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GLENDALE RECREATION AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM PROVIDES SAFE, SOCIAL PLACE FOR CHILDREN

Glendale, Ariz. — The new session of the Glendale Recreation After School Program (G.R.A.S.P.) begins with the start of school and provides children, ages 5-13, with a safe, fun place for children to go right after school. Those that register for G.R.A.S.P. by July 27 will get \$10 off the one-time registration fee.

The program is based at licensed recreation sites, offering children various activities such as arts and crafts, homework help, board games, group games and educational projects, featuring special guests such as Dare police officers and environmental professionals. The focus of G.R.A.S.P. is the total well being of each and every child, while the children experience the benefits of a fun, safe and social environment with positive mentorship from caring, adult staff.

G.R.A.S.P. is licensed and regulated by the Arizona Department of Health Services, it qualifies for Arizona Department of Security (DES) assistance, and those interested should contact their DES caseworker.

G.R.A.S.P. is available at the nine locations below:

- Desert Mirage Elem. School, 8605 W. Maryland Ave.
- Desert Palms Elem. School, 11441 North 55th Avenue
- Sahuaro Ranch Elem. School, 10401 N. 63rd Ave.
- Canyon Elem. School, 5490 W. Paradise Ln.
- Kachina Elem. School, 5304 W. Crocus Dr.
- Pioneer Elem. School, 6305 W. Port Au Prince Ln.
- Glendale Community Center, 5401 W. Ocotillo Rd.
- O'Neil Recreation Center, 6448 W. Missouri Ave.
- Rose Lane Recreation Center, 5003 W. Marlette Ave.

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There are three programming options: a before-school program held 6:30 a.m. to school starting, an after-school program held after school until 6 p.m. and both the before- and after-school program. The before-school program and the before- and after-school program are available only at Canyon, Sahuaro Ranch and Pioneer sites. All the locations provide the after-school option and are also available during early release days. Select locations are available during extended school breaks and intersessions such as fall break.

The program begins Aug. 6 at Desert Mirage; Aug. 8 for Desert Palms, Sahuaro Ranch, Canyon, Kachina and Pioneer; and Aug 13 at the Glendale Community Center, O'Neil and Rose Lane recreation centers. Daily or weekly rates are available and vary depending on Glendale residency and program options. Preregistration is required. For details about registration and rates, visit www.glendaleaz.com/parksandrecreation or contact Manny Padia at 623-930-2046 or mcpadia@glendaleaz.com.

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