



February 9, 2024

## UPCOMING EVENTS

February 13: Girls Basketball & Boys Soccer Pictures  
February 14-16: Performing Arts Field Trip to California  
February 19: No School  
February 20: Arizona Youth Survey- 8th Grade  
February 21: PTSO Restaurant Night- Someburro's  
February 23: AVID 7 Field Trip to EVIT  
February 26: CCD Field Trip to Phoenix Zoo  
February 27: AVID 8 Field Trip to EVIT  
February 28-March 1: Parent/Teacher Conferences

[View Full Calendar](#)

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## Perfect Attendance February









Any student who has perfect attendance in February will receive FREE DBacks tickets! Family members will receive tickets at a discounted rate.



# ATTENDANCE MATTERS

SCORE PERFECT CLASSROOM ATTENDANCE IN FEBRUARY 2024

**FEBRUARY 2024**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 Freedom Day	2 Groundhog Day 	3 Elmo's Birthday
4 Rosa Parks' Birthday	5 Hank Aaron's Birthday	6 Babe Ruth's Birthday	7 Send a Card to a Friend Day	8 Boy Scouts Day	9 National Pizza Day	10 National Umbrella Day 
11 Superbowl Sunday	12 Abraham Lincoln's Birthday 	13 Fat Tuesday	14 Valentine's Day 	15 Susan B. Anthony's Birthday	16 National Innovation Day 	17 Random Acts of Kindness Day
18 World Whale Day 	19 President's Day	20 National Leadership Day	21 National Grain-Free Day	22 George Washington's Birthday	23 D-backs First Spring Training Game 	24 National Dance Day
25 National Chocolate-Covered Nut Day	26 National Bacon Day	27 International Polar Bear Day 	28 National Science Day	29 Leap Day		

## Tax Credit Donations

### Tax Time is Here!

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](#).

Click [here](#) for instructions on the payment portal.

Thank you for your continued support!

# MAKE A TAX CREDIT DONATION TODAY!



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## AVID T-Shirts

Click the link for easy ordering instructions

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1MwDCXUF\\_KudAu2BPxmcX3rJxz13iJGpv/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1MwDCXUF_KudAu2BPxmcX3rJxz13iJGpv/view?usp=sharing)

# Aprende **SALE** 2023-24 AVID T-Shirt!

Order by Monday, Feb. 12, 2024!



Now in 2 colors!  
**Black AND Gold**  
Adult Sizes XS - 3XL  
\$13 for all sizes!

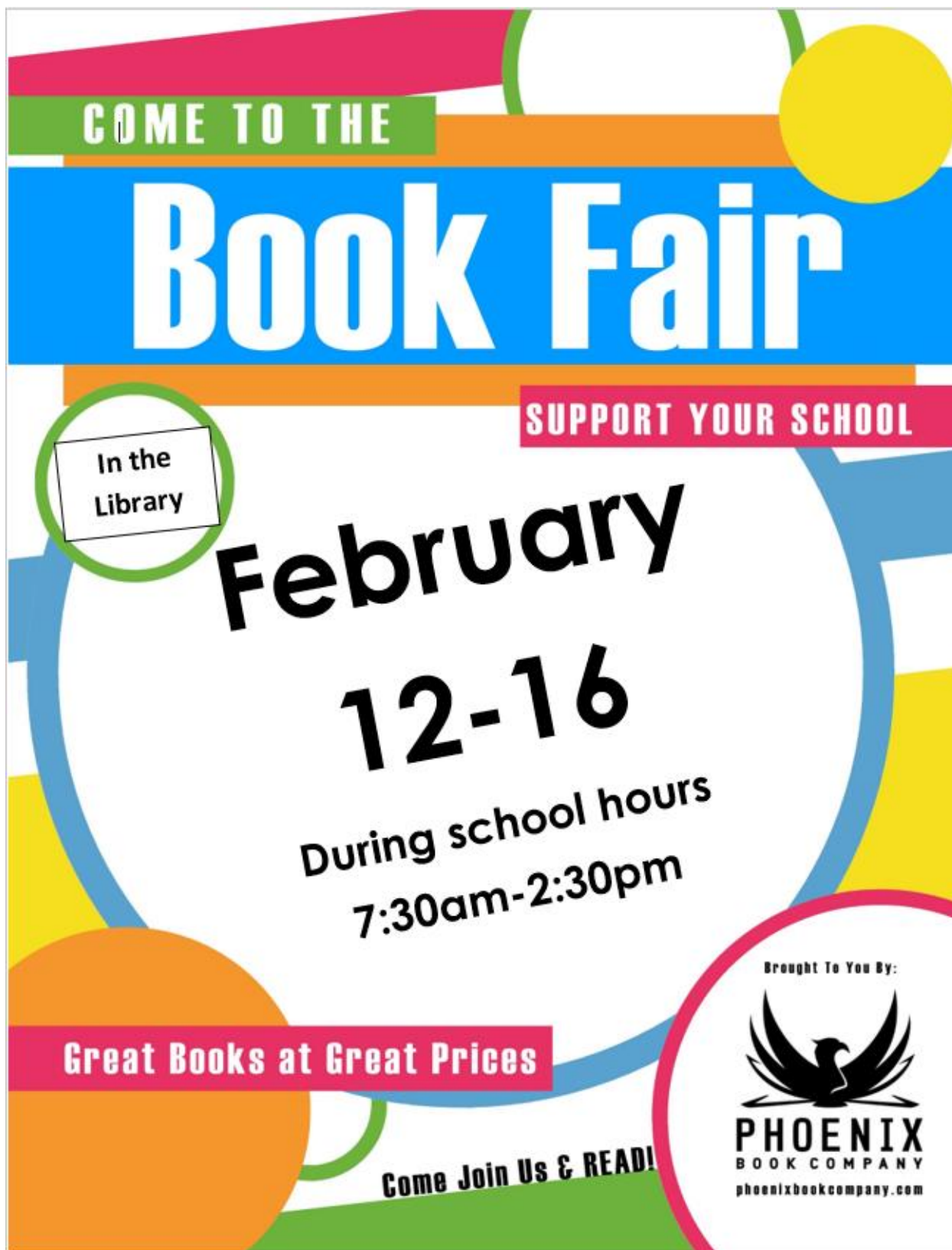


<https://az-kyrene.intouchrecepting.com>



**CHILDREN SIZES  
NOT AVAILABLE**

We will need volunteers to help make our Book Fair run smoothly. Volunteers will help student with books selection, keeping merchandise organized and/or assisting at the register. If you are able to help, please click [HERE](#) to sign up. Thank you for supporting our Book Fair.

A colorful poster for a Book Fair. The background features abstract shapes in pink, green, 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 right of the banner is a yellow circle. Below the banner, a pink banner says "SUPPORT YOUR SCHOOL". In the center, the text "February 12-16" is written in large black font, followed by "During school hours 7:30am-2:30pm" in a smaller black font. To the left of the central text is a green circle containing a white box with the text "In the Library". At the bottom left, a pink banner says "Great Books at Great Prices". At the bottom center, the text "Come Join Us & READ!" is written in black. At the bottom right, there is a logo for the Phoenix Book Company, featuring a stylized phoenix bird and the text "Brought To You By: PHOENIX BOOK COMPANY phoenixbookcompany.com".

**COME TO THE**

# **Book Fair**

**SUPPORT YOUR SCHOOL**

**In the Library**


## **February 12-16**

**During school hours  
7:30am-2:30pm**

**Great Books at Great Prices**

**Come Join Us & READ!**

Brought To You By:



**PHOENIX**  
BOOK COMPANY  
phoenixbookcompany.com





We have a limited number of yearbooks for sale!!

**The last day to purchase yearbooks is Friday February 16th.** The deadline to submit 8th grade ads has been extended to February 16th as well. If you have not submitted your ads please do so by this date. Please double check that you have finished designing your ads and have submitted them. There are a limited number of books, so please purchase ASAP.

Please click on this link to purchase yearbooks and ads: <https://ybpay.lifetouch.com/>  
Yearbook Code: 14349324

If you have any questions or need any help, please email Ms. Dani at [dlandis@kyrene.org](mailto:dlandis@kyrene.org)



EST. ***Someburros*** 1986

**RAISING \$\$**  
**NEVER TASTED SO GOOD!**

*On the day of the event,*  
**SOMEBURROS WILL DONATE 30%**

OF ALL PRE-TAXED FOOD SALES FROM ANY GUEST  
THAT PRESENTS THIS FUNDRAISING FLYER, OR  
MENTIONS THE ORGANIZATION UPON CHECKOUT

## **Aprنده PTSO**

**DATE:**

**2.21.2024**

**LOCATION:**

3461 W. Frye Rd. Chandler, AZ 85226

**PHONE:**

**480-726-8226**



OUR FAMOUS POLLO FUNDIDO

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. 8th grade parents, please review details and opt in or out for your child's participation in ParentVUE. This survey will be conducted near the end of February.

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## All-State Band Festival

We would like to recognize the students who auditioned and were chosen for all-state band this year. The festival will be Saturday, March 2nd at Mountain View HS in Mesa. Congratulations!

### 7th grade

Mariana McWilliams, flute  
Kai Bailey, clarinet 2nd chair!  
Kaitlyn Hayes, clarinet 3rd chair!  
Charlotte Hawley, alto sax  
Annabelle Whitesides, bassoon 1st chair!  
Dean Mantini, tuba

### 8th grade

Ace Fuson, flute  
Trenton Henley, trombone  
Ella Hartman, tuba 2nd chair!

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## Quarter 4 Sports

**REGISTRATION IS OPEN FOR QUARTER 4 SPORTS!**

**QUARTER 4 SPORTS INCLUDE: BOYS BASEBALL AND TRACK & FIELD**

**Make sure to complete the online registration forms and turn in your up to date physical.**

You can access online registration information from your computer, tablet, or mobile device. To register for a sport please visit <https://az-kyrene.intouchreceipting.com/>

**Current physical:** Every student registered to participate in a sport will also need a signed current physical uploaded to In-Touch.



## Quarter 3 Sports

### **BOYS SOCCER**

**JV Boys Soccer** had a great week playing KMS back to back. On Monday we won 4-3 and Tuesday we won 2-1! Darian made a total of 5 goals and Victor had 1. All boys worked extremely hard and played as a team. Kace made incredible passes to set up goals and opportunities for plays. We are looking forward to our matches next week! Our boys are ready!

**Varsity Boys Soccer** had a fun, exciting and competitive match against a solid Altadena team earlier this week. Aprende played a controlled match and created a variety of scoring opportunities, but finding the back of the net was a bit challenging throughout. The match concluded in a scoreless draw for both teams.

Proud of the growth and development that the boys continue to show with each training session. The inclement weather continues to attempt to interfere with our season, but the team remains dedicated and committed to training and improving with each week.

Thank you to all the players, families and Aprende staff for the continued support and positive energy - it is much appreciated and respected.

Please come out to a JV and/or varsity soccer match to support the Aprende teams!



### **GIRLS BASKETBALL**

**JV Girls Basketball** won the exciting win in overtime against Kyrene on Monday. They played tough defense and came up with a big steal to ice the game with a layup to win by one. On Thursday the JV girls basketball came up with a hard fought effort to lead by 2 points at halftime. The second half, the girls opened a 11 point lead and never looked back. Go Jags!

**Varsity Girls Basketball** lost their first game of the season in the last minutes of the game to Altadena. Final Score 34 to 38.

If you have any questions, please contact Athletic Director, Amy Violette, [aviolette@kyrene.org](mailto:aviolette@kyrene.org) or Loreth Vergara [lvergara@kyrene.org](mailto:lvergara@kyrene.org) 480-541-6203

Office hours: 7:30am-4pm

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

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## Girls Basketball & Boys Soccer Picture Day

**Picture Day for both sports will take place on Tuesday, February 13th.**

Boys Varsity Soccer pictures will be taken at 2:15pm on the soccer field. Boys JV will be at 3:20pm.

Girls Basketball pictures will be at 4:20pm in the gym.

# Aprende Boys Soccer Pictures

February 13, 2024

**School Pics** will be at school taking Boys Soccer individual and team pictures on February 13 after school. Please be prompt as the team groups will be photographed first. School Pics Sports Pics are a great way to celebrate your Athlete's achievements and Team Sports Participation!

**Ordering: Discounted** Online Pre-pay ordering with free school delivery is available now until February 13, 2024 at:

<https://www.schoolpicsonline.com>.

- Click on Order Pictures, and Input **Shoot Key: 4JNUJ2PQ** and your email.
- Input your Athlete's Name and Select the Team they are associated with
- Fill in your contact details
- Select your package.
- Special Discounted **Add-on:** Digital Download available at checkout based on your printed package order

If you have any questions, please email us at:

[customerservice@schoolpicsaz.com](mailto:customerservice@schoolpicsaz.com)

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PHOTOS**

Spring Break Sports Camp



*Spring Break*

# SPORTS CAMP

**MARCH 11TH**



**MARCH 15TH**

**7AM-4PM**

**@ APRENDE MIDDLE SCHOOL**

*777 North Desert Breeze Blvd E, Chandler, AZ 85226*

**4TH-8TH GRADERS**

*Main Focus:*

**SOFTBALL AND BASEBALL**

*Register now!*

**[WWW.KYRENE.ORG/REGISTER](http://WWW.KYRENE.ORG/REGISTER)**





## Cost: \$15.00 cash only

### What to Bring:

Please print and bring Banner physical documents with you. The physical history form should be pre-completed and signed by a parent/guardian prior to arrival. This provides consent to treatment by Banner Sports Medicine staff.

Parent/Guardian **MUST** be present with athlete to obtain a physical.

See link below or scan the QR code for documents.

<https://bit.ly/KYRENEBANNERPHYSICALS>

**Questions: Contact Christopher Hansen with Kyrene Middle School at 480-541-1512**



**Location: Kyrene Akimel A-al Middle School**  
2720 E Liberty Ln,  
Phoenix, AZ 85048

**Date:** Mon, Feb 12th, 2024

**Time:** 3:45pm – 6:45pm

Please arrive for registration according to your school timeslot.

3:45: Akimel A-al  
4:15: Altadeña  
4:45: Aprende  
5:15: Centennial  
5:45: Kyrene  
6:15: Kyrene Traditional Academy  
6:45: Pueblo

Physicals are first come, first serve. You must be in line for registration by 7:00pm.

Patient is responsible for all documentation provided during physicals. Banner is not responsible for keeping these records.

Looking for a summer of FUN? Kyrene Community Education provides high-quality opportunities for students to continue learning and exploring after the school year ends. 6-8 grade students can take part in Summer Academy, which includes courses related to STEM, coding, the arts and more. Students can also participate in After Hours, Adventure Tours and Sports Camp! Learn more online at [www.kyrene.org/summeroptions](http://www.kyrene.org/summeroptions). Enrollment will begin March 4!

A promotional poster for Kyrene Community Education's summer programs. The top half has a dark blue background with the text 'SUMMER 2024 WITH KYRENE' in large white and orange letters. Below this, four colored rounded rectangles list the programs: 'AFTER HOURS' (yellow), 'ADVENTURE TOURS' (green), 'SUMMER ACADEMY' (orange), and 'SPORTS CAMP' (blue). The bottom half has a white background with the text 'ENROLLMENT BEGINS MARCH 4!' in blue, followed by the Kyrene Community Education logo, which features a stylized orange figure and the text 'KYRENE COMMUNITY EDUCATION'.

# SUMMER 2024 WITH KYRENE

**AFTER HOURS** **ADVENTURE TOURS**  
**SUMMER ACADEMY** **SPORTS CAMP**

***ENROLLMENT BEGINS MARCH 4!***

**KYRENE**  
COMMUNITY  **EDUCATION**



### New Website Coming Soon!

Our school will soon be getting a whole new look! This March, Kyrene School District will be launching new district and school websites with improved search, simplified navigation and modern design. The new site will launch over spring break to minimize disruption for families. Thank you to everyone who took the web design survey or participated in focus groups. We look forward to bringing your vision to life! [Visit us online](#) to learn more about the key features of our new site.

## Enroll in Arizona's Top Elementary District

**Enrollment is now open for the 2024-25 school year.**

### Open Enrollment

Kyrene School District offers online enrollment for new students and any student applying to change schools. New or transferring students who live outside of a school's boundaries must fill out an application via the online registration portal. Open Enrollment must be approved before registration is considered final.

### Current Students

Current families with no school changes and no new students will not need to re-register. Children in grades K-4 and 6-7 will continue to be registered at the same school they currently attend. Current 5th graders will automatically be registered at the middle school assigned to follow their current elementary school.



Families who want to make an enrollment change to a school other than the one assigned are strongly encouraged to submit applications for your preferred school by **January 15**. To make a change, log into your ParentVUE account and select the “change school” option.

For **current families with new students** entering school, online registration will be available through your existing ParentVUE account.

Kyrene looks forward to welcoming your students next year!

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## **Kyrene Positive Parenting - February 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.

### **Feb. 20: Presentations by the Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD) and Raising Special Kids (RSK)**

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Join us for an information session with representatives from the Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD) and Raising Special Kids (RSK). They will provide an introduction to the supports and services their organizations provide to children with disabilities and their families and be available for questions after the presentation.

**Presenter:** TBD

**Date and Time:**

February 20, 2024

5:30-7:00pm

**Location:**

Waggoner Elementary School

1050 E. Carver Road

Tempe, AZ 85284

**Hosted By:**  
Kyrene Exceptional Student Services Department

## **Kyrene Positive Parenting - Special Event**

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.

### **Mar. 25 - May 13 - Raising a Reader**

#### **Free Early Literacy Workshops for your Family**

Raising A Reader is a national program designed to educate parents and caregivers about the importance of early literacy skills and how they can help build these skills in their young children to help them

enter school ready to learn. Parents attend eight weekly early literacy workshops with their children 0-5 years-old. Families who participate in the program receive 12 high-quality children's books to build their home libraries and are connected to local resources! Southwest Human Development Coordinates Raising A Reader through schools, community centers, libraries, apartment communities, and other convenient locations. All interested parents and caregivers are encouraged to learn more and sign up today!

#### **Presenter:**

#### **Date and Time:**

March 25- May 13, 2024

Mondays 4:30 - 5:30pm

#### **Location:**

Kyrene de las Brisas/Aprende Library

777 N. Desert Breeze Blvd.

Chandler, AZ 85226

#### **To Register:**

Contact Karla - P: (602) 384-0443 E: [kcarmona@swhd.org](mailto:kcarmona@swhd.org)



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).

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## 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.

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## 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.

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## 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!

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### 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.

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#### Quicklinks

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

## Contact Us

**Kyrene Aprende Middle School**  
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™

