

December 6, 2024

Tax Credits - It's a Win-Win! Our learning is enhanced thanks to you!

Tax credit donations provide countless opportunities for students to discover new passions. Your tax credit donations can help preserve robust arts and music programs, increase field trip opportunities, fund after school clubs, and so much more!

All of these programs help Pueblo Middle School develop well-rounded students, who in turn, build strong communities. Arizona statute allows individuals/couples to donate \$200/\$400 for a dollar-to-dollar tax credit. The deadline for tax credit donations is April 15, 2025. You can donate online through our <u>Payment Portal</u>.

Thank you for your continued support!

Sincerely, Ashley Schutkowski



PUEBLO UPCOMING EVENTS

DECEMBER

- 6 JV Girls Flag Football vs Altadena AT Benedict Park (field 4) 5:00pm
- 9 JV Boys Basketball vs Altadena, 4:30pm
 - Varsity Girls Soccer vs Altadena, 4:30pm
 - Varsity Girls Flag Football vs Altadena AT Benedict Park, 5:00pm
 - Varsity Boys Basketball vs Altadena, 5:30pm
- 10 Cross Country @ Akimel A-al, 4:30pm
 - JV Girls Flag Football Tournament Semi-finals AT Benedict Park (field and time TBD)
 - Orchestra & Choir Concert, Pueblo MPR, 7:00pm
- 12 Quarter 2 Tournament semi-finals ALL TIMES TBD
 - Varsity Boys basketball: AT Akimel A-al, time TBD
 - JV Boys basketball: AT Centennial, time TBD
 - Varsity Girls Soccer: AT Tempe Sports Complex, time TBD
 - Varsity Flag Football: AT Benedict Park, time TBD (field and time TBD)
- 17 Winter Band Concert, Corona del Sol
- 19 Pueblo Holiday Dance: 6th Grade @ 3:05-4:15 and 7th/8th @ 4:30-6:00
- 20 LAST DAY to order 8th Grade Yearbook Ads See info below LAST DAY for UMOM Donation Drive, sponsored by NJHS
 - Community Nights, City of Chandler Jingle Bell Rock, Ugly Sweater Contest 6:00pm -

8:30pm

DECEMBER 23 - JANUARY 6 - WINTER BREAK, SCHOOLS CLOSED JANUARY 7 - SCHOOL RESUMES

EVERY WEDNESDAY IS EARLY RELEASE @ 1:05pm

Please see district athletic webpage for ALL current sport schedules and game locations.

PUEBLO SPELLING BEE

CONGRATULATIONS to our Pueblo Spelling Bee Champions!!

Sable G. and William P.

They will both represent Pueblo at the Kyrene District Spelling Bee in January.





STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

DID SOMEONE SAY HOLIDAY DANCE?

Student Council is hosting our Pueblo Holiday Dance on Thursday, December 19

6th Grade - 3:05 - 4:15 7th & 8th Grade - 4:30 - 6:00

TICKETS SALES:

Pre-sale tickets are \$2.00 Sales start Monday, December 16th for \$2.00 during all lunches.

Tickets will be \$3.00 at the door.

Snacks will be available for purchase at the dance for \$1.00 (Soda, Water, Chips, Candy)



SEND SOME HOLIDAY CHEER!

CANDY GRAMS!

Student Council will be selling Candy Grams next week (Dec 9-13) during all lunches for \$1.00.

These will be delivered to students during Leadership Class on Thursday, December 12 and Thursday, December 19.



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.

Daniel W. Eva F. Ricardo L.-S.

Emma C. Holland C.

PUEBLO CHARACTER DARE FOR WEEK OF DECEMBER 9



Circling Back

Really listen during the day for someone who shares something positive and exciting or sad and difficult going on in their life and write it down. Follow up a day or 2 later and ask them a question about what you had heard to show them that you care.

This could be things like moving, a birthday coming up, getting a new pet, or a challenge they are facing.







NJHS DONATION DRIVE FOR UMOM

LET'S FILL THE BOXES!!!

NJHS is still colleting donations in support of UMOM, an organization to help families facing homelessness find a place to stay while rebuilding their lives. The drive will begin on Monday, December 2nd and run through December 20th. Items which are needed the most are: adult shampoo and conditioner, toothpaste and toothbrushes, bar soap and other hygiene items for adults and children. Items for babies such as diapers, lotion, etc. are also needed. Donation boxes will be located in both the front office and MPR. The grade level that brings in the most donations will win an ice cream treat!



CULINARY DONATIONS

We're nearing the end of the semester and Culinary Arts students are beginning to plan for our final units: Iron Chef and holiday cookies. Unfortunately, our supplies are getting low so we're asking for donations of ingredients. We need your help with decorative sprinkles for our cookies as well as staples like eggs, unsalted butter, flour, and white sugar. If we have eggs, flour, butter, and sugar we can bake almost every day. Or if Fry's gift cards are easier those are happily accepted! You can drop donations at the office or send them in with your students.

Thank you for all the generous support!

Jay Rapson Pueblo Culinary Arts



Online Ad Creation - Color Ad - 1/8 Page



YEARBOOK ADS FOR 8TH GRADERS

8th GRADE PARENTS! It's time to order your yearbook ads!! Show off your pride and congratulate your 8th grader on a great achievement.

Ads are \$25 and can be purchased in the <u>Yearbook Order Center</u>, school code: 7730.

Order now before it's too late. Deadline is December 20.

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



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



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: <u>Help us Restock the PBIS Store</u>



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 <u>Pueblo</u> <u>Athletics homepage</u> or contact Erin Gray in student services in our Pueblo front office at 480-541-6804.

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)





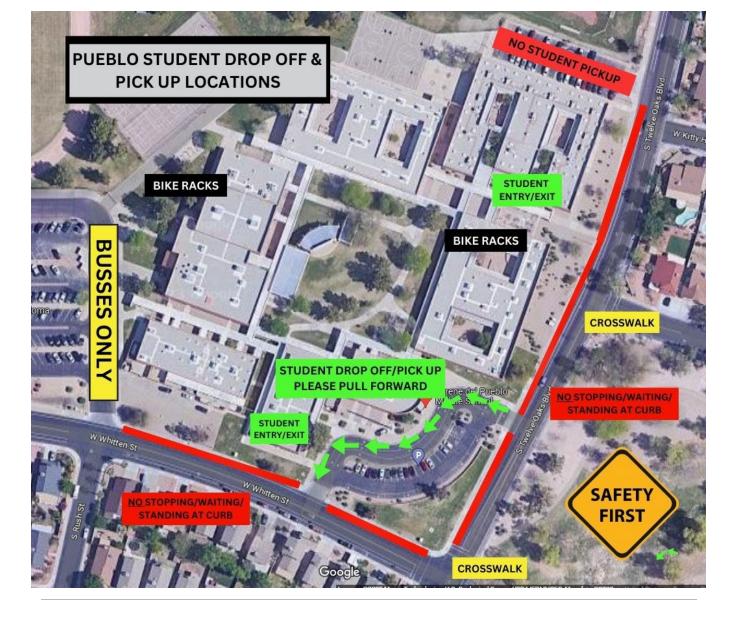


SAFETY REMINDER!!

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.





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.

TRANSPORTATION

Families can access information regarding Bus Routes and Bus Safety by visiting the Kyrene webpage and looking under the Parent Tab. This <u>link</u> 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 & ACKNOWLEGEMENTS

The <u>ParentVUE</u> 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: <u>ParentVUE FAQS</u>.

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

Kyrene del Pueblo 360 S. Twelve Oaks Blvd. Chandler, AZ 85226

Phone: 480-541-6800 **Fax:** 480-541-6810 **Attendance:** 480-541-6801 **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.







