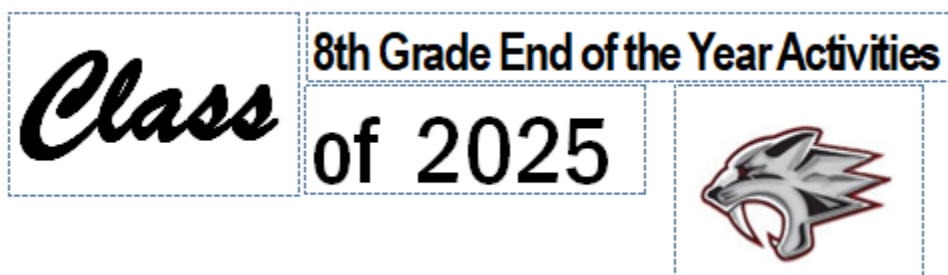




April 2025



Dear Parents/Guardians of Eighth Grade Students,

As time draws near for the end of your child's middle school years, we look forward to celebrating with them many end of the year activities. We have included information in this special 8th grade newsletter regarding this year's events and celebrations in hopes that it will assist you in your planning and preparation. Please make sure you review behavior and social expectation contract below at the end of this newsletter. All students will be given the contract during Advisory class soon.

We look forward to this exciting time for our eighth grade students and thank you for your continued support. Congratulations Class of 2025!

Sincerely,

James Martin, Principal

Jesse Gutierrez, 8th grade Assistant Principal

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 23, 2025: 6-8 PM

8th gr. Celebration Dance

May 27, 2025: 9-1 pm

8th gr. Celebration Outing to Main Event

TBA

Yearbook Distribution for 8th grade Students ONLY

May 28, 2025

Promotion Ceremony

5:30 PM & 7 PM

NO Early Release Day

****Last Day of School for 8th Grader Students ONLY**

Purchase Your Yearbook Now - \$45

If you'd like to order your yearbook, please go to commpe.pictavo.com and use the school code 292264 or search for Kyrene Centennial Middle School in Phoenix Arizona to order your yearbook or go to BuyTheYearbook.com. You may also purchase yearbooks through our [InTouch](#) portal and click on Items At All Schools/Middle School/Centennial Middle School/Student Activities/Yearbook. Yearbooks may also be purchased in the front office in student services. Send check/cash/money order to reserve a yearbook now. **Books are \$45 until we sell out!** If you have any questions, email Sandra Taylor at staylor@kyrene.org

Eighth Grade Dance Volunteers Needed



As our **8th graders** prepare to graduate, we would like to host a special **promotional dance party** to commemorate this greater milestone, and we would appreciate your partnership in making this a memorable experience for our graduates on **May 23, 2025**.

Committees needed to help make this a grand occasion for our students include: Set-up, Decor, Food, Entertainment and Clean-Up Committees.

For our CMS families who will not be able to spare the time to volunteer, we would be happy to take any **monetary donations**, to support our students. **Cash/checks** (made out to CMS PTO) will be accepted in the front office during school hours. Thank you for your dedication and support.

We appreciate all your help and support. Don't miss out and sign up below!

[View the Sign Up](#)



Eighth Grade Celebration Dance - Friday, May 23, 6-8 PM in MPR



The eighth grade dance will be held on **Friday, May 23 from 6:00-8:00 PM** in the CMS multi-purpose building. **There is no cost for admission.** Centennial's PTO is working hard to provide an awesome dance for our eighth graders. This dance is only for CMS eighth grade students. No student guests will be allowed to attend. Casual or dress slacks, a shirt with a collar or a dress shirt are suggested for boys. A tie and jacket are optional. Girls may wear a dress or a skirt or slacks with a blouse. Dresses or other outfits which are too revealing are examples of clothing which do not meet the guidelines. We continue to ask for all parents' cooperation in not employing limousine services to transport our students to and from the dance. We appreciate all of your efforts and assistance during this year and know that our students have enjoyed having fun at socials and dances without the added pressure of extremely sophisticated clothing and the accompanying behavior. We know that the students will have an enjoyable time at the dance, and we are happy to provide an age-appropriate event for them. **Students who are on academic or social probation may not be able to attend.**

MAIN EVENT 8th Gr. Outing - Tuesday, May 27, 9-1 PM



On Tuesday, May 27, we have planned an activity day for our eighth grade students. We will spend most of the day at MAIN EVENT in Tempe. We will leave school on the morning of the 27th at approximately 9:00 AM. All 8th grade students will be given an agreement to review and sign soon about the 4th quarter behaviors that need to be in order in order to participate on this day. Students who are on academic or social probation may not be

able to attend this outing. They will continue their regular day under the supervision of a teacher on campus. **We do expect all students to attend school this day.**

For the students' safety, all students must remain at MAIN EVENT. At approximately 1:00 PM, the eighth grade students will be transported to Centennial. We are looking forward to a fun-filled day. The cost of the event will be \$20 which includes 4 hours of all activities such as bowling, laser tag, gravity ropes, and billiards. Every student will receive a \$10 funcard and 2 slices of pizza and a drink.

Permissions slips will be distributed during the week of April 14. All permissions slips are due to your student's Science teacher by May 16, 2025. **No child will be permitted to attend this trip without written permission.** Money is also due on May 16. Payment may be made online on the Online Payment Portal (INTOUCH - Main Event/Student Activities - 8th Grade Field Trip) at <https://az-kyrene.intouchreceipting.com/> or the front office in Student Services.

Students on Academic or Social probation will NOT be able to attend this outing. In addition, all athletic uniforms and library books must be returned by May 12 and fines paid by MONDAY, May 12 to be eligible to attend MAIN Event Field Trip. **Refunds will not be possible.** If parents pay and students violate the social or academic contract or have outstanding athletic uniforms or library books there will be **no refund** since tickets must be ordered prior to the event.

If you have any questions about the trip or eligibility, email Jesse Gutierrez at jessegutierrez@kyrene.org.

CENTENNIAL MS BEHAVIOR & SOCIAL EXPECTATIONS CONTRACT

KYRENE CENTENNIAL MIDDLE SCHOOL

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James Martin
Principal**Jesse Gutierrez**
Asst. Principal

Dear Student, Parent, and/or Guardian,

Membership in the Centennial Middle School community presumes a commitment to polite, prepared, and performing behavior. Certainly academic and intellectual growth are at the heart of what we are as a school and we are also deeply committed to modeling, teaching, and reinforcing attitudes and behaviors that reflect the high regard we have for ourselves, each other, and the work we do.

8th graders transitioning into high school is a milestone in their life. To celebrate this achievement and accomplishments in middle school, we have many exciting events planned at the end of the year. It is our hope that every single 8th grader at CMS will participate in every activity and fully enjoy the celebrations we have in store. In order for these planned events to be the most enjoyable for all involved it is necessary that we have full trust of all students involved will understand and adhere to polite, prepared, and performing behavior.

To ensure the success of all activities, the following criteria will be instituted for all 8th grade students during 4th quarter in order to be able to participate. As you will notice, the criteria is based upon a tiered system because we really want to give every single student the opportunity to enjoy all that we have planned.

Please initial in all the spaces provided that you and your student understand the criteria.

Library: All Books & Fines Are Due by May 16th

Academics: F's in any class—Lose Main Event _____

Behavior: 3 Focus Room Referrals—Lose Promotion Dance _____

4 Focus Room Referrals - Lose Main Event _____

Conduct Referrals - counted as double Focus Room Referrals but depending upon nature of misconduct could result in further penalty. _____

Suspension - Main Event, Promotion Dance, or All. _____

Student Signature_____
Parent Signature_____
Date

Student Name (Printed) _____

Parent Name (Printed) _____



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April 2025

Dear Eighth Grade Parents/Guardians:

CONGRATULATIONS! After months of hard work and preparation for high school, it is time to celebrate the learning that has occurred at Centennial. The CMS Promotion Ceremonies will take place on Wednesday, May 28. Information for each team's ceremony is listed below:

<u>DATE/TIME</u>	<u>ADVISORY CLASS</u>	<u>STUDENTS ARRIVE</u>	<u>SEATING</u>
May 28: 5:30 PM	Steffen, C. Taylor, Rosenblum, Litzinger, Ballew, T. Harris,	5:15 PM	5:15-5:30 PM
May 28: 7:00 PM	Briggs, Lowe, Reiss, Robinson, Smith, Panther	6:45 PM	6:45-7:00 PM

We ask for students and parents to arrive on time so that students may organize in the MPR for the procession. Parents will continue through the lobby into the gymnasium. Seating for each will begin and end promptly at the times listed above so that we can begin and end each ceremony on time.

Family members and visitors may sit in the bleachers located on both sides of the gymnasium or on the benches directly behind the student seating. At the completion of the ceremony, parents will follow the student as they exit into the courtyard where families may take photographs if desired.

If you have any questions on the dress code for the promotion ceremony or have any other questions on 8th grade end of the year activities, please refer to the 8th grade Activities page on Centennial's website: <http://www.kyrene.org/cen>

Thank you in advance for all of your help and cooperation in making this a memorable event for your child. If you have any questions, please call us at 480-541-6400.

Centennial Administration

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Every Wednesday at 1:05 p.m.

Office Hours: 7:45 am – 4:15 pm
Every Wednesday at 2:15 pm