



APPLYING TO YUMA LUTHERAN SCHOOL 2026-2027

Thank you for your interest in Yuma Lutheran School. The following information will assist you in completing the application process.

To complete the online application you will need to have the following:

- Digital copy of Students Birth Certificate
- Digital copy of the most recent report card (grades 1-8)
- IEP to upload (if applicable)
- Please have the name and email address of current teacher so that a recommendation form can be sent (grades 5-8) (for potential new, incoming students)
- There is a non-refundable \$25 application fee

The administrative team will begin reviewing completed applications on March 23, 2026. Students that are being invited to enroll will be notified beginning Monday, April 13, 2026.

- Parents will be contacted via email when selections have been made, so please make sure your emails are accurate when entering them in the online application.
- If your student has been selected, you will have 2 WEEKS to enroll your student. This includes an enrollment application and a non-refundable \$250 registration fee.
- If you choose to decline your students' seat, we would appreciate a call or an email; however, allowing the above time frame to lapse without any communication will be an indication to us that you have turned down your student's selection to Yuma Lutheran School.
- Students not selected that day will be placed on a waitlist that will be evaluated if and when we have an open spot in the class.

Age Requirements for Preschool and Kindergarten

Arizona state law requires a child must be 5 years of age before September 1 of the school year for which they are enrolling. Students entering Pre-K must be 4 years of age before September 1.

Evaluation Requirements

All new students to YLS applying for admissions to Pre-Kindergarten through 8th grades will take a readiness assessment to determine current academic levels. These tests will be scheduled after we receive your completed application.

Non-Discrimination Policy

Yuma Lutheran School admits students of any race, color, sex, national or ethnic origin to all rights, privileges, programs, and activities made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, national or ethnic origin in the administration of its educational policies or athletic and other school administered programs.

Applicants who are not citizens of the United States will be processed according to current Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) requirements. Yuma Lutheran School is a SEVIS school. International students must have appropriate documentation and a current I-17 kept on file.



FEES

YUMA LUTHERAN SCHOOL

2026-2027

Non-Refundable Fees

Application Fee: \$25

Enrollment Fee: \$250

Tuition

Pre-K: 5 Half Days (8:15-11:15) \$4750

Pre-K: 5 Full Days & Kindergarten \$6850

Grades 1-4 \$7450

Grades 5-8 \$7950

Additional Fees

The tuition does not include fees for the following:

- Athletics (optional for grades 5-8): Families charged per sport
- ESA fees: Each student is charged a \$250 processing fee per year
- Surround Care: If used, the charge is \$10 per hour
- Field Trips vary by class and grade



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TUITION ASSISTANCE OPPORTUNITIES

Tuition assistance options are available to help reduce the cost of tuition for families with children in grades K-8. Please note that parents/guardians are responsible for the tuition amount until funds from STO's and ESA have been released.

STO—School Tuition Organizations

Families accepting funds from STO's CANNOT receive funds from ESA also. You can only accept scholarship money from one or the other.

School Tuition Association of Yuma

PO Box 515
Yuma, AZ 85366
Contact: Christie Staneart
Phone: 928-782-5786
Website: www.azstay.org

Yuma's Education Scholarship Fund for Kids

4027 South Navel Ave
Yuma, AZ 85365
Contact: Angela Poels-Hunt
Phone: 928-314-0033
Website: www.yesfundforkids.org

Arizona Leadership Foundation

28150 N. Alma School Parkway #103-234
Scottsdale, AZ 85262
Phone: 602-402-1146
Website: www.arizonaleader.org

Arizona Christian School Tuition Org.

PO Box 6580
Chandler, AZ 85246
Phone: 480-820-0403
Website: www.acsto.org

AAA Scholarship Foundation

PO Box 15719
Tampa, FL 33684-0719
Phone: (888) 707-2465
Website: www.aaascholarships.org

ESA—Empowerment Scholarship Account

Families accepting funds from ESA CANNOT receive funds from STO's also. You can only accept scholarship money from one or the other. Families using ESA will be charged a processing fee of \$250 per student per year. Once approved, a copy of your award letter needs to be received in the school office.

If you plan to apply for the ESA, please note that it can take up to 30 days to get approved. If approved, funds will be deposited into the account quarterly.

Find information about the ESA scholarship here: <https://www.azed.gov/esa/>



BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE PROGRAM FOR 2026-2027

Philosophy

Our before and after school care program is a Christian based program with a staff dedicated to making sure your children are safe, having fun, and being well cared for. All staff have an Arizona State Fingerprint Clearance Card, and have been carefully selected. In addition, all staff is trained in CPR and First Aid.

Yuma Lutheran School provides care for parents seeking before-and-after-school supervision of their children. We offer a program where parents know their children are valued. We create a safe place that is comfortable and secure.

All students who are enrolled in the after school program are encouraged to work on homework unless otherwise requested by the parents. Once homework has either been completed or diligently worked on, the children will be dismissed to find a game or play outside.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Mrs. Staisha Hinojosa, Director 928.726.8410 ext. 215
Surround Care after school extension: 116

HOURS

Monday - Friday

6:30-8:00 AM

At 8:00 students are supervised on the playground until the teachers pick them up at 8:15.

Monday - Thursday

3:15-5:30 PM

Parents and emergency contacts will be notified of those children who are not picked up by 6:00PM

Friday

1:15-5:30 PM

*Surround Care is available when school dismisses early.

Billing and Payment Information

Fees

Hourly	\$10.00 /hour before & after school
Partial hours	In 15 minute increments
Late/early arrival fee	\$1.00/per minute/per child

Billing

Parents/Guardians will be billed once per month.

Payments may be paid online through FACTS, brought in to the school office, or placed in the payment box located in the Fellowship Hall by the Surround Care office. Families with past due balances will not be able to use Surround Care until payment is made in full.

Parents will not be billed for students arriving after 8:00 AM, or before 3:30 PM on Mon-Thurs.

REGISTRATION

All students that will attend before and after care must fill out a registration agreement. The registration form is included in the online enrollment documents. It includes important information in case of an emergency.

GENERAL INFORMATION

- Breakfast is NOT included in the fee for child care.
- Snacks will be provided after school.
- Surround Care IS provided on early release Fridays.

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