

Student Name



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Date of Birth

# 2025-26 Enrollment

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Willow Creek Charter operates under a non-discriminatory policy, both for hiring of staff members and for acceptance of students to the school. WCC does not discriminate based on ethnicity, race, color, national origin, gender, gender identification, disability, proficiency in the English language, or immigration status. The information below is for mandated State and Federal statistical reporting. WCC does not discriminate with respect to admissions, enrollment or employment.

See Teacher Profiles/Bios on file at the front desk and on our website.

To enroll your child, please provide information	on below:	
Proof of Residency and signed Reside Is the student a dependent of an (accomplex) Proof of identity/age of student	•	es No
<b>Proof of Identity and Age:</b> On enrollment of a student thirty (30) days: (1) A certified copy of the pupil's birth or including the pupil's baptismal certificate, an application of and an affidavit explaining the inability to provide a copy representative of an agency having custody of the student been placed in the custody of the agency as prescribed be	ertificate; (2) Other reliable proof of the proof of the proof a social security number or original school of the birth certificate; or (3) A letter from ht, pursuant to title 8, chapter 2 certifying	upil's identity and age, nool registration records n the authorized
Parent Signature	Date	





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# 2025-26 Attendance/ Registration

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Student Name	Date of Birth
Ethnic Background*:  Part A: Is this student Hispanic/Latino? (Choose only one) No, not Part B: What is the student's race? (Choose one or more) American In African American Asian-Pacific Islander White Co	ndian/Alaska Native Asian Black o
Is the applicant in the process of being expelled or has the appli Have a current IEP?* No Yes Prefer not to answer Need 504 accommodations?* No Yes Prefer not to answer Please clarify any "Yes" answers  *Parent can decline to answer these items; they are intended to provide for enrollment.	ver
Willow Creek does not discriminate based on race, color, nation programs and activities, including admission and enrollment. A mandated by Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and Act (IDEA) and will provide eligible students with disabilities a fincluding following Section 504 plans and Individualized Education	Willow Creek abides by the procedures the Individuals with Disabilities Education free appropriate public education (FAPE),
For Immunizations: Please provide Immunization/Vacci (attached at end of attendance/registration packet) Parent/Guardian may also provide a written certification that is signed by registered nurse practitioner that states that one or more of the required health and that indicates the specific nature and probable duration of the precludes immunization.	the parent or guardian by a physician or a immunizations may be detrimental to the pupil's
	FOR OFFICE USE ONLY: Received:  1st Day of Attendance:  Sibling: Yes No  Records Req Sent:  Records Rec'd:

Student Name					
Last		Firs	st Mi	ddle Initia	<u>. I</u>
Legal last name if different:					emale
Date of Birth:		Birthpla	ce (City, State):		
Names of Sibling(s) Attending WCC	:				
Parent 1 Information	Student Lives	Has Legal	Parent 2 Information	Student Lives	Has Legal
(or Legal Guardian)	With	Custody	(or Legal Guardian)	With	Custody
Name:			Name:		
Contact Priority (circle): 1 2			Contact Priority (circle): 1 2		
Parent phone:			Parent phone:		
*Number that we can reach you during the school	day		*Number that we can reach you during the school	day	
Physical Address:			Physical Address:		
Mailing Address:			Mailing Address:		
E-mail:			E-mail:		
Business phone:			Business phone:		
			cation or other special instructions for the last of		
	wo names	s and nun	nbers of people we may call in case of an	emergency	if the
parents or guardians are not available.  1.	D-		i Dhana		
		lationsh			
	<b>, please p</b> f the child	unless indi			
MAY: Name	F	Relations	hip Phone		
MAY NOT: Name	F	Relations	hip Phone		
I/WE hereby certify that the informatio I/WE understand and agree to the prov	-		application is true and complete. nt Handbook and will follow the attenda	nce policy.	
Student Signature					
Parent/Guardian Signature			Date		



# **Arizona Department of Education**

# **Arizona Residency Documentation Form**

Student	School
School District or Charter Holder	
Parent/Legal Guardian	
submit in support of this attestation a	Student, I attest* that I am a resident of the State of Arizona and a copy of the following document that displays my name and ption of the property where the student resides:
Valid Arizona driver's license, Arizona	a identification card or motor vehicle registration
Valid Arizona Address Confidentiality	Program authorization card
Real estate deed or mortgage docur	ments
Property tax bill	
Residential lease or rental agreemer	nt
Water, electric, gas, cable, or phone	e bill
Bank or credit card statement	
W-2 wage statement	
Payroll stub	
Certificate of tribal enrollment (506	Form) or other identification issued by a recognized Indian tribe in Arizona
Documentation from a state, tribal of	or federal government agency (Social Security Administration, Veteran's
Administration, Arizona Department	of Economic Security)
Temporary on-base billeting facility	(for military families)
Consular identification card issued b	y a foreign government as a valid form of identification if the foreign
government uses biometric verificati	ion techniques in issuing the consular identification card
I am currently unable to provide any	y of the foregoing documents. Therefore, I have provided an original affidavit
signed and notarized by an Arizona	resident who attests that I have established residence in Arizona with the
person signing the affidavit.	
Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian	

<sup>\*</sup>For members of the armed services, the provision of verifiable documentation does not serve as a declaration of official residency for income tax or other legal purposes. Armed service members may utilize a temporary on-base billeting facility as the address for proof of residency.





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# STUDENT RECORDS REQUEST FORM

Student Name:		Date of Birth:
<b>RECORDS TO BE REL</b>	EASED FROM:	
School Name:		
Address:		City, State & Zip Code
Phone Number:	Fax Number:	E-mail:
Please send the following	ng information to the attention	n of the Registrar (via fax, email or mail):
Please send the follow	ing:	
<ul> <li>Immunization record</li> <li>Hearing and vision</li> <li>Legal custody docum</li> <li>Withdrawal form</li> <li>Attendance records</li> <li>Arizona SAIS Numb</li> <li>IEP/504 Records — Millow Creek Charter School</li> </ul>	mentation per if applicable 	
2100 Willow Creek Road		
Prescott, AZ 86301 Fax: (928) 776-0009		
E-mail: office@willowcreekcl	narter.com	
The Family Educational Righ school where the student ha (Signature)	nts and Privacy Act (FERPA), 34 CFR as enrolled or seeks to enroll withou	99.31(a)(2) allows schools to send education records to a t the parent's signature.  (Date)
(Signature)		(Date)
FOR OFFICE USE ONL	.Y:	
SAIS #	Date of Birth	First Day of Attendance
Date CUM & SPED 1st Re	equest 2 <sup>nd</sup> Request_	3 <sup>rd</sup> Request
CUM Rec'd:	SPED Rec'd:	



# **Arizona Department of Education Office of English Language Acquisition Services**

# **Home Language Survey**

The responses to this Home Language Survey (HLS) are used by the school to provide the most appropriate instructional programs and services for the student. **The answers below will determine if a student will take the Arizona English Language Learner Assessment** (**AZELLA**). Please respond to each of the three questions as accurately as possible. If you need to correct any of your responses, this must be done **before** the student takes the AZELLA Placement Test.

1. What language do people speak in the home <i>most</i> of the time?					
2. What language does the student speak <i>most</i> of the time?					
3. What language did the student first s					
Student Name	District Student ID	_			
Date of Birth	SSID				
Parent/Guardian Signature	Date	_			
District or Charter Painted Pony Rance School Willow Creek Charter School	ch Charter School				

Please provide a copy of the Home Language Survey to the EL Coordinator/Main Contact on site. In AzEDS, please enter all three HLS responses.

These HLS questions are in compliance with Arizona Administrative Code (R7-2-306(B)(1),(2)(a-c). (Revised 05-2023)

Office of English Language Acquisition Services
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# Alternative Form for Income-based Eligibility

The Arizona Department of Education provides the following Fiscal Year 2025 Income Guidelines for determining income eligibility for a variety of federal funding programs. This form should be utilized as an alternative means to collect income eligibility information from the student's household and organizations should retain completed forms for a period of five years

Definition of Income: all items such as wages and salaries before any deductions, and other income, such as self-employment, welfare, social security, retirement benefits unemployment compensation, worker's compensation, aid for dependent children, alimony, child su pport, pensions, insurance, or annuity payments, etc.

Exclusion: the value of meals, milk, or EBT benefits to children shall NOT be considered income in the household.

Is your household at or below the current income guidelines based on the attached Elementary and Secondary Education Act, as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act Income Eligibility Guidelines schedule?

Yes, Income Eligibility 2 (Indicator 2 in AzEDS):	öZ	
Yes, Inco		

If your household qualifies, please complete the following information for each student:

Student's Name	Name of School	Grade
I hereby certify that all the above information is tylle and correct:		
Parent/Guardian Signature:	Date:	

Arizona Department of Education

Tuesday, July 2, 2024



Income Eligibility Guidelines: July 1, 2024- June 30, 2025

	Bi-Weekly (Every Two Weeks) Weekly	\$1,072 \$536	\$1,455 \$728	\$1,838 \$919	\$2,220 \$1,110	\$2,603 \$1,302	\$2,966 \$1,493	\$3,369 \$1,685	\$3,752 \$1,876	+\$383 +\$192
Income Eligibility 2 HOW OFTEN INCOME WAS RECEIVED	2 x Month (E (Bi-Monthly)	\$1,161	\$1,576	\$1,991	\$2,405	\$2,820	\$3,235	\$3,650	\$4,064	+\$415
Income Eligibility 2 TEN INCOME WAS	Monthly	\$2,322	\$3,152	\$3,981	\$4,810	\$5,640	\$6,469	\$7,299	\$8,128	+\$830
LI HOW OFTE	Yearly	\$27,861	\$37,814	\$47,767	\$57,720	\$67,673	\$77,626	\$87,579	\$97,532	+\$9,953
	Family Size:	-	2	က	4	2	9	7	80	Each Additional Member
					1 50				17.9	
	Weekly	\$377	\$511	\$646	\$780	\$915	\$1,049	\$1,184	\$1,318	+\$135
IVED	Bi-Weekly (Every Two Weeks) Weekly	\$753 \$377	\$1,022 \$511	\$1,291 \$646	\$1,560 \$780	\$1,829 \$915	\$2,098 \$1,049	\$2,367 \$1,184	\$2,636 \$1,318	+\$269 +\$135
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ICOME Eligibility 1 TEN INCOME WAS RECEIVED	Bi-Weekly (Every Two Weeks)	\$753	\$1,022	\$1,291	\$1,560	\$1,829	\$2,098	\$2,367	\$2,636	+\$269
Income Eligibility 1 HOW OFTEN INCOME WAS RECEIVED	Bi-Weekly 2 x Month (Every Two (Bi-Monthly) Weeks)	\$816 \$753	\$1,108 \$1,022	\$1,399 \$1,291	\$1,690 \$1,560	\$1,982 \$1,829	\$2,273 \$2,098	\$2,565 \$2,367	\$2,856 \$2,636	+\$292 +\$269

If all income is received on the same schedule Example: alimony = \$100 / month & pension = \$300 / month

DO NOT use conversion factors

If family reports income sources from more than one schedule Example: alimony = \$100 / month & pension = \$300 / week

Income MUST be converted to yearly.

Yearly Income = Monthly x 12
Yearly Income = Twice Per Month (Bi-Monthly) x 24
Yearly Income = Every Two Weeks (Bi-Weekly) x 26
Yearly Income = Week x 52

DO NOT round the values resulting from each conversion





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# McKinney-Vento Eligibility Questionnaire \*Optional, does not impact enrollment

School Name: Willow Creek Charter School	ool	
Student Name:		
Date of Birth: Month / Day / Year	Grade	Student ID
This questionnaire is intended to address residency information help to determine	•	ento Act 42 U.S.C. 11435. The answers to this student may be eligible to receive.
<ol> <li>Is your current address a temporary I</li> <li>If temporary, is this living arrangement</li> <li>Yes No</li> </ol>	_	
If you answered YES to question 1 and 2 If you answered NO to either question 1	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Where is the student presently living? (C In a motel In a shelter With more than one family in a hore In a place not ordinarily used for s	use or apartment	, etc.)
Name of the Parent(s)/Legal Guardian(s	):	
Address	Zip	Phone
How long have you been at current addr	ess?	
By signing, I attest this information is tru	ue and accurate.	
Date		Date
School Personnel Wh	o Enrolled This St	udent – Please Print Name
Would you like to be contacted regarding Yes No		nsportation under McKinney-Vento?





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# **ELECTRONIC INFORMATION SERVICES USER AGREEMENT**

**IJNDB-E** © EXHIBIT Details of the user agreement shall be discussed with each potential user of the electronic information services (EIS). When the signed agreement is returned to the School, the user may be permitted use of EIS resources.

### **Terms and Conditions**

# **Acceptable use.** Each user must:

- A. Use the EIS to support personal educational objectives consistent with the educational goals and objectives of the School.
- B. Agree not to submit, publish, display, or retrieve any defamatory, inaccurate, abusive, obscene, profane, sexually oriented, threatening, racially offensive, or illegal material.
- C. Abide by all copyright and trademark laws and regulations.
- D. Not reveal home addresses, personal phone numbers or personally identifiable data unless authorized to do so by designated School authorities.
- E. Understand that electronic mail or direct electronic communication is not private and may be read and monitored by School employed persons.
- F. Not use the network in any way that would disrupt the use of the network by others.
- G. Not use the EIS for commercial purposes.
- H. Follow the School's code of conduct.
- I. Not attempt to harm, modify, add/or destroy software or hardware nor interfere with system security.
- J. Understand that inappropriate use may result in cancellation of permission to use the educational information services (EIS) and appropriate disciplinary action up to and including expulsion for students.

In addition, acceptable use for School employees is extended to include requirements to:

- A. Maintain supervision of students using the EIS.
- B. Agree to directly log on and supervise the account activity when allowing others to use School accounts.
- C. Take responsibility for assigned personal and School accounts, including password protection.
- D. Take all responsible precautions, including password maintenance and file and directory protection measures, to prevent the use of personal and School accounts and files by unauthorized persons.

**Personal responsibility.** I will report any misuse of the EIS to the administration or system administrator, as is appropriate.

I understand that many services and products are available for a fee and acknowledge my personal responsibility for any expenses incurred without School authorization.

**Network etiquette.** I am expected to abide by the generally acceptable rules of network etiquette. Therefore, I will:

- A. Be polite and use appropriate language. I will not send, or encourage others to send, abusive messages.
- B. Respect privacy. I will not reveal any home addresses or personal phone numbers or personally identifiable information.

# **ELECTRONIC INFORMATION SERVICES USER AGREEMENT...cont.**

- C. Avoid disruptions. I will not use the network in any way that would disrupt use of the systems by others.
- D. Observe the following considerations:
- 1. Be brief.
- 2. Strive to use correct spelling and make messages easy to understand.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ (Student)

- 3. Use short and descriptive titles for articles.
- 4. Post only to known groups or persons.

# Services.

The School specifically denies any responsibility for the accuracy of information. While the School will try to ensure access to proper materials, the user has the ultimate responsibility for how the electronic information services (EIS) is used and bears the risk of reliance on the information obtained.

I have read and agree to abide by the School policy and regulations on appropriate use of the electronic information system, as incorporated herein by reference.

I understand and will abide by the provisions and conditions indicated. I understand that any violations of the above terms and conditions may result in disciplinary action and the revocation of my use of information services.

	•
Signature	Date
School Grade	<del></del>
The user agreement of a student who is a minor must also have will uphold this agreement.	the signature of a parent or guardian who has read and
Parent or Guardian Cosigner	
As the parent or guardian of the above-named student, I have restrict is impossible for the School to restrict access to all controversial materials acquired by use of the electronic information services (School administrator. (Misuse may come in many forms but can bor suggest pornography, unethical or illegal solicitation, racism, sin the agreement.)	materials, and I will not hold the School responsible for (EIS). I also agree to report any misuse of the EIS to a be viewed as any messages sent or received that indicate
I accept full responsibility for supervision if, and when, my child's my permission to have my child use the electronic information se	, ,
Parent or Guardian Name (print)	
Standard and a standa	Data



# <u>Personal Beliefs Exemption Form - Kindergarten - 12th Grade Only</u>

Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) strongly supports immunization as one of the easiest and most effective tools in preventing diseases that can cause serious illness and even death. ADHS also respects the rights of parents to decide whether or not to vaccinate their child.

By state law, (A.R.S. §15-873) a child will not be allowed to attend school until either proof of immunization or a completed exemption form is submitted to the school. The information below is provided to ensure that parents are informed about the risks of not vaccinating.

Place an "X" in the box to the left of the disease(s) listed to exempt your child from the vaccine. Initial and date the box on the right.

<b>Diphtheria (DTaP, Tdap, Td):</b> I have been informed that by not receiving this vaccine, my child may be at increased risk of developing diphtheria if exposed to this disease. Serious symptoms and effects of this disease include: heart failure, paralysis (can't move parts of the body), breathing problems, coma, and death.	Initials: Date:
<b>Tetanus (DTaP, Tdap, Td):</b> I have been informed that by not receiving this vaccine, my child may be at increased risk of developing tetanus if exposed to this disease. Serious symptoms and effects of this disease include: "locking" of the jaw, difficulty in swallowing and breathing, seizures (jerking and staring), painful tightening of muscles in the head and neck, and death.	Initials: Date:
<b>Pertussis (Whooping Cough) (DTaP, Tdap):</b> I have been informed that by not receiving this vaccine, my child may be at increased risk of developing pertussis (whooping cough) if exposed to this disease	Initials:
<b>Polio (IPV):</b> I have been informed that by not receiving this vaccine, my child may be at increased risk of developing polio if exposed to this disease. Serious symptoms and effects of this disease include: paralysis (can't move parts of the body), meningitis (infection of the brain and spinal cord covering), permanent disability, and death.	Initials: Date:
Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR): I have been informed that by not receiving this vaccine, my child may be at increased risk of developing measles, mumps, and/or rubella if exposed to these diseases. Serious symptoms and effects of measles include: pneumonia, seizures (jerking and staring), brain damage, and death. Serious symptoms and effects of mumps include: meningitis (infection of the brain and spinal cord covering), painful swelling of the testicles or ovaries, sterility, deafness, and death. Serious symptoms and effects of rubella include: rash, arthritis, and muscle or joint pain. If a woman gets rubella while she is pregnant, she could have a miscarriage or her baby could be born with serious birth defects such as deafness, heart problems, and brain damage.	Initials:

	<b>Hepatitis B:</b> I have been informed that by not receiving this vaccine, my child may be at increased risk of developing hepatitis B if exposed to this disease. Serious		Initials:
	symptoms and effects of this disease include: jac liver problems, such as scarring and liver cance	undice (yellow skin or eyes), life-long	Date:
	Varicella (Chickenpox): I have been informed child may be at increased risk of developing varies	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Initials:
	disease. Serious symptoms and effects of this dise pneumonia, brain damage, and death.	` ' ' '	Date:
	<b>Meningococcal:</b> I have been informed that by the at increased risk of developing meningococca	. , ,	Initials:
	effects of this disease include: brain damage, se scarring or loss of limbs, and death.		Date:
Due to my personal beliefs, I request an exemption for my child from the required vaccine doses selected above. I am aware that if I change my mind in the future, I can rescind this exemption and obtain immunizations for my child.			
Initials:			
I am aware that additional information about vaccine preventable diseases, vaccines and reduced or no-cost vaccination services is available from my local county health department and Arizona Department of Health Services (www.azdhs.gov/phs/immunization).			
	I am aware that in the event the state or county health department declares an outbreak of a ccine-preventable disease for which I cannot provide proof of immunity for my child, he or she may not be owed to attend school until the risk period ends, which may be 3 weeks or longer.		
Child's Name		Date of Birth (month/day/year)	
Parent/Guardian Signature [		Date (month/day/year)	

# **CLASSROOM SUPPLIES**

**Material fees- \$175 for all Kg – 8**<sup>th</sup> **graders** – This covers all supplies needed for students for the entire year, school t-shirt and yearbook. If you cannot afford this fee, we have scholarships available, please see the the office for details.

The only personal supplies that each student should bring are listed below:

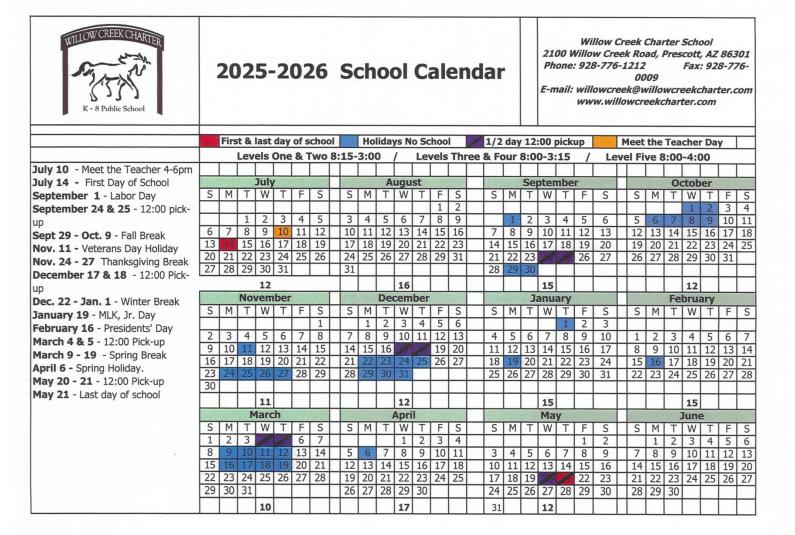
**Levels 1-3:** Backpack, Lunch box, Water bottle w/straw

Level 4: Scientific calculator, water bottle (not glass), lunch box, backpack

Level 5: Scientific calculator, water bottle (not glass), lunch box, and backpack

If you are unable to afford some or all supplies, please contact the office to discuss options and assistance.

Checks, cash, credit cards, or money orders will be accepted for any payments.







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Title I Annual Meeting Agenda - July 10, 2025

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What is a Title I Schoolwide program? Schoolwide programs are designed to generate high levels of academic achievement for all students, especially those most in need of additional support. Schools must have 40% poverty or greater to implement a Schoolwide program. Funds are used to improve the overall academic program of the school. A Title I Schoolwide team must annually develop a Schoolwide plan that includes the following:

- Comprehensive needs assessment
- School-wide reform strategies
- Provision for instruction by highly qualified professional staff
- Strategies for increasing parental involvement
- Plans to facilitate the transition from preschool to elementary school
- Measures for including teacher input to improve student performance and the overall instructional program
- Provision of assistance to struggling students, including financial assistance to our HCY population

What does the Title I needs assessment of WCC School tell us, and what Schoolwide goals has WCC School developed as a result? Students will improve performance in the areas of math and reading as measured by progress monitoring and statewide standardized assessments.

- **o What is the academic program at WCC School?** *Small group and one on one instruction by an intervention specialist in reading and/or math.*
- **o Description and explanation of curriculum.** Curriculum aligned to state standards. Our curriculum includes Wonders 2023, Eureka<sup>2</sup>, MyMath, Step Up to Writing, and Science Dimensions.
- o Description and explanation of state academic standards and expected achievement levels for students. Students are expected to meet grade-level standards and target ranges set by Aimswebplus assessments in Benchmarks and progress monitoring. Students are also expected to meet or exceed standards on Arizona's state standardized assessments.
- o Description of academic assessments used to monitor student progress and identify areas of academic need. Classroom assessments and Aimswebplus will be used to monitor student progress and identify areas of need.
- o Description of services to students with identified areas of need. Intervention services are provided to students falling below expected achievement levels in a small group or one on one setting in the areas of reading and math.

How can parents and families be involved? Parents and family members can be involved in planning, reviewing, and improving the school and district policies and the Schoolwide program plan. Parents have a right to become involved in the school's programs and ways to do so. Parents have the right to request regular meetings with school staff to offer suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions about the education of their children. The school must respond to any such suggestions as soon as possible. Our parents receive regular communication when their children are falling below expected achievement levels. They are given the opportunity to approve the intervention program WCC provides to their children.

# **School-Parent Compacts**

Family Engagement Activity Plan for the school year: Parent-Teacher conferences, Quarterly Ranch Round-ups, Thanksgiving Feast, End-of-the-Year Promotion and BBQ





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# **School-Parent Compact**

Willow Creek Charter recognizes that a shared partnership among students/ parents, and school staff is required to fully implement its Mission Statement. This voluntary compact will assist everyone's efforts as.....

# Students accept the responsibility to:

- 1. Attend school regularly and be on time
- 2. Work to the best of their ability in class and at home
- 3. Follow the school rules
- 4. Ask for help when needed
- 5. Respect and cooperate with other students and adults
- 6. Have high expectations of themselves and fellow students
- 7. Be a life-long, self-directed learner

# Parents or quardians accept the responsibility to:

- 1. Schedule daily homework time, review homework regularly, and discuss what their child learned.
- 2. Read with their child and let younger children see others actively reading in the home
- 3. Keep in touch with school through regular visits, phone calls, written communication, and attendance at parent meetings.
- 4. Maintain high expectations of their children by praising their achievement and emphasizing the importance of school and academic success
- 5. Maintain high expectations of their children by supporting their regular school attendance
- 6. Keep well informed of all activities in which their children are participating, both during and after school and the whereabouts of their children after school.
- 7. Follow and support the school rules
- 8. Support child's school and education.

# Teachers and staff accept the responsibility to:

- 1. Show that they care about all students
- 2. Have high expectations of themselves and all students
- 3. Provide quality instruction that will promote learning and academic success
- 4. Provide a safe environment conducive to learning and academic success
- 5. Provide support and communication to students' families
- 6. Respect the differences and individuality of students and their families
- 7. Be life-long, self-directed learners

# Administrators accept the responsibility to:

- 1. Establish goals, expectations and shared responsibilities for school, parents, and students.
- 2. Train school staff including the administrators, teachers, other school staff, and parents regarding the importance of school-home partnerships, quality instruction, and a safe and orderly environment
- 3. Give parents a voice in decisions regarding their children's education
- 4. Support extended opportunities for students and families to engage in recreational and learning activities
- 5. Provide a safe and orderly environment
- 6. Be life-long, self-directed learners

All Title 1 policies for the school can be found at https://policy.azsba.org/asba/browse/allmanuals/willowcreek/IHBD

# CHILD FIND FOR WILLOW CREEK CHARTER Policy

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act of 2004 (IDEA '04) and the Arizona Administrative Code (AAC) define child find requirements to ensure eligible infants, toddlers, preschoolers, and school-aged children have access to early intervention or special education and related services.

### Responsibilities

# 1. What is a public education agency's (PEA) "child find" responsibility?

PEAs are required to establish, implement, and disseminate to their school-based personnel and all parents within the PEA's boundaries of responsibility written procedures for the identification and referral of all children with disabilities aged birth through 21, regardless of the severity of their disability.

# 2. What additional child find activities are the responsibilities of a unified school district, elementary school district, or union high school district?

PEAs will identify, locate, and evaluate all children with disabilities within their geographic boundaries of responsibility who are in need of special education and related services, including children who highly mobile, such as migrant or homeless students, wards of the state, private school and homeschool students, regardless of the severity of their disability, and students who are suspected of being children with a disability and in need of special education, even though they are advancing from grade to grade. For infants and toddlers aged birth to 2 years 10 ½ months, PEAs should use the referral form located on the AZ FIND website to refer the child to the Arizona Early Intervention Program (AzEIP).

# 3. What child find activities are the responsibilities of charter schools?

For a school-aged child (grades K through 12), the charter school in which the student is enrolled is accountable for child find activities. It is the school's responsibility to identify and evaluate students with disabilities, including children who are suspected of being children with a disability and in need of special education, even though they are advancing from grade to grade. For infants and toddlers aged birth to 2 years 10 ½ months, the charter school should refer the child to AzEIP. For a child aged 2 years 10 ½ months to 5 years, the charter school should refer the child to the child's district of residence. The referral form is located on the AZ FIND website.

# 4. What is the PEA's obligation for students transferring from another PEA?

The PEA shall review enrollment data and educational performance in the prior PEA. If there is a history of special education for a student not currently eligible for special education or of poor progress, the name of the student shall be submitted to the administrator for consideration of the need for a referral for a full and individual evaluation or other services.

# 5. Who is responsible for child find activities for school-aged students who attend private schools?

The school district within whose boundaries the non-profit private school is located is responsible for child find activities. The school district responsible for child find activities for students placed by their parents in a for-profit private school is the district of residence.

### 6. Who is responsible for child find activities for preschool-aged children?

All preschool-aged children are referred to the unified or elementary school district of residence for child find services, including children who attend private preschools regardless of where the school is located. Union high school districts and charter schools should use the referral form located on the AZ FIND website to refer the child to the district of residence.

# 7. Who is responsible for child find activities for the student who is homeschooled?

The school district within whose boundaries the homeschooled student resides is responsible for child find activities.

## 8. Who is responsible for child find activities for students in secure care facilities?

Minor-aged students in secure care facilities are the responsibility of the secure care facility for all educational needs. Students who are the age of majority and attend an educational program in a secure facility are the responsibility of that secure care facility.

# 9. Does the PEA have to maintain documentation of child find activities?

Yes, the PEA is required to maintain documentation of identification procedures, dates of entry into school, or notification by parents of concerns regarding developmental or education progress by their child, and dates of screening in the student's permanent records.

# 10. Are PEAs required to document that all school-based staff have reviewed written child find procedures?

Yes. The PEA will require all school-based staff to annually review written procedures related to child identification and referral. The PEA must maintain documentation of staff review.

# **Screening**

# 11. Who may refer a child for screening?

Anyone who has concerns about a child's development or academic achievement may refer the student for screening (i.e., parents, family members, or school staff).

### 12. What are the components of screening?

Screening procedures shall include vision and hearing status and consideration of the following areas: cognitive or academic, communication, motor, social or behavioral, and adaptive development. Screening may also include observations, family interviews, review of medical, developmental, or educational records, or the administration of an instrument identified by the test publisher as appropriate for use as a screening tool. Screening does not include detailed individualized comprehensive evaluation procedures.

# 13. What is the time frame for conducting screening for possible disabilities?

Screening shall be completed within 45 calendar days after entry into preschool, kindergarten, or for newly enrolled school-aged children without appropriate records of screening, evaluation, or progress in school. Screening is also required after receiving parent notification of a possible disability for children aged 3 through 21 years.

### 14. Does the PEA have to notify parents of a concern resulting from a screening?

Yes, the parents must be notified of any concern found during screening within 10 school days. Additionally, the PEA must include procedures they will utilize to follow up on the student's needs; consideration of screening results could lead to a full and individual evaluation or provision of other services.

# Annual Notification to Parents Regarding Confidentiality of Student Education Records

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) (20 U.S.C. § 1232g; 34 CFR Part 99) is a Federal law that protects the privacy of student education records. The law applies to all schools that receive funds under an applicable program of the U.S. Department of Education.

FERPA gives parents certain rights with respect to their children's education records. These rights transfer to the student when he or she reaches the age of 18 or attends a school beyond the high school level. Students to whom the rights have transferred are "eligible students."

- Parents or eligible students have the right to inspect and review the student's education records maintained by the school. Schools are not required to provide copies of records unless, for reasons such as great distance, it is impossible for parents or eligible students to review the records. Schools may charge a fee for copies.
- Parents or eligible students have the right to request that a school corrects records which they believe to be inaccurate or misleading. If the school decides not to amend the record, the parent or eligible student then has the right to a formal hearing. After the hearing, if the school still decides not to amend the record, the parent or eligible student has the right to place a statement with the record setting forth his or her view about the contested information.
- Generally, schools must have written permission from the parent or eligible student in order to release any information from a student's education record. However, FERPA allows schools to disclose those records, without consent, to the following parties or under the following conditions (34 CFR § 99.31):
  - o School officials with legitimate educational interest;
  - o Other schools to which a student is transferring;
  - o Specified officials for audit or evaluation purposes;
  - o Appropriate parties in connection with financial aid to a student;
  - o Organizations conducting certain studies for or on behalf of the school;
  - o Accrediting organizations;
  - o To comply with a judicial order or lawfully issued subpoena;
  - o Appropriate officials in cases of health and safety emergencies; and
  - o State and local authorities, within a juvenile justice system, pursuant to specific State law.

Schools may disclose, without consent, "directory" information such as a student's name, address, telephone number, date and place of birth, honors and awards, and dates of attendance. However, schools must tell parents and eligible students about directory information and allow parents and eligible students a reasonable amount of time to request that the school not disclose directory information about them. Schools must notify parents and eligible students annually of their rights under FERPA. The actual means of notification (special letter, inclusion in a PTA bulletin, student handbook, or newspaper article) is left to the discretion of each school.

For additional information, you may call 1-800-USA-LEARN (1-800-872-5327) (voice). Individuals who use TDD may use the <u>Federal Relay Service</u>. Or you may contact the Family Compliance Office at the following address:

Family Policy Compliance Office U.S. Department of Education 400 Maryland Avenue, SW Washington, D.C. 20202-8520

**The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)** is a federal law that protects the rights of students with disabilities. In addition to standard school records, for children with disabilities education records could include evaluation and testing materials, medical and health information, Individualized Education Programs and related notices and consents, progress reports, materials related to disciplinary actions, and mediation agreements. Such information is gathered from a number of sources, including the student's parents and staff of the school of attendance. Also, with parental permission, information may be gathered from additional pertinent sources, such as doctors and other health care providers. This information is collected to assure the child is identified, evaluated, and provided a Free Appropriate Public Education in accordance with state and federal special education laws.

Each agency participating under Part B of IDEA must assure that at all stages of gathering, storing, retaining and disclosing education records to third parties that it complies with the federal confidentiality laws. In addition, the destruction of any education records of a child with a disability must be in accordance with IDEA regulatory requirements.

For additional information or to file a complaint, you may call the federal government at (202) 260-3887 (voice) or 1-800-877-8339 (TDD) OR the Arizona Department of Education (ADE/ESS) at (602) 542-4013. Or you may contact:

Family Policy Compliance Office Arizona Department of Education

U.S. Department of Education Exceptional Student Services

400 Maryland Avenue, SW 1535 W. Jefferson, BIN 24

Washington, D.C. 20202-5901 Phoenix, AZ 85007

# INFORMATION FOR PARENTS



# IF YOUR FAMILY LIVES IN ANY OF THE FOLLOWING SITUATIONS:

In a shelter



In a motel or campground due to the lack of an alternative adequate accommodation



In a car, park, abandoned building, or bus or train station



Doubled up with other people due to loss of housing or economic hardship

Your school-age children may qualify for certain rights and protections under the federal McKinney-Vento Act.

# Your eligible children have the right to:

- · Receive a free, appropriate public education.
- Enroll in school immediately, even if lacking documents normally required for enrollment.
- Enroll in school and attend classes while the school gathers needed documents.
- Enroll in the local school; or continue attending their school of origin (the school they attended when permanently housed or the school in which they were last enrolled), if that is your preference.
  - \* If the school district believes that the school you select is not in the best interest of your children, then the district must provide you with a written explanation of its position and inform you of your right to appeal its decision.
- Receive transportation to and from the school of origin, if you request this.

# The Educational Rights of Homeless Children and Youths

The LEA/Charter District shall provide an educational environment that treats all students with dignity and respect. Every homeless student shall have access to the same free and appropriate educational opportunities as students who are not homeless. This commitment to the educational rights of homeless children, youth, and unaccompanied youth, applies to all services, programs, and activities provided or made available.

# **McKinney-Vento Definition of Homeless:**

The term "homeless children and youth"— means individuals who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence [42 U.S.C. § 11434a(2)].

A student may be considered eligible for services as a "Homeless Child or Youth" under the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act if he or she is presently living in one of the following situations:

- sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason,
- living in motels, hotels, trailer parks, or camping grounds due to the lack of alternative adequate accommodations.
- living in emergency or transitional shelters; or are abandoned in hospitals,
- have a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings,
- living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations, or similar settings, or is a migratory child who qualifies as homeless for the purposes of this subtitle because the children are living in circumstances described above.

To remove educational barriers for children and youths experiencing homelessness, the McKinney-Vento Act mandates the following: Immediate Enrollment: Documentation and immunization records cannot serve as a barrier to the enrollment in school [42 U.S.C. §11432(g)(3)(C)]. School Selection and Maintained Enrollment: McKinney Vento eligible students have a right to select from the options outlined below. Students may remain enrolled in their selected schools for the duration of homelessness, and until the end of the academic year upon which they are permanently housed or enroll the child or youth in any public school that non-homeless students who live in the attendance area in which the child or youth is living are eligible to attend. [42 U.S.C. §11432(g)(3)(A), 42 U.S.C. §11432(g)(3)(B) and 42 U.S.C. §11432(g)(3)(I) (i)].

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The school the student attended when	The school in the attendance area in
permanently housed	which the student currently resides
The school in which the student was	
last enrolled	

**Transportation Services:** McKinney-Vento eligible students attending their School of Origin have a right to transportation to and from the School of Origin [42 U.S.C. §11432(g)(1)(J)(iii)].

**Participation in Programs:** McKinney-Vento eligible students are guaranteed the right to services comparable to services offered to other students in the school [42 U.S.C. §11432(g)(4) & (6)(iii)].

**Unaccompanied Youth Experiencing Homelessness:** McKinney-Vento eligible students are guaranteed the right to immediate enrollment without proof of guardianship [42 U.S.C. §1432(g)(1)(H)(iv)].

Access to Extracurricular Activities: Removal of barriers to accessing academic and extracurricular activities for homeless students who meet relevant eligibility criteria [42 U.S.C. §11432(g)(1)(F)(iii)].

**Dispute Resolution**: If you disagree with school officials about enrollment, transportation, or fair treatment of a homeless child or youth, you may file a complaint with the school district [42 U.S.C. §11432(g)(3)(E)].

**Appointment of a Local Homeless Liaison:** The McKinney-Vento Act mandates the appointment of a local Homeless Liaison in every school district or local education agency (LEA) to ensure that homeless children and youth are enrolled in and have a full and equal opportunity to succeed in school [42 U.S.C. §11432(g)(1)(J)(ii) and U.S.C. §11432(g)(6)(A)].

For more information, refer to <u>Arizona Department of Education</u>, <u>Homeless Education</u>, <u>42 USC CHAPTER 119</u>, <u>SUBCHAPTER VI</u>, <u>Part B: Education for Homeless Children and Youths</u>, and the AZ State ESSA Plan. You may also contact:

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