
Mission Statement

Carden of Tucson is dedicated to offering a value based education by empowering the administration, faculty, parents and community to guide the students toward achieving their full potential by offering an exceptional academic, physical and social program; and through the development and practice of leadership.



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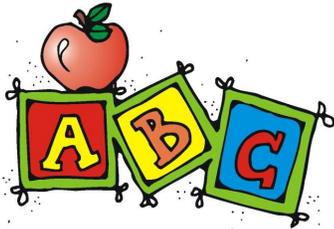
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36 Years of Putting Children First

Carden of Tucson was established by Mrs. Bette Jeppson in 1980. Her mission was to provide children in the Tucson area an opportunity to experience the Carden Method. Miss Mae Carden, founder of the Carden Method, stated, "School should equip each child to achieve the *life triumphant*."



Carden Philosophy

Carden of Tucson seeks to develop students who are "adjusted, capable, confident, eager, alert, courageous, generous, just, self-critical, compassionate, courteous and happy." (*Quality Teaching, Successful Learning*, page 86). Students develop an eagerness to learn and accept the responsibility to learn rather than act as if they were passive participants. They are willing to become self-reliant, independent thinkers. Carden aids the youngster in acquiring the personal skills that develop the ability to think and communicate well. Emphasis is upon the values that would enable a student to become a competent member of society through loyalty to family, school, community, country and the world. Students are afforded many opportunities to experience their own leadership qualities.

Carden sets and maintains high academic standards and is fully aligned with the Arizona Standards

History

Carden of Tucson was founded as a private non-profit, non-denominational Christian school and operated as such for 20 years. In May 1999, Carden of Tucson applied for and was granted a charter by the Higley Unified School District. During the first charter year, Higley provided Carden of Tucson with the business and academic expertise to become a successful charter school. In June 2000, Carden of Tucson elected to transfer sponsorship from the Higley Unified School District to the Arizona State Charter Board.

Admission Policy

Admission is not limited based upon ethnicity, national origin, gender, income level, disabling condition, proficiency in the English language or athletic ability. Carden of Tucson Charter School is tuition free for first grade through eighth grade. Kindergarten is a full day program which requires a tuition fee of \$1,000.00 per year. Carden of Tucson Charter School will admit all eligible pupils who submit a timely application. Enrollment preference will be given to pupils returning and to siblings of pupils already enrolled. If, by the application deadline, the number of applications exceeds the capacity of the class, a lottery for the available openings will be held. After application deadline, pupils will be accepted in chronological order. The application deadline is February 1st.



We offer small class sizes with a 16 to 1 student/teacher ratio.

CURRICULUM

- Language Arts
 - ...Spelling
 - ...Grammar
 - ...Penmanship/Cursive
 - ...Composition
 - ...Reading
 - ...Literature
- Mathematics
- Science
- Social Studies
 - ...Geography
 - ...Economics
 - ...History
 - ...Political Science
- Art
- Physical Education
- Health Science
- Computers
- French
- Music
 - ...Show Choir/Dance

"The basic purpose of the school is to awaken in each student, the desire to learn, and to equip him with a solid foundation of learning skills and basic knowledge which will enable him to reach logical conclusions and to proceed with confidence through a lifetime of learning."

-Mae Carden

Offering Excellent Education
For Young Scholars
Kindergarten Through Eighth Grade