

APRENDE JAGUARS BOYS VOLLEYBALL CANDIDATES

BEFORE ANY PLAYER MAY PARTICIPATE IN TRYOUTS THE FOLLOWING ITEMS MUST BE SUBMITTED IN THE REGISTRATION PORTAL

Registration Checklist: ALL ITEMS MUST BE COMPLETED

1. **Athletic Packet (Online)**
2. **Athletic Packet: Additional Information (Online)**
3. **Brain Injury Concussion Form (Online)**
4. **Sports Physical (Upload Online)**
5. **Coach's Letter Signed (Front Office)**

Registration Portal: <https://az-kyrene.intouchrecepting.com/>

**REGISTRATION MUST BE COMPLETED BY
NOON ON FRIDAY, March 7, 2025**

**The \$150 fee for cut sports is due on the first day of practice,
if your student makes the team.**

It is volleyball season! Volleyball begins very soon and those wishing to represent Aprende on the volleyball court must prepare quickly. We have compiled this information packet in hopes that it will help both you and your child prepare for the try-out period.

Philosophy

As coaches, we believe that fundamentals and commitment to the sport are a must and should be stressed every day. Winning is great and is an objective, but not the goal. Our goal is to provide an opportunity for each player to acquire basic skills, confidence, attitudes, and knowledge that will lead to future play and enjoyment. The first two days of tryouts will give players the opportunity to show their skills, attitude, and volleyball knowledge. The first cuts will take place on Thursday.

Dates of Tryouts

Thursday, March 27 th	3:30-5:00 pm
Friday, March 28 th	3:30-5:00 pm
Monday, March 31 st	3:30-5:00 pm

All cut sports will consist of a VARSITY and a JUNIOR VARSITY squad. Tryouts are open to all 6th, 7th, and 8th grade boys. Tryouts will be held in the Aprende gym. Tryouts are closed to all parents/community members.

PARENT MEETING: There will be a mandatory parent meeting for all players and their parents/guardians after practice on Thursday, April 3rd at 5pm.

Criteria for making the Team

In fairness to both players and parents, we will review the following criteria in the selection of the team members:

- **Attitude**
...toward the sport of volleyball, school, teammates, coaches, instruction, and new situations.
- **Abilities/Skills**
...how well can the player handle the volleyball, serve, pass, set, spike, and block.
- **Potential**
...how hard is the player willing to work to overcome weaknesses? How much is the player willing to learn? Does the player have a deep desire to be on the volleyball court?
- **Positions/Total Numbers**
...We will be looking at taking 12 players on both teams.

What Happens If I Make the Team?

Once teams are selected, practices will take place **after school on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursday, and Fridays from 3:30-5:00 pm. (Practice schedule subject to change, coaches will communicate)** Parents are responsible for their child's transportation from practices and games. Students are required to be at each practice and to be on time. Exceptions are limited to unavoidable absences. Once the season starts, practices will be held on non-game days. Games will be on Mondays and Thursdays. Athletes are expected to attend every game. Schedules will be provided once the rosters have been filled. All transportation to games is provided by the Kyrene School District. **Parents will need to provide on time transportation home from games and practices.**

Eligibility and Academic Standards

An Aprende volleyball player must exemplify the ideal student/athlete. Grades and behavior will be monitored. Managing time, therefore, becomes a skill all student athletes must master. The earlier in the athletic "career" they master time management, the better. These skills will be discussed throughout the season, and with the help of parents, we are certain all players will have a successful season on the court and in the classroom.

We are looking forward to a great season with lots of fun and learning. Although it is a short season, much can be accomplished if we are willing to work for it. Please remember that practices must be attended. Parents, family and friends are welcome and encouraged to attend all games.

Thanks for your time, understanding and support!
Aprende Boys' Volleyball Coaches,

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**Aprende Boys Volleyball
24-25 Q4 Season
Coaches' Letter**

Please sign and return this form to Ms. Vergara in the front office no later than 3:00 pm on Friday, March 7th.

We understand the policies concerning tryouts and season play for volleyball.

Please indicate grade of student: 6th Grade ____ 7th Grade ____ 8th Grade ____

Please **PRINT** student's name: _____

Student Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date _____

I have also read the following Health & Safety Information located at <http://www.kyrene.org/Page/1116> on the Kyrene School District website.

Parent & Athlete Concussion Information Sheet
AIA Heat Acclimatization & Exertional Heat Illness Management Policy
Hot Weather, Heat Stress & School Safety
Hazing Policy
Opioid Handout
Cardiac Arrest Handout

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date _____