

## top quality after school programming

A New Leaf's La Mesita Youth Services (LMYS) offers entirely free child care, Kindergarten through 12th Grade, to the La Mesita Community (which includes the family homeless shelter, affordable housing, and permanent supportive housing). Programming focuses on helping children reach their grade level and stay on track in school.

Children moving into the La Mesita Community often face difficulties beyond their years, recovering from the trauma of homelessness, poverty, and other challenges. La Mesita offers a safe stable home for our families, giving children a feeling of security and consistency. LMYS actively engages children from the La Mesita community, giving them a unique opportunity to learn, grow, and build relationships in a safe environment.







Operating for several hours after the school day, with extended hours through the summer, the program offers a unique opportunity to learn, grow, and build relationships for children while their parents are working.

Children in the La Mesita Youth Services program participate in many enrichment field trips: attending sporting events, traveling to museums, and taking a tour of Arizona State University.

A New Leaf strongly believes that investing in children, and providing them with the tools to be successful, sets them up for brighter futures.



## a safe place for education

La Mesita Youth Services focuses on providing children from the La Mesita Community with the counseling, tutoring, and educational support they need. To do this, the program offers:



- Reading programs
- One-on-one tutoring
- Experiential field trips
- College exposure opportunities
- Periodic counseling opportunities
- Guest and celebrity speakers
- Healthy snacks

This program is a critical resource for children on the La Mesita Campus, as all participants in the program come from households at or below the Federal Poverty Level. Without this program many children would be alone for hours before a parent returned home for work.

## location and hours

Location: La Mesita Community Campus at 2245 West Ella Street, Mesa, AZ 85201.

Kindergarten - 6th Grade: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, 3pm-6pm

7th - 12th grade - Tuesday only, 3pm-6pm

## other resources

A New Leaf offers a wide variety of services. If your child is experiencing behavioral health challenges, you may also be interested in some of the services below. Please ask a staff member at A New Leaf about these programs, go to <u>TurnaNewLeaf.org</u>, or call <u>(480)</u> 969-4024.

- Counseling and Therapy
- Medication Management
- Financial Coaching and Budgeting
- College Savings Program
- Foster Care Licensing
- DCS Involved Programs

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