



Traditional Academy Litchfield Elementary School District Application Packet

2025-2026



A completed application is due to the
Litchfield Elementary School District Office,
272 E. Sagebrush St., Litchfield Park, AZ 85340
by **Thursday, April 17, 2025.**

Applicant notifications will take place May 15-23, 2025 **via email.**

Litchfield Elementary School District Traditional Academy Program

The Litchfield Elementary School District has long had a reputation for academic excellence and high quality educational programming for the students in our community. District schools and leaders have received numerous awards and recognitions over the years for outstanding performance. We take pride in the performance of our students, our teachers, and the support of our community.

Educators across the country agree that “one size does not fit all” when it comes to meeting a student’s needs in the classroom. Parents/Guardians have many choices in selecting schools to meet their children's educational needs and life goals. The Litchfield Elementary School District has also always been known as an innovative District that is willing to face any challenges or changes in the community that may be needed. Traditional Academy is one option parents may consider when choosing the Litchfield Elementary School District.

The Litchfield Elementary School District is accepting applications from students in first-fifth grade who wish to be considered for enrollment during the 2025-2026 school year in the Litchfield Elementary School District Traditional Academy Program. The LESD Traditional Academy Program is available at eleven of our elementary schools first-fifth grade.

LESD Traditional Academy Mission

The purpose of the LESD Traditional Academy Program is to offer students, who qualify through an application process, access to a different curriculum while working alongside other similarly identified students. The qualifying criteria for admittance and programs used in The Traditional Academy allows for a faster pace and advancement through grade level standards at a rigorous level.

LESD Traditional Academy Program Locations

Elementary Campuses:

- Barbara B. Robey, 5340 N. Wigwam Creek Blvd., Litchfield Park, AZ 85340
- Belen Soto, 18601 W. Campbell Ave., Goodyear, AZ 85395
- Corte Sierra, 3300 N. Santa Fe Trail, Avondale, AZ 85392
- Dreaming Summit, 13335 W. Missouri Ave., Litchfield Park, AZ 85340
- Litchfield, 255 E. Wigwam Blvd., Litchfield Park, AZ 85340
- Mabel Padgett, 15430 W. Turney, Goodyear, AZ 85395
- Palm Valley, 2801 N. 135th Ave., Goodyear, AZ 85395
- Rancho Santa Fe, 2150 N. Rancho Santa Fe Blvd., Avondale, AZ 85392
- Scott L. Libby, 18701 W. Thomas Rd., Litchfield Park, AZ 85340
- Verrado, 20873 W. Sunrise Ln., Buckeye, AZ 85396
- Verrado Heritage, 20895 W. Hamilton St. Buckeye, AZ 85396

Application Process

Parents/Guardians interested in having their children considered for entrance into the LESD Traditional Academy Program will need to complete an application for each child seeking admittance into the program. The applications will be available on February 6, 2025 and should be dropped off at the District Office, 272 E. Sagebrush St., Litchfield Park. **The Traditional Academy application deadline is April 17, 2025.** Applications will be accepted after this date to fill any slots that still remain.

Parents/Guardians of children who will be new to the program in first-fifth grade for the 2025-2026 school year, will be notified May 15-23, 2025 **via email.**

Students who qualify, but are not accepted due to space, will be placed on a waitlist. Upon availability in the program, applications will be analyzed with consideration to assessment data, priority level, student and parent input, and teacher feedback when applicable.

Questions regarding the LESD Traditional Academy Program can be referred to the campus principal or the office of the Director of Curriculum and Professional Development during the summer.

Application Instructions

Please fill out the following application in its entirety. All information will be used in determining student placement.

1. The first page is the application page. Please make sure to include your email address. You will be notified by email whether or not your child has been accepted into the Traditional Academy Program. All address and boundary information provided on your child's application will be verified.
2. Part 1 is the parent/guardian questionnaire to be filled out by parent/guardian.
3. Part 2 is for your child to complete.
 - a. If your child will be a first or second grader for the 2025-2026 school year, please have them fill out Part 2A (self-portrait). This is optional for third-fifth grade students.
 - b. If your child will be a third grader, fourth grader, or fifth grader for the 2025-2026 school year, please have them fill out Part 2B. This is optional for first and second grade students.
4. Teachers will receive an electronic teacher questionnaire. Out-of-district applicants, please provide a teacher email address in the space provided on the application or email Mandy Greene at greenem@lesd79.org with the teacher's email address. A link to the survey will be emailed directly to the out-of-district teacher.

Once you and your child have completed the application page and parts 1 and 2, please submit to the Litchfield Elementary School District Office, 272 E. Sagebrush St., Litchfield Park, AZ 85340 by **Thursday, April 17, 2025.**

All applications will be evaluated. Qualifying applicants will be sorted according to priority listed in the LESD Traditional Academy Program Guide and given to the appropriate school sites. School site administrators will analyze applications with consideration to assessment data, priority level, student and parent input, and teacher feedback when applicable.



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Child's Grade for Next Year, 2025-2026 School Year _____

Please mark the school for which you are applying. If you would like to apply to more than one school, please mark your school preferences with a number. (i.e.: mark 1st choice with a "1", 2nd choice a "2" and 3rd choice with a "3"). Please note, once you accept placement you will no longer be on a waitlist for your other preferences. All address and boundary information provided on this application will be verified.

Elementary (First-Fifth):

____ Barbara B. Robey ____ Belen Soto ____ Corte Sierra ____ Dreaming Summit
____ Litchfield ____ Mabel Padgett ____ Palm Valley ____ Rancho Santa Fe
____ Scott L. Libby ____ Verrado ____ Verrado Heritage

Child's Name: _____
(Please Print) (Last Name) (First Name) (MI)
 Male Female Birthdate: _____ Age: _____ Current 2024-2025 Grade: _____
Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____
Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____ Cell Phone: _____
Home Phone: _____ Email address (required): _____

Is parent/guardian a LESD Employee: Yes (School: _____ Department: _____) No

We live in the Litchfield Elementary School District (LESD) attendance boundaries: Yes No

Please select only ONE:

____ My child currently attends our LESD **neighborhood school**:
LESD School: _____ LESD Teacher email: _____

____ My child currently attends the following LESD School through **open enrollment (variance)**:
LESD School: _____ LESD Teacher email: _____

____ We **do** live in the LESD boundaries however, my child currently **does not** attend our LESD **neighborhood school**:
Current School: _____ Current Teacher email: _____

____ We **do not** live in the LESD boundaries (**out-of-district**):
Out-of-District School: _____ Out-of-District Teacher email: _____

Sibling Information (if applicable):

____ Sibling(s) **currently attending** Traditional Academy for 2024-2025:
Name: _____ Grade: _____ School: _____ Name: _____ Grade: _____ School: _____

____ Sibling(s) also **applying** for Traditional Academy for 2025-2026:
Name: _____ Grade: _____ School: _____ Name: _____ Grade: _____ School: _____

NOTE: If child is **NOT** currently attending a school in the Litchfield Elementary School District, please provide copies of any testing and/or report card information from previous school. All students seeking admittance into the Traditional Academy Program must meet LESD age requirements and policies. Once accepted into the program, all registration procedures must be followed.

Please return applications to the District Office: 272 E. Sagebrush St., Litchfield Park, AZ 85340 by April 17, 2025 by 4:30 p.m.

For District Office use only: 1st Choice Priority # _____ 2nd Choice Priority # _____ 3rd Choice Priority # _____ TQ _____



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Part 1 – Parent/Guardian Questionnaire

Name of Student: _____ Grade: _____
(for 2025-2026 school year)

Person completing this form: _____

Relation to the student: _____

1. In the space below, please provide a narrative explaining the reason why you feel your child would benefit from participation in the LESD Traditional Academy Program.

2. As a parent/guardian, in what ways will you support your child in the Traditional Academy Program?



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Part 1 Continued – Parent/Guardian Questionnaire

Please rate the following characteristics of your child:

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
Shows initiative/motivation				
Displays intellectual curiosity				
Demonstrates creativity				
Observes and identifies details				
Gives unique and insightful answers				
Draws inferences/makes connections				
Discusses in detail and elaborates				
Demonstrates respect toward adults				
Works well with peers				
Displays persistence to complete tasks				
Adequate home support for school work				
Being present and on time is a priority				
Positive behavior promotes learning in self and others				
Turns in assignments consistently				
Parental support for classroom teacher				
Learns new concepts quickly				



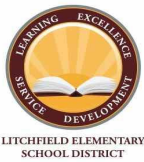
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Part 2A - Student Participation
Required For Incoming First and Second Grade Students
Optional For Incoming Third-Fifth Grade Students

Name: _____ Grade: _____
(for the 2025-2026 school year)

1. Please have student draw a picture of himself/herself (self-portrait). Please have student write his/her name on the line below.

My name is _____.



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Part 2B - Student Participation **Required For Incoming Third-Fifth Grade Students** **Optional For Incoming First and Second Grade Students** (Student please complete the following questions in your own handwriting)

Name: _____ Grade: _____
(for the 2025-2026 school year)

1. Tell us about something you love or your favorite thing to do outside of school.

2. How do you manage your time? How do you balance homework and extracurricular activities?