ASEP McKinley 2019-2020 Registration Q & A

Q. What is ASEP and what does it stand for?

A. ASEP stands for the After School Enrichment Program. ASEP is an independent 501c3 organization and member of SFUSD's Expanded Collaborative for Excellence in Learning (ExCEL). ASEP's mission is to provide the community with equal access to quality after school programing through Arts Enrichment, Academic Support and Health and Wellness. For over twenty years ASEP has served the McKinley Community with our Comprehensive Program and most recently our Language Program and Specialty Club Programs.

Q. What is "Comprehensive ASEP" ?

A. Comprehensive ASEP at McKinley is an all-in-one after school program where students are picked up, fed a healthy snack and are taken care of, starting at 2:00pm (Monday, Tuesday, Thursdays, & Fridays) and 1:00pm (Wednesdays) until pick up at 6:00pm. During Comprehensive ASEP, students engage in a variety of activities including Theme Based Learning, Homework & Tutoring Assistance, Arts Enrichment and PlaySEP. Comprehensive ASEP is open to students in grades Kindergarten through 5th grade.

Q. What are ASEP's "Specialized Clubs" ?

A. Monday through Friday from 2:00 to 3:10pm, ASEP offers additional "Specialized Clubs" including Art, Soccer, Chess, Lego Engineering, Basketball, S.T.E.A.M Makers Club and Digital Sound Arts. Families who wish to enroll their children in clubs also have the option to elect for "after-care" until 6pm where students join their grade level "Comprehensive" program after attending their specialized club. Please see descriptions for those clubs below. Space is limited in all clubs thus ASEP staff recommends that families sign up for the programs as soon as enrollment opens to increase your child's chances of being placed in preferred activities. Enrollment is best on a lottery system. If families sign up after the first wave of enrollment (May 1st to May 22nd) please note that club spots may not be available. This year we are offering specialized clubs to all students in grades Kindergarten through 5th grade. **Club offerings are subject to change for the 19-20 school year.*

- **Art Club:** This club sparks students' creativity by exploring two-dimensional and three-dimensional art through drawing, painting, paper mache and sculpture. Students are exposed to the nuances of each medium and have the opportunity to create and share their own creative designs. *(Designed for Kinder and 1st graders on Wednesdays and Fridays)*
- **Soccer Club:** Specifically tailored for beginners of the sport, students learn the basic skills needed to further appreciate the game and eventually play organized soccer in the future! *(Designed for Kinder through 1st graders Mondays and Wednesdays)*
- **Chess Club:** Emphasizing fun over the competitive elements, this club allows students to practice their problem solving, analytical and logical skills all while having fun playing chess! *(Designed for Kinder through 3rd graders on Tuesday and Thursdays)*
- **Lego Club:** Provides an opportunity for students to build, learn and play with LEGO Bricks. Classes are designed to teach the fundamentals of engineering and design. *(Designed for Kinder through 3rd grade on Fridays only)*
- **Hoops Basketball:** Clinic style class that teaches the rules and skills needed to enjoy the game in a fun, low pressure environment. Each week students will learn a new skill such as dribbling, passing, shooting, rules of the game, etc. Students will play fun basketball activities as well as exciting instructional scrimmaging. *(Designed for 2nd through 5th graders on Tuesdays and Thursdays)*
- **S.T.E.A.M Makers Club:** Modeled on the STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and mathematics) initiative, this club focuses on developing children's skills and interest in STEAM subjects as well as helping them apply creative approaches to problem solving. *(Designed for 2nd and 3rd graders on Fridays only)*
- **Digital Sound Arts Club:** This club introduces sound on many different levels through technology, music and movement! Students will learn the history of Jazz, Funk, Soul, Reggae, and Hip Hop from around the world by identifying forms, styles and patterns. Using sound mixing technology, students will produce their own songs and perform for their families and peers. *(Designed for 3rd through 5th grades on Mondays and Wednesdays)*

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Q. What is ASEP's "Language Enrichment Program"?
A. Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 2:00pm to 4:00pm and Wednesday from 1:00pm to 4:00pm, ASEP offers a quality language enrichment program crafted specifically for after school and the McKinley community. ASEP's Language Enrichment Program is designed for weekly curriculum themes focusing on Art, Music, Physical Education and Reading/Vocab Comprehension. Three levels of Spanish and two levels of Mandarin classes are offered. Enrollment priority will go to returning students. Otherwise, enrollment will be based on a lottery system. ASEP's Spanish Language Program is open to students in grades Kindergarten through 3rd grade, while the Mandarin Language Program is open to students in grands Kindergarten through 5th Grades. Space is limited in all Language classes thus ASEP staff recommends that families sign up for thee programs as soon as enrollment opens to increase your child's chances of being placed in preferred activities. Families who enroll their child in the Language Enrichment Program will also have an option to elect for "Language After-Care" until 6pm which follows a similar structure to ASEP's Comprehensive Program with homework support, play-based learning and arts enrichment.

ASEP Tuition & Scholarship Structure

Q: Does ASEP offer free scholarships for families that qualify?
A: ASEP offers completely free programming (scholarships) for families in need. Otherwise, based on income eligibility, ASEP charges tuition for all of our programs. This allows us to sustain one unified and high quality program at each of our school sites, for all children, regardless of the socio-economic backgrounds. In addition, the tuition fees allow ASEP to continue to attract and retain qualified staff, maintain appropriate teacher to student ratios, provide diverse enrichment opportunities for our students, and provide needed administrative support and parent customer service. Below is a chart outlining ASEP's tuition fees for the 18-19 school year which are subject to change. You will also find additional information regarding ASEP's registration, scholarship application and reduced tuition options. ASEP will send families a bill on the 15th of each month for payment for the following month. Thus, the first invoice for the 19-20 school year will be sent to families on July 15th 2019. All prices for all programs are flat rates. We do not prorate for shorter months or months where we have to extend program for early release week. ASEP program costs are divided equally across all 10 months of the school year.

19/20 School Year ASEP Tuition Prices **subject to change*

Comp ASEP Only	Language Program Only	Language + After-Care	Language+ After-Care + Club	Language + Club	1 Club Only	2 Clubs Only	3 Clubs Only	1 Club + After-Care	2 Clubs + After-Care	3 Clubs + After-Care
$355	$288	$491	$621	$438	$150	$300	$450	$466	$576	$792

Registration Fee: ASEP charges a nonrefundable $50.00 registration fee per child for all families that apply to ASEP's, Comprehensive or Club programs. This nominal registration fee helps to cover the administrative costs associated with ASEP's yearly enrollment process. **If you qualify for a scholarship, you must still pay the non-refundable $50 registration fee.**
Scholarships: Due to generous support from the San Francisco Unified School District and the City and County of San Francisco (Department of Children, Youth and Their Families) we are able to offer many scholarship slots in our comprehensive program and limited scholarships in our specialty programs at no charge to families. Please check the income eligibility chart included with the application forms to see if your family will qualify for tuition assistance. Please fill out the application for tuition assistance, attach a copy of your most recent tax return and pay stubs for every working member of the family and return it to ASEP with the other forms by May 22nd 2019. If you qualify for a scholarship you must still pay the non-refundable $50 application fee. Please contact info@asepsf.org if this application fee is a hardship for your family.
Reduced Tuition Option: If the tuition is a hardship, please contact ASEP's Administrative Team for more information on reduced tuition availability. If available, this reduced tuition price will be standardized. And, financial information and additional forms will be required for qualification. Contact – info@asepsf.org

Q. How do I register my child for ASEP for the 19-20 school year and when are the important registration dates?
A. ASEP's registration will open on May 1st 2019 at 10am and close on May 22nd 2019. ASEP will make online applications available on our website (www.asepsf.org) and hardcopy applications will be available in the ASEP office in room 10 beginning May 1st 2019. Enrollment for Comprehensive ASEP is based on a first come, first serve policy. ASEP staff recommends that families apply for all programs as soon as enrollment opens to increase your child's chances of being placed in preferred activities. However, priority will be given to families who are returning or have a sibling in the Comprehensive Program. ASEP will be sending out more information regarding enrollment instructions and confirmed program offerings by April 19th 2019. Rising kindergarten families interested in after-school care are encouraged to sign-up up for more information in the McKinley main office upon receiving your kindergarten welcome packet. Families may also contact ASEP staff directly at info@asepsf.org with any questions regarding the 19-20 school year enrollment process.