



Family & Community
Outreach

FAMILY RESOURCE CENTERS (FRCs)

TUCSON UNIFIED
SCHOOL DISTRICT

June 2022 Spotlight

Ready to Serve You All Year Round

Congratulations, TUSD class of 2022!!! We want to thank the many beautiful families who have utilized the Family Resource Centers as we end another school year. We are wholeheartedly grateful for your visits and hope we can continue to see you through the summer months. Yes, we are open during the summer!

All of the resources offered throughout the year are also available over the summer. Staff is available to support families and find community resources. The food pantry, clothing bank, hygiene items, school supplies, backpacks, and open computer labs are all available. We also continue to offer classes, workshops, and seminars for adults. Services are free and easily accessible to TUSD registered students and their family members.

You can find our hours of operation on the left side of this page. We list a detailed yearly calendar on our website. To see any upcoming closures or changes in hours, please see the last page of the newsletter. The Family Resource Centers will be closed from Friday, May 27, through Friday, June 3. We will resume regular hours on Monday, June 6.

Family Resource Centers

Monday | Wednesday | Friday
8:00 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.
Tuesday | Thursday
9:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Family Resource Center services are available to TUSD students and their families, free of charge.



Clothing
Bank



Food
Pantry



Hygiene
Kits



School
Supplies

We also offer free classes for adults.

[Schedule of Classes](#)

[Family Resource Centers Website](#)



Find us on
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Please visit our website for special hours and closures. If you are unable to visit during these hours, please call your nearest center.



Catalina

Family Resource Center

3645 E. Pima St.
Tucson, AZ 85716
(520) 232-8684



Menlo

Family Resource Center

1100 W. Fresno
Tucson, AZ 85745
(520) 225-2172



Palo Verde

Family Resource Center

1302 S. Avenida Vega
Tucson, AZ 85710
(520) 584-7455



Southwest

Family Resource Center

6855 S. Mark Rd.
Tucson, AZ 85757
(520) 908-3980

[Family Resource Centers Website](#)

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Empowerment Workshop at the Family Resource Centers

TUSD's Family Resource Centers recently collaborated with I Am You 360, a local non-profit organization, to host a series of workshops. The founder and CEO, Desire Cook, facilitated the Empowerment Workshop for Parents and Caregivers. The workshop provided interactive content for parents and caregivers of TUSD students to improve self-awareness, self-esteem, and positive thinking. I Am You 360 graciously provided dinner for parents in attendance, and TUSD's Family Resource Centers provided childcare and snacks. Stay tuned for more workshops and interactive classes for TUSD families throughout the summer!



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Family Engagement at TUSD Schools!

Community Block Party: Utterback Middle School

On Saturday, May 14, Utterback hosted a successful, fun-filled block party. More than 40 community organizations joined the event to provide resources. Families enjoyed free food and games while a DJ provided music. There were live performances by Utterback's dance, band, and drama club. Entertainment was also presented by Las Aguilas de Davis Mariachi and the She Phi Step Team. Nearly 500 people were in attendance! What an excellent way to engage families in TUSD. Thank you to Higher Ground and the Community Food Bank of Southern Arizona for collaborating with Utterback to bring such an extraordinary celebration to Utterback families!!!



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The Amazing Race: Secrist Middle School

With the school year winding down, Secrist recently hosted an event called The Amazing Race! The event was for students and their families to get together and collaborate on team building activities. An added bonus to the awesome team building taking place at Secrist is that families and students got to know teachers, staff, and the school. Everyone had a wonderful time, enjoy the pics and great job Secrist Scorpions!



Student Council Support: Mary Meredith K-12

Student Council at Mary Meredith held an event on March 9th where the school community showed up to support their fellow students. Over 40 families and staff were in attendance and helped out by selling cookies to customers at a local McDonalds. Teachers and students had a blast and all proceeds went to Mary Meredith Student Council. The event was a huge success and helped to raise over \$535.00. Way to go Mustangs!

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Bare Books & OMAPALOOZA: Sam Hughes Elementary School

The Sam Hughes community celebrated the return of Literacy Night and OMAPALOOZA on campus! The May events were an opportunity for families to come together and enjoy the work taking place at Hughes. The Literacy Night Bare Books event supports literacy skills at home. The event showcased every student's written and illustrated 32-page original book. The OMAPALOOZA event allowed families to watch students demonstrate the fantastic musical skills they learned at school. Thank you to Ms. Sara Gascho, the Opening Minds through the Arts (OMA) teacher, for your incredible work. Truly amazing work happening at Sam Hughes!



Family STEM Plus Night: Mansfeld Magnet Middle School

Mansfeld Magnet Middle School held the first in-person Family STEM Plus Night in over two years. The event featured presentations from the University of Arizona's Math, Computer Science, and School & Community Garden Departments. Tucson & Palo Verde High School and Tribal Image Youth Council also participated. The celebration included nachos, drinks, and Indian Fry Bread. There was true enjoyment as families attended breakout sessions and viewed the student's schoolwork. Bulldog nation showed up strong, with more participants than any other previous Stem Night. Keep up the excellent work, Mansfeld!!!



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For June of 2022, TUSD is excited to add free, four-week summer experiences at all schools! TUSD also offers excellent paid programs each summer.

Free Programs

Full STEAM Ahead! — Uses Opening Minds through the Arts (OMA), STEM curriculum, and highly-engaged teachers.

Students also receive ELA and Math instruction in small groups.

Freshman Academy — Supports incoming 9th grade students to transition from middle school to high school while building math, reading and study skills.

High School Credit Recovery — For current high school students looking to catch up and graduate with their class! Held in-person at all schools.

Register with ParentVUE by June 2 (by May 6 to guarantee transportation):

1. *Sign in to ParentVUE*
2. *Select Summer from the drop down*
3. *Enter your student's current grade (for 21-22)*
4. *Select your school*

Services

- Meals — breakfast and lunch
- Transportation for Full Steam Ahead! (register by May 6)
- Crossing Guards
- Nurses/Health Clerks/Counselors

Your student must be enrolled at a TUSD school to register for free programs.

For more information on free summer programs, or TUSD's paid summer programs, please visit the

[Summer Experience Webpage](#)

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Special dates, hours, and closures:

May 26: Open 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (Last day for students)

May 27: Closed

May 30– June 3: Closed

June 10: Open 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

TUSD HEART PROGRAM | McKinney-Vento Program



Because every child deserves an education.

**Are you or your family homeless?
Do you know a student or family who is homeless?**

Displaced and living in a shelter?

Living in a motel or campground due to the lack of an alternative adequate accommodation?

Living in a car, park, abandoned building, bus or train station?

Living with other people at their residence due to loss of housing or economic hardship?

Your school-aged and pre-school aged children may qualify for transportation to their school and so much more under the McKinney-Vento Act.



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