

September 2024

# Welcome to the Wildcat family:

**Attendance Clerk** 

Raquel Harvey



**Crossing Guard** 

**Larry Forte** 



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**Emailing your teacher** 



There is an update on the Synergy Mail feature for parents. Parents will now see an envelope next to a teacher's name (either in class schedule or gradebook views). This feature will allow parents to click on the envelope and send an email message to a teacher. The email message will be sent to the teacher's Outlook inbox. Listed below are directions that you can share with parents on how to utilize this feature in the ParentVUE app, as well as ParentVUE on the web.

Parent Directions: Send an email to a Teacher in ParentVUE

# <u>Updating/Verifying Emergency Contact Information:</u>



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 19**, 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 31.

All Kyrene parents and guardians have a <u>ParentVUE</u> account, and all Kyrene students have a <u>StudentVUE</u> account. Parents can also use the portal to obtain student attendance information, grades, and important documents. In upper grade levels, students use StudentVUE to access assignments and schedules. Kyrene has compiled answers to <u>frequently asked questions</u> about ParentVUE and StudentVUE.

### **Birthday and Other Celebrations at Waggoner:**



#### **BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS:**

No celebrations of individual student birthdays are to be held in classrooms, on the school campus, nor are students to hold parties for their teachers at school. We understand that parents and friends like to celebrate various occasions. However, balloons, cakes, candy, flowers, etc. cause many distractions and cannot be allowed on campus or on the bus. This policy helps to ensure that instructional time is protected and that all students are treated equally. Party invitations may not be distributed at school.

#### **CLASSROOM PARTIES/CELEBRATIONS:**

Classroom parties/celebrations may be held four times each year. Schools may choose to celebrate winter break, end of school, and two additional special days agreed upon by each school individually. These celebrations are designed to be instructional and to recognize the value of religious and cultural diversity. This approach introduces students to new learning and enables them to be more understanding of other students' heritages and beliefs. When planning snacks for these four classroom parties/celebrations, state law requires that no home-cooked food be distributed to students during school hours. This practice is intended to protect students from the spread of communicable disease. The aforementioned four (4) parties/celebrations that take place during the school day are exempt from the Arizona Nutrition Standards. For all other activities during the school day that include food for students, the Arizona Nutrition Standards must be followed (Policy 3-301).

For more detailed information on the state nutrition standards, please refer to <a href="https://www.azed.gov/">https://www.azed.gov/</a>.

**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.

# **IEP Training for Parents:**

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
August 29, 2024
6:00-8:00 PM

TO REGISTER, CLICK https://bit.ly/IEP-KYRENE-AUG29

## **ATTENDANCE:**

If your child is going to be absent, it is important to call the attendance line and leave a message. All absences should be voice verified by the parent/guardian per District guidelines. However, it is still very helpful to inform the classroom teacher of the absence by either email or note.

Waggoner's 24-hour attendance line is 480-541-5601.

Thank you, in advance, for your cooperation and support!

**Bus Stops and Routes** 



Kyrene is proud to provide transportation for students in an environment that is safe, courteous, and on time. Be sure to review the <u>Bus Rules</u> and expectations as well as our video reviewing seat belt usage during the bus ride.

**Note:** Even if your child has ridden the bus in the past, please check the online <u>transportation</u> <u>portal</u> to verify eligibility and bus stop locations!

### **Upcoming School Events**

#### **SEPTEMBER**

SEPT. 2 - Labor Day, NO SCHOOL

SEPT. 9-13 - Book Fair

**SEPT. 11 -** First Responders Day

**SEPT. 11-13-** Early Release 12:15PM

**SEPT. 11-13 - Parent/Teacher Conferences** 

**SEPT. 16 -** School Picture Day

**SEPT. 27 -** Last Day of Quarter 1 **SEPT. 30 -** Fall Break, NO SCHOOL

#### **OCTOBER**

OCT. 1-11 - Fall Break, NO SCHOOL

OCT. 14 - Teacher Day, NO SCHOOL

OCT. 15 - Staff Development Day, NO SCHOOL

OCT. 18 - School Picture Make-Ups

OCT. 25 - Trunk or Treat

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### **District Calendar**

#### 2024

JUL 22: Meet the Teacher

JUL 24: First Day of School

SEP 2: Labor Day, NO SCHOOL

SEP 30 - OCT 11: Fall Break, NO SCHOOL

OCT 14: Teacher Day, NO SCHOOL

**OCT 15:** Staff Development Day, NO SCHOOL

#### 2025

JAN 7: School Resumes

JAN 20: MLK Day, NO SCHOOL

FEB 17: President's Day, NO SCHOOL

MAR 10 - 21: Spring Break, NO SCHOOL

MAR 24: Teacher Day, NO SCHOOL

MAR 26: Memorial Day, NO SCHOOL

NOV 11: Veterans' Day, NO SCHOOL

NOV 27-29: thanksgiving, NO SCHOOL

DEC 23 -JAN 3: Winter Break, NO SCHOOL

MAY 29: LAST DAY OF SCHOOL



#### **Contact Us**

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**Phone:** 480-541-5600 **Fax:** 480-541-5610

**Attendance:** 480-541-5601

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

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

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