

OUR PHILOSOPHY

Carlson's programs were founded on the principle that parents, students and staff shall work together as partners to provide an education that encourages all students to pursue academic excellence to the best of their abilities. Arizona Academic Standards, pace and specific expectations for academic achievement, behavior and dress require a firm commitment from every student, parent and teacher.



Our unique programs are designed to develop a solid foundation of fundamental and higher-level, critical thinking skills through a structured and rigorous curriculum that is consistent within each grade level and sequential throughout the grades.

Kindergarten through sixth grade curriculum is taught using small group as well as direct instruction, and research-based teaching strategies, while making learning relevant to each student. At Carlson we strive to build relationships with our students and families that foster a love and dedication to learning.

CLASSIC OR TRADITIONAL

Two Choices, One Campus

CLASSIC PROGRAM

Similar to other CUSD schools

School dress code (uniforms are not required)

Cooperative Learning Groups of 4-5 students.
**Room set up varies by teacher*

Arizona Academic Standards

Reading – Journeys, Wilson, Foundations and Just Words reading intervention programs

Math – MyMath K-5: Glencoe (6th Grade)

Whole group and small group instruction, with flexible and ability grouping in order to provide for each student's individual levels.

Homework policy (M-Th)

- Kinder 10-15 min
- 1st & 2nd 10-25 min
- 3rd & 4th 20-30 min
- 5th & 6th 30-50 min

Neighborhood and open enrollment procedures

Wilson, Foundations and Thinking Maps training for teachers

Integrated Science / Social Science

Second Step social emotional learning curriculum

CTA PROGRAM

Chandler Traditional Academy

School dress code (uniforms are not required)

Desks are primarily forward facing for direct instruction

Arizona Academic Standards

Reading – Journey's along with the Spalding Method

Math – MyMath (K-4), Glencoe (5-6): All instruction is advanced one grade level above

Primarily whole-group direct instruction, coupled with small group or individual student articulation as appropriate.

Homework policy (M-Th)

CTA program includes additional homework requirements over and above district expectations. See the CTA procedure manual for more information.

CTA enrollment - based on capacity

Spalding and Thinking Maps training for teachers

Integrated Science / Social Science

Second Step social emotional learning curriculum

Before and after-school enrichment programs available through Community Education at 480-224-3900 or visit

www.cusdcommunity.com.

Kids Express -- Before & After-School Care

cusd80.com/KidsExpress

ENGAGE, EMPOWER, AND EXCEL

OPPORTUNITIES FOR PARENT INVOLVEMENT

Every parent is encouraged to volunteer during the school year.

- Classroom /Workroom Volunteer
- Art Masterpiece Instructor
- Site Council
- Junior Achievement
- Room Parent
- PTO / Committees
- Library
- PE and Music Programs

Before- & After-School Activities:

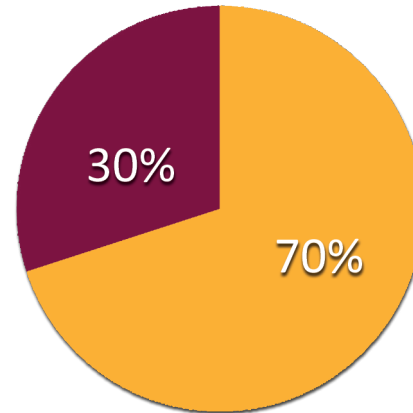
- Choir, Athletics (CSL Sports)
- Tutoring / Extended Learning
- Running, Drama, Yearbook
- Student Council
- Lego Robotics

We welcome and appreciate the time our parents can devote to their child's education and building lasting relationships with the school community.



CARLSON ELEMENTARY

STAFF CREDENTIALS



● MA ● BA/BS

- **70%** of our teachers have their Master's Degree
- Average years of experience = **13 YEARS**

CARLSON ELEMENTARY

Andy Morgan | Principal

Office Hours: 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

School Hours: 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

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