



PUEBLO NEWS

September 20, 2024

Bulldog Families -

At Pueblo Middle School, we are committed to providing your child with the best educational experience possible. However, consistent attendance is the key to fully benefiting from this experience. When students attend school regularly, they are more likely to keep up with daily lessons, participate in classroom activities, and stay on track with their learning. This is why, starting in the second quarter, we will be setting goals around attendance and punctuality at Pueblo.

Why Attendance Matters:

- **Academic Achievement:** Students who attend school regularly perform better in their studies and are more likely to develop strong academic skills.
- **Social Development:** Regular attendance fosters healthy relationships with peers and teachers, enhancing social skills and well-being.
- **Long-term Success:** Developing good attendance habits now sets the foundation for success in future education and career endeavors.

We understand that occasional absences are sometimes unavoidable due to illness or other important reasons. However, we encourage you to schedule appointments or vacations outside of school hours to avoid disruptions to your child's learning.

If you have any concerns or challenges related to attendance, please feel free to reach out to us. We are here to support you and your child in any way we can.

Thank you for your partnership in ensuring your child's success. Together, we can help them reach their full potential.

Sincerely,
Ashley Schutkowski

PUEBLO UPCOMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

- 23: Choir Concert, Pueblo MPR, 7:00pm
24: Social Club, Library, 3:15-4:15
25: Leader of the Quarter Celebration
 EARLY RELEASE, 1:05pm
 District Wrestling Championship @ Desert Vista 3:45 pm
26: Symphonic Band @ Corona del Sol, Gym, 6:30pm
27: Step-It-Up! - Day of Awesomeness - volunteers needed, see below
 NOON- Registration closes for Boys Basketball, Girls Soccer and Girls Flag Football! Late registrations will not be accepted.
 Calendar Survey closes. See below for link
30 - OCTOBER 11 Fall Break, No School

OCTOBER

- 16: School Resumes, **EARLY RELEASE 1:05pm**
17: Tryouts for cut sports begin-after school
 Cross Country practices start-time TBD
18: Picture Day!

****EVERY WEDNESDAY IS EARLY RELEASE @ 1:05pm****

Please see [district athletic webpage](#) for current sport schedules.



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR LEADERS OF THE WEEK

Our Leaders of the Week are recognized by teachers and staff for leading the way on campus by demonstrating respect, responsibility, safety and kindness.

Dialynn S. Brady H. Trisha S. Rose D. Olivia S.





CHARACTER DARE - WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 23

Check out our schedule of events above we have great opportunities for cheering on fellow Bulldogs. We look forward to seeing our Pueblo families some of the events next week!

Super Support

Get a friend or a group of friends together to attend a school event. Congratulate or cheer on the students at your school who are competing or participating.

If you can't attend an event, show support by telling others you heard about it and give them encouragement and congratulations.



SCHOOL PICTURE DAY

Picture Day is Friday, October 18! Mark your calendar, schedule the haircuts and have your student put on their best smile!! Photographers will be on campus the week we return from fall break.

[Pueblo Picture Day with School Pics!](#)



KYRENE YOUTH COLOR GUARD

It's time to join the 24-25 6th-8th Grade Kyrene Youth Color Guard! Practices are in the Aprende Middle School Band room on most Thursdays, and we are taking late registrations!

Would you like to learn to spin flags, rifles, and sabers, and perform with the award-winning Corona del Sol High School Marching Band?

Then come join the 24-25 Kyrene Youth Guard!

The Youth Guard is open to any student in grades 6 - 8 interested in learning about color guard and spinning guard equipment. No experience is needed, though dance experience is helpful. Practices will be held at Aprende Middle School in the Band room, room 353, from 4 - 5:30 pm on most Thursdays.

Participating students should come dressed in comfortable work-out type clothing with closed toe shoes, and everyone should bring a water bottle.

Interested students and families can sign up here: [Kyrene Youth Color Guard Sign Up](#)

The registration fee is just \$50, payable in either cash or checks made out to Aprende Performing Arts Boosters. Please bring the registration fee along with a signed medical form to your first practice. For copies of the required forms or if you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Werner at twerne@kyrene.org.

Hope to see you there!

Tracy Werner
Aprende MS Band



CALENDAR SURVEY

Kyrene School District, in partnership with Tempe Elementary and Tempe Union High School Districts, developed new school year calendars beginning in 2023-24.

We are now in the second year of the new calendar, and we want to know how it's working for families, staff, and students. You can provide feedback by participating in [this brief, anonymous survey](#).

Kyrene will use the feedback collected from our community as we develop calendars through the 2028-29 school year. The survey will be open until **September 27**.

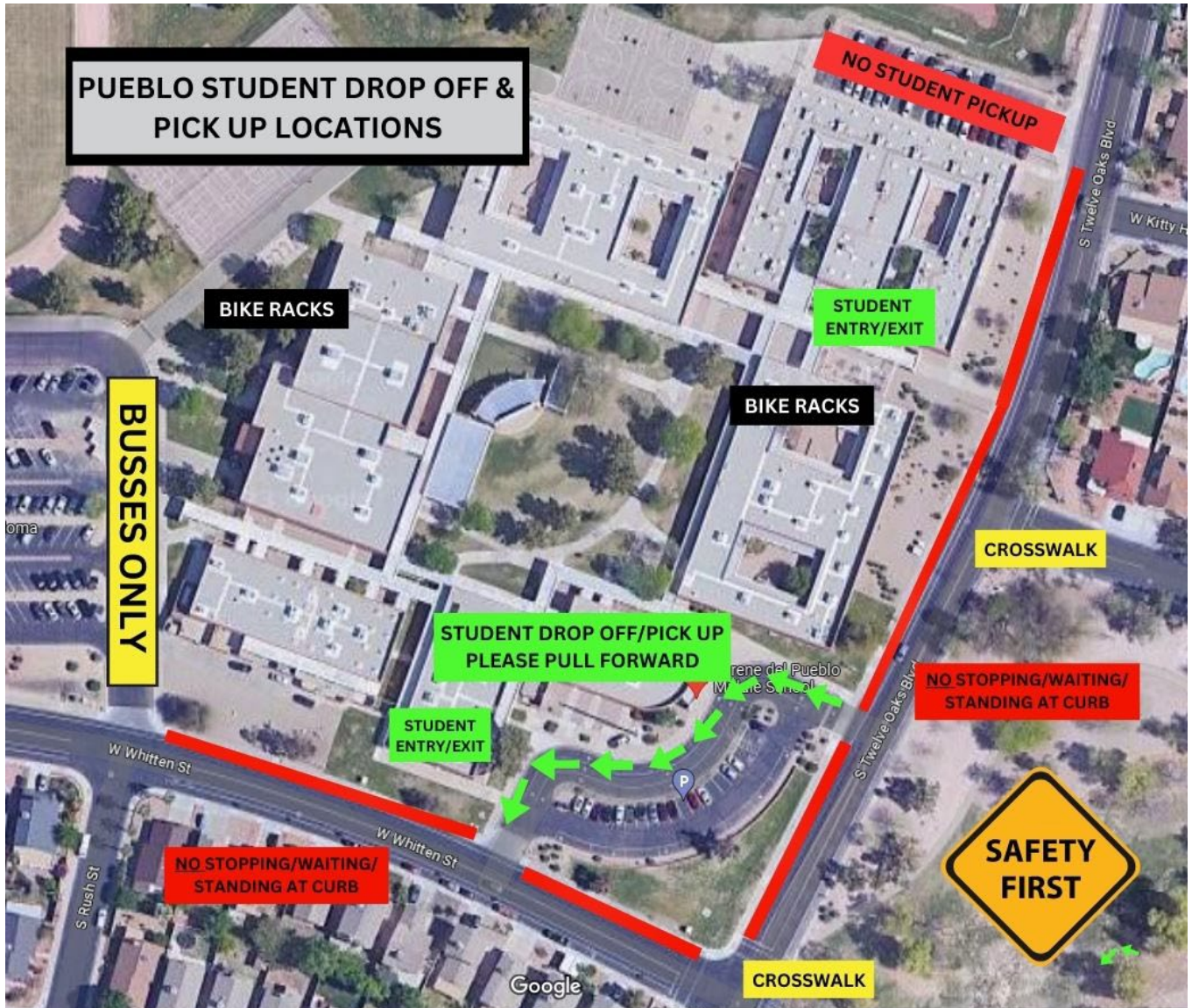
SAFETY REMINDER!!

The west parking lot (between Pueblo and Paloma) is for **BUSSES ONLY**. Please refrain from using this lot to drop off or pick up your students. Our transportation department does their best to keep on

schedule and this is difficult if our busses are held up in dismissal traffic. Thank you for your help with this.

As always, anyone operating a motor vehicle in the State of Arizona is required to follow all traffic laws including posted signage and crossing guards on duty.

Please see our Student Drop Off/Pick Up Map under our [News and Events](#).



YEARBOOKS ARE NOW AVAILABLE!

Pre-Orders are now open. Order a copy of the 2024-2025 yearbook so your student is guaranteed a copy at end of year distribution. Yearbook cost is now \$30.00.

Online orders can be accessed through the [Yearbook Order Center](#).

Our School Order Number is: 7730

PARENTS WE NEED YOUR PHOTOS!

Share your photos with the yearbook staff:

Got Photos? Please share any photos from our Pueblo athletics, performing arts, volunteering with NJHS or more to this link for the yearbook staff to review. We appreciate the help of our Pueblo families, as we know you always have your cameras clicking at our school events!

[Yearbook Photo Share Site - PUEBLO](#)

MAKE TIME STAND STILL



ORDER A YEARBOOK

KYRENE DEL PUEBLO MIDDLE SCHOOL
USE OUR ORDER NUMBER WHEN YOU LOG ON:

7730



YEARBOOKORDERCENTER.COM





MESSAGE FROM PUEBLO PTO

Please be sure to sign up for communications from Pueblo PTO through the Remind app. This is the quickest way to learn about important PTO fundraisers, volunteer and event information and sign-ups. To sign up for Pueblo PTO Remind notification please either:

Text @pueblopt to the number: 81010

OR click this link: <https://www.remind.com/join/pueblopt>

We still have plenty of opportunities to help, if you are looking to get involved and help make Pueblo the best it can be:



DAY OF AWESOMENESS - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Thanks to you and our amazing Pueblo families, our annual fundraiser was a huge success! We're going to celebrate with the students by hosting a Day of Awesomeness on Friday, September 27. Students from each grade will get to enjoy inflatables and more. We need a lot of volunteer support to maintain safety and ensure it is an awesome time for everyone. Please review the volunteer times and sign up: [Day of Awesomeness Volunteers](#)



SUPPORT OUR TEACHERS & STAFF

We are looking for snack donations for the upcoming staff meeting on Wednesday, September 25. Please deliver your donations to the front office by 10 am on 9/25.

Please review the available slots below and click on the button to sign up. Thank you!



DONATE

Donate to help with restocking the PBIS store this year. The PTO supports our PBIS Store every year through generous donations from our families.

WHAT IS PBIS YOU ASK?

PBIS is Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports. This is a schoolwide approach in which the goal is to establish positive student culture and individualized behavior support necessary to create a safe and effective learning environment for all students. The store is a part of this program in which students earn “dog tags” based on certain positive behavioral guidelines to “purchase” items from the store.

If you would like to donate to help restock the PBIS Store follow this link: [Help us Restock the PBIS Store](#)



ATHLETICS

DID YOU KNOW?

There are 4 items that the athletic office needs **BEFORE** a student can participate in tryouts, or in practices. 3 of them are completed and submitted online.

- 1- Athletic Packet (online)
- 2- Athletic Packet: Additional Information (online)
- 3- Brain Injury/Concussion Waiver (online)

4- Sports Physical, which **needs to be completed by a physician**. You can take your student to your family doctor, or you can also go to the CVS Minute Clinic, Fry's Little Clinic or a Next Care facility.

Blank physical forms are available in the front office, if you need one. They can also be found online at <https://www.kyrene.org/educational-opportunities/athletics/participation-forms-and-agreements>

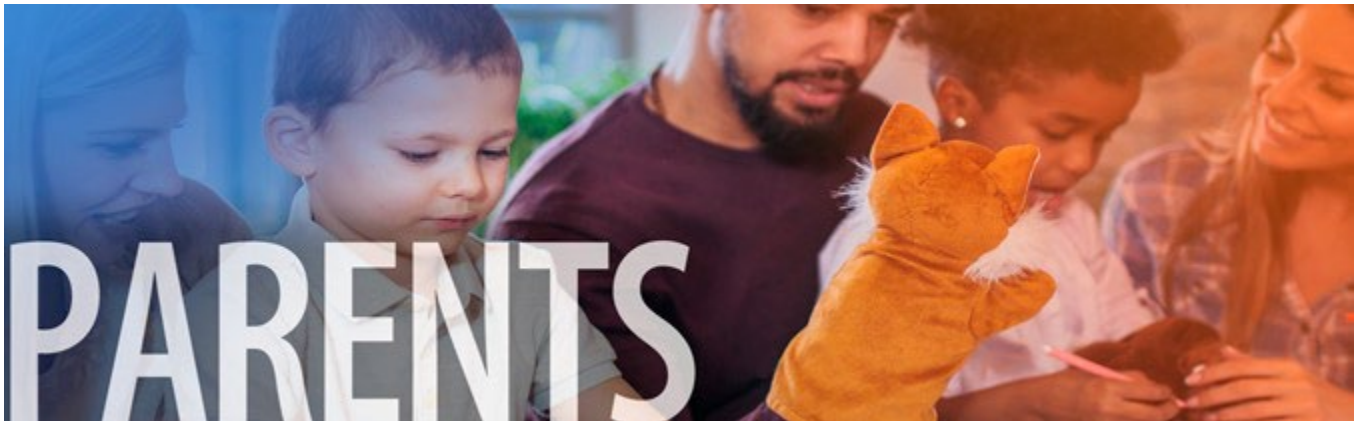
UPCOMING SPORTS

For information about registration for Athletics please visit the Kyrene webpage and look under the Programs and Services tab. If you have any questions about Pueblo Athletics please visit the [Pueblo Athletics homepage](#) or contact Erin Gray in student services in our Pueblo front office at 480-541-6804.

2nd Quarter Sports: Boys Basketball (cut), Girls Soccer (cut), Girls Flag Football (cut), Boys & Girls Cross Country (non-cut)

3rd Quarter Sports: Girls Basketball (cut), Girls Softball (cut), Boys Flag Football (cut), Boys Soccer (cut) COED Cheer (Cut)

4th Quarter Sports: Boys & Girls Track and field (non-cut), Boys Baseball (cut), Boys Volleyball (cut)



ATTENDANCE LINE

Pueblo Middle School is equipped with a computerized telephone attendance reporting system.

The absence reporting phone number is 480-541-6801 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.

[Pueblo Attendance Procedures](#)

NOTE: Parents MUST call the attendance line within 24 hours of an absence, even if they spoke to the health office, or if they told a teacher, we cannot excuse any absences until we receive a message from the parent/guardian.

MEAL DELIVERIES

Please note that we do not allow any third party lunch deliveries to the school office. Examples would include DoorDash and Uber Eats, among others. Deliveries of this kind disrupt students' lunch schedules and the timing is often unreliable. In addition we have a food service contract with the District which specifies not having competing foods brought into school. Parents may bring their own students' lunches to the office if need be, but may not bring lunches or treats for additional students. If any 3rd party delivered lunches arrive in the office, unless arrangements have been previously made with the administration, the student will have to pick it up at the end of the day. Your cooperation is appreciated.



DISTRICT AND SCHOOL TEXT COMMUNICATIONS

Families are encouraged to opt in for our Kyrene School District and school based text message for reminders and notifications. You can sign up to receive text message alerts by **texting "Y" or "yes" to 67587**. This is something that needs to be done every year.



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.

Calm Bodies, Ready Minds

Description: Understanding Sensory Processing and the Functions of Behavior to Promote Home and

Classroom Readiness. Learn different Strategies to support self-regulation and sensory processing to improve your child's readiness for home life and in the classroom.

Presenters: Bri Armijo, Lead Behavior Intervention Teacher & Amy Hecker, OTR, L, Lead OT

Date and Time:

September 23, 2024

6:00 - 7:30 PM

[Registration link](#)

Location:

C.I. Waggoner Elementary

1050 E. Carver Rd. Tempe, AZ 85284

Rise in Fentanyl/ Narcan Training

Description: Participants will learn about the Rise in Fentanyl and Narcan. Participants will also learn how to save a life by administering Narcan.

Presenters: Joronda Montano

Date and Time:

September 25, 2024

6:00 - 7:00 PM

Location:

Centennial Middle School

13808 S 36th St. Phoenix, AZ 85044



TRANSPORTATION

Families can access information regarding Bus Routes and Bus Safety by visiting the Kyrene webpage and looking under the Parent Tab. This [link](#) will take you directly to the transportation page.

FOOD SERVICES

In order to determine if your student qualifies for free or reduced price meals, we ask that all families complete the free and reduced meal application located at family.titank12.com. To begin your application click here. Meal payments can be made on the [InTouch Payment Portal](#) this year. Parents can view meal balances or pay by check/cash at schools. Free & Reduced

lunch applications are available at school sites, you can complete and [application](#) on the Kyrene website or email at kbs@kyrene.org.

ParentVUE & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The [ParentVUE](#) program helps parents stay informed and connected by providing day-to-day insight into their child's academic experience. ParentVUE Mobile for the iPhone/iPad Touch works with the Synergy™ student information system in much the same way as the ParentVUE web portal, allowing parents to access near real-time information on assignments and scores, attendance, and demographic information. ParentVUE offers parents a single sign-on to view all of their children's information regardless of school. Here is a list of frequently asked questions for ParentVue: [ParentVUE FAQs](#).

ONLINE PAYMENT PORTAL

Kyrene School District has a convenient new payment portal for parents to pay for everything from athletics to field trips. The [InTouch Payment Portal](#) will provide parents with digital receipts for all transactions. You can even use it to make this year's tax credit donation to the school of your choice. Register once and use the portal all year.

Contact Us

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

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

[Be sure to bookmark our Pueblo website.](#)

