



August 23, 2024

Upcoming Events

AUGUST

- AUG 28: 7th/8th Grade AVID Family Night - CMS MPR - 5:30-6:30 PM
- AUG 28: A Prevention Approach: Helping Kids Transition to a New School Year, 6-7 PM
- AUG 29: Panoramic Survey during Advisory

SEPTEMBER

- SEPT 2: Schools Closed: Observing Labor Day
- SEPT 9-20: Step It Up Fundraiser - More details to come
- SEPT 11: Family Dineout Night @ Barros Pizza (All Day)
- SEPT 11-13: Parent/Teacher Conference (by appointment only) more information to come
- SEPT 11-13 Early Release day @ 1:05 PM
- SEPT 13: Diamondback Choir Night @ Chase Field, 6:30 PM
- SEPT 18: CMS NJHS Induction Ceremony
- SEPT 19: Advanced Band/Advanced Orchestra Concert @ Mountain Pointe HS
- SEPT 25: 6/7/8 Grade Choir Concert @ CMS, 6:30 PM
- SEPT 27: Student of the Month Recognition, 8:30 AM, Media Center
- SEPT 27: End of 1st Quarter

NO SCHOOL ON MONDAY, SEPT 2: LABOR DAY

A reminder that there will be no school and the office will be closed on Monday, September 2 in observance of Labor Day.



PANORAMIC FALL SURVEY

Dear Families,

We thank you and your family for being our valued partners as we work together to educate our students at Centennial Middle School. As you may already be aware, building social-emotional learning skills is an important goal of ours. At the beginning of the school year, we asked for your permission to have students participate in a social emotional learning survey. If we have consent for a student to participate, they will complete a survey designed to provide school staff data on students' understanding of concepts related to Character Strong, which is the social-emotional learning curriculum we are implementing with all students in grades 6-8.

The survey content will ask students to self-reflect on Emotion Regulation, Self-Efficacy, Sense of Belonging, and Teacher-Student Relationships. These topics are related to the content in Character Strong and will help guide the implementation of the curriculum and measure its impact over time. The online survey will take place on Thursday, August 29. It will be completed at school during advisory class and should not take more than 20-30 minutes to complete.

Student responses will provide invaluable insights into their experiences and how we can improve and adapt our school to their needs. If a student doesn't feel like they have enough information to answer a question, they will be able to skip the item altogether. The responses to these surveys will be completely confidential.

If you have any questions about the survey, please don't hesitate to contact us at 480-541-6400.

Sincerely,
James Martin, Principal
kyrene.org/cen

PARENT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORMS

We need your help! Every school-year we have important KSD forms that are required to be reviewed and acknowledged at the beginning of the school year. **If you have not already done so**, please go to [ParentVUE](#) to review and acknowledge all beginning of the year forms (Family Handbook Acknowledgement, Technology Agreement, etc.). If you have any questions, please call and ask. We are here to help.

VERIFY EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION IN PARENT VUE ASAP

Thank you for taking a few moments to review and update, if necessary, your child's emergency and contact information. While this form has been available over the last few weeks, we are re-launching access to this form beginning August 19 through [ParentVUE](#) at login. All next week, families will be required to review the form before accessing additional information in ParentVUE. Please know that for any family who interacted with this form this year, this request may be a duplicate activity. We apologize for any inconvenience and appreciate your support with this launch. With this release, the system has been set to streamline the form selection process so that families are directed to only this

form when responding to the link.

SELECT REGISTRATION TO BEGIN

Please select the online packet you would like to begin

2023-2024 School Year



REPORTING YOUR STUDENT ABSENCE

Centennial Middle School is equipped with a computerized telephone attendance reporting system. The absence reporting phone number is 480-541-6401 and may be called 24 hours a day.

Parents/guardians are asked to call the attendance office by 9:00 am each day that their child is absent. Please leave a message on the voice mail indicating the student's name, grade, date(s) of the absence and reason for the absence.

If we do not receive a parent phone call, the student's absence will be recorded as a truancy.

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.

CMS SITE COUNCIL - CURRENTLY LOOKING FOR 7TH & 8TH GRADE PARENTS

Centennial is looking for parent and community members to join our Site Council. The purpose of the Site Council is to:

- Serve in advisory role to school administrative staff
- Serve as a representative group that solicits input from parents, community and staff members
- Review literature/ data
- Make recommendations for school improvement
- Monitor implementation structure for new instructional designs
- Provide local leadership & representation in the school decision making structure
- Approve tax credit expenditures

This group will meet quarterly. If you have any interest in joining the CMS Site Council or have any questions, please contact Elizabeth Reynoso at ereyno@kyrene.org.

HEALTH OFFICE SCREENING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Hearing and Vision Screening is scheduled for the first weeks of September at Centennial. Our Health Office is asking for parent volunteers to help with this process. If you can volunteer some of your time, please contact email Elizabeth Reynoso at ereyno@kyrene.org. Thank you!

AUGUST POSITIVE PARENTING SERIES



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.

Aug. 28 - A Prevention Approach: Helping Kids Transition to a New School Year

A Prevention Approach: Helping Kids Transition to a New School Year

This session will provide valuable insights into the challenges children may face during transitions and will equip parents with effective strategies to support their children. The training will cover topics such as fostering open communication, setting realistic goals, managing stress, and encouraging positive social relationships. Additionally, we will emphasize the importance of parental involvement in children's academic life and will provide guidance on how to celebrate accomplishments. Direct benefits of these sessions for their children's academic and personal development. By attending parents will play a proactive role in preventing risky behaviors and promoting a successful school year for their children.

Presenter: Joronda Montano

Date and Time:

August 28, 2024

6:00 - 7:00pm

Location: Zoom

[Registration Link](#)

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

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We will hold fall parent/teacher conferences (by appointment only) on September 11-13. *Students will be released at 1:05 PM on Wednesday and Thursday and Friday.*

Families will receive more specific information (from each grade level) soon regarding scheduling conferences.



SEE YOU AT FAMILY DINNER NIGHT AT BARROS



Kyrene Centennial Middle School

Mention you're with the fundraiser and Barro's Pizza will donate **20%** of the **Dine-In, Take-Out and Delivery** orders.

DATE: Wednesday, September 11, 2024

VALID AT THIS BARRO'S PIZZA LOCATION:
4625 E. Ray Rd off 48th & Ray

TIME: 10:30am – 10:00pm

ORDER: 480-759-4400

HELP CMS EARN UP TO \$3000

Dear CMS Supporter, You can help our school win a prize of \$400 to \$3,000 from Chandler Fashion Center's School Cents rewards program.

It's Easy! Between July 1 and March 31, shop, dine or watch a movie. Log receipts online 24/7 at shopandlog.com/chandler. If you do not need your receipts returned, you may instead drop them in the collection box located on the Upper Level bridge near Barnes & Noble next to the elevator across from the Children's Play Area.

Visit shopandlog.com/chandler to see how Centennial Middle School is doing in the competition, sign up for email reminders, plus a link to the shopping center store information and shopping hours.

SCHOOL CENTS



Help your school earn up to \$3,000! Submit your Chandler Fashion Center receipts dated between July 1, 2024 and March 31, 2025 to earn at least five points per dollar spent. Submit receipts at shopandlog.com/chandler, scan the QR code, or drop your receipt in the collection box (located on the upper level bridge near Barnes & Noble next to the elevator across from the Children's Play Area).



EARN 5x POINTS!

Receipts dated & submitted August 1 - September 30 from these retailers:

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

Earn 2,500 Points When You Support Boys & Girls Club of the Valley

Get 2,500 extra points if you donate at least \$20 online that will go towards school supplies for the Boys and Girls Club of the Valley (limit one bonus per person, offer expires 8/31/24). Visit ShopChandlerFashionCenter.com/Events to get started, then upload your receipt for credit. This is a great way to get your out-of-state family and friends involved!

ShopChandlerFashionCenter.com

shopandlog.com/chandler

1-800-539-3273

MARK YOUR CALENDARS - FUTURE FAMILY DINEOUTS

Panda Express - Tuesday, August 13, 2024 - All Day 9:30 AM - 10:00 PM

Barros Pizza - Wednesday, September 11, 2024 - All Day

In & Out Burger - Tuesday, October 22, 2024

Chipotle - Tuesday, November 12, 2024 - 4 - 8 PM

Peter Piper Pizza - Wednesday, January 22, 2025 - 5-8 PM

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT SCHOOL MEALS

Reminder that free and reduced meal application eligibility for School Year 2023-2024 is **expiring 09/05/2024**. Please encourage your families to **re-apply** (if they have not already) for School Year 2024-2025 to prevent any lapse in eligibility. School Year 2024-2025 eligibility is not guaranteed from the previous year, as families must meet the eligibility guidelines for continuation of benefits. As a reminder, students who are determined to be reduced price eligible will receive free breakfast and lunch this year through a grant from the Arizona Department of Education.

Exciting News!

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) has approved the Arizona Department of Education (ADE) to partner with the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS).

What does this mean for your family?

If your student(s) receives Medicaid or resides in a household with another child who receives Medicaid and has family income as measured by the Medicaid Program, your student(s) **may** be eligible to receive meals for free or at a reduced price.

Important Update for 2024-2025 School Year

Students who have completed a federal meal application and have been designated as reduced-priced eligible will be provided free breakfast and lunch meals through June 30, 2024 through Arizona Department of Education funds, or until the funds are exhausted.

Important take-aways and links:

- A new meal application is required every year to determine eligibility for the current school year.
 - To submit your 2023-2024 household meal application, please click [here](#) starting July 1.
 - Meal Account payments may be made online by clicking [make a school lunch payment](#) .
 - Lunch balances may be viewed by visiting [Linq Connect](#) .
 - Household meal applications for the 2024-2025 school year will not be accepted prior to July 1, 2024.
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Centennial Middle School

STAY CONNECTED AND DON'T MISS OUT
ON YOUR **2024-2025 YEARBOOK!**



TO ORDER VISIT:

Buytheyearbook.com

Enter School ID # **292264** to find your school faster!

\$40.00

Order by March 3, 2025 for best price!

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Quicklinks

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

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School Hours: 8:20 am – 3:05 pm
Every Wednesday at 1:05 p.m.

Office Hours: 7:30 am – 4:00 pm
Every Wednesday at 2:00 pm

