

## WUSD Preschool

The WUSD Preschool program is an early childhood special education preschool. The WUSD Preschool serves children ages 3 -5 years old prior to kindergarten transition who have an identified disability. Our preschool is housed on the Whiteriver Elementary School campus and runs Monday-Thursday, two half-day sessions. Eligibility categories include: Preschool-Severe Delay, Developmental Delay, and Speech-Language Impairment. We also provide supports in occupational and physical therapy, audiology and vision. Our students benefit from Arizona's Early Childhood Assessment System. Our highly qualified preschool staff provide a safe, nurturing learning environment where the needs of the students always come first.

## WUSD ESS Program

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# Product/ Service Information

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## What is Early Intervention?

The Arizona Early Intervention Program (AzEIP) is Arizona's statewide interagency system of services and supports for families of infants and toddlers, birth to three years of age, with disabilities or delays. AzEIP is established by Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), which provides eligible children and their families access to services to enhance the capacity of families and caregivers to support the child's development.

Early Childhood Special Education (ECSE) is a state and federally mandated program for children (ages 3-5) who meet state eligibility criteria because they are experiencing developmental delays. Eligibility for children is determined by criteria that have been established by federal and state rules and regulations. Whiteriver Unified School District is required by law to screen preschool children with disabilities or suspected developmental delays, who may be eligible to receive special education services. The purpose of the screening is to identify those children who may need a more detailed evaluation. There is no cost for this service.

When learning challenges are identified at a young age, early intervention can help the child with learning tasks. Children who are showing difficulties with any of the following areas may have a learning challenge. Watch for difficulties with: -Speaking/Understanding -Vision -Hearing -Mobility: Walking/Running -Self-help skills -Behavior/Social skills -Manipulating small objects/ Drawing Who is eligible for screening/evaluation? Children between the ages of 2 years, 9 months and 5 years of age, prior to September 1 of current school year. My child is too young, can you still help me? Absolutely, call the WUSD ECSE Coordinator for further assistance with AzEIP referral services

### Initial Special Education Process—Early Intervention

