

From the Desk of Mrs. Hanavan

I would like to extend my appreciation and thanks to our many Phoenix families that took advantage of our early registration discount and who have chosen to return for the 2010-2011 academic school year. We welcome the opportunity to continue providing our educational services to your child. You can expect another challenging and exciting year for your child at Phoenix as we continue to enhance our educational programs and teaching techniques. For our Phoenix families who may not have yet registered, please consider doing so as soon as possible as we have now begun accepting registrations from new families in the community who desire to join Phoenix. Currently, we are more than three-quarters full. Once our classrooms are full, your registration goes on our waiting list, and we cannot guarantee your child a position.

What is the Phoenix Advantage?

As I tour new families through our campus, a frequently asked question is what sets us apart from other schools? First, our school is open 6:30 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. with more days of educational attendance. Secondly, we go beyond just teaching the fundamental skills. We challenge our students to achieve their maximum potential, and we offer a personal touch. We believe that all students deserve a balanced educational experience that will enable them to become life-long learners. Teaching our students to just be proficient in math and reading is not enough. A report by the ASCD (Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development) reported that history and common sense tell us that a democratic society expects more than just competent workers. It needs graduates who exhibit sound character, individuals with a social conscience who think critically, with the ability and willingness to make commitments, and people who are aware of global problems. In addition, a democratic society needs an educational system that helps develop thoughtful citizens who can make wise civic choices. Phoenix recognizes the importance of teaching to the whole person and in holding students responsible for their own learning. It is our goal for all students attending our program to become members of society who can and will make a difference.