



Message from the Principal

HAPPY JULY and WELCOME TO THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR 2024-2025!

The summer really does fly by, and with starting back to school in early July...the time seems to go by even faster!

Here we are looking at the beginning of another school year and another exciting year ahead for Kyrene Traditional Academy.

We are very excited to welcome our returning families and our new families to KTA! KTA is an amazing and unique school and campus.

Here are some 'KTA Points of Pride':

National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence

Arizona A+ School of Excellence

Nationally Accredited Spalding School

AVID Schoolwide - College and Career Readiness

STEM Focus School of the Future-Partnership with NAU

PBIS Positive Behavior School of Distinction

AZ Civic Engagement School of Distinction

This first TIGER TIMES newsletter is an important one....please be sure you read through this carefully. We send out Tiger Times parent/community newsletters once a week to keep you informed of all the events, expectations and opportunities at our school. I ask that you make it a habit to read the Tiger Times every week....all it takes is about 10 minutes! You will find it is time well spent, because you will be fully informed of everything you need to ensure your child and your family has all the info you need!!

Our KTA FAMILY HANDBOOK is an essential resource for you throughout the year. It is online, so please [click here](#) to access the document under the Welcome to KTA link, be sure you review it carefully, along with the Kyrene Family Handbook which is also available online.

WE are a UNIFORM SCHOOL at KTA - see the DRESS CODE GUIDELINES in this newsletter for very helpful information.

STUDENT SUPPLY LISTS are already posted on our website, so as you see 'back to school sales' please pick up these needed items to the extent you are able.

IMPORTANT DATES for the new year include:

July 22 MEET THE TEACHER EVENTS

MIDDLE SCHOOL 1:00-4:00 pm

This is an opportunity for parents to experience your child's ENTIRE schedule so please plan on arriving at 1:00 for the start of the event so that you can spend time in each classroom. You can access your child's schedule online in PARENT VUE and we will also have copies available on July 22. PLEASE enter through the METRO SIDE GARDEN GATE (opening 12:45 pm).

ELEMENTARY grades K-5 5:00-6:30 pm

OPEN HOUSE format Please enter through the METRO SIDE GARDEN GATE and start in the MPR. Gate will open at 4:45 pm.

July 24 FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL- FULL DAY

August 7 ELEMENTARY CURRICULUM NIGHT 5:30-7:00 pm. Additional details will come home via email from your child's teachers.

ENTRY FOR ALL OF THESE IMPORTANT EVENTS will be through the Garden Gate on the Metro side of the school. This is a change from previous years when we had multiple entry points. We are working hard to ensure a **safe and secure campus** and we will have increased monitoring and supervision at the Garden Gate entry point for all four of these events.

Our Start and End Times have stayed the same:

Students may be on campus starting at 7:00 am, with gates opening and supervision at that time.

FIRST BELL 7:25 am - Students should be **ON CAMPUS** at this time.

LATE BELL 7:30 am - School begins promptly at 7:30 am.

Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri Dismissal 2:15 pm.

EARLY RELEASE WED 12:15 pm.

MORNING ARRIVAL:

You may drop students off at 7:00 am - no earlier please. Supervision begins at 7:00 am. Students may go directly to the MPR for breakfast (fee based this year) or the play areas.

Drop off is in two places: Galveston St (main entry to school) or Metro Blvd (side entry). Students will walk through either the bike rack gate or garden gate and proceed to either breakfast or playground areas.

FIRST BELL is at 7:25. K-5 students assemble outside and are picked up by their teachers. MS students wait in assigned areas and at the bell...go directly to their Advisory classroom.

Please make **ALL EFFORTS** to have students arrive by 7:25 am.

LATE BELL is 7:30. ALL GATES ARE CLOSED. Arrival after 7:30 am means students **MUST BE BROUGHT TO THE GALVESTON SIDE** and be **SIGNED IN BY PARENTS TO THE OFFICE.**

AFTERNOON DISMISSAL:

ALL K-2 students wait at the front of the school for parent pick up (Galveston side), and wait in lines supervised by their teachers.

3-8 students exit and wait for pick up on the Metro side, supervised by teachers.

3-8 students with K-2 siblings walk around the school to the front and wait in designated areas for pick up of both younger and older students.

Walkers are dismissed by their teachers to exit a designated door. More details are provided on 'Meet the Teacher Night' by classroom teachers as to their dismissal door/area.

Your teachers will provide additional details on MEET THE TEACHER NIGHT, so please be sure you are attending this important 'Back to School' event!! You will also have an opportunity to purchase school uniform POLO SHIRTS and to meet PTO leaders. REMEMBER that KTA REQUIRES parents/families to volunteer at least 5 hours per year! You can start to get ideas on your volunteer options from PTO representatives.

We welcome NEW staff to KTA for the coming school year:

Ms. Stenberg - Art Teacher

Mrs. Sweeney - Dean of Student Services

We are so excited to welcome everyone back for an amazing year ahead!

Thank you for your continued support!

Marianne L. Lescher, Ph.D.

Principal



Meet The Teacher

Middle School (6th - 8th Grade)

Monday, July 22

1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Students/Parents will follow the students full schedule.

Kindergarten - 5th Grade

Monday, July 22

5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.



FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

Wednesday, July 24 - NOT AN EARLY RELEASE

Students will be dismissed at 2:15 p.m.



July 17

12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

July 18

8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

July 19

Closed for Meetings

July 22

1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.



Jeremiah's Ice Family Night

Friday, August 2, 2024

3 p.m. - 10 p.m.

4900 W. Ray Road

Mention KTA for 20% donated back to the KTA PTO. Meet up with friends and celebrate your first full week back!!!!



First Meeting of The Year

Monday, August 5, 2024

5:30 p.m. - Enter through library doors on the East Side.

Please join us in the school library for our first meeting of the year.



Picture Day

Tuesday, August 27
Elementary - Grades K - 5
Spirit Day: Dress Your Best



Picture Day

Wednesday, August 28
Middle School - Grades 6 - 8
Spirit Day: Dress Your Best



KTA PTO

We have a new Instagram. Please follow us at:

[Kyrene KTA PTO \(@ktaptotigers\)](https://www.instagram.com/ktaptotigers) • [Instagram photos and videos](#)

[View Full Calendar](#)

Upcoming Events

July 22	Meet The Teacher Events Middle School Grades 6 - 8 @ 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. Elementary Grades K - 5 @ 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.
July 24	First Day of School for the 24/25 School Year Not An Early Release Day - students will be dismissed at 2:15 p.m.
August 1	Jeremiah's Ice Family Night
August 5	Kindergarten Parent Meet & Greet @ 7 a.m.
August 5	PTO Meeting @ 5:30 p.m.
August 7	K - 5 Curriculum Night 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
August 16	Extra Early Release Day - students will release at 12:15 (like a Wednesday).
August 22	Middle School Only - (Grades 6 - 8) \$1 Free Dress Day
August 22	Peter Piper Pizza Night - more information coming soon.
August 27	Picture Day (Grades K - 5) - Dress Your Best Spirit Day
August 28	Picture Day (Middle School Grades 6 - 8) - Dress Your Best Spirit Day
August 30	Family Bingo Night @ KTA



For KTA 6th - 8th Families -

As we kick off the 2024-2025 school year we want to share with you that our Quarter 1 athletics are also just around the corner. Kyrene Traditional Academy offers a high-quality sports experience that focuses on teamwork, participation, and positive comradery. To kick off our season we have Girls Volleyball and COED Wrestling for quarter 1. It is important to note that to be involved in Kyrene Athletics, students do require documentation of a completed physical.

Banner Sports Medicine has great opportunity coming this weekend to help facilitate accruing a sports physical for your student. For \$15 your student can participate in the Banner Sports Physical Clinic on July 20th, please see the details below.



GET READY - Experience the Banner High Performance Center

For \$15.00 athletes will obtain a Sport Physical and Banner HPC Functional Performance Test

- Experience the same testing that professional athletes use to customize their training
- Utilize state of the art biomechanics technology to understand key performance indicators of your human movement and performance
- Receive a personalized digital corrective exercise program designed to help prevent injury and enhance performance

How do I register?

1. Schedule a Pre-Participation Sports Physical using the registration link or QR code provided
2. Complete and bring ALL AIA physical documents with you to your appointment. Parent/guardian signatures required on page 5 of the AIA packet to give consent to treat for the physical <https://aiaonline.org/files/16936/forms-157-a-d.pdf>
3. Complete and bring the sports performance waiver to your scheduled appointment <https://bit.ly/BannerHPCWaiver>

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

Questions:

Call Banner Sports Medicine Athletic Training Team at 480-863-3676

Become a member

<https://www.bannerhealth.com/services/sports-medicine/banner-high-performance-center/become-a-member>

Cost

\$15.00 CASH ONLY
No checks, debit, credit, or electronic pay on site

Location

Banner Sports Medicine
Scottsdale Center
7400 N. Dobson Rd.
Scottsdale, AZ 85256

Date & time

Saturday, July 20th
7:15am – 11:15am
Please arrive according to your scheduled appointment time

Schedule your appointment

<https://bit.ly/BSMphysicals2024>





Helplines

EMERGENCY or IMMEDIATE HELP: 9-1-1

National Suicide & Crisis Lifeline: 988 Call or Text (website <https://988lifeline.org/chat/>)

Crisis Text Line: Text "START" to 741-741

Teen Lifeline: (602) 248- 8336 (TEEN) Call or Text

The Trevor Project: 1-866-488-7386

Maricopa Crisis Line: 602-222-9444

The Veterans Crisis Line: 1-800-273-8255 (TALK) & press 1 (or text message to 83825)

Native Crisis Text Line: 1-800-273-8255 (TALK) (or text "NATIVE" to 741-741)

The Trans Lifeline: 1-877-565-8860

Safe Domestic Violence Services: (480)-890-3039 or text LOVEIS to 22522

Chandler Police: (480) 782-4000

AZ Health & Human Services help: 211 (Help with housing, utilities, food, transportation & Veterans)

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Refer someone else for Counseling: <https://forms.gle/2n9ff1GWMuTnclCo8>

Refer yourself for Counseling: <https://forms.gle/ydwLL9YqLb72hCoQ6>

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School Hours: 7:25 am – 2:15 pm

Wednesday 7:25 am - 12:15 pm

Office Hours: 7:00 am – 3:30 pm

Wednesday 7:00 am - 1:30 pm