



January 5, 2024

UPCOMING EVENTS

January 8: PTSO Meeting
January 9: Enrollment Begins
January 11: AVID Fundraiser - Panda Express
January 15: No School- MLK Day
January 18: NJHS Meeting
January 18: District Spelling Bee
January 20: Kyrene PlayDay
January 25: PTSO Fundraiser - Barro's

[View Full Calendar](#)

District Assessment Reports

Middle of the year district assessment reports have been posted to ParentVUE. Families are able to access the results through ParentVue in the documents section. Need help accessing the reports? ... See the attachment for directions with screenshots. Need help understanding the reports or how to support your child? See the family guide for each assessment or reach out to your child's teacher.

[Assessment Results in ParentVUE](#)

[NWEA family report](#)

[iready family report](#)

Arizona Youth Survey

In February, Kyrene will participate in the Arizona Youth Survey, an anonymous statewide prevention needs assessment for middle and high school students conducted by the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission. Beginning on January 29, parents of students in grade 8 will have the opportunity to review details and opt in or out for their child's participation in ParentVUE.

AVID Fundraiser



Fundraiser for

Aprende Middle School AVID Club

20% of event sales will be donated

The group are students participating in a college and career readiness program.



When

Thursday, January 11, 2024

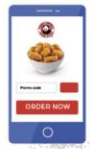
Time: 9:30 AM to 9:00 PM

Where

Panda Express located at:

**2905 West Ray Road Chandler AZ 85224
(480) 917 - 0945**

How to Order



Online

**PandaExpress.com or the App.
Enter 358048 in the fundraiser code box**

or



In-Person

**Bring paper flyer or show it on
your smartphone**

Order ahead or on the event day Thursday, January 11, 2024



Health and Safety

Committed to your health and safety. Panda Express
is recognized as **America's safest restaurant brand.**

Participating fundraiser guests are required to present a valid fundraiser flyer (paper copy or digital image) with each order to receive credit towards the fundraiser. Flyers may not be distributed inside or within the vicinity of the restaurant including, without limitation to, the restaurant parking lot before or during the fundraiser. Panda Restaurant Group reserves the right to cancel any and all fundraiser events, if the Panda Restaurant Group Fundraiser Guidelines are not followed. Panda Restaurant Group will donate 20% of all purchases made, pre-tax and before fees, at the designated date, time, and your Panda Express location when purchased with your unique code at check-out or when a copy of this flyer is presented. Purchase(s) of gift cards do not count towards the fundraiser, but purchases made with gift cards will count. No portion of purchase is tax deductible.

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APRENDE BARRO'S DAY!



**THURSDAY, JANUARY 25TH
APRENDE PTSO GETS 20% BACK!
COME FOR THE PIZZA & WINGS...
STAY FOR THE COOKIE SUNDAE!**

**yum
yum**



**Dine-in ~ Carry out ~ Delivery
Kyrene/Warner**

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. The deadline for tax credit donations is April 15, 2024. You can donate online through our [Payment Portal](#).

Thank you for your continued support!

**MAKE A
TAX CREDIT
DONATION
TODAY!**





SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL WITH A **TAX CREDIT DONATION!**

STEP 1

Visit kyrene.org/taxcredit
and click **Donate Now**



STEP 2

Sign In

Returning Users

Returning Users
Please log in below

User Name:

Password:

[Sign In](#)

New Users

1st Time Users
(Non-Parent/Guardians
Making Tax Credit Donations)

**Non-Parent/Guardian Guest
Account**
A guest account allows you to easily
make tax credit donations and
access receipts in the future.

[Create Account](#)

STEP 3

Select Items at All Schools

Shop

[Items At All Schools](#)

[Pay Fines/Fees](#)

[Register for Athletics/Activities/Intramurals](#)

STEP 4

Select Campus Type

You are here:

[DISTRICT](#)

School Type

[DIGITAL ACADEMY](#) [DISTRICT OFFICE](#)

[ELEMENTARY SCHOOL](#) [K-8](#) [MIDDLE SCHOOL](#)

STEP 5

Select School and Tax Credit

You are here: [DISTRICT](#) / [ELEMENTARY SCHOOL](#) / [C.I. Waggoner ES](#)

Categories: [Most Payment Account](#) [Tax Credit](#)



We have a limited number of yearbooks for sale!!

****8th Grade Parents/Guardians-** Friendly reminder that 8th Grade Recognition Ads must be purchased by February 2, 2024. 8th grade families have their choice of two sizes; business card color and quarter page color. There are three templates to choose from when creating your recognition ad. The parent/guardian must complete recognition ad designs by February 2, 2024.

Please click on this link to purchase yearbooks and ads: <https://ybpay.lifetouch.com/>

Yearbook Code: 14349324

Mentor Training Boys to Men



**Calling
Women &
Men**

**Aprende MS is offering weekly
school based group mentoring
for 7th and 8th grade boys.**



**Boys to Men Mentoring needs caring adults to
help launch weekly mentoring for boys in January
and for girls in September of next year.**

**Reach out to Aprende Admin or go to
www.boystomenphoenix.org/get-involved**



BOYS to MEN of Greater Phoenix
480-206-0696 EIN# 47-3518202
www.boystomenphoenix.org

Volunteer Possibilities

Kids spell love..... "T - I - M - E"

Thank you for helping future generations be the best they can be.

We are caring adults that believe boys deserve caring adults to help guide them to healthy manhood. This is a call to women and men that feel aligned with our vision and will help build a sustainable organization.

- **Safety** is core to our culture. We follow BTMUSA safety protocols and all laws to ensure safety for all.
 - Required: Interview process, application, background check and complete BTM Mentor training.
 - COVID: We follow our school partner policy. Masks Optional, Full Vaccination desired, not required.

Women and Men Volunteers We thrive on the inclusion and diversity of our community. All people from all cultural and life backgrounds needed. Time commitment for the 3 tasks below range from 2 to 6 hours per month.

- Back Ground Check: Online social security number check needed. Small cost and results in 3 days

Outreach & Fundraising: Are you a story teller? Help promote Boys to Men's story through social media, digital newsletters or our website. Support Fundraising efforts, while promoting our story of generational change.

Finance & Systems: Maybe numbers and process development is a match for your talents. Do you know Quick Books?

Governance: Help create sustainable growth with deeper community support.

Family Mentoring Circle: Support moms and boys together in their own deep conversation and support circle

Mentors -Men Volunteers:

Group Facilitation Mentors: Weekly or bi weekly groups run 1.5 hours equaling 4 to 8 hours per month.

Boys and Men groups both on campus and virtual, plus single moms and sons with mentor support.

- Obtain Fingerprint background card clearance. Reasonable cost with results a few weeks.

Adventure Group Mentors: 2 to 4 hours per month

Men and boys gather once a month, to check in, connect, play and have fun.

- Online social security number check needed. Small cost and results in 3 days

Mountain Adventure "Rite of Passage Adventure Weekend" 3-day weekend 2-3 yearly

Phoenix mentors guide boys through an intense transformational weekend.

- Commit to the full weekend and pay a \$150 staff fee & complete online social security number check.

Return on your Investment: Our commitment to you

Honor your Time by being prepared and on time for meetings, mentoring groups and trainings.

Provide you with rewarding work

Create a safe, respectful and transparent space for all voices to be heard

Give you opportunities for leadership, personal growth and development

Help you strengthen personal relationships with BTM communication tools

-Guided Change Communication (Motivational Interviewing process) -Active Listening

-Handle Difficult Conversations (What -So What -Now What) -How to A.C.T with tact

If you can't spare your time or talent, would you consider a donation? Donate at www.boystomenphoenix.org or send your check to Boys to Men of Greater Phoenix PO Box 50235. Phoenix, AZ 85076

Are you ready to step up? Contact us info@boystomenphoenix.org 480-561-6363.





Parents/guardians are asked to call the 24 hour attendance line 480.541.6201 each day that their child is absent. Please leave a message spelling the student's name, grade, date(s) of the absence and reason for absence. If a phone call is not received, or if the school has not been able to contact the parent/guardian, the student will be given an unexcused absence.

As a reminder, students who are absent from school the day of an activity MAY NOT attend the activity (i.e. classroom party; a middle school dance or sporting event; an after-school enrichment club; or Kids Club care after school).

Student Sign-Out



We understand students will need to be signed out for appointments, etc. Please try to avoid signing out your student after 2:55pm. The last 10 minutes of school tend to be hectic and we appreciate your understanding.

Also, please try to limit the amount of items being dropped off in the front office (water bottles, lunches, sweatshirts). Every time we need to call a classroom, it is disruptive to the class.



Quarter 3 Sports

BOYS SOCCER & GIRLS BASKETBALL

Try outs begin week of 1/8

Practice begins week of 1/16

Games begin week of 1/25

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





UPDATED SCHOOL HEALTH OFFICE MEDICATION POLICY

The Aprende Health Office does NOT stock Advil, Motrin, Tylenol, Benadryl, Hydrocortisone cream, Antibiotic ointment or cough drops. However, if your student requires over the counter medication please click here for the [Kyrene District policy](#) and link to a fillable **Parent/Guardian Consent for Administration of Medicine at School** form or visit <https://www.kyrene.org/Page/1006>

A consent form for administering prescription and non-prescription medications must be completed and submitted with all medications administered at school.

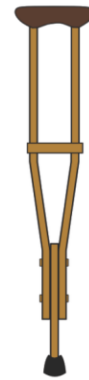
For prescription medications, the consent form must be signed by the prescribing provider.

Returning to School After an Injury

To provide the safest environment during the school day, any student returning to school following a serious injury, prolonged illness or surgery must provide a signed medical release form (discharge paperwork if seen by ER/Urgent Care) to return to school.

Written permission, by a licensed medical provider, must be provided for all students requiring a wheelchair, knee scooter, crutches, etc. All equipment will be provided by the parent/guardian.

Please contact the school health office for any necessary health support at 480-541-6220. For more health services information, review pages 11-14 of the [Kyrene Family Handbook](#).



Kyrene Positive Parenting - January Presentations

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.

JAN. 11 - Love and Logic for Families

Love and Logic for Families

Parents are invited to learn about the Love and Logic approach to parenting, which is built around the science of caring and respectful relationship. An authentic, loving connection between parents and their children forms the foundation of good behavior and healthy decision-making.

Presenter:

Larry Kerby

Date and Time:

January 11, 2024

6:00 - 7:00pm

Location:

Centennial Middle School -Library

13808 S. 36th St.

Phoenix, AZ 85044

[Registration Link](#)

JAN. 17 - How to Reach, Teach, and Support the iGeneration Student

How to Reach, Teach, and Support the iGeneration Student

Join us to gain valuable insight into tips and strategies for raising children for whom technology has always been present.

Presenter:

Katy McPherson

Date and Time:

January 17, 2024

6:00 - 7:00pm

Location:

Zoom

[Registration Link](#)

JAN. 18 - Related Services Providers Open House

Related Services Providers Open House

Kyrene Related Service Providers will be hosting informational sessions for families to understand the services they provide. Related Service Providers in attendance will include a Speech Language Pathologist (SLP), Occupational Therapist (OT), Assistive Technology (AT) Specialist, Physical Therapist, and Augmentative and Alternative Communication (ACC) Specialist.

Date and Time

January 18, 2023

5:30-7:00pm

Location:

Waggoner Elementary School, 1050 E. Carver Road

Tempe, AZ 85284

Hosted By:
Kyrene Exceptional Student Services Department



Ready for a day of play? Please join us on Saturday, January 20, 2024 from 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. at Kyrene Centennial Middle School for Kyrene Community Education's signature *PlayDay* event. The lineup includes over 40 booths, activities, food trucks and musical performances to keep the entire family entertained. More information can be found at <https://www.kyrene.org/playday>.

Saturday, January 20, 2024

8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Kyrene Centennial Middle School

13808 S 36th St, Phoenix, AZ 85044



Activities & Booths

- Athletes in Training
- Challenge Island
- Chess Emporium
- Coding with Kids
- Conquer Ninja Gyms
- Dignity Kids
- Mad Science
- Magnus Chess Academy
- Nerding
- Planting Seeds
- Playful Digital Learning
- REACH Basketball
- Science Matters
- The Be Kind People Project
- The Home Economist
- Young Rembrandts

and more!

Food Trucks

- Cobber's Craving
- Eis Cafe
- El Taco Santo
- Happy Time Kettle Corn
- Jeremiah's Italian Ice
- Mustache Pretzels
- Oh so Good Mini Donuts
- Phoenix Phreeze Ice
- Stadium on Wheels

and more!

Musical Performances

- Brisas Mallet Masters
- Manitas Steel Drum Ensemble
- Esperanza Mallet Band

and more!

Before & After School Enrollment Changes

Dear Kyrene Families,

Planning for the 2024-25 school year is already underway, and we want to make you aware of changes to enrollment for Community Education programs, including Kids Club, After Hours, and Community and Signature Preschool. Beginning this year, all Community Education programming will open registration on the same day that general enrollment begins. **Mark your calendar for January 9!**

Another change this year will ensure all Kyrene families have an equal opportunity to register for before and after school programming, which can fill up quickly. **In fairness to families who have been waitlisted in past years, there will be no pre-registration option for currently enrolled students this year.** Registration for Kids Club and After Hours for the 2024-25 school year will open for all students on

January 9 at 6:30 a.m. in the [Community Ed registration portal](#). We strongly encourage interested families to be online promptly at 6:30 a.m. to begin registration.

Families enrolling students in Community or Signature Preschool programs will also register through the Community Ed registration portal on January 9. If you are registering a child for Integrated Preschool or looking to change Kyrene schools, that can be done through the Kyrene general enrollment portal.

[Open enrollment information](#)

[Preschool information](#)

[Community Education information](#)

Remember: whether you are planning to change your child's school, register a new preschool or kindergarten student, or secure a spot in a before or after school program for the 2024-25 school year, enrollment day is January 9!

Summer 2024 program registration will open March 4, 2024.

Sincerely,
Kyrene School District

CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

Aprende offers a variety of clubs, activities and organizations. Click [here](#) for Club/Activity information.

An Activity Bus is offered on Tuesdays & Thursdays at 4:15pm.

A pass is required for transportation. Please fill out & bring to the front office. Students will keep the pass for the entire year. Click [here](#) for Pass/Route information.

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!

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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777 N. Desert Breeze Blvd. E. #2
Chandler, AZ 85226

Phone: 480-541-6200
Fax: 480-541-6210
Attendance: 480-541-6201

School Hours: 8:20am-3:05pm

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

A+ School of Excellence™

