



November 2024

Upcoming Events:

- Monday, November 11th - No School - Veteran's Day
- Wednesday, November 13th -7:30am Coffee Chat with Principal Kingsland in the lounge
- Friday, November 15th - Jeremiah's Ice on campus after school
- Tuesday, November 19th - General PTO meeting at 2:30 in library
- Tuesday, November 19th - annual Thanksgiving meal being served for hot lunch.
- Tuesday, November 26th - Turkey Trot
- **November 27-29th - No School - Thanksgiving Holiday**

Other Information:

Cielo's State Letter Grade: Cielo earned the letter grade **"A"** for the 2024 year.

Only a small portion of this letter grade represents proficiency levels. Grades are also influenced by measures that are not based on student achievement but how students compare to other students across the state, regardless of meeting grade level expectations. Letter grades do not provide information about your individual child's performance or classroom experience. Parents/guardians will find far more useful information in your individual student's assessment scores, such as AASA, DIBELS, i-Ready, or NWEA.

Morning Traffic: As the weather gets colder, we often experience more students arriving a little later in the mornings. The best time to drop off and avoid long lines and traffic is 7:00-7:15. If you get into the car drop off lane at 7:22-7:25 your child could be late to school. The large entrance gate closes and locks by 7:27 so that all students can make it to their lines and be ready for school to start at 7:30.

Sweatshirts/Jackets/sweaters & water bottles: Please remember to clearly label your child's outerwear and water bottles with their name in permanent marker, so the items can be returned to the child. During the winter months we accumulate A LOT of outerwear in the lost and found.

MOY (Middle of Year) Testing will begin in December. Students will be taking:

- DIBELS reading assessment.
- iReady Math
- NWEA Reading Test.

Turkey Trot: Our annual Turkey Trot will be on Tuesday, November 26th. Times TBD... watch for more info. to come

Boosterthon: **WOW! Our school surpassed our fundraising goal!**



Positive Parenting Series - November Presentations

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.

Nov. 7 - How to Thrive with Strong-Willed Kids: An Introduction to Parenting the Love and Logic Way

How to Thrive with Strong-Willed Kids: An Introduction to the Parenting the Love and Logic Way
Parents are invited to learn about The Love and Logic approach to parenting, which is built around the science of

caring and respectful relationships. An authentic, loving connection between parents and their children forms the foundation of good behavior and healthy decision-making.

Presenter:

Larry Kerby

Date and Time:

November 7, 2024

6:00-7:00pm

Location:

Centennial Middle School

13808 S 36th St.

Phoenix, AZ 85044

[Registration Link](#)

Nov. 13 - The Neurosequential Model of Education: Information for Families on how to support Regulation, Relation, and Reasoning

The Neurosequential Model of Education: Information for Families on how to support Regulation, Relation, and Reasoning

This session will provide information regarding the Neurosequential Model of Education by Dr. Bruce Perry, author of *Boy Raised as a Dog* and co-author of *What Happened to You?* with Oprah Winfrey. The NME model is a developmentally sensitive and biologically respectful approach that supports families and schools in their work with students. Focus of this session will be an understanding of the NME model as it applies to child development, as well as helpful strategies and methods for families to use to regulate, relate, and reason with their children.

Presenter:

Lainie Sgouros

Date and Time:

November 13, 2024

6:00-7:00pm

Location:

Zoom

[Registration Link & Zoom Link](#)

In Partnership With:

Nov. 20 - Overview and Q& A with Division of Developmental Disabilities and Raising Special Kids

Overview and Q&A with Division of Developmental Disabilities and Raising Special Kids

Join us for an information session with representatives from the Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD) and Raising Special Kids (RSK). They will provide an introduction to the supports and services their organizations provide to children with disabilities and their families and be available for questions after the presentation.

Presenter:

Representatives from Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD) and Raising Special Kids (RSK)

Date and Time:

November 20, 2024

6:00-7:30

Location:

C.I. Waggoner Elementary

1050 E. Carver Rd. Tempe, AZ 85284

Hosted By:

Exceptional Student Services



Turkey & Trimmings: 2024 Donation Drive

Support Kyrene families this holiday season with a donation to the 2024 Turkey & Trimmings drive.

Turkey & Trimmings is a monetary fundraising drive that provides over 1,300 children and families with food & basic needs for Thanksgiving. Due to an increase in family needs, our ambitious goal this year is to raise \$25,000. Donations can be made online now through November 22.

Support a Family with a Donation

The Kyrene Foundation thanks you for your support of our families during this holiday season. **This fundraiser can only accept monetary donations: no tangible gifts or gift cards.** For more information on how you can help, please email contact@kyrenefoundation.org.

The Kyrene Schools Community Foundation (Tax ID# 86-0607130) is a nonprofit organization dedicated to serving and providing resources to children and families in the Kyrene community.



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.

Families must OPT-IN to Text Message.

Dear Cielo Families,

The mission at Cielo is to inspire every child to learn, grow and achieve. Building strong partnerships between schools and families is crucial for the overall well-being and success of our students.

Please look over the attached PDF document that contains a few friendly reminders from our Kyrene Family Handbook. These are some recent, common and helpful topics for parents and students.

The full handbook is located on the Kyrene website: <https://www.kyrene.org/familyhandbook>

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Q1 Student Days: 47

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Q2 Student Days: 44

- DATES TO REMEMBER
- HOLIDAYS & BREAKS - NO SCHOOL
- TEACHER & STAFF DAYS - NO SCHOOL

JANUARY						
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Q3 Student Days: 42

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Q4 Student Days: 47

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Total Student Days: 180
Total Returning/New Teacher Days: 190/194

2 Hour Early Release Days

JULY	
4	Fourth of July
10	New Teachers Report
17	All Teachers Report
24	First Day/Start of Quarter 1
31	Wed. Early Release

AUGUST	
7, 14, 21, 28	Wed. Early Release
16	Fri. Early Release

SEPTEMBER	
2	Labor Day
4, 18, 25	Wed. Early Release
11, 12, 13	Conferences: Early Release
27	End of Quarter 1
30	Fall Break

OCTOBER	
1-11	Fall Break
14	Teacher Plan
15	Staff Development
16	Start of Quarter 2
16, 23, 30	Wed. Early Release

NOVEMBER	
6, 13, 20	Wed. Early Release
11	Veterans Day
27-29	Thanksgiving Break

DECEMBER	
4, 11, 18	Wed. Early Release
20	End of Quarter 2
23-31	Winter Break

JANUARY	
1-3	Winter Break
6	Teacher Plan
7	Start of Quarter 3
8, 15, 22, 29	Wed. Early Release
20	Martin Luther King Day

FEBRUARY	
5, 6, 7	Conferences: Early Release
12, 19, 26	Wed. Early Release
17	Presidents' Day

MARCH	
5, 26	Wed. Early Release
7	End of Quarter 3
10-21	Spring Break
24	Teacher Plan
25	Start of Quarter 4

APRIL	
2, 9, 16, 23, 30	Wed. Early Release
18	Fri. Early Release

MAY	
7, 14, 21, 29	Wed. Early Release
26	Memorial Day
28	Last Day for 8 th Grade Only
29	End of Quarter 4/Last Day PK-7
30	Teacher Plan

JUNE	
19	Juneteenth

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Missing a day of school here and there may not seem like much, but absences add up!

When a student misses **2** days a month..

They will miss **20 DAYS** a year.

They will miss **30 HOURS** of math over the school year.

They will miss **60 HOURS** of reading & writing over the school year.

They will miss over **1 YEAR** of school by graduation.

When a student misses **4** days a month..

They will miss **40 DAYS** a year.

They will miss **60 HOURS** of math over the school year.

They will miss **120 HOURS** of reading & writing over the school year.

They will miss over **2 YEARS** of school by graduation.

Electronic Devices at School

Please read the information below from our Kyrene Family Handbook regarding students with electronic devices at school. We understand that many students bring cell phones to school and wear smart watches. We are communicating and reminding the students that both cell phones and smart watches need to stay in their backpack during the school day. This school year we have seen an increase in students wearing smart watches and not using them appropriately during the school day, so we are trying to tighten up our procedures and follow the Kyrene School District policy.

Students and Electronic Devices

Many parents choose to have their child carry a cellular telephone or other electronic devices (such as an Apple watch or Fitbit) as a means of before and/or after school communication and for safety purposes. Electronic devices can be disruptive in an educational environment, but may also be used to enhance instruction. If parents have decided that it's necessary for a child to carry a cell phone or electronic device, parents and students must be aware of the following:

Kyrene School District [Policy 3-401](#) states that the District does not assume responsibility for the loss of, or damage to, personal property. If your child has a cell phone on campus or on the bus and it is damaged or stolen, we will not be able to utilize administrative time to investigate the incident, nor will the District be able to take any financial responsibility for the cell phone or cell phone charges.

Cellular phones must be turned off and kept in backpacks at all times on campus, except for prior to the ringing of the first bell for the start of the instructional day and after the ringing of the last bell for the end of the instructional day.

Traffic at North Gate/Back Gate on Knox Rd.

This message is to inform you that the North Gate/BackGate on our campus near Knox Rd. is intended for students who walk from the neighborhood or ride their bike. This was never intended to be a drop-off or pick-up area for vehicles. We have observed safety concerns with the number of vehicles that are using this area to drop-off and pick-up students.

If you drive your child/children to school, we ask you to please use the school drop-off/pick-up drive through lane in our west parking lot. You can enter this lane on Lakeshore Drive. Please look for the orange cones that mark the lane. We are a very large elementary school and the majority of our students are driven to and from school. This is one of the reasons we had the new construction completed to allow for a longer drive through lane to accommodate the amount of traffic and help the drop-off and pick-up procedures run smoothly.

Thank you for following our procedures and supporting the safety of our students.

Kyrene Dress Code Reminder.

We want to remind families that Kyrene School District made adjustments to dress code guidelines last year, and we recommend families review current procedures with your students. The guidelines can be found in the Governing Board Policy Manual online, under Procedure [5-302.A Student Attire - Student Dress](#).

The guidelines are also available in the Kyrene Family Handbook.



Dates to Remember:

2024

Nov. 13 - Coffee Chat with Mrs. Kingsland

Nov. 15 - Jeremiah's, after school on campus

Nov. 15 - All Star Kids - Parent Night Out

Nov. 26 - Freely Restaurant Night

Dec. 8 - Family Kickball

Dec. 11 - Panda Express Restaurant Night and Polar Express @ Barnes & Nobel

2025

Jan. 9 - MOD Pizza Restaurant Night

Jan. 23 - Coffee Chat with Mrs. Kingsland

Jan. 31 - Family Dance Night

Feb. 6 - Someburros Restaurant Night

Feb. 13 - Coffee Chat with Mrs. Kingsland

Feb. 14 - HitSquard Parent Night Out

Feb. 22 - Carnival

Mar. 25 - 27 - Postino's Restaurant Night

Apr. 2 - Freely Restaurant Night

Apr. 3 - Jeremiah's, after school on campus

May 2 - All Star Kids Parent Night Out

May 5-9 - Teacher Appreciation Week

May 12-16 - Scholastic Book Fair BOGO

May 22 - Peter Piper Pizza - Yearbook Signing Party



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24-25 CALENDAR

UPDATED AUGUST 2024



<p style="text-align: center;">JULY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 22 - Meet the Teacher 22 - Raising Cane's fundraiser 24 - First day of school 26 - Jeremiah's in-store fundraiser 	<p style="text-align: center;">AUGUST</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3 - Pool Party @ Nozomi 8 - Volunteer Info & Watch DOGS kickoff night 12-18 - Culver's fundraiser (teachers serving on 8/14) 15 - PTO General Meeting 	<p style="text-align: center;">SEPTEMBER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6 - Coffee Chat 6 - Jeremiah's on campus 11 - Rubio's fundraiser 13 - Hitsquad PNO 17 - PTO General Mtg 19 - Parent Social (Sicilian Butcher 4:30-6) 26 - Boosterthon Fun Run 27 - Zoyo Fundraiser
<p style="text-align: center;">OCTOBER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 21-25 - Book Fair 24 - PTO General Mtg 25 - Pumpkinpalooza 29 - Chipotle fundraiser 	<p style="text-align: center;">NOVEMBER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 13 - Coffee Chat 15 - Jeremiahs on campus 15 - All Star Kids PNO 19 - PTO General Meeting 26 - Turkey Trot 26 - Freely fundraiser 	<p style="text-align: center;">DECEMBER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8 - Family Kickball 11 - Polar Express 11 - Panda Express <u>virtual</u> fundraiser 16-18 - Gift of Time
<p style="text-align: center;">JANUARY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9 - MOD Pizza fundraiser 9 - PTO General Mtg 23 - Coffee Chat 31 - Family Dance Night 	<p style="text-align: center;">FEBRUARY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6 - Someburros fundraiser 11 - PTO General Meeting 13 - Coffee Chat 14 - Hitsquad PNO 22 - Carnival 	<p style="text-align: center;">MARCH</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3-7 - Book Fair 7 - Field Day 25-27 - Postino S. Tempe fundraiser
<p style="text-align: center;">APRIL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 - Freely fundraiser & parent social 4 - Jeremiah's on campus 8 - Spring Movie Night @ Pollack 15 - PTO General Meeting 	<p style="text-align: center;">MAY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 - All Star Kids PNO 5-9 - Teacher Appreciation Week 12-16 - BOGO Book Fair 15 - PTO General Meeting 22 - Yearbook Signing Party @ PPP 27-29 - 5th Grade Celebration Week 	



Student Attendance

We know from research and experience that regular attendance and being on time to school are two factors that help shape a child's attitude and performance at school. These are also lifelong habits that are important

for your child. Therefore, we consider school attendance a very important factor in your children's academic success. Please review the following procedures for school attendance.

Absences

Parents must call the attendance line at 480-541-2401 (24 hour message machine) when your child is absent. We can no longer accept email notifications from parents or messages from teachers. This information must be conveyed via a phone call to our front office staff or a recorded message left on our attendance line. If the school does not hear from you or cannot get in touch with you, your child will be marked unexcused truant until our attendance clerk has made contact with you. For your child's safety, it is important for the school to be notified of an absence. You may check your child's absences and tardies through your ParenVue account.

Have You Moved?

If you have moved, please log in to ParentVue and update your new information. You will also need to upload your new utility bill/lease/mortgage agreement. We also will need families to sign a new State of Arizona Residence form that is located in the front office. We appreciate your assistance with this.



Breakfast: Breakfast is served in the cafeteria from 7:00-7:20. The kitchen closes at 7:20. Please get your child here early enough if they are getting breakfast.

Gates: When the first bell rings at 7:25, students should be getting in line. The gates will close promptly at 7:27. Students who arrive after 7:30 will be marked tardy.

Parking Lot: Please drive slowly in our parking lot and drop-off lane. Also, students should not be dropped off in the parking lot. **Safety is our #1 priority!!!**

National School Lunch Program

The National School Lunch Program is a program sponsored by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Through this program, eligible students may be offered free or reduced-price meals. We also participate in the School Breakfast Program at most schools. Meal payments may be made online, as this program operates in all of the schools in the Kyrene School District. Meal application information is distributed and made available to every student in the district at the beginning of the school year. Application information will remain confidential and will be used only to determine eligibility for free or reduced-priced meals. Applications are also available at all school offices or by clicking on the meal application links.

Please visit [Linq Connect](#) to submit an online meal application to our district. You may turn in paper meal applications to any school office. We strongly encourage all families to apply. The free, reduced-price, and paid meal information is used to qualify the school district for other student qualifications and funding. You will receive an eligibility letter via email once your application has been processed that includes the status of your student(s) meal eligibility. If you have a concern regarding the decision of your meal application, please email kbs@kyrene.org.

Payment Options

- **Online** (Please visit [In-Touch](#) to pay using your credit or debit card).
- **Check** (Please make checks payable to Kyrene School District, checks are accepted at all school sites).
- **Cash** (Please send cash in a sealed envelope labeled for the student. Cash is accepted at all school sites).

Online Lunch Payment Instructions

We offer an optional online payment option via [In-Touch](#) to submit meal account payments. Choose meal account to apply money to your student(s) meal accounts. Payments will be applied to your students meal account at 6:50 AM, 9:35 AM, 11:05 AM, 12:05 PM and at night at 11:35PM daily to update the meal account balance. Balances can be checked at any time by visiting lingconnect.com. Negative balance notices will be emailed weekly to parents during the school year. Meal account balance notices are sent on Friday to notify you of the current amount as your student(s) may/or may not spend money to purchase 2nd meals or A-l-a-Carte items.

An account needs to be created to view your child's meal balance at lingconnect.com. Linq Connect/Titan IT support is available by dialing 1-844-467-4700 (Option 2 Option 1 for assistance).

Contact Food Services for meal account issues by phone at 480-541-1368 or email at kbs@kyrene.org.

Unpaid Meal Policy

- [Unpaid Meal policy](#)

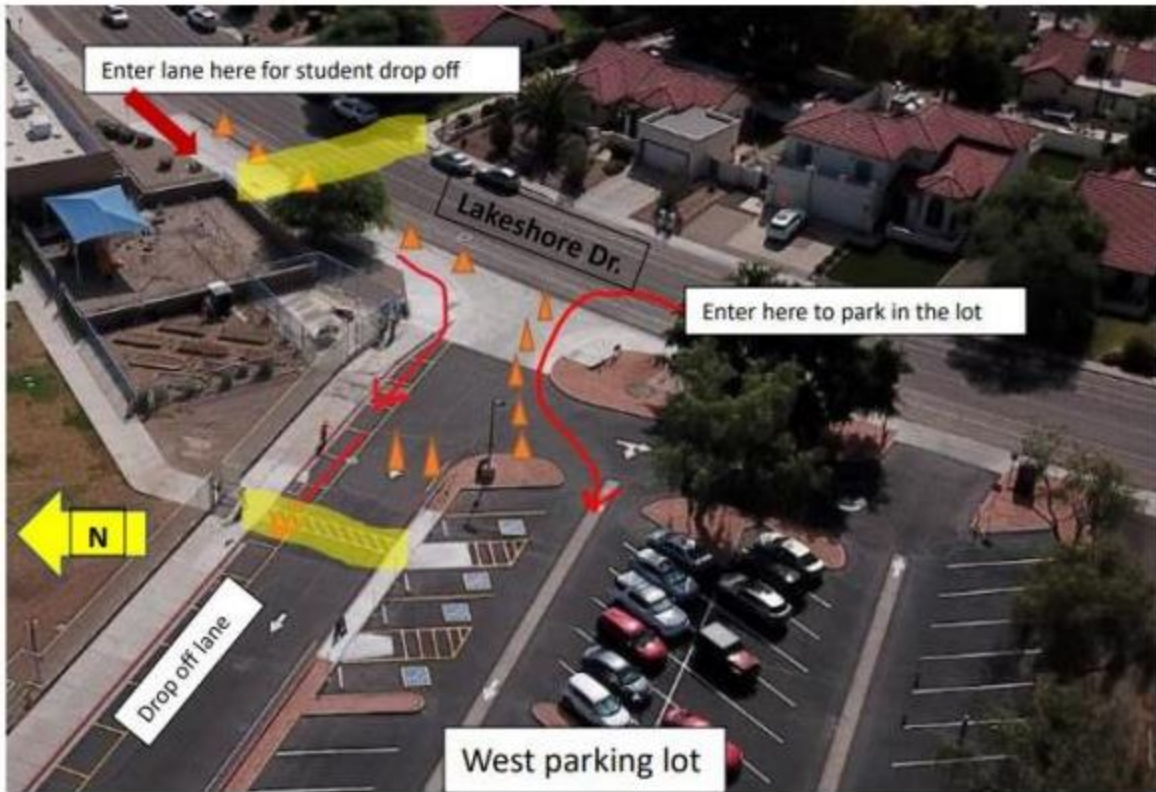
SMART SNACKS: Please contact the SFE office by calling 480-541-1660 or by email for information regarding Smart Snacks and the current list of items.

Email: foodservice@kyrene.org.

Entrance to Parent Lot

From **McClintock east from Post to Lakeshore** - car lane drop off line, stay in car. Pull all the way up, past crosswalk before letting students out of car (passenger side only)

From **Ray Rd north up Lakeshore** - turn left into parking lot to the car parking lanes, walk students to crosswalk to gates.



Quick Links

[School Website](#)

[Breakfast/Lunch Menu](#)

[2024-25 Calendar](#)

[2025-26 Calendar](#)

[ParentVue](#)

[PTO](#)

Upcoming Events

2024-25

Nov. 11 - Veterans Day, No School

Nov. 27 - 29 - Thanksgiving Break, No School

Dec. 20 - End of Quarter 2

Dec. 23 - Jan 3 - Winter Break, No School

2025

Jan. 7 - Start of Quarter 3

Jan. 20 - MLK Day, No School

Feb. 6 & 7 - Early Release, Parent Teacher Conferences

Feb. 17 - Presidents' Day, No School

Mar. 7 - End of Quarter 3
Mar. 10 - 21 - Spring Break
Mar. 25 - Start of Quarter 4
April 18 - Early Release
May 26 - Memorial Day, No School
May 29 - Last Day of School

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!



ONLINE PAYMENTS

CONVENIENT AND FAST!

- Purchase an item
- Pay an athletic or activity fee
- Pay for a lost or damaged library book
- Make a tax credit donation



Kyrene Online Payment Center

Click here to access the [Payment Center](#)

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School Hours: 7:30am – 2:15 pm
Every Wednesday at 12:15 pm

Office Hours: 7:00 am – 3:30 pm
Every Wednesday at 1:30 pm