

# Castlehill Country Day School

35+ Years of Inspiring a Lifelong Love of Learning

- AGES 2 5TH GRADE
- INDIVIDUALIZED ACADEMIC CURRICULUM
- CREATIVE & NURTURING ENVIRONMENT
- POSITIVE PEER CULTURE
- LOW STUDENT / TEACHER RATIO
- ACCELERATED STEM PROGRAMMING
- VISUAL & ORATORY ARTS, PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT MUSIC, SPANISH





















### Academic Excellence

Castlehill provides a rigorous curriculum and individualized instruction to mold the minds and hearts of our children to be the best students and young people possible. Inspiring a lifelong love of learning is the mission of Castlehill and aptly describes the purpose behind our curriculum. Our project-based lesson plans are designed to nurture and encourage our children to develop critical thinking skills and a curiosity about the world around us.

The foundation of our academic program includes math, science, language arts, social studies, and computer applications.

Our low student-to-teacher ratio allows for personalized instruction and feedback. Our team of experienced educators works with parents to provide what each student needs to thrive.

#### **Arts and Humanities**

Our well-rounded academic curriculum is further enhanced by dedicated music, art, computer, physical development, and Spanish language instruction. These specialty classes encourage creativity, self-expression, and awareness of our diverse world. Additionally, we take advantage of many local cultural, historic, scientific, and educational institutions to elevate several units of study. A favorite Castlehill tradition is our annual class shows; each class performs a grade-appropriate, much-anticipated musical to an audience of family and friends.

### Castlehill at a Glance

- Toddler, Preschool, and Pre-Kindergarten for 2-5 year olds
- · Kindergarten through fifth grade
- Beautiful eight-acre tree-lined campus with playing field and green space
- · Small class sizes guaranteed
- · Innovative & creative curriculum
- · After-school clubs offered for enrichment
- · Parent involvement encouraged
- Communication and collaboration among students, teachers, and parents
- · Summer camps available
- Universal ESA Scholarships & Tax Credits accepted

### **Success Beyond the Classroom**

Our Castlehill Builds Character program strives to instill model character traits in our treasured students - thus creating lifelong exemplary employees, friends, and neighbors. With recognition and incentive practices, our children are encouraged to demonstrate the following qualities when facing challenges and interacting with others: kindness, compassion, integrity, respect, responsibility, and courage. Wellness Wednesdays help educate children about how to build and maintain healthy habits - both physical and mental, as well as proper nutrition.



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# **ADMISSIONS TIMELINE**

Join us for the 2026/2027 School Year



### First Step - Inquiry Form

As the first step in our admissions process, please complete our Inquiry Form. This form is available on our website at <a href="https://www.castlehillschool.com/admissions">www.castlehillschool.com/admissions</a>



# **Campus Tour at your Convenience**

Once we receive your inquiry form, we will reach out to invite you to come and see if the joy of a Castlehill education is right for your child. Tours are typically scheduled throughout the school day. Weekend tours are available on designated Saturdays once a month.



# **Application for Admission**

Our application for admissions is available online at <a href="www.castlehillschool.com/admissions">www.castlehillschool.com/admissions</a> Applications will be accepted beginning September 15<sup>th</sup>.



### November 1<sup>st</sup>

Families who see Castlehill as a place where their child will receive an exceptional education while feeling loved and valued from day one, are encouraged to submit applications by November 1 to receive an admissions decision before the end of November.



### November 1st - 30th

Tours and academic assessments will be scheduled as needed for any family with an application on file. Admissions decisions will be sent no later than November 21<sup>st</sup>. Families must respond with their enrollment decisions no later than November 30<sup>th</sup>.



# February 1st

Families who applied after November 1<sup>st</sup> will be considered for admission if their applications are complete and received by February 1<sup>st</sup>.



# February 1st - 28th

All applications will be reviewed, and admissions decisions will be sent no later than February 15<sup>th</sup>. Families must respond with their enrollment decisions no later than February 28<sup>th</sup>.



### ROLLING ADMISSIONS

Beginning March 1, late applicants are encouraged to contact the school to learn if any additional openings are available.





# APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION - ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

We are delighted that you have chosen to consider Castlehill for your child's education. We look forward to partnering with you and exploring how we can inspire your child to cultivate a lifelong love of learning.

Instructions: Please complete, sign, and date this application and return to the Castlehill Country Day School Office. Please submit a Student Records Request Form to your child's current school to release their academic records to Castlehill.

GENERAL INFORMATION			
Applying for Admision:	Current School Year 2025/2026	School Year 20	26/2027
Applying For Grade (K-5):			
STUDENT INFORMATION			
Full Legal Name:			
Preferred Name:		ender:  female	male
Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy):			
Home Address:			
SCHOOL HISTORY			
Current School:			
Grades Attended:			
PLEASE LI	ST PREVIOUS SCHOOLS ATTENDED	Grade Level	Years
the enclosed Student Reco	ol requires parents to request academic record ords Request Form. Additionally, we may wish t	to contact your child's tea	cher to gain
_	n. Please provide your child's current teacher's		pelow.
Current Teacher's Email:			
Are there any academic area	s in which your child may need additional suppo	ort?:	



# APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION - ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

FAMILY INFORMATI	ON			
Parent/Guardian #1	<u>:</u>			
Name:				
Address:		same as child, or:		
Cell Phone:			Home Phone:	
Email:				
Occupation:			Place of Work:	
Parent/Guardian #2	<u>:</u>			
Name:				
Address:		same as child, or:		
Cell Phone:			Home Phone:	
Email:				
Occupation:			Place of Work:	
Check if Applicable:		Joint custody	Sole custody mother	
Sibling Information				
Name(s) and Age(s):				
ADDITIONAL INFORI	MATI	ON		
What are the first 3 v	words	s that come to mind w	hen asked to describe your child?	?:
What are your child'	s stro	ngest academic areas	?:	
Please list your child	's hob	bies and interests:		



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ADDITIONAL INFORMATIO	N				
Which factors influenced your family to apply to Castlehill Country Day School (check all that apply):					
	Academic reputation		Location		
	Castlehill alumni		School philosophy		
	Desire to attend private school		Small class sizes		
	Experienced teachers		Disappointment with public schools		
	Specialty classes (Music, Science, Art, Spanish, Computers, Library, P.E.)				
	Recommended by:				
	Other				
Are you interested in receiving information regarding financial assistance or scholarships for tuition?					
	Yes		Not at this time		
SIGNATURE					
I certify that the information o	contained in this application for admiss	ion for my chil	d is correct and valid as of this date.		
Parent/Guardian Signature:			Date:		

Submitting this application is only one step in the application process and does not guarantee admission. Upon receipt of your completed packet, Castlehill will contact you to set up a time for a campus tour and a meet & greet with your child. Final determination as to acceptance into Castlehill Country Day School is the responsibility of the Principal.

Please return completed packet in person to our office, via email (admissions@castlehillschool.com), or mail to:

Castlehill Country Day School

ATTN: Admissions 3225 N. Craycroft Road Tucson, AZ 85712

Castlehill Country Day School complies with federal and state requirements and prohibits discrimination including gender, race, color, national and ethnic origin, age, or religion when considering admission, employment or educational policies.



# STUDENT RECORD REQUEST FORM

Parents/Guardians should submit this completed form to the child's current school.

Student's Name:	Birthdate:		
Current School Name:	Grade:		
consideration for admission, we are requesting tra Please email or fax official copies of the student's re	sion to Castlehill Country Day School. To be given full nscripts and other student records be sent for review. ecords including report cards, progress reports, and any and the previous two academic years, as applicable.		
I hereby authorize the release of my child's academ	nic records.		
Signature of Parent or Guardian	Date		

Please fax or email these records at your earliest convenience to Castlehill Country Day School:

FAX: 520-795-0697

EMAIL: admissions@castlehillschool.com

Please contact the school office at 520-795-0008 if you have any questions.

PL 93-380 The Federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, Arizona Law, ARS 15-151 provide that the written consent of the parent/guardian student is not required to release educational records to officials of other schools in which the student seeks or intends to enroll.



### 2026 - 2027 Tuition and Fee Schedule

Choosing a private education is a meaningful investment in your child's future—one that provides not only a strong academic foundation, but also a supportive community where they can truly thrive. This decision is a lasting gift, opening doors to personal growth, intellectual curiosity, and lifelong friendships. Below, you will find the tuition and fee schedule for the upcoming academic year, offering a clear and transparent overview of the costs associated with becoming a Castlehill family.

### **REGISTRATION FEE:**

When accepting an offer of admission, all new families must pay a non-refundable registration fee of \$400 per student to confirm their child's enrollment. Returning families pay the non-refundable fee of \$400 per student in January. This fee is in addition to the annual tuition charged.

### **ANNUAL TUITION – 2025-2026 School Year:**

Parents are financially responsible for the full yearly tuition fee to cover the cost of our educational curriculum and specialty classes such as art, music, science and computer skills. The tuition also includes the cost of text books, our annual yearbook, and a red Castlehill shirt for Fridays and field trips. Tuition does <u>not</u> cover the cost of miscellaneous fees such as selecting hot lunch, participating in clubs, and other optional offerings.

	<u>Annual</u>	<u>Semester</u>	Quarterly	<u>Monthly</u>
Toddler/Pre-School (Three Day)	\$6,800	\$3,400	\$1,700	\$680
Toddler/Pre-School (Five Day)	\$7,300	\$3,650	\$1,825	\$730
Full Day Pre-Kindergarten	\$11,900	\$5,950	\$2,975	\$1,190
Kindergarten through Fifth Grade	\$12,500	\$6,250	\$3,125	\$1,250

Tuition costs are reviewed each year. Any change in the tuition levels listed above will be communicated to families in January.

### **TUITION DISCOUNTS:**

Families who elect to pay their child's tuition in full (due on or before June 15) will receive a \$500 payment discount for each child enrolled. Families that are enrolling more than one student will see an annual discount of \$500 for each subsequent student which will be distributed across the number of payments chosen.

### **PAYMENT PLANS:**

For families that choose not to pay their tuition in full, Castlehill offers three payment plans which allows tuition to be spread out over the school year. The options include:

- 1. Paying in two equal installments (due on or before June 15 and October 15)
- 2. Paying in four quarterly payments (due on June 15, October 15, January 15 and April 15)
- 3. Paying in ten monthly payments through the school year (June through March)

### EXTENDED DAY OPTIONS: Pre-School – 5th Grade

**Before/After Care** – Students who periodically require our Activities Program (before and/or after care services) will be able to sign up on a monthly basis to reserve space. Additionally, any last minute needs can be requested by contacting the office. This program is available from 7:15 AM - 5:30 PM each school day (not on scheduled half days). This service is billed at \$12.00 per hour. Children picked up after 5:30 PM will be billed overtime charges of **\$5.00 per minute**.

After School Clubs – Castlehill students are able to register for a variety of after school clubs (grouped by grade levels) throughout the school year. Club offerings change each trimester and they are generally run by school teachers or staff members and payment is sent directly to the club instructors. Sample clubs include: STEM, Lego, Digital Art, Chess, Jr. Science, and more! Club costs vary, but can be estimated at \$20 for each 1 hour weekly session.



# 2026 - 2027 Tuition Assistance Options

Available for families with children in Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

At Castlehill, we believe that every child deserves access to an outstanding, well-rounded education that nurtures both academic growth and personal development. We recognize that investing in your child's education is one of the most meaningful commitments a family can make, and we are dedicated to supporting you in that journey. Our goal is to partner with families by offering the below financial aid opportunities that help remove barriers and ensure that a Castlehill education is accessible, regardless of financial circumstances.

### The Schlossberg Scholarship:

Castlehill Country Day School is proud to offer The Schlossberg Scholarship, created to honor the vision and values of our school's founding leader, Mrs. Arline Schlossberg. This unique opportunity is designed to recognize and support outstanding academic students entering Kindergarten through 5th grade who also demonstrate exceptional talent and passion in one or more of the following areas: Art, Music, Science, Physical Education, Reading, Computer Technology, Spanish. The scholarship covers the full annual tuition, and all recipients will be automatically considered for continued scholarships in subsequent years. Families are encouraged to apply by our November 1<sup>st</sup> priority deadline.

Visit www.castlehillschool.com/theschlossbergscholarship to learn more & apply!

### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Loyalty Fund Scholarships:

The Castlehill Loyalty Fund is designed to recognize and support the families who have chosen to grow with us through the elementary years. This unique program provides tuition assistance exclusively for students entering 5th grade who have been enrolled at Castlehill in previous years. As a reward for your commitment to our Castlehill community, each year your child has attended Castlehill increases the scholarship recommendation. Unlike some aid program, every eligible 5th grade student is automatically considered once families complete their application with Arizona Tuition Connection or IBE (families choosing to utilize ESA funding cannot receive Loyalty Funds). Scholarships are recommended at a minimum of \$500 per year of Castlehill attendance, directly reducing the cost of tuition in 5th grade.

Example - If your child attended Castlehill for 2nd, 3rd, and 4th grade: \$500 × 3 years = \$1,500 scholarship recommendation

### Arizona Private School Tax Credit - A gift that costs nothing but gives so much:

Arizona allows every tax filer to convert a portion of their state taxes into a private school tuition scholarship by making a voluntary contribution and receive a dollar-for-dollar credit on their State Tax Return of up to \$1,535 (single filers) or \$3,062 (joint filers) *for the 2025 tax year*. While you cannot donate directly to your own child, you can designate Castlehill as your school of choice and donate to our general fund each year which helps fund The Schlossberg Scholarship, our 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Loyalty Scholarships, and other financial need based scholarships for students at Castlehill. You can also ask friends and family members to donate to your child directly. Money may be designated for children in K-5 for the current year, or for children in Pre-Kindergarten to be held and applied once they enter Kindergarten. All families that wish to receive tax credits must file an application each year with the school tuition organization (STO) of their choice. Below are links to the two STO's we work most closely with:

Visit <u>www.arizonatuitionconnection.com</u> or <u>www.ibescholarships.org</u> to apply & make your contribution today!

### Arizona Universal ESA Program – Everyone is eligible, regardless of income:

Arizona has expanded school choice options with the new Universal ESA voucher program. An Empowerment Scholarship Account (ESA) provides public funding to be used for a variety of educational expenses including private school tuition costs. Based on the 2023/2024 school year, the average funding for kindergarten is \$4,500/year, and 1-5th grade is approximately \$7,500/year. ESA and tax credit scholarships cannot be used simultaneously. Castlehill requires families to notify the school if they plan to use an ESA.

Visit www.azed.gov/esa for more information or to apply.