

December 20, 2024

Bulldog Families,

December is a time for celebration and gratitude, and I am incredibly grateful for the partnership we share with you. Your involvement, support, and encouragement make all the difference in creating a positive and nurturing environment for our students to succeed.

Over the last two weeks, I have had the pleasure of attending several performances and athletic events here at Pueblo. Thank you to our amazing teachers and coaches for helping to make these opportunities available for our students. And, thank you to our student performers and athletes for their hard work and dedication.

On behalf of the Pueblo administrative team, teachers, and support staff, I want to wish you all a wonderful Winter Break. May joy and peace be with you this season. We look forward to seeing you all in the new year and are excited for a successful second semester.

Sending warm wishes for a wonderful holiday, a relaxing winter break and a very Happy New Year!

Ashley

PUEBLO UPCOMING EVENTS

DECEMBER

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.



Dear 6th & 7th Grade families,

This week your child will be bringing home information about next year's course selection process. Students will receive an elective selection form for the 2025-2026 school year. Additional copies can be accessed on the Kyrene website on the Resources for Families and Community Page.

Parents/Guardians are requested to review this information with your child and sign the form, acknowledging your approval of the courses selected. Students are required to return the form to their homeroom teacher by January 15. During the week of January, our students are scheduled to use these forms to enter their preferences online with their classroom teacher.

Families who are considering a different middle school must apply for registration at that school through the online portal when next year's registration window opens in January. While students may select a different middle school's course selection form, they are not guaranteed placement at that school. Families must apply and be approved for open enrollment to attend a non-resident school.



FINAL DAY - 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</u> <u>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. Price will increase after Winter Break.

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



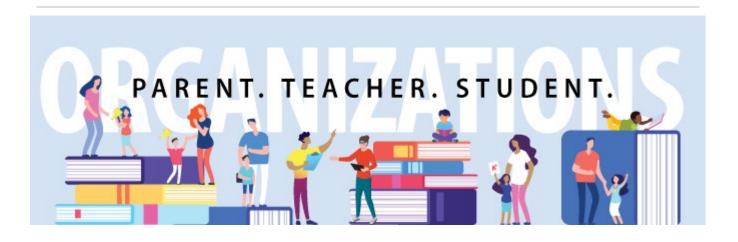
TAX CREDIT - IT'S A WIN-WIN!

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 Payment Portal.

Thank you for your continued support!





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 here: Participation Forms Policies and Resources

UPCOMING SPORTS

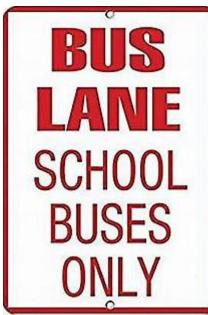
For information about registration for Athletics please visit the Kyrene webpage and look under the Programs and Services tab. If you have any questions about Pueblo Athletics please visit the <u>Pueblo</u> <u>Athletics homepage</u> or contact Erin Gray in student services in our Pueblo front office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

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





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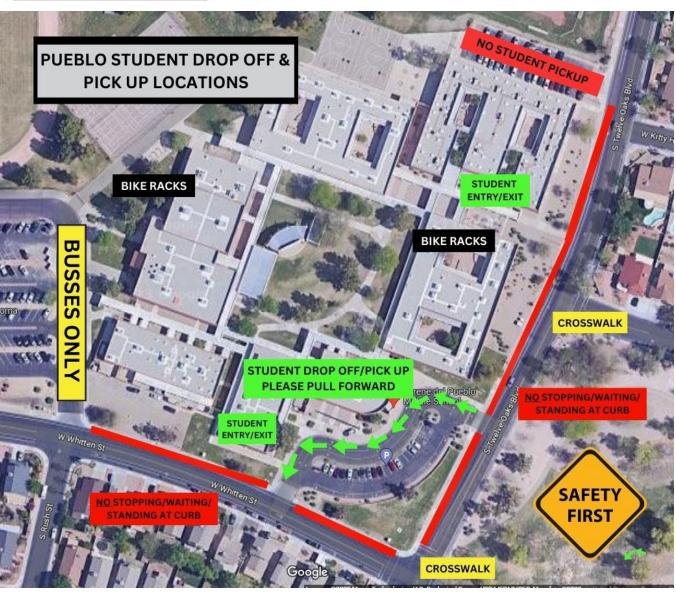


SAFETY REMINDER!!

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.

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

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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.







