

# District Offered Programs

## BUS TRANSPORTATION

Students who reside within the district boundaries and live within a school’s transportation zone may be bused to school. Students accepted into Vista del Sur Accelerated Academy may arrange bus transportation from any of the zones. [www.laveenschools.org/transportation](http://www.laveenschools.org/transportation)

## CHILD NUTRITION

Proper nutrition is important for growing bodies and growing minds. As part of the National School Lunch Program, students are guaranteed a healthy breakfast and lunch that are rich in whole grains, fruits, and vegetables. Breakfast and lunch are provided at no charge to all students.



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## PRESCHOOL

Preschool is available for students ages three to five years old at select sites. Certified teachers teach the academically-based program to prepare children for kindergarten. Preschool programs are designed to provide developmentally appropriate social, educational, and physical experiences that enhance the child as a whole. Preschool is tuition-based.

[www.laveenschools.org/preschool](http://www.laveenschools.org/preschool)



## FULL DAY KINDERGARTEN

Students who are five years old by August 31 of each year may enroll in full day kindergarten. Children who reach age five by December 31 may be tested and accepted based on level of readiness. There is no fee to attend. [www.laveenschools.org/kindergarten](http://www.laveenschools.org/kindergarten)

## BEFORE/ AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Kids Club offers carefully planned, well-supervised activities for children in grades K-6. Activities are designed to not only interest your child, but also foster his/her emotional well-being and social, physical, and critical thinking skills. Activities include games, sports, hands-on science, arts and crafts, and music. Time is set aside for homework assistance and snacks are provided. Kids Club is licensed by the Arizona Department of Health Services. Camps during school breaks are also available.

[www.laveenschools.org/kids-club](http://www.laveenschools.org/kids-club)

## GIFTED EDUCATION

Laveen’s Gifted Education Program provides services for students with superior intellect or advanced learning ability who require differentiated educational programs and/or services beyond those normally provided by the regular school program to achieve at levels commensurate with the child’s intellect and ability. Because not all gifted students are alike, program modifications for gifted students are sufficiently varied and flexible so as to provide challenging learning experiences and appropriate resources. [www.laveenschools.org/gifted-education](http://www.laveenschools.org/gifted-education)

## SPECIAL EDUCATION

Special Education is available for students found to be eligible for and in need of Special Education services. The school provides Special Education according to an Individualized Education Plan (IEP), which provides a free and appropriate public education. Screening for preschool-aged children is available on scheduled dates throughout the year. [www.laveenschools.org/student-services](http://www.laveenschools.org/student-services)



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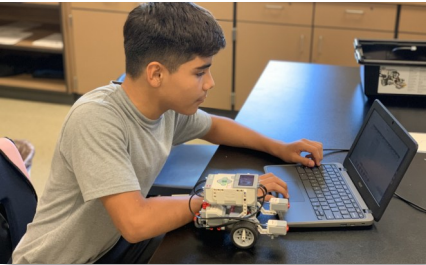


### About our Program

Laveen Elementary School is an A-rated “health and wellness” school named an A+ School of Excellence, an AMLE School of Distinction, an Exemplary Title 1 School, and awarded the Arizona School Board’s Golden Bell Award for the most promising school program of the year.

Health and wellness is about developing mental and emotional strength in children. As our students become more mindful of themselves and their strengths, they develop the knowledge and attitudes needed to thrive in a world of increasing complexity, uncertainty, and exponential change. Laveen Elementary School strives to educate and empower all of its students to do their personal best by making responsible choices that positively affect their mind, body and spirit.

Components of the Laveen health and wellness program include yoga sessions before school for students and families, teachers trained in mindful breathing techniques, a mindful “reset room” for students, health curriculum in the middle grades, and school counselors trained by BreatheForChange.org. In addition, “Character Strong,” a social-emotional learning program equipped to help children thrive, is offered at all grade levels throughout the week.



### ELECTIVES

In addition to art, P.E. and music, Laveen offers electives in the areas of Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math (STEAM). Students in Grades 3-8 can take electives in a variety of advanced art concepts, coding, or robotics. There are also enrichment opportunities such as LEGO Engineering Club and STEM Club.

### STUDENT INVOLVEMENT

In addition to the academic experience Laveen students receive, there are also several opportunities to participate in extracurricular activities. Student Council, Piano Club, Art Club, and intramural sports are among the activities in which our students can participate.



### TECHNOLOGY

Thanks to the support of Laveen’s community, the district has a 1:1 student-to-computer ratio providing each student with a device that they can use daily. The devices complement the district’s core curriculum which all have digital platforms, allowing students access to instructional materials and resources online. Arizona's academic standards require students to use technology to research, collaborate, and demonstrate their learning. All students have user accounts which can be accessed from both school and at home to share documents and projects with other students and the teacher.



## Core Curriculum

### MATH

Arizona’s Mathematics Standards require students to demonstrate a deep understanding of math and develop strong critical thinking skills. Laveen’s adopted mathematics curriculum is Eureka Math<sup>2</sup>. This rigorous program is aligned to Arizona’s Mathematics Standards and includes both traditional and digital formats. Advanced coursework, including access to high school level algebra and geometry, is offered at all schools.



### SCIENCE

Discovery Education Science connects students to their inner curiosity by placing them at the center of each three-dimensional learning experience. The curriculum engages students in authentic investigations to uncover the mysteries of the universe. Hands-on and virtual investigations, STEM activities, and a variety of science resources are provided to support all levels of learners. Science Techbook and Middle School Science meets both Arizona’s Science Standards as well as the Next Generation Science Standards. These programs feature traditional and digital learning platforms.

### SOCIAL STUDIES

The Arizona History and Social Science Standards build across grade levels in a progression of knowing and applying concepts aligned to history, government, geography, and economics. To support this progression, Teacher’s Curriculum Institute (TCI) social studies is provided in 6th-8th grades and integrates proven teaching strategies, engaging content, and meaningful technology. Students in Grades 1-4 use McGraw-Hill’s Impact Social Studies and 5th graders use McGraw-Hill’s Discovering our Past: United Studies, Arizona Edition. These programs provide rigorous learning experiences to help them understand the world around them. These programs feature traditional and digital learning platforms.

### LANGUAGE ARTS

Arizona’s English Language Arts Standards call for an integrated approach to teaching reading, writing, language, speaking and listening. Laveen strives to promote literacy across all of the content areas, exposing students to a rich balance of fiction and nonfiction texts. Students read selections from a wide range of text types and integrate research, writing and media skills through technology. Laveen’s ELA curriculum includes Savvas ReadyGen for Grades K-5 and McGraw-Hill’s StudySync for Grades 6-8. Both programs feature traditional and digital learning platforms.

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-Melissa Garcia, Principal

### REGISTRATION

Families may enroll in Laveen School regardless of where they reside, space permitting.

Families may enroll their children using our secure online portal or by downloading and completing a paper registration packet available at [www.LaveenSchools.org/registration](http://www.LaveenSchools.org/registration) or in the school’s front office.

