

### Philosophy

**Individualization:** We see each child as unique, with individual preferences, interests, learning styles and rates of development. Teachers plan experiences and activities to meet the varying developmental needs of each child in the class. Children learn when they are allowed to make choices based on their own individual needs and interests.

**Family:** Strong connections/relationships with family members and caregivers are the foundation for the healthy growth and development of young children. Each child comes to us with unique and important family values and traditions. We develop strong relationships with each child and their family.

**Child Development:** Current research in child development says young children learn best through play; active participation in their own learning. "Play, both directed and undirected, is a critical component of learning. Play helps children learn new concepts and problem-solving skills in a natural, fun way." Carla Snuggs Cognitive Learning Through Play.



### Curriculum

Our curriculum is based on the National Association for the Education of Young Children ([www.naeyc.org](http://www.naeyc.org)) standards for developmentally appropriate practice, and is aligned with the Arizona Department of Education's Early Learning Standards.

#### **Using The Creative Curriculum as our guide, we:**

- create a safe, interesting, unstructured environment to allow children the creative freedom to make choices and pursue his or her individual interests and needs.
- provide a variety of open-ended activities and experiences in all developmental areas (social-emotional, physical, language and cognitive) to encourage creativity and problem-solving.
- modify the environment on a regular basis to stimulate interest and encourage growth, asking questions and making suggestions as they play to stimulate children's thinking.
- create a schedule/routine that includes child-centered or child-led activities as well as periods of teacher-directed time (story time, music and movement, and other group games).
- celebrate the process of learning and problem solving; encouraging students to be curious and independent learners.
- understand that mistakes are a normal part of learning and therefore do not punish or shame children; instead we follow a six-step conflict resolution process ([www.kidsandconflict.com](http://www.kidsandconflict.com)) that teaches children how to resolve conflict and solve problems independently.

Paradise Valley Cooperative School is licensed and regulated by the Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS). The Office of Child Care Licensure is located at 150 N. 18th Ave. Suite 400, Phoenix, AZ 85007. The phone number is 602-364-2539. A copy of the current license is posted on the parent bulletin board. Annual inspection reports are available upon request at the preschool or can be reviewed at the ADHS office. PVCS carries liability insurance.



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Highly qualified teachers



Low student to teacher ratio



Hands on learning activities



Language rich environment



Developmentally appropriate  
preschool activities

## Full Day Program

**Hours:** 7:00am to 5:30pm

### Fees:

- rates below are **weekly** tuition fees

	2 days	3 days	5 days	Drop-in
<b>infants</b>	\$120	\$165	\$225	\$60
<b>ones</b>	\$120	\$160	\$210	\$60
<b>twos</b>	\$100	\$150	\$200	\$50
<b>threes</b>	\$90	\$135	\$175	\$45
<b>fours</b>	\$90	\$135	\$175	\$45

5% discount given to second/youngest child enrolled

Registration Fee: \$75 registration fee per family

\$150 annual materials fee per family due Aug. 1st

All registration fees are non-refundable

**Full Day Program tuition is the same each week regardless of holidays, sick days or vacation.**

Vacation Fee: Pay 1/2 of your weekly tuition for a full week off.

**Coop Requirements:** participate 1 hour per month or \$10 coop fee.

### Holidays Closed:

New Year's Day

M.L. King Day

President's Day

Memorial Day

Independence Day

Labor Day

Veteran's Day

Thanksgiving (Th/F)

Christmas Eve

Christmas Day

**Lunch/Snack:** morning snack, a hot lunch, and afternoon snack are served each day. Breakfast is available to students arriving before 8:00am.

## Morning Program

**Hours:** Morning Preschool Program: 9:00am to 12:00pm  
Early Care: 8:00am to 9:00am  
Fun Bunch/Nap: 12:00pm to 2:00pm

### Fees:

- rates listed below are **monthly** tuition fees

	2 mornings	3mornings	5mornings	Drop-in
<b>ones</b>	\$225	\$275	\$430	\$35
<b>twos/threes</b>	\$200	\$250	\$400	\$30
<b>fours</b>	M-Th four morning program: \$325			\$30

### Extended Hours

**fun bunch** (12-2) \$70 \$100 \$150 \$12

**early care** (8-9) \$30 \$45 \$70 \$5

5% discount given to second/youngest child enrolled

Registration Fee: \$150 annual registration/materials fee per family

Last month's tuition is due by May 1st

All registration fees are non-refundable

**Morning Program tuition is based on a yearly average, so tuition is the same each month regardless of holidays or sick days.**

**Coop Requirements:** participate 3 hours per month or \$20 coop fee.

### Important Dates:

School Begins - August 15

School Ends - May 24th

**Holidays:** Labor Day

Winter Break Dec. 22 - Jan. 1

Veteran's Day

M. L. King Day

Thanksgiving (Th/F)

Presidents Day

Spring Break Mar. 19-23

**Summer:** Continue to attend PVCS morning program during the summer months for the same monthly tuition rate.