

# ARIZONA SCHOOL REPORT CARD 2002-03

Achievement Profile<sup>1</sup> :

## Sunridge Learning Center

- Excelling
- Improving
- Maintaining Performance
- Underperforming
- Extremely Small School

Mesa Unified District  
737 W. Guadalupe Road, Mesa, AZ 85210-7789

Director: Mrs. Beverly K. Potter

Schedule: 7:30 AM to 4:00 PM

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Grades: K-6

2002 Enrollment: 180

Phone: (480) 472-3575

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### ∨ School Overview ∨

#### Mission

Sunridge Learning Center's primary mission is to provide opportunities for students to learn as they prepare for life in an informational age. Basic skills and the ability to acquire knowledge are emphasized and enhanced through technology and exposure to world cultures. Through this on-site technology, students are exposed to the world beyond their neighborhoods and encouraged to develop an understanding and respect for themselves and others.

#### Organization and Philosophy

- w New Initiatives School
- w Montessori
- w Gifted (Extended Learning Program)

#### School/Academic Goals

- w The students at Sunridge in Montessori and ELP will increase reading skills and achieve an overall average of 85th percentile on the Stanford Achievement Test.
- w Develop a mathematical language, relate math to daily life and achieve an overall average of 85th percentile on the Stanford Achievement Test.
- w Develop language skills and achieve an overall average of 75th percentile on the Stanford Achievement Test.
- w All students will develop critical and creative problem-solving skills.

#### Instructional Programs

- w Montessori
- w Gifted (Extended Learning Program)

#### Enrollment

October 1, 2001 School Year Student Enrollment:	169
Accepting New Students in 2002-03 Under Open Enrollment Law <sup>2</sup> :	Yes
Number of Students Attending Under Open Enrollment in 2001-02:	178

<sup>1</sup> For an explanation of the Achievement Profiles, please visit <http://www.ade.az.gov/azlearns>.

<sup>2</sup> Under ARS§15-816, school district governing boards must implement open enrollment programs and establish policies covering admission criteria, application procedures and transportation provisions. For more information, contact the school district office.

∨ **School Site Council** ∨

**Council Composition**

- 0 School Administrator(s)
- 0 Non-certified Employee(s)
- 0 Teacher(s)
- 0 Parent(s)
- 0 Community Member(s)
- 0 Student(s)

**Council Duties**

∨ **Staffing Information** ∨

School administration and instruction for school year 2002-03 are provided by:

<b>Position</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Number</b>
<b>Administrator</b>	1.00	<b>Teacher</b>	18.00
<b>Other Professional Staff</b>	0.00	<b>Teacher Aide</b>	7.00

Educational Attainment by Years of Teaching Experience of Current Teaching Staff

<b>Experience</b>	<b>Degree</b>			
	<b>Bachelor's</b>	<b>Master's</b>	<b>Doctorate</b>	<b>Other</b>
<b>3 or fewer years</b>	2	0	0	0
<b>4 to 6 years</b>	0	0	0	0
<b>7 to 9 years</b>	0	0	0	0
<b>10 or more years</b>	1	15	1	0

∨ **Shared Responsibilities** ∨

**School**

Provide a safe, positive environment; provide a strong academic program; be receptive to and respect the unique needs of every child and his/her family; communicate regularly with parents; share educational goals and explain the curriculum; create opportunities for parental involvement and parental input; develop students' self-esteem.

**Parents**

Encourage a positive attitude toward school; respond to teachers and other staff with respect; promote regular attendance and on-time arrival; provide a nurturing setting, including good nutrition and proper rest; provide a regular time and place to do homework; communicate with the school by note, phone calls, attendance at Parent conferences; read information the school sends home.

∨ **Transportation Policy** ∨

Montessori parents provide their own transportation. Gifted students are bused from their home schools.

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### ∨ Calendar Information ∨

**Number of Instruction Days:** 180                      **First Day of School:** 8/15/02  
**Average Daily Instruction Time:** 6 hrs. 0 min.      **Last Day of School:** 5/29/03  
**Operates on Traditional Schedule**

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#### Report Card Release Dates

10/16/02                      12/19/02                      3/7/03                      5/29/03

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#### Additional Calendar/Report Card Information

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### ∨ Resources Available at School Site ∨

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#### Nutrition Programs

Federal food programs available to eligible<sup>3</sup> students:

Breakfast - No                      Lunch - Yes                      Summer Food - No

<sup>3</sup> Schools participating in the federal nutrition programs provide meals to all children. Students may be eligible for free or reduced-price meals. Eligibility is based on the federal poverty guidelines.

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#### Special Facilities

W Technology Lab

W Exploratory Lab

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#### Extracurricular Activities

W Scouts

W Campfire Boys/Girls

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#### School/Community Resources

W NDS

## ∨ Indicators of Success ∨

Information provided on this page is based on historical data, primarily from the previous school year, 2001-02.

### 2001-02 School Achievements/Accomplishments

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|--|---|
| <p>w The Sunridge students in the Extended Learning Program achieved an overall average of 91% on the district criterion-referenced test.</p>          | <p>w The Sunridge students in the Montessori program achieved an overall average of 87% on the SAT.</p> |
| <p>w The Sunridge students in the Extended Learning Program achieved an overall average of 90% on the district criterion-referenced test for math.</p> | <p>w The Sunridge students in the Montessori program achieved an overall average of 81% on the SAT.</p> |

### Student Information: 2001-02 Student Activity Rates

	School	Arizona		
		K-6	7-8	9-12
<b>Attendance Rate</b>	96.0 %	95.0 %	94.0 %	94.0 %
<b>Transfers Out</b> <sup>4</sup>	27.0 %	19.6 %	19.5 %	20.5 %
<b>Transfers In</b> <sup>5</sup> : Within District	4.2 %	2.7 %	2.2 %	2.0 %
<b>Transfers In</b> <sup>5</sup> : Out-of-District	0.4 %	9.7 %	9.6 %	9.5 %
<b>Promotion Rate</b> <sup>6</sup>	97.2 %	98.4 %	97.8 %	94.8 %
<b>Retention Rate</b> <sup>7</sup>	2.8 %	1.5 %	2.1 %	5.2 %
<b>Dropout Rate</b> <sup>8</sup>	NA			9.5 %
<b>Status Unknown</b> <sup>9</sup>	NA			6.0 %

**Students reported as "dropouts" who may have returned to school for the following academic year are not accounted for in this report.**

<sup>4</sup> Transfers Out: Percentage of accountable students withdrawing to continue studies in another school or to be taught at home for the 2001-02 school year.

<sup>5</sup> Transfers In: Within District: Percentage of accountable students entering school who were previously enrolled in another Arizona public school within the school district during the 2001-02 school year. Out-of-District: Percentage of accountable students entering school who were previously enrolled in another school district during the 2001-02 school year.

<sup>6</sup> Promotion Rate: Percentage of students promoted to the next grade or who met graduation requirements and received a traditional diploma at the end of the 2001-02 school year. Percentage includes students who left school at age 22 or who had completed school and received a non-traditional diploma.

<sup>7</sup> Retention Rate: Percentage of students retained at the end of the 2001-02 school year.

<sup>8</sup> Dropout Rate: Percentage of students counted as withdrawn due to chronic illness, expulsion or dropping out during the 2000-01 school year, to include activity during the summer of 2001. This rate includes students who were withdrawn after 10 consecutive days of unexcused absences or were coded by the school as "status unknown." The Promotion Rate, Retention Rate, Dropout Rate and Status Unknown Rate may not add to 100% due to the inclusion of summer activity in the Dropout Rate and the Status Unknown Rate but not in the Promotion Rate and Retention Rate. Data for 2001-02 is not yet available.

<sup>9</sup> Status Unknown: Percentage of students unaccounted for by any method during the 2001-02 school year. Status unknown students are not necessarily dropouts.

## ∨ School Honors ∨

**Awards or special recognition honors received by the school, staff or students:**

Award/Honor	Year
NDS	

## ∨ Academic Achievement Indicators ∨

Arizona's Instrument to Measure Standards (AIMS) is designed to measure student achievement of the Arizona Academic Standards. Effective with the high school Class of 2006 (eighth graders in 2001-02), students must "Meet the Standard" or "Exceed the Standard" on all portions of AIMS or pass an AIMS Equivalent Demonstration (subject to approval by the state Board of Education) in order to be eligible for a high school diploma. High school students who did not attain "Meets the Standard" or "Exceeds the Standard" in reading, writing and mathematics will have additional opportunities to retake the test in their junior and senior years. Students in grades 3, 5, and 8 also take AIMS.

### AIMS Results <sup>1</sup>, 2001-02

		Number Tested	MS	FFB	A	M	E
<b>Grade 3</b>	<b>Reading</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>568</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>70%</b>
	School State	58840	524	9%	17%	45%	29%
<b>Writing</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>574</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>61%</b>	<b>39%</b>
	State	57282	541	10%	12%	63%	16%
<b>Mathematics</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>573</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>87%</b>
	State	59030	517	11%	27%	35%	27%

#### Legend

- MS - The Mean Scale Score (average) on a 200-800 scale. A student must have achieved a scale score of 500 to meet the standard. Scale scores are not comparable among content areas.
- FFB - Percent of students who Fell Far Below the standard
- A - Percent of students who Approached the standard
- M - Percent of students who Met the standard
- E - Percent of students who Exceeded the standard

#### Grade 5

<b>Reading</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>532</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>40%</b>
	State	61305	505	21%	20%	43%	15%
<b>Writing</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>530</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>71%</b>	<b>8%</b>
	State	59599	512	17%	26%	42%	16%
<b>Mathematics</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>531</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>28%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>56%</b>
	State	61760	494	14%	40%	12%	34%

<sup>1</sup>Results reflect student performance on the English form of AIMS.

<sup>2</sup>Class of 2003 is the cohort of students who began 9th grade during the 1999-2000 school year.

\*\*Items of data containing information about fewer than ten students have been replaced with (\*\*) to protect student privacy.

--Some columns contain dashes (--) to indicate "not applicable" or "no data available."

## ∨ Mathematics Education and AIMS ∨

On April 24, 2000, the state Board of Education amended the high school graduation requirements to include the following: "Effective with the graduating class of 2004, the two required math credits shall be taken consecutively beginning with the ninth grade and course content shall reflect Academic Standards preparation for proficiency at the high school level." Parents should verify with the school that their ninth grade students are enrolled in one or more mathematics courses that provide instruction in the state Board-adopted mathematics standards that lead to proficiency in high school. Students who begin the ninth grade during the 2001-02 school year should be enrolled in a mathematics sequence that is aligned to the state's mathematics standards and includes instruction in the concepts and performance objectives that will be assessed by AIMS. The Board's amendment to the high school graduation requirements should not be interpreted to mean that all ninth grade students must be enrolled in any *particular* course. **The Board's intent is to assure that all ninth grade students are enrolled in courses that prepare students for success on AIMS.**

## ∨ Academic Achievement Indicators ∨

Since 1997, students have been tested in reading, language and mathematics using the *Stanford Achievement Test, Ninth Edition*, a standardized, nationally norm-referenced test. Since 1999, all students in grades 2 through 9 have been tested using the Stanford 9, though other grades have been tested in the past (grades 10-12 in 1997 and 1998, grades 10-11 in 1999 and 2000, and grade 1 reading in 2001).

The percentage (%) of eligible students tested and the school's percentile ranks are presented below. State average percentile ranks (AZ) are provided for comparison. Note that the average percentile ranks for the nation are 50 for all content areas in all grades.

Under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA), no individually identifiable references to students may be made. Therefore, items of data containing information about fewer than ten students have been replaced with (\*\*) to protect student privacy. Some columns contain dashes (--) to indicate "not applicable" or "no data available."

### Stanford 9 Percentile Rank Scores

Grade	Content Area	1997-1998			1998-1999			1999-2000			2000-2001			2001-2002		
		%	Score	AZ												
1	Reading	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	92	88	60	--	--	--
2	Reading	--	--	--	85	74	50	94	78	52	100	83	53	100	73	57
	Language	--	--	--	94	64	40	94	71	43	100	80	44	100	66	48
	Mathematics	--	--	--	97	78	51	91	74	55	100	84	57	100	68	61
3	Reading	100	78	47	100	78	47	96	81	48	63	83	50	96	85	50
	Language	100	80	49	100	79	51	93	81	54	89	83	56	96	87	57
	Mathematics	100	79	46	100	65	49	93	85	52	89	84	54	96	91	56
4	Reading	83	70	53	96	86	54	93	85	54	90	85	55	100	82	55
	Language	67	55	47	91	74	49	93	70	48	90	67	50	100	77	50
	Mathematics	58	58	51	96	87	54	93	79	55	90	89	57	100	71	58
5	Reading	--	--	51	67	73	51	87	86	51	71	92	51	100	81	53
	Language	--	--	42	67	59	44	95	71	45	71	80	45	100	62	47
	Mathematics	--	--	51	67	62	54	87	87	55	71	92	57	100	92	59
6	Reading	--	--	53	--	--	54	88	**	53	82	90	54	94	94	56
	Language	--	--	41	--	--	44	88	**	44	88	84	45	100	81	47
	Mathematics	--	--	57	--	--	59	88	**	60	88	95	63	94	95	65

## ∨ Measure of Academic Progress ∨

Arizona's Measure of Academic Progress (MAP) is an indicator of student academic growth from one year to the next. The results are based on the *Stanford Achievement Test, Ninth Edition* (Stanford 9), given in 2001 and 2002. MAP includes only those students who were tested both years in consecutive grade levels at the same school or who started the school year in the same school in which they were tested in 2002. A student achieves One Year's Growth (OYG) if he or she remains in the same Stanine<sup>9</sup> or advances a Stanine from one year to the next. The percentage of students achieving OYG at the school is reported below.

<sup>9</sup> Stanines are normalized standard scores that range from a low of 1 to a high of 9, with 5 designating average performance. National Stanines, like National Percentile Ranks, indicate a student's relative standing in the national norm group (Source: Harcourt Educational Measurement).

**The MAP is an elementary school (Grades 2-8) indicator only.**

	<b>Reading</b>	<b>Math</b>
	<b>Percentage of Students Achieving One Year's Growth</b>	<b>Percentage of Students Achieving One Year's Growth</b>
<b>Grades 2-3</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>95</b>
<b>Grades 3-4</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>59</b>
<b>Grades 4-5</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>82</b>
<b>Grades 5-6</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>Grades 6-7</b>	<b>***</b>	<b>***</b>

\*Less than 10 students matched

\*\*No information available

\*\*\*Not applicable

## ∨ School Safety ∨

The purpose of this section is to provide parents information about what the school is doing to promote a safe and healthy learning environment.

### School-level Efforts to Ensure a Safe and Healthy Learning Environment

The Montessori educational environment and the ELP environment provide for an orderly and safe climate for learning. This environment promotes independent learning in a very structured format.

Total number of incidents that occurred on the school grounds that required the intervention of local, state or federal law enforcement (A.R.S. § 15-746.6).

0

**School uniforms are not required at this school.**

The Arizona Attorney General's Office has a hotline that allows students to report suspicious activities at schools and to get help with potentially violent situations, such as bullying, harassment, hate crimes, discrimination and gangs. The toll-free number, **1-877-900-1086**, is anonymous and available 24 hours a day.

## ∨ Per Pupil and School Expenditures for the 2000-2001 School Year ∨

Expenditure Category	*Per Pupil Expenditures by Category	School Expenditures by Category
Classroom Instruction	\$6,111	\$1,109,487
Classroom Supplies	\$41	\$7,472
Administration	\$216	\$39,251
Support Services-Students	\$85	\$15,429
Other Support Services and Operations	\$541	\$98,176
<b>Total Expenditures- All Categories 2000-2001</b>	<b>\$6,994</b>	<b>\$1,269,815</b>

Total Expenditures may not be exact because of rounding.

Information is self-reported by the district and is unaudited.

\* Based upon 2000-2001 Average Daily Membership (ADM).

(School Expenditures divided by ADM)

\*\*Due to technical difficulties, data for multiple charter school sites is not available.

These are maintenance and operation expenditures and do not include capital expenditures such as facilities construction and buses. Classroom Instruction includes activities dealing directly with the interaction between teachers and students. It also includes activities of aides or classroom assistants that are involved in the instructional process. Classroom Supplies includes costs for items that are consumed, worn out or have deteriorated through use; or items that lose their identity through fabrication or incorporation into different or more complex units or substance. Administration includes governing board services, executive administration services, lobbying, office of the principal services and other support services for school administration. Support Services-Students includes attendance and social work, guidance, health, psychological, speech pathology, audiology services and other support services for students. Other Support Services and Operations includes support services for instructional staff, business support services, operation and maintenance of plant services, student transportation services, central support services, other support services, food service operation and bookstore operations.

## ∨ Contacts ∨

Name	Phone	Extension
<b>School Site Council</b>	NDS	
<b>Transportation Policy</b>	Community Relations	(480) 472-0222
<b>Community Resources</b>	NDS	
<b>School Nutrition Programs</b>	NDS	
<b>Parent Organization</b>	NDS	
<b>Student Health/Nurse</b>	NDS	

The Arizona School Report Card was prepared by the Arizona Department of Education using a standardized format to combine information provided by the local school with data compiled from state records. Each school has special strengths and needs, and all schools benefit from the active involvement of parents in their children's education. If you have questions about the report card or need more information, contact the school office. Arizona School Report Cards can be found for all schools at [www.ade.az.gov/srcs/](http://www.ade.az.gov/srcs/) on the Internet.

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