JEWISH DAY SCHOOL

A World-Class Education Grounded in Jewish Values

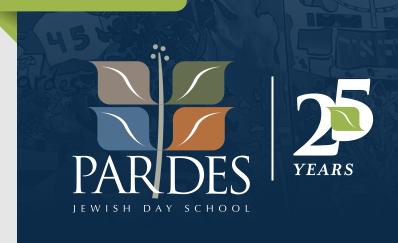
PARENT INFO PACKET

Kindergarten - Grade 8 | www.pardesschool.org

You're looking for a school for your child.

We understand what the search process can be like!

As a parent, you'll find a place where your family's values are reinforced, where you'll be welcomed and involved in the educational process, and where we'll help you find affordable options so you can enroll your child with confidence.



As you compare the options, we're here to help you understand the unique benefits of a Jewish Day School. It's a place where your child will find:

- rigorous academics that promote a love for learning
- caring, role-model teachers
- stimulating creative opportunities
- safe and inclusive school surroundings
- an active, technologically-rich learning environment
- a vibrant community built around shared Jewish values and culture
 - exceptional preparation for high school and beyond

Come visit and see firsthand why students, graduates, and parents have found that Pardes Jewish Day School is a place to thrive.

We're here to answer your questions and arrange your personal tour!

Pardes Jewish Day School Admissions Office



480-991-9141



WHY

Parents Choose Pardes



A World-Class Education

GROUNDED IN JEWISH VALUES



We prepare students to excel in high school and beyond through an innovative curriculum taught by dedicated educators.



A Commitment to

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We inspire critical thinking, collaboration, communication, and creativity at all grade levels through project-based education.



A Strong and Meaningful **JEWISH IDENTITY**

We create authentic opportunities for Jewish learning, values, and celebration, instilling a lifelong connection to Judaism.



A Welcoming SCHOOL

We value each student's individual strengths, enabling them to thrive in a safe and inclusive school environment.

Both of our children started at Pardes in that Pardes prepares its students to succeed. strong Jewish identity. More importantly, our oldest graduated Pardes as a self-confident young adult.

- DINA & CHAD MANDELBAUM



Graduates Who

We cultivate students to become confident, dedicated, and responsible future leaders in both Jewish and secular communities.



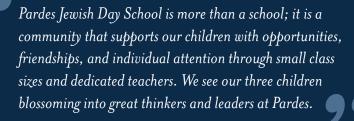
Explore Pardes' Signature Programs



Regular STEAM activities begin in kindergarten and continue throughout Lower School and Middle School. Science, technology, engineering, arts, and math are combined with project-based learning to prepare future scientists, technology experts, engineers, artists, mathematicians, and more.

Create and Innovate in the Makerspace

Introduced at Pardes in fall 2018, the Makerspace is a dedicated space where students come to create, innovate, tinker, explore, and discover using a variety of tools and materials. Available for every student from kindergarten through eighth grade, this creative space provides grade-appropriate technology opportunities including coding, weblogs, green screen videos, 3-D printing, paper circuits, and invention kits.



- JACQUELINE AND PETER ROALOFS



Future Ready? You Bet!

Our vision of "Future Ready" means we provide students with the knowledge and tools necessary to be successful in today's world. The landscape of 21st century learning encompasses unifying themes such as challenging academics, project-based learning, classrooms that extend beyond the walls of the school, digital technologies, and a global perspective. We help students feel secure and ready to tackle life in an increasingly complex world.



Many Ways to Thrive

Athletics? Fine arts? Service activities? Yes, yes, and yes! From our Middle School athletic teams, to our popular performing arts productions, to our school-wide involvement in community service, students build confidence, learn teamwork, hone skills of personal expression, and discover their strengths.



PORTRAIT OF A GRADUATE:

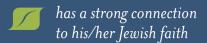
How the Pardes Experience Shapes Lives

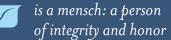
A Pardes Jewish Day School graduate:

Consider our graduates — hundreds since we opened our doors in 1993! While Pardes alumni are diverse in their gifts, abilities, and professional pursuits, they demonstrate a consistent record of achievement that underscores the benefits of their Jewish Day School education.











Meet Jacob, a 2011 Pardes graduate on track to graduate from Harvard University in 2020. While his experiences in an academically rigorous high school and a gap-year study program in Israel have been rich and varied, he hasn't forgotten the exceptional start he found at Pardes Jewish Day School.

What does he recall about Pardes?



"I loved Pardes because it was the kind of place that truly treated each student as an individual. It did not matter how different we were; we all experienced a warm and nurturing environment that allowed us to become the best versions of ourselves."

Rich Friendships

"I loved my peers. From Reform to Conservative to Orthodox, born in America to born abroad, everyone came from such diverse backgrounds that we really learned so much from each other."

Passionate Teachers

"I've never met a collective group of professionals that shares such a deep passion for their work. They truly want every student that walks in their door to have a transformational experience..."

Connection with Jewish Identity

"Jewish Day School provides a unique opportunity to learn what it means to be part of a community. When so many people around us are struggling to find their place, graduates of Jewish Day Schools are already acutely aware of theirs."



Pardes alumni are accepted at the most competitive high schools, perform well in demanding honors and AP classes, earn merit scholarships to colleges and universities around the country, and enter diverse career paths such as medicine, law and engineering.

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Pardes graduates matriculate to high schools that include:

AAEC PARADISE VALLEY

ARCADIA HIGH SCHOOL

BROPHY COLLEGE PREPARATORY

CHAPARRAL HIGH SCHOOL

DESERT MOUNTAIN
HIGH SCHOOL, IB PROGRAM

HORIZON HIGH SCHOOL

MAAYANOT YESHIVA HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

NEW WAY ACADEMY

PARADISE VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL, CREST PROGRAM

PHOENIX COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL

PINNACLE HIGH SCHOOL

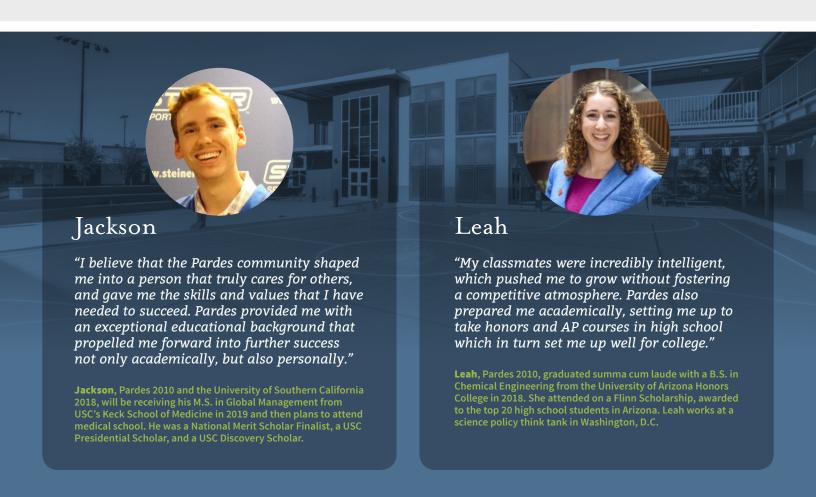
RANCHO SOLANO
PREPARATORY SCHOOL

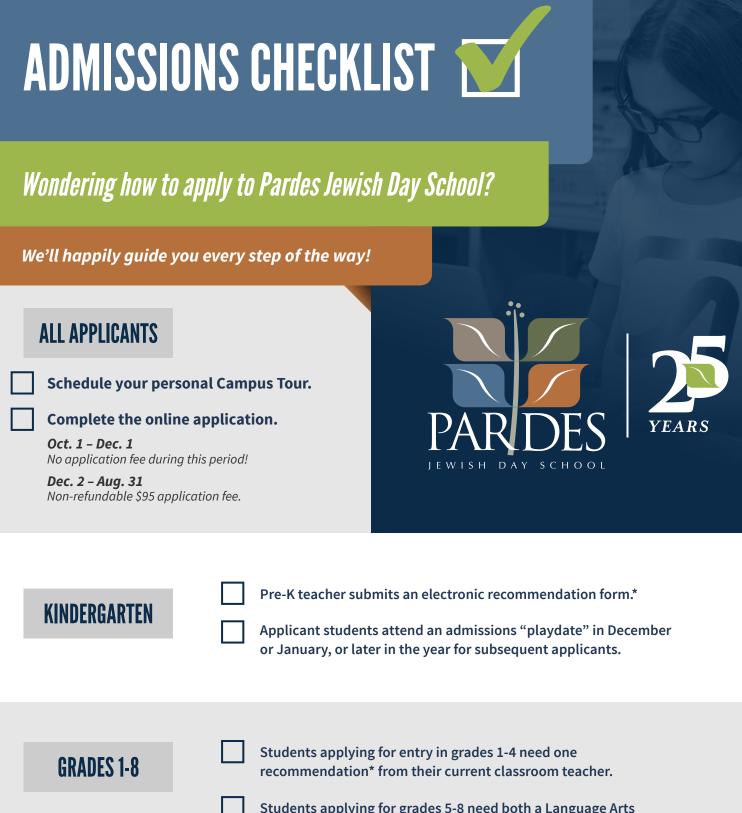
SAGUARO HIGH SCHOOL, MATH & SCIENCE ACADEMY

SHADOW MOUNTAIN HIGH SCHOOL

SUNNYSLOPE HIGH SCHOOL

XAVIER COLLEGE PREPARATORY





*Recommendation forms are sent directly to the teachers upon completion of the online application. The recommending teacher returns the form directly to Pardes via email.

Please consult with our staff for students who were homeschooled or did not attend preschool.

recommendation* from their current classroom teacher.
Students applying for grades 5-8 need both a Language Arts and a Math teacher recommendation form.*
Parents submit a signed Transcript Request Release Form (downloadable from the Pardes website) to your child's current school.
Students spend a day at Pardes, experiencing classes and enjoying lunch

with grade-level peers. Admissions assessments are also conducted on

this Shadow Day. Parents must complete and submit a Visitor Release

Form, downloadable from the Pardes website.



ADMISSIONS TIMELINE

OCT 1ST | NOV | DEC 1ST

DEC 2ND

JAN

FEB |

AR AP

MAY 31ST

JUN 1st

JL | AUG 31st

EARLY DECISION ENROLLMENT

OCT 1ST - DEC 1ST

No application fee during this period!



OPEN ENROLLMENT

DEC 2nd - MAY 31st

\$95 non-refundable application fee.



SPECIAL CONSIDERATION APPLICATIONS

JUN 1ST - AUG 31ST

- It's not too late to join the Pardes family!
 - \$95 non-refundable application fee.
 - Applicants considered based on availability.



Once your student has enjoyed their Shadow Day on campus and we have received their Teacher Recommendation Form(s) and Transcript Request Release Form (where applicable), their admissions application file will be complete. It's that easy! We will make an admissions decision within ten business days for applications submitted during Early Decision or Open Enrollment.

NOTICE OF NON-DISCRIMINATORY POLICY AS TO STUDENTS

Pardes admits qualified students of any race, national and ethnic origin, or sexual orientation to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. Pardes does not discriminate on the basis of race, national and ethnic origin, or sexual orientation in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.

Think You Can't Afford a **Private Jewish Day School?**

THINK AGAIN!

We're all about making a world-class education affordable and accessible.



A World-Class Education Grounded in Jewish Values



The key to this amazing opportunity is the Jewish Tuition Organization (JTO) which provides scholarships to students in local Jewish day schools. Pardes families can offset as much tuition as they want through JTO programs. The Arizona Private School Tuition Tax Credit allows state taxpayers to redirect a portion of their Arizona income taxes to organizations like the JTO.

Make Pardes a Reality for Your Child!

You Have Options:





Taxpayer-Recommended Scholarship





Apply for a Needs-Based Scholarship

Everyone should apply! Many applicants are surprised to learn that tuition assistance is available for a wide range of income levels. An astounding 47% of current students received needs-based assistance this year, with an average package of almost \$10,000 per student.

STEP 1

STEP 2

Submit your confidential online financial aid application form at TADS.com, an outside assessment organization.

TADS applications must be submitted between January 15 and April 15. They require a small processing fee.

Applications submitted after April 15 will receive awards based on JTO money still available.

Check the box that sends the application to the **JTO**.

Submit your assistance application as early as possible, even if your tax return hasn't been filed — then upload the needed documentation as soon as it's complete.

Support the JTO before you file your Arizona state taxes. There's no additional cost to you, as you'll receive a dollar-for-dollar credit towards your Arizona state income tax.

Visit www.donations.jtophoenix. org to contribute, and be sure to select the Pardes School Fund for vour contribution in the "Optional Recommendation" section.





📃 Apply for a Taxpayer-Recommended Scholarship

Whether or not you receive needs-based funds from the JTO, you can still use taxpayer-recommended funds to help offset your out-of-pocket tuition expense.

HOW THIS HELPS YOU:

HERE'S WHAT TO DO:

You get the benefit of the tuition assistance, and your benevolent friends will receive a dollar-fordollar credit against their Arizona income taxes. It's a win for everyone!

Ask Arizona taxpayers — your friends, neighbors, family members, and coworkers who are not currently supporting the JTO to recommend your child at Pardes with their tax credit dollars.

To receive taxpayer-recommended awards, you will need to complete a short application, coming soon on the **JTO** website.

For More Information



Contact **Patti Evans**, Chief Financial Officer at Pardes, to learn how to qualify for other needs-based awards. She'll work to understand your circumstances and craft the best options for your family.

Reach her at pevans@pardesschool.org or by phone at 480-991-9141, ext. 107.

2019-2020 Tuition: \$16,100 per student.

Payment plans and family discounts are available.

Tuition for the following school year is set by the Board of Directors and announced each January.

"We never thought a private Jewish day school education was even an option, until Pardes showed us how to make it a reality. As parents of a kindergartner, we are already amazed by Pardes's commitment and dedication to the students. The teachers have challenged our daughter in the greatest of ways, ways that she is completely unaware of. Without a doubt, we made the right choice for our daughter, our family, and our peace of mind."

- SARAH AND JOSHUA KATZ

Good Things to Know About

PARDES JEWISH DAY SCHOOL



"Pardes"

Hebrew for orchard

This is a place where your child can flourish.



ARIZONA'S LARGEST

Jewish Day School



FOUNDED IN 1993



GRADES SERVED: Kindergarten — 8th



ACADEMICS



7:1 STUDENTS/TEACHER

40

OF TEACHERS

275

STUDENTS2018-2019 School Year



LEADING-EDGE Technology



HEBREW AND SPANISH
Classes

STUDENT LIFE



KOSHER LUNCH available for purchase



DAILY RECESS for all grades

ATHLETICS



13 | 5

TEAMS | SPORTS

FINE ARTS







VISUAL | DRAMA | MUSIC

We invite you to experience Pardes Jewish Day School in action!

Schedule your tour today: 480-991-9141

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