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While bubbly and sequins at midnight sound amazing, so does sparkling cider and laser tag at noon. Here are two kid-friendly ways to ring in the new year in the Valley.



The Children's Museum of Phoenix will celebrate with its guests at noon on Dec. 31 with sparkling apple cider, music, prize giveaways, dancing and a balloon drop at the stroke of noon in the museum's first floor atrium space. Plus, guests can make a noisemaker and a party hat for an additional \$3 to ready themselves for the festivities. Tip: Be sure to come early so you have time to make it through admissions before noon. Admission price for this special event is \$5 for members and \$19.95 for non-members from 9 a.m. to noon. From noon to 4 p.m., regular admission of free for members and \$14.95 for non-members will be in effect. Tickets are available at http://bit.ly/NoonYear19.

Jake's Unlimited (pictured) in Mesa will host a New Year's Eve FUNBash for all ages starting at 11 a.m. Stick around for a balloon drop and cider toast at 6 p.m. for kids; there will be another balloon drop and Champagne toast for the 21-and-over crowd at midnight. Before 8 p.m., an all-day \$35.99 package will be available including access to an unlimited buffet, rides and attractions, non-redemption video games, laser tag, one game of bowling (including shoe rental), one game of mini-bowling and \$10 fun card. After 8 p.m., there's no admission and guests can purchase the New Year's Eve FUNBash package for \$25.99 for all-night rides and attractions, non-redemption video games, laser tag, one game of bowling (including shoe rental) and one game of mini-bowling.