

DAVIS BILINGUAL MAGNET FAMILY HANDBOOK

2023-2024



Mission

Davis Bilingual Magnet celebrates the diversity of our students' cultures and languages. We empower our students with the tools to be life-long bilingual and multicultural learners.

Vision

Davis Bilingual Magnet: Inspiring and empowering our students to become thoughtful, productive, communal, and global citizens.

In Lak 'ech

Tú eres mi otro yo. Si te hago daño a ti, me hago daño a mi mismo. Si te amo y te respeto a ti, me amo y me respeto a mi mismo.

Dear Families,

iBienvenidos to Davis Bilingual Magnet! Below is some information to help make your child's school year successful. Please take a moment to review each section. We look forward to a wonderful school year!

General Information

<p><u>School hours</u> Mon., Tues., Thurs., and Fri. 8:30 am to 2:45 pm Wednesday 8:30 am to 1:45 pm</p> <p><u>Address</u> 500 W St. Mary's Rd Tucson AZ 85701 Front office : (520) 225-1400 Texting number (Google) : (520) 369-3643 E-mail: marisela.campillo@tusd1.org School Website: https://davises.tusd1.org/</p>	<p>Principal: <i>Marisela Campillo</i> Registration Attendance Clerk: <i>Daniela Atjian</i> Office Manager: <i>Elizabeth Ladriere</i> Community Liaison: <i>TBD</i> Magnet Coordinator: <i>Alejandra B. Pulgarin</i> Curriculum Service Provider: <i>Clarissa Alvarez-Felix</i></p>
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Important Dates

- *First Day of School: August 3, 2023*
- Conference dates (11:40 am dismissal): September 20, 21, 22, 2023 and February 8 and 9, 2024
- Grading Days (No School): October 6, December 22, March 8

Report cards can be viewed the following Monday

- TUSD Professional Learning Days (No School): August 23, October 25, January 24, and March 20
- Rodeo Break: February 22-23, 2023
- Fall break: October 9-13, 2023
- Winter break: December 25, 2023- January 5, 2024
- Spring break: March 11-15, 2024
- Spring Holiday: March 29, 2024
- *Last Day of School: May 23, 2024*

Drop-off

Please use the bus bay on Anita Street (east side of the school by garden) for morning drop-off. Please do not park in this area, it is a *drive-through and drop-off only*. If you would like to park, please use the parent parking lot (south of school) and **not** staff parking.

To respect our teachers' planning time each morning, we ask that students remain on the playground/cafeteria until the first bell rings. **Supervision begins at 7:30am**, please be sure to plan for drop-off at appropriate times. Teachers will pick up their class at the front of the school (south field) at 8:30am. All classrooms have a designated line-up spot.

Pick-up

Students in grades 2-5 will be dismissed from their class at their designated spot in front of school. Kindergarten pick-up will be at the kinder playground behind the building. 1st grade pick-up will be at the exterior door of their classroom. We encourage the use of the bus bay (on Anita Street) for students in grades 3-5 to be picked up after school. If you choose to park for pick-up, please use the parent parking lot (south of school) or dirt lot on west side of campus to park and **not staff parking lot. For the first weeks of school, all students are expected to be picked up at dismissal time, please make necessary arrangements (Extended Day Program will have a later start date than the start of school).**

Attendance

A student is considered tardy if they arrive at school after 8:35am and may also be counted absent for part of the day if they are withdrawn from school early. Late arrivals must check-in at the office before going to class.

Please tell us as soon as possible if your child will be absent or tardy. It is important that we have up-to-date telephone numbers. If your child is absent, and you have not contacted us, we will contact you or your emergency contact by phone. To maximize students' learning, please do your best to schedule all appointments/vacations outside of the regular school day. Teachers are not required to provide work for extended personal leave of a student.

If your child is absent due to an extended illness, please provide us with a doctor's excuse. Please notify our Health Office staff about the medical attention the child is receiving. If you need assistance with medical care, please contact our Health Office. Please be sure to notify us immediately if emergency contact information has changed. In the event of an emergency, we must have a way to reach you.

If you need to pick up your child before dismissal, please come to the office. A picture ID must be presented anytime a child is picked up if we do not recognize you as the parent/guardian. An Authorization Release Form must be on file with us for family/caregivers to pick up your child. Family members under 18 will not be allowed to pick up students during school hours.

Medication

If your child needs to take medication during school hours, please come into the health office and fill out the appropriate form. The medication must be in a pharmacy container labeled with the name of the student, the doctor, and the medication, and the dose and the time it is to be taken. These procedures also apply to non-prescription medications such as aspirin, cough drops, and allergy preparations.

Meals

Breakfast is served from 8:00 to 8:25 am daily. Students **must enter using the cafeteria door located near Plaza Valenzuela** and eat breakfast before going outside to play.



Davis Bilingual Magnet is not an eligible "No Cost Meals" school. Davis receives funding based on the number of qualifying Free and Reduced Lunch applications submitted. The money received is used to fund a full-time certified position. Due to the small number of applications submitted, we are at considerable risk of losing this funding. **Please fill out the Free and Reduced Lunch Application [HERE](#).**

If your child brings food from home, please ensure to pack a well-balanced and nutritious meal. We highly discourage students from bringing candy, cookies, soft drinks, Hot Cheetos, Takis or other unhealthy snacks to school.

Please ensure your child brings a water bottle each day (for water only). **We do not have drinking fountains available.**

Birthday Celebrations

Birthday celebration treats and balloons/gifts will be limited to the last 15-20 minutes of the school day to avoid excessive disruptions to learning. Items will be kept in the office and delivered to the classroom before the celebration begins. We ask that parents/guardians always check with the classroom teacher before planning a celebration for their child. All food distributed must be store bought and individually wrapped/packaged. **Please also remember that many students have food allergies and food brought into the classrooms must be safe for all students to eat.**

Expectations for Students

TUSD's *Student Code of Conduct for Grades K through 12*, is available upon request and on TUSD's website.

Per Governing Board [JICJ-R Board Policy](#), students must have phones/smart watches off (during class times, including Ext Day & field trips).

Positive Behavior Intervention Supports PBIS

At Davis we practice *In Lak 'ech*, a Mayan philosophy that translates to "You are my other me. If I do harm to you, I do harm to myself. If I love and respect you, I love and respect myself." Students receive recognition for their positive behavior through "*In Lak 'ech Boletos*" (tickets) which can be redeemed for rewards. Each month, we have an *In Lak 'ech* Assembly where students are presented with a certificate for modeling kindness, respect, responsibility, and safety.

Homework

We understand the value of homework to improve skills such as time management, organization, and goal setting, but homework is not mandated. Classroom teachers may use their professional judgement to determine if assigned homework will be given. Per TUSD Governing Board Policy, homework will not account for more than 20% of a student's grade. Each teacher will provide more information on their homework policy. As a site, we do encourage 20 minutes of daily reading. Research supports the idea that daily reading helps students increase their vocabulary and build reading fluency and comprehension.

Home hints for student success:

We would like to make you aware of the online programs available for home learning. These programs are research-based and used by the district to support and accelerate student academic growth in mathematics and English and Spanish language arts. All students have access to the following programs through their Clever account based on

their grade level:



Imagine
Language &
Literacy



Imagine Español



Imagine Math



Benchmark
Education
Company



IXL



Clever

Please click [HERE](#) to access Clever.

Safety

TUSD has made efforts to provide more security at our schools. The front door entrances will always remain locked. Visitors will be buzzed in at the gate after stating their purpose for the visit. We understand this may be an inconvenience, however these measures are put in place to protect all children and adults in school.

Please be sure to always carry an I.D. with you if you want to enter the school and to pick up a child. Please do not ask students to open the door for you, a staff member must buzz you into the building. **When parents exit, please do not allow others to enter, as everyone must be buzzed in to enter the building.** To maximize security, please ensure no exterior door is propped open. Thank you for your cooperation in helping to keep all students and staff safe.

Parent Involvement

Volunteering at Davis:

Parents and other community members are **always welcome** at Davis, whether they come to help or just to visit. Please visit [tusd1.org- Volunteer Application](https://tusd1.org-Volunteer-Application) and fill out an application to be cleared through HR. **Volunteers and all visitors need to check in and out of the office** by signing the **volunteer log**. Please enter through the main entrance. If you are a non-parent volunteer and you wish to volunteer, you must get fingerprinted through the district before volunteering, for more information please come to our office.

Our expectations for all adults who enter the building, including staff and visitors, are as follows: "We appreciate your visit, and would like you to know that at Davis Bilingual everyone is expected to treat everyone with **respectful language and manners, and honor people's privacy.**" Please let the principal know if you are aware of any adults, including staff, who do not follow these rules.

Always check with the teacher when wanting to volunteer in your child's classroom. During the first weeks of school, we kindly ask classroom visits to be kept to a minimum to allow for the establishment of routines and procedures.

For communication purposes, Davis is 100% a ClassDojo site. Please download the app and register using the code provided by your teacher. ClassDojo is used for school and classroom notices/updates. Please be on the lookout for monthly newsletters sent via email from the principal with essential information.



Parents may also become involved in school decisions by attending Site Council and PTA (Parent Teacher Association) meetings. Please visit [PTA MemberHub](https://PTA-MemberHub) to become an active member.

ParentVue: ParentVUE is an internet-based application providing access to education records for parents/guardians of the district through a secure internet site. For step-by-step instructions on how to access and set-up your account, click [HERE](#) or use the QR Code.



ParentVUE: Online Registration

Tax Credit:

What should I mark when I make my donation online? We are especially grateful for donations marked "Undesignated," as that allows us to put your donation towards a specialist position on our campus (P.E., Garden, Art, etc.). Thank you for supporting us as we raise funds to keep these important positions.

What if I already made a payment for Extended Day?

Many of you made a payment for Extended Day. Kindly note that you may be able to take advantage of the federal Child and Dependent Care Credit, as Extended Day supports parents who pay for childcare so that they may work outside of the home. Please consult your tax professional for more details. This may allow you to make an additional contribution to Davis (in addition to Extended Day) and claim the Arizona tax credit, for up to \$400, per the information above.

Please donate [HERE](#).

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