

Intermountain Academy



Intermountain Academy's autism specialists motivate children to love learning, make friends, and grow their independence.

Intermountain Centers' Intermountain Academy offers the greater Tucson community a positive teaching environment for youth with specialized needs – a school that builds on each individual child's strengths and interests. The Academy supports children with autism (grades K-12) with a provision of measurable academic achievement following an Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) model.




Building on nearly 45 years of experience in providing positive behavioral supports, Intermountain Academy:

- Is the only accredited school for kids with autism in Southern Arizona
- Is the only school in Southern Arizona using applied behavior analysis, the most effective treatment for autism, as part of general curriculum
- Is ranked in the top 20 percent of schools internationally by independent reviewer AdvanceED □
Has a 3:1 student to staff ratio
- Transition/Integration Support between referred students and their home school
- Opportunities for accelerated curriculum
- Behavior Assessment and Behavior Intervention Plan Development
- Monitoring Individual Education Plans (IEP) and reporting goal progress back to the home school
- Only school in Arizona that provides a “one-stop shop” for therapeutic services. Intermountain staff provides services in-home and community-based services in addition to the education that children receive

Tuition funding accepted from Southern Arizona public school districts and/or private pay by individuals. Disabled/Displaced and Low-Income scholarships are available through the Arizona Department of Education and the Arizona Leadership Foundation, serving as a conduit for GEICO Scholarship Funds.

The Intermountain Academy Curriculum:

- Utilizes positive behavioral support
- Maximizes measurable academic achievement in core subject areas – math, science, language arts, social studies, and the arts
- Is individually created for each student because of the school's small student to faculty ratio
- Offers educational material in graduated sequences
- Is delivered by faculty well-trained in an empirical behavioral model, utilizing positive behavior support, emphasizing the concepts of programmed learning
- Includes educational and vocational opportunities in Pima County
- Is project-based and experiential, utilizing peer teaching, family support and participation, and community resources
- Supports positive replacement behaviors for anti-social and other behaviors which interfere with learning
- Meets the State and Federal Standards of Instructions and provides annual standardized testing, including AIMS



In January 2016, Intermountain Academy was scored by AdvancED to be in the top 20 percent of all schools internationally.

Using positive behavior supports and builds each student's self-confidence and creates an environment of motivation and challenge. At the Academy, educational skills and behaviors are tracked daily and the information is shared with parents and members of the child's team, facilitating the creation of an adaptable IEP as the student progresses throughout the school year.