

PARENT CLASSROOM VISITS OR OBSERVATIONS

Parents of Enrolled Students. In accordance with Arizona law, parents of students enrolled at the school may request to “tour” or observe their child’s classroom (a “classroom visit”), subject to the following parameters:

- All classroom visit requests must be received by the school at least 24 hours in advance of the proposed visit, provided that the school, in its sole discretion, may waive the 24-hour advance notice requirement on a case-by-case basis.
- Classroom visit requests will be promptly reviewed by the Principal, with input from the classroom teacher, if appropriate.
- Classroom visit requests will be approved unless they threaten to interfere with the physical, intellectual, social, or emotional health and/or safety of students and staff.

During any approved classroom visit, parents will be subject to all policies applicable to school visitors generally, including safety requirements for providing identification and, if applicable, being accompanied by school staff. For the purposes of this policy and the online setting of the school, “accompanied” means that parents will be observed by a member of the school staff at all times and may be limited in their ability to observe the online classrooms of other students who are not their children.

Parents of Potential Students. In accordance with Arizona law, parents who wish to enroll their child in the school may request a classroom visit, subject to the same parameters set forth above for parents of enrolled students. In addition, parents of potential students will be required to be accompanied at all times during any classroom visit by a current staff member.

Scheduling. Approved classroom visits will be scheduled at a mutually convenient time for the school and the parents, and may be limited to a specific time frame, at the school’s discretion.

Health and Safety Parameters. For purposes of this policy, the following requests threaten to interfere with the physical, intellectual, social, or emotional health and/or safety of students and staff, and are therefore not allowed:

- Requests for classroom visits during state testing, other testing periods, or at other times that would clearly interfere with educational instruction or disrupt the educational environment.
- Requests for classroom visits by parents who have demonstrated failure to abide by Parent Behavioral Expectations (set forth below), or who have otherwise failed to abide by the policies of the school.
- Requests that, for other reasons, threaten to interfere with the physical, intellectual, social, or emotional health and/or safety of students and staff.

Parent Behavioral Expectations. During any classroom visit, parents are expected and required to comply with all school policies and procedures and to comport themselves at all times with appropriate decorum and in a manner that is respectful and conducive to an environment in which the educational objectives of the school can be effectively administered. Consistent with this expectation, any parental behavior that constitutes harassment, bullying, or verbal or physical abuse of staff or students, or that otherwise disrupts the educational environment is expressly prohibited.

In addition, parents may not interfere with instruction or distract from the instructional environment, nor may parents help their child with their schoolwork during a classroom visit, unless specifically allowed by the classroom teacher.

Parents who disregard these behavioral expectations will be immediately removed from the classroom; may be prohibited from future classroom visits or subject to other limitations on future classroom visits; and may be subject to other consequences under applicable law or policy.