student, but also teaching self-discipline, judgment, and manners. Positive techniques are used to guide children's behavior. Parents and staff are viewed as partners in guiding a child's development. Staff will work with parents and teachers to establish consistency for each child. Parents will be kept informed of problems should they arise.

Appropriate behavior is essential to learning and growing and should be based upon mutual respect for the rights and property of others, respect for those placed in authority, and respect for every student. No one will be allowed to jeopardize the health, safety, or learning environment of other children. Children will be expected to display responsible behavior when they are attending a GPS Preschool Program. Emphasis is placed upon each student taking responsibility for his/her own behavior. For more severe or continuous problems, one or more of the following may result: incident report, conference with parent, suspension, and/or removal from their program.

The following are general expectations of all students. Individual sites may choose to extend these expectations:

- Listen and follow directions the first time given.
- Keep hands, feet, and all objects to self.
- Respect others and equipment.

- Use words to solve problems. If that doesn't work, ask a staff member for assistance.
- Never be out of sight or sound of staff.

For more severe** or continuous issues*, one or more of the following may result:

- Phone call to parent, which may result in student leaving for the remainder of the day
- Written incident report
- Conference with parent
- Behavior Improvement Plan developed to support the child (if student is not a risk to others)
- Removal from the program

**If the Preschool Team determines that a child cannot benefit from the program or presents a danger to other children, parents may need to withdraw their child from the program.*

***If the Preschool Team determines that a student would benefit from going through a screening process in the district of residence, due to concerns about the child's development, and possibly needing intervention, the parent will be notified as soon as possible. Depending on the level of concern, parents may need to withdraw their child from the program.*

Transportation Policy

Gilbert Public Schools Preschool Programs do not provide transportation to or from our tuition programs. Parents and/or guardians are responsible for transporting their child to and from the campuses.

Sign In & Out Procedures

For the safety of your child, individuals will be required to show proof of ID to the site staff at any time. A child will not be released to an individual refusing to show ID upon request. Police will be called if a child is removed from the program by anyone refusing to show ID. Always bring an ID to the site. Do not assume you will not need it.

AZDHS requires that a parent or an authorized party sign a child in and out of a Preschool Program each day. To sign a child out, the parent or authorized party **must sign in ink his/her full name, the date, and the time or use the digital sign-in and out tablet.** The child must leave the site once he/she has been signed out.

A child enrolled in a GPS Preschool Program will be released only to those persons specifically authorized on the emergency information form (blue card). Exceptions cannot be made without advance written permission of the parent. Site staff are not eligible to be authorized signers. It is assumed that both parents have the right to pick up a child unless it is otherwise noted. If one parent has sole legal custody of a child, the Preschool Office must have a legal document on file stating such.

In the case of an extreme emergency only, the parent/guardian who registered the child for the preschool program may call the site to authorize emergency telephone release of their child to a designated person. Parents will be asked for very specific information

regarding their child prior to the release being authorized by the staff. AZDHS requires a photo ID from the designated person at the time the child is picked up from the site.

Personal Belongings

We cannot assume responsibility for personal belongings. Please have your child leave personal belongings in his/her backpack or at home. This includes any electronics. Please clearly mark any item your child does bring.

Special Needs

Gilbert Public Schools Preschool Programs fully comply with the requirements of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, applicable AZDHS regulations, and applicable federal, state, and local laws.

Reasonable modifications will be provided to afford a student with a disability meaningful access to our programs, unless it is demonstrated that the modification would be a fundamental alteration in the nature of the programs, or constitute an undue financial and administrative burden. Any student, including students with disabilities, may be removed from a preschool program if that student, even with reasonable modifications, is so disruptive to the program that other students cannot participate in or are in danger.

If your child has special needs or disabilities, please contact the supervisor of your program before registration. AZDHS regulations (R9-5-507) require that you provide copies of the following: your child's IEP, medication schedule, and qualifications for staff.

Medication Administration & Emergency Procedures

Medication is **not** given to participants without prior arrangements with the staff. If approved, only physician-prescribed medication in the original prescription container will be given. The container must be labeled by the pharmacist and must include the name of the student, date, dosage, name of the medication, and method of administration. A "Medication Consent Form" for the administration of medication must be completed by the parent or guardian and be kept on file at the site. Any unused or expired prescription medication will be returned to the parent or guardian. Medications will be disposed of two weeks after the expiration date or a child's withdrawal from the program. In case of an emergency, as determined by program staff, paramedics will be called and a parent will be notified immediately. Parents will be responsible for all costs incurred in such emergencies. A separate medication consent form must be filled out for holiday camps and summer camp. Please contact your campus staff for further instructions on medication requirements for holiday and/or summer camps.

Gilbert Public Schools ILLNESS Guidelines

Source: Preschool Parent Handbook

A child should not attend class with any of the following symptoms:

- fever within the past 24 hours
- vomiting
- diarrhea
- undiagnosed rash
- inflamed or matter-filled eyes
- severe cold or sore throat
- swollen glands
- head or stomach aches
- head lice

If a child becomes ill while attending a program, for example, with a temperature of 100.0°F or higher, vomiting, frequent diarrhea, or onset of a rash, etc., a parent/guardian/emergency contact must pick up the child within an hour of being notified.

Parents must inform the site staff when an absence is due to a potentially infectious illness.

Additional illness and absence requirements may be imposed by Gilbert Public School Health Services Department.

Emergency Procedures

In the event of an accident or emergency, the following procedures will be followed:

- A staff member will administer first aid and/or CPR.
- If the accident/emergency is severe or questionable, 911 will be contacted
- Staff will use the child's Emergency Information Card to contact the parent/guardian or other emergency contacts.
- Parents will be verbally notified within 30 minutes of the incident. Parents will also be notified in writing by program staff, in the form of an accident report. This will be given to the parent/guardian within 24 hours of the incident.
- If your child must be transported to a medical facility, a staff member will accompany them to the facility and remain with the child until a parent/guardian arrives.

Emergency Drills and Evacuation Plans

Fire Drill and Emergency Drill (lockdown, shelter in place and/or evacuation drill) practice are performed monthly in accordance with GPS Governing Board Policy and AZDHS guidelines. A headcount of children in attendance will be taken and the children will be orderly led by the staff to the nearest safe exit area. All drills are documented.

Toileting Accidents

If a child has a bowel movement accident, we will make the child as comfortable as possible and contact a parent to come and pick up the child if necessary. If the accident is due to diarrhea, then the child must be taken home. Please be advised, this does not apply to urinating accidents. We do realize that many young children will have "accidents" on occasion, especially in a new situation such as the beginning of the school year. However, if accidents become frequent, an adjustment period will be discussed to determine how to best meet the needs of your child while maintaining state-enforced licensing standards. Please note that preschool staff are not licensed to change diapers, including Pull-Ups.

Dress

Bring your student to school in comfortable clothes that allow them to move around and not worry about getting dirty. Students must wear shorts/pants under dresses/skirts. It is also important to make sure they are appropriately dressed for the season. Children must wear closed-toed shoes or sneakers. Flip-flops, sandals, or heels are not appropriate. Closed-toed shoes or sneakers are best for keeping children safe on our playground and throughout the day.

Immunization & Emergency Contacts

A child's immunization records are required before attendance. The Arizona Department of Health Services (AZDHS) and Gilbert Public Schools Health Services require that the immunization record provided by a parent from a health care provider

contain all current, age-appropriate immunizations. Immunization updates must be provided to the campus health office. Students may not attend if immunizations lapse.

It is the parent's responsibility to make sure that the information on the "Emergency Information and Immunization Record", filled out at registration, is kept current at the site and in your family account. It is extremely important that all home, business, and emergency contacts are correct. You will need to list at least four local emergency contacts, which include parents, on the emergency record. For each of these four emergency contacts, you will also select if they are an Authorized Pickup person for your child. No one may pick up your child unless listed as an authorized pickup person on Arux. You may update your Authorized Pickup list via your Arux Childcare Account.

Screenings

GPS Preschool Programs are proud to support the mandated Child Find efforts as outlined by the Arizona Department of Education. In compliance with the law, we will conduct Child Find developmental screenings on all students within their first 45 days of attendance in our program. We will discuss any developmental concerns that arise based on your child's screening with you.

Screenings for vision and hearing are performed by the Health Services staff at the campus on preschool students during the school year. If you do not want your child to participate in any screenings, please contact the campus nurse. Hearing and Vision Opt Out Letter If a child is participating in developmental testing, vision and hearing screenings are a requirement for the testing process.

Staff/Child Ratio

To ensure the quality of our Preschool Programs, the staff-to-child ratios are kept below the standards of 1:13 set forth by the Arizona Department of Health Services.

Staff Qualifications

Staff members meet or exceed established educational and experience requirements for the positions held, participate in formal training each year, and undergo background checks through local, state, and federal authorities. Ongoing professional development opportunities in the areas of UDL (Universal Design of Learning), classroom management, social-emotional development, conscious discipline, teaching strategies, AZELS (Arizona Early Learning Standards), safety practices, and child development are provided for all staff throughout the year. Teachers in Advantage Preschool and Kindergarten Prep are ADE HQ certified teachers.

Field Trip Procedures

Before any field trip, the teacher shall provide parents with written information concerning the purpose of the trip, transportation, eating arrangements, and date and time of the field trip. Parents will be required to sign a field trip permission form. Parents must accompany their children on non-walking distance field trips. Transportation is not provided for those field trips that are not within walking distance.

Insurance

Gilbert Public Schools District carries liability insurance, which covers the GPS Preschool Programs. The insurance coverage is provided by Arizona School Risk Retention Trust, Inc. This coverage applies to any time your child is signed into a preschool program, including off-site field trips. This policy **does not** provide accident/medical coverage and we suggest each child be covered on an individual or family health care plan.

Pesticide Application

In the event it becomes necessary to apply pesticide on the premises, parents will be notified in writing 48 hours prior to the pesticide application. The pesticide information as described in R9-3-306 of the Arizona Rules and Revised Statutes will be included in the written document.

Empowerment Program

As an organization that is licensed with the State of Arizona Department of Health, we are also participants in the state's Empowerment Program. This is a program that is focused on ensuring centers are incorporating specific nutritional guidelines and healthy practices such as sun safety, oral health, and reducing tobacco use in the community. This means that we must serve meals family style, provide families with information about sun safety and tobacco cessation, and ensure that children are receiving meals that are balanced with all food groups. We are also required to provide at least an hour of physical activity for the children daily, limit screen time to less than 3 hours a week, and limit juice intake to 4 ounces or less a day. If you have any further questions regarding our participation in this program, please feel free to contact your specific program's supervisor and/or coordinator. You may also find additional information regarding this program at the Arizona Department of Health Child Care website www.azdhs.gov.



Additional Community Education Programming

VIK CLUB

The VIK Club is offered to school-age students at the following GPS elementary schools:

Ashland Ranch
Augusta Ranch
Boulder Creek
Burk
Canyon Rim
Carol Rae Ranch
Finley Farms
Gilbert
Greenfield
Harris *
Highland Park
Islands
Meridian
Mesquite
Neely
Oak Tree *
Patterson
Playa del Rey
Quartz Hill
Settler's Point
Sonoma Ranch
Spectrum
Superstition Springs
Towne Meadows
Val Vista Lakes

*Harris students may be bussed to and from Oak Tree for VIK

Extended day for Building Blocks Preschool is offered at select campuses for an additional fee.

Enrichment

Welcome to high-quality student enrichment programs at Gilbert Public Schools! We offer a diverse selection of programs intended to encourage students to explore new educational opportunities. Student enrichment programs are available at most elementary school campuses throughout the District and are offered by our approved third-party vendors in partnership with Gilbert Public Schools Community Education. Enrichment class selection and location for individual vendors may vary and/or change from session to session, semester to semester, so please check with Community Education for the most up-to-date class selections.

Gilbert Youth Athletics

Gilbert Youth Athletics is committed to providing top-tier coaching, utilizing elite facilities and focusing on the overall development of each student-athlete. It is our belief that great athletes must develop fundamental skills at a young age, which prepares them for a future of success as they progress through high school and college programs.

Athletes have access to some of the best coaches in the state of Arizona who are committed to the development of young athletes, while also spending significant time emphasizing character and sportsmanship. Our slogan of "Two Steps Ahead" comes from the promise to our community that we provide an unparalleled program in terms of coaching, facilities and competition. Student-athletes will be two steps ahead as they move through their playing career as a result of coaches and program leaders who are relentless in their pursuit of excellence.

With player development being the focus, we are able to identify the playing ability of all athletes and begin a structured approach to facilitating growth. This individualized approach is only possible as the result of employing excellent coaches who are committed to the player development process. All coaches are Gilbert Public Schools employees with many currently being on a junior high or high school coaching staff.

Calendars

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ADVANTAGE Preschool

July	**29**	First Day of School
May	**23**	Last Day of Preschol

No Preschool on Wednesdays

Dates List Below are Non-Attendance Days

Sept	6	Labor Day- No School
Sept	23-24	Parent Conferences-No Preschool
Oct	1	Grading Day- No Prechool
Oct	4-15	Fall Break No School
Nov	11	Veteran's Day
Nov	24-26	Thanksgiving Break
Dec	16-17	1/2 Days End of Sem.-No Preschool
Dec	20-31	Winter Break
Jan	17	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Feb	21	Presidents' Day
Mar	3	Grading Day- No Prechool
Mar	6-17	Spring Break
Apr	14	No School

GILBERT PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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No Preschool Days | First & Last Day of School | Preschool Days

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2027-2028



Building Blocks

July	**27**	First Day of School
May	**25**	Last Day of Building Blocks

Dates List Below are Non-Attendance Days		
Sept	6	Labor Day
Oct	4-15	Fall Break
Nov	11	Veteran's Day
Nov	24-26	Thanksgiving Break
Dec	20-31	Winter Break
Jan	17	Martin Luther King Day
Feb	21	Presidents' Day
Mar	6-17	Spring Break
Apr	14	No School

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First & Last Day of School

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Building Blocks Days

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KINDERGARTEN PREP

July	27	First Day of School
May	23	Last Day PM Kinder Prep Class
May	25	Last Day AM/ FD Kinder Prep Class

Every Wednesday AND Dates Listed Below
Full Day Classes - 11:15 AM Release
PM Classes - No School

EVERY WEDNESDAY		Early Release
Sept	23-24	Parent Conferences
Oct	1	Grading Day
Dec	17	Grading Day
Mar	3	Grading Day
May	25	AM/FD Last Day of School

Dates List Below are NO SCHOOL Days

Sept	6	Labor Day
Oct	4-15	Fall Break
Nov	11	Veteran's Day
Nov	24-26	Thanksgiving Break
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First & Last Day of School

Preschool Days

No KPrep Days

Full Day: 11:15 am Release

PM Class - No School

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Quartz Hill KINDERGARTEN PREP

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May	**23**	Last Day PM Kinder Prep Class
May	**25**	Last Day AM/FD Kinder Prep Class

Every Wednesday
Full Day and PM Classes - 2:00 Release

EVERY WEDNESDAY	Early Release

Dates Listed Below
PM Class - No School
Full Day Class -12:00PM Release

Aug	25	Training Day
Sept	23-24	Parent Conferences
Oct	1	Grading Day
Oct	27	Training Day
Dec	17	Grading Day
Jan	12	Training Day
Feb	16	Training Day
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First & Last Day of School

Preschool Days

No KPrep Days

Full Day and PM Classes: 2:00 PM Release

PM Class No School | Full Day 12:00 PM Release

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July 2027

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August 2027

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July	**27**	First Day of School
May	**25**	Last Day of TOYBOX

TOYBOX closes at 3:30 PM on the days before quarter breaks as listed below.

Oct	1	Day Before Fall Break
Dec	17	Day Before Winter Break
Mar	3	Day Before Spring Break
May	25	Last Day of School

Dates List Below are Non-Attendance Days

Sept	6	Labor Day
Oct	4-15	Fall Break
Nov	11	Veteran's Day
Nov	24-26	Thanksgiving Break
Dec	20-31	Winter Break
Jan	17	Martin Luther King Day
Feb	21	Presidents' Day
Mar	6-17	Spring Break
Apr	14	No School

GILBERT PUBLIC SCHOOLS

January 2028

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June 2028

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First Day of School | No TOYBOX Days | TOYBOX School Days | Last Day of School

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