



August 8, 2025

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### Message from the Principal

Hello KTA Tigers!

We are three weeks into the school year and we are off and running for a fantastic 2025-2026!!

Thank you for all the families who attended CURRICULUM NIGHT this week! It is such an important event to get all the critical information on each class, including schedules, homework, materials, etc. We will be posting the PRINCIPAL PRESENTATION on our school website within a few days. Teachers will also be posting important information about each class. It is truly critical that you review all the information sent home by teachers, because we rely on parents as highly informed and engaged partners with us in your child's educational journey.

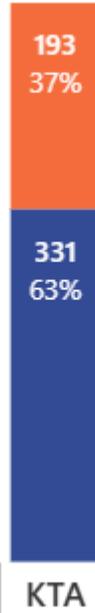
Next week we have an early release day on FRIDAY AUGUST 15, dismissal at 12:15 pm. The afternoon is being used for teacher review of data and planning for instruction.

**MONDAY AUGUST 18 is a STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY – NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS.** Teachers and staff will be engaged in specific training and development related to our school wide initiatives and goals. For example, teachers will be engaged in training in MATH, AVID, WRITING and TECHNOLOGY. All to improve their skills to better support your children.

**SCHOOL RESUMES ON TUESDAY AUGUST 19.**

**DID YOU KNOW THAT WE ARE AN AVID SCHOOL? What does that mean? AVID stands for Advancement Via Individual Determination** and is a national and international program for schools to teach students the skills, attributes and habits of mind that support students learning skills in organization, note taking, writing, grit, perseverance....all through the lens of students becoming independent learners and self-advocates for their learning. **We want them to be ready to be successful students at all grades, and we can start their preparation for**





## Parent Acknowledgements Due

Your Parent Acknowledgements are now available in your Parent Vue account. We request that all parents/guardians please sign in and accept the acknowledgements and update your Emergency Card for the new school year.

This is now where you will find grades, attendance, report cards, assessments. Everything you need to know about your child will be in ParentVue.

KTA is at 63% completion.

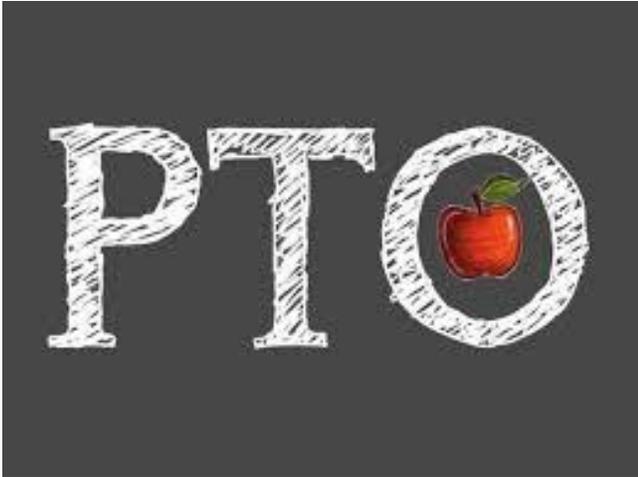
37% still need to completion.



## KTA SPIRIT WEAR

The KTA PTO is selling a variety of items with the KTA logo. Car decals, water bottle stickers, key chains, totes, seat cushions, hats, cups, t-shirt, socks.

Items will be available for purchase at Meet The Teacher. You can also order [on line](#). You can also order by dropping off the completed [form](#) at the office.



PTO has their own website. They post various information about PTO events and school events.

<https://sites.google.com/view/ktapto/home>



## After School Youth Enrichment

Fall 2025

@ Kyrene Traditional Academy

Elementary & Cartoon Drawing

Wednesdays 8/20 - 12/3

Chess

Thursdays 8/21 - 12/4

Piano

Fridays 8/22 - 10/17

Soccer Shots

Friday 9/19 - 12/19

Sign up [here](#).



**Friday, August 15**

**EXTRA EARLY RELEASE DAY** Students will be released at 12:15.

Please plan accordingly and be sure that your pick up procedures are adjusted to accommodate this change.



**Monday, August 18**

**No School For Students**

**Staff Development Da**



**PICTURE DAY**

K - 5 Tuesday, August 26

6 - 8 Wednesday, August 27

**Dress Your Best Days**

Please come ready to have your picture taken. All students will be photographed for the school yearbook. Uniforms are not required for students having their pictures taken.

Pictures can be pre-ordered [here](#).

Order forms will be sent home soon, but for a preview of the available packages [click here](#).



**Thursday, August 21**

**4 p.m. - 8 p.m.**

Peter Piper Pizza

Ray Rd & I-10

4940 E Ray Rd, Phoenix

20% of all food, drink, and fun sales will be donated to KTA PTO to support keeping the staff supply closet stocked all year!



**Middle School \$1 Free Dress Day**

**Grades 6 - 8**

Throughout the year the PTO promotes a \$1 free dress day. Students make a \$1 donation to the PTO. This donation helps keep down the expense of the end of year middle school dance.

The dates for 25/26 are:

August 28

October 23

December 11

January 22

March 26

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## All School/All Grades

### \$1 Free Dress Day

Throughout the year the PTO promotes a \$1 free dress day. Students make a \$1 donation to the PTO. Funds are used for various events and supplies throughout the year.

The dates for 25/26 are:

September 25

November 20

February 26

May 21



## Friday, August 29

### SPIRIT DAY: College Colors Day

Across the United States students, parents, family, faculty, fans, and alumni celebrate College Colors Day every year on the Friday before Labor Day. This year, it takes place on August 29. By rocking your college colors and apparel, you show spirit and school pride.

Students can wear jeans (with no rips or tears) along with a college theme shirt.



Welcome to the 2025-2026 School Year!! I am Jen Woolf and am so excited to be back as your School Counselor again this year. This year, I am celebrating 10 years with the district and your kids at KTA!! I wanted to take a minute and give you a quick overview of what we will be doing this year!

First, I am thankful to the PTO for again restocking all our teacher's Calming Corner boxes and am excited to continue our policy of each K-5 classroom having their own designated area, along with specific designated area in each of the collaboration spaces in middle school for those kids who need to take a break to regulate themselves. Also, have you seen the outdoor sensory walk? It is amazing and getting better with each grant we receive!

I will be continuing with our Mindful Mondays on our weekly announcements along with continuing our K-5 monthly SEL classroom lessons and our middle school quarterly classroom lessons. I will be continuing to use the district approved curriculums of Harmony (K-5); Character Strong (6-8); Zones of Regulation; Think Social; Compass for Courage; Thinking, Feeling, Behaving; Superflex; Stop and Think; Botvin (4-8); and Suite360 (6-8).

Finally, I am super excited to announce that our Peer Mediators from last year WON 1ST PRIZE in the 2nd Annual International Peer Mediation Tournament. We are continuing the Peer Mediation program again this year. We are beginning our year with four trained and certified 8th graders who will be working with me and our teachers to help our students solve problems and mediate their conflicts. We will have another group of 7th graders who are beginning their training and certification. They are available to work with all of our students on campus. Peer Mediation referrals can come from parents, staff members, or the students themselves.

<https://forms.gle/wwYAxPTE6KpPsS1Q7>

Let's work together to have a fantastic school year! Go Tigers!!!

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[View Full Calendar](#)

## Upcoming Events

### AUGUST

<b>August 15</b>	<b>Extra Early Release</b>
<b>August 18</b>	<b>No School for students - Staff Development Day</b>
<b>August 20</b>	<b>Positive Parenting Series - see below</b>
<b>August 21</b>	<b>Peter Piper Pizza Night</b>
<b>August 28</b>	<b>Middle School Only - \$1 Free Dress Day</b>
<b>August 29</b>	<b>Spirit Day: College Colors Day</b>

For a complete calendar for the Kyrene School District [click here](#).



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.

**August 20, 2025**

**Transitioning to a New School Year: Family Support Beyond the Classroom**

Families will learn about brain development and how to support their children in developing resiliency.

**Presenter:** Joronda Montano

**Date and Time:** August 20, 2025 6:00-7:00pm

**Location:** Online [Registration/Zoom Link](#)

**Contact Us**

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**School Hours:** 7:25 am – 2:15 pm  
*Wednesday 7:25 am - 12:15 pm*

**Office Hours:** 7:00 am – 3:30 pm  
*Wednesday 7:00 am - 1:30 pm*

