



October 13, 2023

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 16: PTSO Meeting @ 2pm in the Library
October 18: PTSO Fundraising Night - Chipotle 4-8pm
October 18-20: Parent/Teacher Conferences - ALL 3 DAYS ARE EARLY RELEASE @ 1:05pm
October 19: Orchestra Field Trip to Corona HS
October 20: Picture Retakes
October 23-27: Book Fair
October 24: AVID 8 Fieldtrip to Superior Courthouse
October 24: Band Concert
October 26: NJHS Meeting @ 7:35am

Jeremiah's Italian Ice - Every Tuesday after school

[View Full Calendar](#)

Message From Principal Kory

Aprende Families,

Welcome to Quarter 2! We had an outstanding first quarter and are looking forward to an even better second quarter. It will be a busy, quick, and exciting quarter! I wanted to take time to share a few important items as we begin the quarter:

Save the Date for our Ruby Bridges Walk to School event and collaboration with Brisas-November 14th.

Conferences are next week (and we will have early release days on Wed., Th., and Fri.). If you were not able to schedule a conference and you'd like time to meet with the teachers, please contact the appropriate grade level/team lead: 6th Grade Team A: cashelton@kyrene.org; 6th Grade Team B: lstrength@kyrene.org; 7th Grade: apauga@kyrene.org; 8th grade: aviolette@kyrene.org

District enrollment timelines have moved up to better support the middle school master schedule and teacher hiring and placement. Students will be receiving their course selection sheets the week of 10/23. They will bring home the sheets, along with the course descriptions, to review and have parents sign. Please look for these and sign them, as they will be completing their course selection online at school during the week of 11/6.

At the start of every quarter, administration has pod meetings with students to review behavioral expectations and provide any other important procedural reminders. We had our 6th grade pod meetings this week and will have 7th and 8th next week. During these meetings, I also stress the importance of understanding [Kyrene's Commitment to an Environment Free of Harassment](#) and the importance of showing respect and kindness to ALL students, with an emphasis on being cognizant of their words and actions and how those can impact our community. We prioritize educating first and teaching our students the “why,” especially when it comes to providing safe, inclusive environments, however, we also stress to students the unfortunate consequences that will result if these behaviors are repeated. Finally, we discuss the importance of reporting to a teacher, administrator, or counselor, or having a parent report if the student is not comfortable.

Finally, thank you so much for supporting our PTSO Aprende Rocks Pledge Drive—where ALL donations go to support students and teachers. Please see [AprendeRocks.com https://app.99pledges.com/fund/aprende2023](https://app.99pledges.com/fund/aprende2023) for more information or to donate—no amount is too small and all is appreciated!

Thank you for your ongoing support of Aprende! Please don't hesitate to contact me at any time with any questions or concerns: rkory@kyrene.org

Respectfully,
Renee Kory, Principal

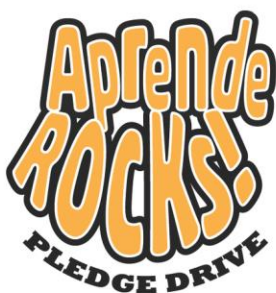
National Principals Month



October is National Principals Month!

Let's all celebrate our wonderful Principal, Ms. Kory!

APRENDE ROCKS Pledge Drive



NO OUTSIDE COMPANY TAKES A LARGE PERCENT OF THESE DONATIONS. The PTSO runs this fundraiser creating more value for your dollar toward the school. The only fees we incur are processing fees, which equate to about 3%.

We are running our annual pledge drive through the month of October! No amount is too small. Your ongoing backing and support are both truly appreciated. For every \$10 you give to our Aprende Rocks! Pledge Drive, you will be entered into our Opportunity Drawing. Give \$20, you'll get 2 entries and so on. AND the student you are supporting will be entered just as many times into the student drawing including a chance to win an awesome grand prize!

FALL BREAK FRENZY!

Special early bird drawing for a \$100 Amazon gift card! Donations collected through Fall Break qualify! Just like the final drawing, every \$10 collected earns an entry (AND those entries go toward the final drawing too!). PLUS, the advisory CLASS with the most participation over break will win a class party of their choice (popcorn, ice cream, donut or skittle party!)

97% OF DONATIONS DIRECTLY SUPPORT APRENDE!

10% of donations go back to the advisory teacher!
Our schoolwide goal is to collect **\$30,000** in donations.

MAKING A DONATION?

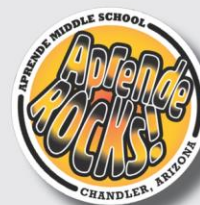
Every \$10 donation will equal (1) entry for the donor into a special opportunity drawing just for our donors/adults! Who knew donating to our school could be so rewarding?

STUDENT WHO IS COLLECTING?

Every \$10 you collect will equal (1) entry for YOU into the student drawing, also filled with a bunch of awesome prizes!

REWARDS?

- Students who collect \$100 or more will have an opportunity for one of many special experiences offered by various Aprende teachers!
- The top Student in each grade level will win lunch delivered to them and 3 friends!
- The top Advisory classes in each grade level get their choice of a party!



Students that collect just \$10 or more in donations will receive an "Aprende Rocks!" sticker!

WHAT CAN YOU WIN?

DONOR OPPORTUNITY DRAWING*

Each package around \$100 value!

Massage package
Wine package
Golf package
Craft beer package
Date night package
...and more!

STUDENT DRAWING*

A GRAND PRIZE for EVERY \$10,000 we raise!
The grand prize winner(s) have a choice of:
\$400 NIKE Gift Card (Hello New AF1's!),
Beats Headphones or Airpod Pro Headphones

Other drawing prizes include:
Kendra Scott Jewelry
Gift Cards to a variety of places students love!
Game Show Battle Room Certificate
Dbacks Tickets
ASU Tickets
Aprende Apparel
Weekly Mini-Drawings

...and so much more!

***PLUS MORE PRIZES AND SURPRISES ARE STILL COMING IN TO ADD!**

Want to contribute a prize? Email donations@aprendeptso.org

START ROCKING AT WWW.APRENDEROCKS.COM

You should receive an email with instructions on personalizing your student's page.

Be sure to share your page with friends and family through email or text!

If you have questions, send us an email at donations@aprendeptso.org

PICTURE DAY ...COMING SOON!

Kyrene Aprende Middle School

Picture Day: September 22, 2023

Absentees: October 20, 2023

How to Dress: School Pics are a keepsake you'll treasure for years to come, so look and dress your best. Avoid highly reflective neon colors, and please use this flyer as a reminder to schedule haircuts so your student will be "camera ready" by picture day. For more information, and to view the current season background, visit us at: <https://www.schoolpicsonline.com>

What to Bring: Nothing but your smile! No money is needed on picture day!

Please Note: All students will be photographed for yearbook and school services.

About Us: Our School Pics Proof Program allows you to view several proofs of your child before you purchase

Ordering: Digital Proofs and ordering information will be available at: <https://www.schoolpicsonline.com> approximately 2 weeks after the second picture day. Your child's school will email access instructions once they are available for viewing and ordering.

If you have any questions, please email us at:
customerservice@schoolpicsaz.com



Gifted Child Assessment Notice. All public school districts have an ongoing “Child Find” obligation. This means that the Kyrene School District will identify, locate and evaluate all children within their geographic boundaries who are in need of special education and related services. Kyrene makes gifted testing available for students at school sites three times per year by application. Applications are due for the next round of testing for 2023-24 on October 20, 2023. If you think your child may be gifted, please visit the website at www.kyrene.org/gifted for information about gifted education, services, and testing in Kyrene.

PTSO Restaurant Night

DO GOOD WITH CHIPOTLE



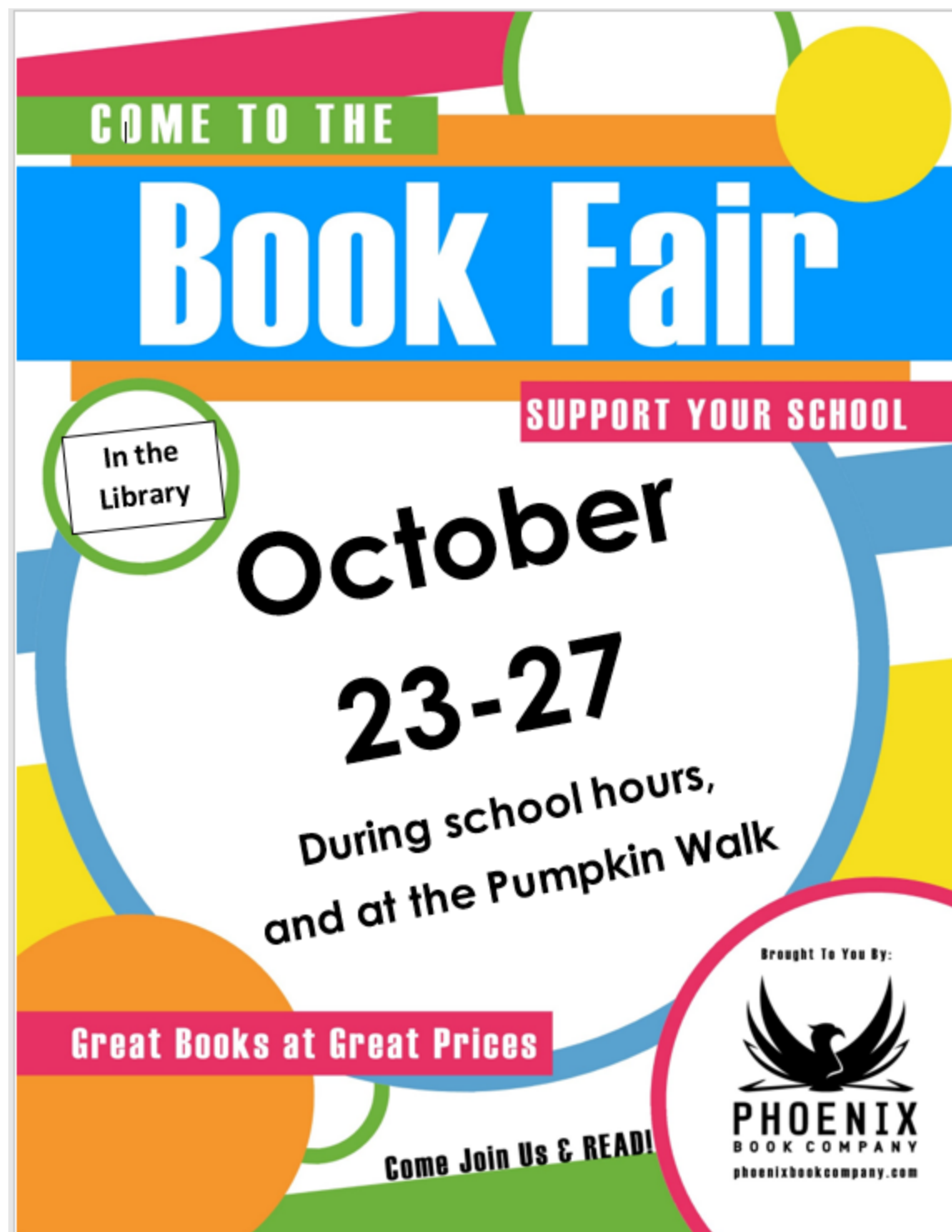
CHIPOTLE FUNDRAISER FOR APRENDE PTSO

33% OF EVENT SALES GET DONATED TO THE CAUSE

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18 | 4-8PM

890 N 54TH ST STE 5, CHANDLER

Book Fair

A colorful poster for a book fair. The background features abstract shapes in pink, orange, blue, and yellow. At the top, a green banner says "COME TO THE". Below it, a large blue banner contains the text "Book Fair" in white. To the left, a green circle contains a white box with the text "In the Library". To the right, a pink banner says "SUPPORT YOUR SCHOOL". In the center, the text "October 23-27" is written in large black font. Below this, it says "During school hours, and at the Pumpkin Walk". At the bottom left, a pink banner says "Great Books at Great Prices". At the bottom right, there is a logo for "PHOENIX BOOK COMPANY" featuring a stylized phoenix bird. Above the logo, it says "Brought To You By:". Below the logo, it says "Come Join Us & READ!" and "phoenixbookcompany.com".

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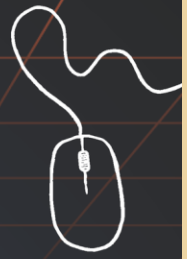


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BOOK COMPANY
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Kyrene Esports



KYRENE
COMMUNITY EDUCATION



KYRENE ESPORTS

October 16 - December 12

Open for 6th - 8th grade students

Join us this fall for competitive, organized video gaming! Middle School students will participate in **Rocket League** with competitions between Kyrene schools.

APRENDE

Monday/Tuesday 3:15pm - 4:15pm

KMS

Monday/Tuesday 3:15pm - 4:15pm

KTA

Monday 2:30pm - 3:30pm

Tuesday 3:15pm - 4:15pm

PUEBLO

Monday/Tuesday 3:15pm - 4:15pm



Register online at:
kyrene.ce.eleyo.com



Questions? Contact us:
Kyrene Community Education: (480) 541-1500

Save the Date!



Ruby Bridges Walk to School Day

November 14, 2023
Brisas/Aprende Campus

8th Grade Families- Freshmen Registration/Open Houses

The top portion of the page speaks to the Open House nights for families to visit sites and learn more about the schools. The bottom portion of the page speaks to the dates that the TUHSD counseling teams will visit Kyrene Schools to present and meet with students about their upcoming high school careers.

The left side "Student Orientation" is when the counseling teams come out and present our students and provide students with materials for course selection and how to enroll in high school.

The right side "Pre-Registration" is when the counseling teams come back out to the feeder schools to collect course selection sheets and inform students of their enrollment status.

Enrollment to High School is different than the transition from 5th to 6th grade. Families need to understand that their enrollment does NOT carry over to the next year. They will need to go through the entire enrollment process through TUHSD's websites for high school.

Tempe Union Enrollment for 2024-2025 School Year



Open House for 8th Grade Families

Visit Tempe Union High Schools

Open house for parents and students will be held at each Tempe Union High School on the following dates:
Families are welcome to attend any or all of the open houses.

5:30 PM | Principal Welcome, High School Planning & Gallery Walk
These nights are designed to assist you in making important decisions regarding your student's high school education. Staff will be available to answer questions about the school, academics, extra-curricular programs, and the enrollment & course selection process.

- Mountain Pointe – 11/1/23
- Desert Vista – 11/2/23
- McClintock – 11/6/23
- Corona del Sol – 11/8/23
- Tempe High – 11/13/23
- Marcos de Niza – 11/14/23

Student Orientation

High school representatives will visit the middle school campuses & provide registration information.

KYRENE SCHOOL DISTRICT		
AKIMEL A-AL	11/2	Desert Vista & Mountain Pointe
ALTADENA	10/30	Desert Vista
APRENDE	10/31	Corona del Sol
CENTENNIAL	10/31	Mountain Pointe
KYRENE MIDDLE SCHOOL	11/3	Corona del Sol, Marcos de Niza & Mountain Pointe
KYRENE DIGITAL ACADEMY	10/30	(Virtual) All TUHSD High Schools
KYRENE TRADITIONAL	11/2	Corona del Sol
MANITAS	11/2	Corona del Sol & Innovation Center
PUEBLO	10/30	Corona del Sol & Mountain Pointe

TEMPE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

CECIL SHAMLEY	11/2	McClintock & Tempe High
CONNOLLY & ASPIRE	11/1	McClintock & Tempe High
FEES CPMS	11/1	Marcos de Niza & Tempe High
GENEVA	11/1	& Tempe High
EPPS MOSLEY	11/2	Tempe High
MCKEMY ACADEMY	10/30	McClintock & Tempe High
WARD TRADITIONAL ACADEMY	11/2	McClintock



Pre-Registration

High school representatives will visit the middle school campuses to collect course selection materials.

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ALTADENA	11/13 & 11/14	Desert Vista
APRENDE	11/14	Corona del Sol
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www.TempeUnion.org/Enroll

INSCRIPCIÓN PARA TEMPE UNION 2024-2025



Visite las Escuelas Secundarias de Tempe Union

Tendrá la sesión de puertas abiertas para cada escuela de Tempe Union High School en las siguientes fechas:
Las familias pueden asistir a cualquiera o todas las jornadas de puertas abiertas.

5:30 PM | Bienvenida del director, información sobre la escuela secundaria y caminata por la galería

Estas noches están diseñadas para ayudarle a tomar decisiones importantes con respecto a la educación de su estudiante en la escuela secundaria. Los maestros/as, los consejeros/as, los patrocinadores de clubes, los entrenadores de deportes, y los administradores estarán disponible para responder preguntas sobre la escuela, los estudios académicos, los programas extracurriculares y el proceso de inscripción y selección de cursos.

- Mountain Pointe: 11/1/
- Desert Vista: 11/2/23
- McClintock: 11/6/23
- Corona del Sol: 11/8/23
- Tempe High: 11/13/23
- Marcos de Niza: 11/14/

Orientación Estudiantil

Los representantes de la escuela secundaria visitarán el campus de middle school y proveerán información sobre la inscripción.

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Preinscripción

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Jeremiah's Italian Ice Tuesdays!

Aprende gets 20% back on all sales! Thank you for your support!



TASTY FROZEN TREATS ARE HEADED YOUR WAY!

The Jeremiah's Italian Ice® Frog Squad is headed your way soon to scoop up our refreshing Italian Ice!



We wanted to give you a heads up about our upcoming visit!
Check out the tasty details below:

APRENDE MIDDLE SCHOOL

DATE:
EVERY TUESDAY!!!

TIME:
AFTER SCHOOL!!!

OUR FLAVORS:

Italian Ice:
Lemon
Blueberry
Mango

Gelatis with Vanilla:
Cotton Candy
Strawberry Lemon
Orange Smash

Italian Ice | \$5 Gelati | \$5

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Quarter 2 Sports

Online registration is open for 2nd quarter sports. 2nd quarter sports include: Girls Soccer, Boys Basketball, Girls Softball and Co ed Wrestling.

Tryouts for cut sports and practice for non-cut sports, begin the week of October 23rd. You must have all your registration documents completed and an up to date physical on file to participate in all sports.

Registration information and coaches letters can be found on our Aprende Athletics webpage.

All cross country & volleyball team members, please return uniforms to Mrs. Harris in the office asap.

If you have any questions, please contact Athletic Director, Amy Violette, aviolette@kyrene.org or Athletic Secretary, Melissa Harris mharris@kyrene.org 480-541-6203

Office hours: 7:30am-4pm

Address: 777 N. Desert Breeze Blvd., East #2, Chandler, AZ 85226



Kyrene Positive Parenting - October Presentations

Oct. 25 - Narcan/Rise of Fentanyl

Description: Participants will learn about the rise in Fentanyl. Participants will also learn how to administer NARCAN to reverse an overdose.

Presenters: Joronda Montano

Date and Time:

October 25, 2023

6:00 - 7:00 PM

Location:

Centennial Middle School - MPR

13808 S. 36th St. Phoenix, AZ 85044

Registration Link

The Kyrene School District is pleased to continue the successful Positive Parenting Series this school year, focusing on issues that affect families both at school and at home. We hope you can join us.

Kyrene Positive Parenting - November Presentations

Nov. 13 - Special Education 101 with Raising Special Kids (RSK)

Special Education 101 with Raising Special Kids (RSK)

Join Raising Special Kids and Kyrene ESS Department to learn about the special education process and the Individualized Education Program (IEP). Understand who is required to attend the IEP meeting and the roles of each team member (including parents); review the required parts of an IEP; learn how parents can prepare for and be more effective during the IEP meeting and how to track their child's progress. Discover the options available if the IEP team does not agree.

Presenter: TBD

Date and Time:

November 13, 2023

5:30-7:00pm

Location:

Waggoner Elementary School, 1050 E. Carver Road, Tempe, AZ 85284

Hosted By:

Kyrene Exceptional Student Services Department

Wellness Wednesday

Wellness Wednesday *with* Native Health



HOSTED BY KYRENE NATIVE AMERICAN PROGRAM

Wednesday, October 18, 2023

2:30 pm - 6:00 pm



**Kyrene Family Resource Center
(West of Ninos Elementary School)
1330 E. Dava Dr. Tempe, AZ 85283**

FREE

**Flu vaccine
COVID vaccines & boosters
Fluoride varnish
Sports physicals (limited spots)**



OPEN TO ALL KYRENE FAMILIES

For more information, call (480) 541-1133



City of Tempe Immunization Event

The City of Tempe and Councilmember Berdetta Hodge are hosting a Flu and COVID-19 vaccine event on Saturday, October 28, 2023 from 10 am to noon at the Tempe Public Library, 3500 S. Rural

Road. Get your flu and updated COVID-19 vaccine and then enjoy some breakfast treats and meet Maricopa County Supervisor Jack Sellers and members of Maricopa County Public Health.

Wag Wednesdays



Bring your pup to Aprende student drop-off on Wednesdays from 7:50am to 8:15am for a little treat!

Just roll down your window and Staudohar will pop a Bubba Bite into your pup's mouth!

Tax Credit Donations

Please consider making a tax credit donation to help support some of the following at Aprende: Performing Arts, Athletics, Clubs, AVID, Field Trips, etc.

These programs help develop well-rounded students, who in turn, build strong communities. Arizona statute allows individuals to donate \$200 and couples to donate \$400 for a dollar-to-dollar tax credit. You can donate online through our [Payment Portal](#).

Thank you for your continued support!

MAKE A TAX CREDIT DONATION TODAY!



Important: Sign up for Text Messages

In the event of an emergency, text messages are the fastest and most effective way to communicate information to families. You must opt in to receive text communications! Text "Y" or "yes" to 67587 to begin receiving text messages from our school and Kyrene School District.



Quicklinks

- [School Website](#)
- [Breakfast/Lunch Menu](#)
- [Calendar of Events](#)
- [ParentVue and StudentVue](#)
- [PTSO Information](#)

Contact Us

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Chandler, AZ 85226

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Office Hours: 7:30am-4:00pm

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Attendance: 480-541-6201