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*Kyrene de la Mariposa – Computer Science Academy*



August 9, 2024

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## Message from the Principal

Dear Families,

Welcome to Kyrene de la Mariposa Computer Science Academy! We are the only designated Computer Science Academy in the Kyrene School District. We are proud to be an “A+ Excellence in Education Award School” as designated by the Arizona Educational Foundation in 2004, 2009, 2015, 2019 and 2024! We are one of ten schools in the entire state of Arizona that has received this distinction five consecutive times!

Our mission is to educate and foster the development of the whole child in a safe environment by collaborating with families, staff, and the community. We strive to meet individual needs while instilling a love of learning in every student to ensure continuous academic achievement.

It is not uncommon for each of us to set goals at the beginning of a new year or in this case, the beginning of a new school year. I would like to ask you to join me in setting goals with your children for this important year of learning. Some examples may include:

1. Establishing a good routine to manage your time and complete any assigned

homework on a nightly basis. Good study habits are essential.

2. Limit social media and gaming activities and instead make time to read resulting in improved reading comprehension.
3. Prepare for the next day the evening before and get a good night's sleep.
4. Socialize with your peers, make friends, and expand your network.
5. Be on time to school ready to learn and be a HERO!

- H - Here
- E - Every day
- R - Ready to learn
- O - On time

Mariposa is a great place for children and adults alike! We are committed to providing a caring environment for your child and providing an experience for them that will last a lifetime.

Join us on Thursday, August 22nd from 5:00 - 6:30pm for the PTO's Annual Ice Cream Social in the MPR. The event is free of charge and is a great time to connect with teachers, students, and other families!

Thank you for choosing Mariposa as your child's school! Our primary goal is to put your children at the heart and center of our decision-making and to make this goal our practice in all that we do. We are looking forward to a great year of learning!

Sincerely,

Spencer Fallgatter, Principal

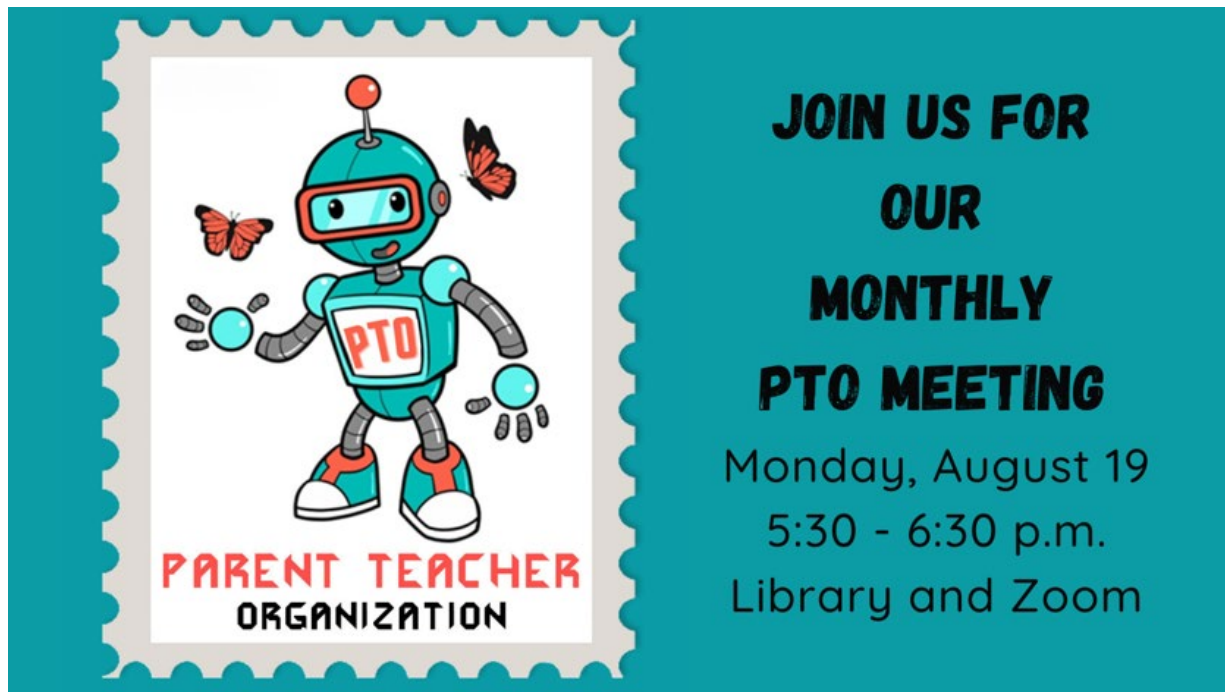


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## PTO

**Are you looking to send birthday party invites or schedule play dates?** The Mariposa PTO has you covered! Every year, fill out a new form to be added to the current school year family directory: <https://forms.gle/k1UesY3WZWPeC22Z7>

**Want to learn more about the PTO?** Join us at our first PTO meeting of the school year on Monday, August 19th. We meet on the third Monday of each month from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. in the Mariposa Library and on Zoom. ALL Mariposa families are automatically members of this FREE group to support our school community.



We look forward to growing and celebrating together as a school community.

**This week's PTO action items:**

- If you haven't yet, sign-up for the Mariposa PTO Family Directory. NOTE: this is a new form from last year if you filled it out in the past.

<https://forms.gle/k1UesY3WZWPeC22Z7>

- Plan to eat out next Thursday, August 15th at Barros Pizza on Kyrene and Warner to support Mariposa!
- **Show your Mariposa Challenger pride!** Order personalized drinkware with your students name and Chip the Challenger! Plus, order one for friends and family with fun designs. Register your Student and then share your seller ID with family and friends at <https://store.zagfundraising.com/>
- **PTO Call for Volunteers:** Please fill out this volunteer interest form to get involved: <https://forms.gle/yMWVCBZx7Cs7bELn7>
- **EXTENDED for one more week!** Pre-order the 2024-2025 yearbook! (SAVE before prices increase on 8/14)  
<https://www.cognitofirms.com/KyreneDeLaMariposa1/YearbookPreOrderForm>

# PERSONALIZED DRINKWARE

Wide Variety of Colors and Logos Available Online

**Zag**  
Fundraising

**\$25**  
12oz



**\$25**  
20oz



**\$45**  
64oz



**\$25**  
14oz



**\$33**  
40oz



**\$28**  
30oz



**ONLY AVAILABLE IN THE ZAG ONLINE STORE!**

TO ORDER YOUR PERSONALIZED DRINKWARE VISIT THE ZAG ONLINE STORE AND FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS BELOW!

#### To Register Your Participant:

1. Go to: [store.zagfundraising.com](http://store.zagfundraising.com)
2. Choose Your State and Organization from the drop down menus
3. Click the Register Button
4. Once registered, you will receive a Seller ID. This ID is what your family will use to shop for their custom drinkware!

#### Shopping For Your Drinkware Is As Easy As 1,2,3!

1. Go to: [store.zagfundraising.com](http://store.zagfundraising.com)
2. Enter the seller ID
3. Click the Shop Button!



[CustomerService.ZagFundraising@gmail.com](mailto:CustomerService.ZagFundraising@gmail.com)

[ZagFundraising.com](http://ZagFundraising.com)





PARENT TEACHER  
ORGANIZATION

AUGUST 22

# ICE CREAM SOCIAL

MARIPOSA  
MPR

5 - 6:30  
OPEN HOUSE

FREE ENTRY

NO RSVP NEEDED

# FUNDRAISER *for*



## Kyrene de la Mariposa

Barro's Pizza will donate **20%** of the Dine-In, Take-Out, and Delivery orders!

**DATE:** Thursday, August 15<sup>th</sup>

**VALID AT THIS BARRO'S PIZZA**

**LOCATION:** 8830 S. Kyrene Rd.  
Kyrene and Warner in the  
Home Depot Plaza

**TIME:** 11:00 am – 10:00 pm

**ORDER:** 480-831-7676



**GET YOUR  
game on!**



**PLEASE PURCHASE YOUR  
FUNPASS AT THE REGISTER**

Purchases at the kiosk are not  
donated to the organization.



## AND RAISE SOME DOUGH

**20%** of all food, beverage and funpass  
game credit sales benefit

## Kyrene de la Mariposa School Boo Bash Costume Contest @ 6 pm!

**Date:** Tuesday, October 29, 2024

**Time:** 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM

**Place:** Peter Piper Pizza at  
Ahwatukee  
4940 E. Ray Road  
Phoenix 85044

### CAN'T MAKE IT OR IN A HURRY?

You can still donate by ordering online or through the app.

1. Order at [peterpiperpizza.com](http://peterpiperpizza.com) or through our app on the fundraiser date
2. Select the restaurant hosting the fundraiser
3. Enter the promo code **FRESHDOUGH** at checkout for donation contribution



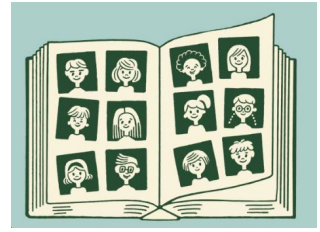
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## Yearbook

Our yearbook team needs your help! We are looking for 1st day of school photos. Please send your photos to [photos4mariposa@gmail.com](mailto:photos4mariposa@gmail.com)

Please make sure photos are 1MB or higher and include name(s) of student and grade.



## Calendar of Events

### August

August 15	All day	Restaurant Night -Barro's Pizza
August 19	5:30-6:30 p.m.	PTO Monthly Meeting
August 22	5:00-6:30 p.m.	Family Ice Cream Social

### September

September 3-23	<i>Virtual</i>	Step It Up Fall Fundraiser
September 16	5:30-6:30 p.m.	PTO Monthly Meeting
September 21	9:00-11:00 a.m.	Kindergarten Breakfast
September	TBD	Restaurant Night

### October

October 21-25	<i>During school</i>	Fall Book Fair
October 21	5:30-6:30 p.m.	PTO Monthly Meeting
October 25	5:00- 7:00 p.m.	Trunk-OR-Treat
October	TBD	Restaurant Night



# SCHOOL CENTS



## EARN 5x POINTS! Aug. 1 - Sept. 30

Abercrombie, Artisi, The Children's Place, Cotton:On, Fabletics, Footlocker, H&M, Hollister, Sephora, Shoe Palace, Urban Outfitters

**[shopandlog.com/chandler](http://shopandlog.com/chandler)**

### Connect with us:

Facebook: [facebook.com/mariposapto](https://facebook.com/mariposapto)

Instagram: [instagram.com/kyrenemariposapto](https://instagram.com/kyrenemariposapto)

Website: [kyrenemariposapto.org](http://kyrenemariposapto.org)

Email: [kyrenemariposapto@gmail.com](mailto:kyrenemariposapto@gmail.com)

### Easy ways to help raise money for Mariposa!

**Box Tops for Education:** Use the Box Tops app or visit [boxtops4education.com](http://boxtops4education.com) to scan your store receipts for participating products. Mariposa automatically earns cash for every Box Tops product you buy!

**Fry's Community Rewards:** A percentage of your grocery bill comes straight back to Mariposa. All you have to do is link your Fry's VIP card to our school. It takes less than 5 minutes! Just visit [frysfood.com/topic/new-community-rewards-program](http://frysfood.com/topic/new-community-rewards-program)

**School Cents:** Shop at Chandler Mall and earn points for Mariposa! Submit receipts and view bonus offers at [shopandlog.com/chandler](https://shopandlog.com/chandler) or drop off receipts in the Mariposa front office.

**Donate:** Support the PTO's efforts this year with a donation of any amount at <https://www.cognitoforms.com/KyreneDeLaMariposa1/DonateToTheKyreneDeLaMariposaPTO>

## Chip's Cheer Winners

K	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>
Hannah	Adelyn	Danica	Melody	Nathan	Nova
Luke	Eden	Greyson	Troy	Penny	Dominic
Franklin	Connor	Alia	Aarav	Carys	Valentina
	Jeremy				



## School Store

**Our school store needs your help!**

We reward our students twice a month with a school store where they can exchange their Chip's Cheers coupons for prizes.

It's a lot of fun, and we really appreciate your help!

Sign up here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4DA9AB2DA0F5CF8-50629254-mariposa>

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## Emergency and Address Verification in ParentVUE

Families are required to verify emergency contact information every year. This is critical for your school to be able to reach you in the event of an emergency. On **Monday, August 19th**, all parents will be asked to log in to your ParentVUE account to verify emergency and contact information. Please know that families will not be able to access other information in ParentVUE until this emergency and contact information is verified. We appreciate family support in completing this request by August 31st.

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## IEP TRAINING

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 they can track their child's progress. Discover the options available if the IEP team does not agree.

THURSDAY  
AUG 29, 2024  
6:00-8:00 PM

CI WAGGONER ELEMENTARY  
1050 E CARVER RD  
TEMPE, AZ 85284

TO REGISTER, CLICK <https://bit.ly/IEP-KYRENE-AUG29> OR SCAN ►



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## REPEAT INFORMATION

### Cafeteria

### Ala Carte Options in Your Cafeteria

In order to offer students more options, ala carte items are offered daily in their cafeteria for an extra charge. These items can be purchased with cash or using the funds on your students account and include chips, drinks, deserts, and more.

All items sold are USDA Smart Snack Compliant and meet one or more of the following requirements:

- Reduced Sugar, Fat, or Sodium
- Unflavored Water or 100% Juice
- Whole Grain Rich
- List the first ingredient as a fruit, vegetable, dairy product, or protein

Families can use the In-Touch system to add funds to their student's account and the Linq Connect system to view their account balances and purchases.

If families wish to add restrictions on ala carte purchases to their child's account, they can do so by calling the foodservice office at 480-541-1660 anytime Mon-Fri 7 AM-4 PM.

**Ala Carte *will not* affect student meal prices or free meal status**



### SNACK SHACK

SY 2024-2025

# A LA CARTE

Snacks	Drinks
Chips \$1.25	Water \$0.75
Popcorn \$1.25	Capri-sun \$1.00
Fruit Roll Up \$0.75	Juice \$0.75
Rice Krispy \$1.50	Milk \$0.50
Grandma's Cookie \$1.25	
Fresh Cookie \$0.75	



 **SFE**

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### School and District Communications



# STAY CONNECTED!



Kyrene School District and your child's school want to keep you informed of important news and events.

Kyrene may send text messages in the event of an emergency or for other critical communications, but families must sign up to receive text communications. Text **"Y" or "yes" to 67587** to begin receiving text messages from both your child's school and Kyrene School District.



All families are automatically enrolled to receive **email** and **phone calls**. No sign up required!



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## Free and Reduced Meals

An application for Free and Reduced Meals goes way beyond the cafeteria! Families who receive Free and Reduced Meals also have the opportunity to help maintain school funding and become eligible for discounted/free services. Families can apply for the 2024-25 school year today!

Applications are accepted online: <https://linqconnect.com/public/meal-application/new> and paper applications are now available at your school's office.

**REMINDER:** Eligibility from the 2023-24 school year will expire on September 5th.

# Free and Reduced Meals

*More than just a meal!*



Increased funding for schools

Financial assistance for athletics



Discounted internet service



 **KyreneSchoolDistrict**

**Online applications for the  
2024-25 school year are now open!**

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**Interested in Working at Mariposa?**

Kyrene de la Mariposa Elementary School  
Computer Science Academy



# WE'RE HIRING!

If interested, please visit [kyrene.org/careers](https://kyrene.org/careers)



[Mariposa Job Openings](#)



## Contact Us

**Kyrene de la Mariposa**  
50 E Knox Rd  
Tempe, AZ 85284

**Phone:** 480-541-3800  
**Fax:** 480-541-3810  
**Attendance:** 480-541-3801

**School Hours:** 7:30 am - 2:15 pm  
SEP **Early Release Wed:** 12:15 pm

SEP **Office Hours:** 7:00 am - 3:30 pm SEP  
**Wednesday:** 7:00 am - 1:30 pm

*A+ School of Excellence™*



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