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Media Assets:

Morning show live shots available upon request.

For current school b-roll click [here](#).

Spanish language interviews available.



Media Advisory: Arizona Autism Tucson Campus Ribbon Cutting August 18th



Tucson, AZ-- Arizona Autism Charter Schools (AZACS), the state’s first and only autism-focused charter network, is hosting a ribbon cutting for its new campus in Tucson on August 18th at 9:15AM. The new Upper School Campus will offer middle school and high school grades (6-12). The new school will replicate AZACS’ award-winning programs, offering innovative STEAM, project-based and career-readiness curriculum with positive behavior support. AZACS is known for its high-quality educational model with embedded therapeutic interventions that are best practices for students with autism. AZACS was the 2022 winner of the 1-million-dollar Yass Prize! This generous award is supporting AZACS’ expansion into Tucson.

“The new Tucson Upper School Campus is a dream come true,” **said AZACS founder Diana Diaz-Harrison.** “We’ve had amazing growth and success with our K-12 schools in central Phoenix and Peoria, and now we’re excited to offer the same level of service

to students with autism living in Tucson. We look forward to bringing our award-winning, career-readiness program to Southern Arizona.”

Arizona Autism Tucson Campus Ribbon Cutting Details

WHEN: Friday, August 18th

TIME: 9:15 A.M. Arrival, Campus Tours; 10:00 A.M. Ribbon Cutting Ceremony Program Begins

WHERE: Arizona Autism Charter School’s New Tucson Upper Campus- 1300 S. Belvedere Ave. Tucson, AZ 85711

VISUALS: During the event, students and teachers will participate in the Ribbon Cutting to commemorate the grand opening of the new Tucson Campus!

- Morning show live shots available upon request.
- Approved B-roll: [General Footage](#).
- Spanish speakers available for interviews

DETAILS: AZACS Tucson Upper School Campus is being launched in response to high demand in the Tucson community for a specialty charter school with expertise in educating the growing number of students on the autism spectrum. The AZACS project-based programs are designed to get neuro-diverse students into the workforce to fill the multitude of quality tech-based jobs that are currently open and projected to grow in the coming years.

Some of the distinctive features of the AZACS instructional model are small class sizes, 4:1 student to staff ratios and personalized learning plans. The new state-of-the-art facility will be offering expansive classrooms, workshops, as well as outdoor spaces ideal for Agri-STEAM projects.

Founder and Executive Director, Diana Diaz-Harrison’s son, Sammy, inspired her to create AZACS.

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