



August 8, 2025

UPCOMING EVENTS

August 15: Friday Early Release @ 1:05pm

August 18: NO School - Staff Development Day

August 19: Fundraiser Kick Off Assembly

August 22: 6th Grade Dance

August 28: PBIS Store

August 29: Picture Day

****EVERY WEDNESDAY IS EARLY RELEASE @ 1:05pm****

[View Full Calendar](#)

Traffic Flow Pattern - PLEASE READ!!!

Below is a map showing some of the signs that the City of Chandler has installed in our school zone. There are also “Do Not Enter Signs” on the Exits to each of our parking lot driveways.

Please do not use the North Staff Parking Lot during drop off and pick up times. This parking lot is for staff and buses only during those times. Please review the map – it shows where to drop off and pick up depending on the direction you enter our school zone. Also, there should be no dropping your student off when you are stopped in middle of the road. This is a huge safety concern. We also prefer that you utilize the drop off system instead of parking on the street or at Desert Breeze Park to drop your child off at school as this causes more traffic issues and interrupts the way the flow of traffic is supposed to work.

If you travel from Ray Road you will turn left into the large parking lot in front of Aprende to drop off & pick up, exit right back towards Ray Road. Once you pull into the parking lot and come to a stopping point in the drop off line, your child should immediately exit the vehicle onto the sidewalk and enter the school. This allows you to be ready to move and exit the parking lot when the line moves again. Please stay in the drop off line and wait for the line to move to exit.

If you travel from McClintock you will turn right into the parking lot in front of Brisas, pull all the way forward, and your child will exit onto the sidewalk and walk in front of Brisas to Aprende. You will exit this parking lot by turning left and return in the direction of McClintock. Thank you.

Also, for the safety of everyone, **we need every student and parent** that walks across Desert Breeze Blvd **to use one of our cross walks**. We have a cross walk at the stop sign at Desert Breeze Blvd and Joshua and another cross walk in front of the Brisas parking lot. We ask that **everyone do their part keeping the students safe** as they make their way to and from school. **No Jaywalking or U-Turns Allowed!** Thank you for putting safety first!



Shout Out to a Former Aprende Student

This week we had a special visit from Dalen Terry, a former Aprende student which is now on the Chicago Bulls! Bags of supplies were given to all of our teachers and he gave an inspiring speech to all of our students!



WELCOME
DALEN Terry!



Picture Day

Lifetouch.

Picture Day is Coming!

¡Ya llega el Día de la Foto!

Friday, August 29, 2025
Kyrene Aprende Middle School



How it Works:



Pre-order today on
mylifetouch.com.
Create an account or login
with you Picture Day ID:
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Students are
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Picture Day.



Orders will be sent home
with your student after
Picture Day.

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Questions? Contact our Help Center at lifetouch.com/support-us. Select K-12 School Photography for assistance.
¿Preguntas? Comunícate con nuestro Centro de Ayuda en lifetouch.com/support-us. Selecciona Fotografía Escolar K-12 para recibir asistencia.

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Parent Education Night

Dangers of Youth Substance Misuse

Parent Education Night

Join us for a powerful evening with Josh Azevedo, Executive Director of The Pathway Program, as he equips parents with tools to support their teens, recognize red flags, and stay ahead of today's risks.

Walk away with the tools to:

- ✓ Spot early warning signs and dangerous behaviors
- ✓ Talk so teens listen through trust and honest conversation
- ✓ Understand trends by staying informed on evolving risks



Wednesday, August 13
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM



The Pathway Program
4820 S Mill Ave, #101
Tempe, AZ 85282

For More Information:

Contact Bernadette Coggins
bernadette_coggins@tempe.gov
480.858.2316



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Exceptional Student Services

**KYRENE 2025-26
SCHOOL YEAR
PARENT TRAININGS**

ESS Parent Trainings

Plan to attend the following ESS parent trainings:

All trainings will be at the District Office from 6-7:30 pm.

SEPTEMBER 4, 2025

IEP TRAINING WITH ENCIRCLE FAMILIES (FORMERLY RAISING SPECIAL KIDS)

Learn about the special education process and the Individualized Education Program (IEP). Understand who is required to attend the IEP meeting and the roles of each team member (including parents). Review the required parts of an IEP, learn how parents can prepare for and be more effective during the IEP meeting and how they can track their child's progress. Discover the options available if the IEP team does not agree.

OCTOBER 20, 2025

HANDS ON OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY AND ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY

Come and explore items and get ideas from our Occupational therapists and Assistive Technology specialist. An area will also be set up for families to make and take items home to use with your children.

NOVEMBER 20, 2025

CALM BODIES, READY MINDS

Understanding Sensory Processing and the Functions of Behavior to Promote Home and Classroom Readiness. Join Bri Armijo, Lead Behavior Intervention Teacher and Amy Hecker OTR/L, Lead OT to learn different strategies to support self-regulation and sensory processing to improve your child's readiness for home life and in the classroom.



JANUARY 12, 2026

OVERVIEW AND Q&A WITH THE DIVISION OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND ENCIRCLE FAMILIES

Join us for an information session with representatives from the Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD) and Encircle Families. They will provide an introduction to the supports and services their organizations provide to children with disabilities and their families and be available for questions after the presentation.

FEBRUARY 19, 2026

IEP TRAINING WITH ENCIRCLE FAMILIES

Learn about the special education process and the Individualized Education Program (IEP). Understand who is required to attend the IEP meeting and the roles of each team member (including parents). Review the required parts of an IEP, learn how parents can prepare for and be more effective during the IEP meeting and how they can track their child's progress. Discover the options available if the IEP team does not agree.

APRIL 1, 2026

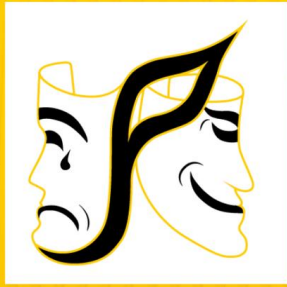
EARLY CHILDHOOD LITERACY

Parents are invited to learn more about the importance of oral language & reading in the home to set up children for school readiness. Each participant will be able to take home an early literacy bag.

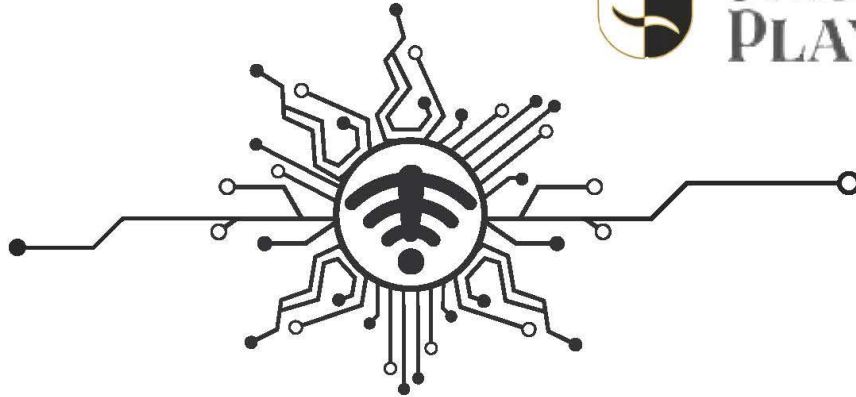
APRIL 22, 2026

ESS FAMILY RESOURCE FAIR

Kyrene del Pueblo Middle School. More information to come!



JAG PLAYERS



NOVEMBER 2025

THE DAY THE INTERNET ~~DIED~~

A COMEDY BY IAN MCWETHY & JASON PIZZARELLO

 **WHEN:** TUESDAY, AUGUST 12TH FROM 3:15PM

 **WHERE:** THEATRE ROOM (204)

 **WHAT:** PICK UP AN AUDITION PACKET ON THE JAGUAR PLAYERS BOARD OUTSIDE OF THE THEATRE ROOM (204) OR ROOM 310 IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN CREW - PLEASE PICK UP A CREW PACKET FROM THE BULLETIN BOARD

**CALLBACKS WILL BE ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 14TH
FROM 3:15-4:30 PM IN THE THEATRE ROOM (204)**



**WANT TO FIND OUT MORE INFORMATION
ABOUT THE JAGUAR PLAYERS?**

**COME TO THE INTEREST MEETING ON
TUESDAY, AUGUST 4TH FROM 3:15-3:45 IN ROOM 204**

Corona Del Sol Choir Workshop

 **CORONA DEL SOL
CHOIR WORKSHOP**



Corona del Sol Choir Workshop 2025!
September 2nd, September 9th and September 16th
4:30- 6 pm
Attention all 6th-8th graders!

Corona del Sol is excited to announce a very special workshop for all those interested in learning about and/or joining the amazing CDS choir program!

Come meet our awesome choir Director Mr. Andrew DeValk and our top choir, the Jaztecs, for this THREE week workshop on Tuesday September 2nd, Tuesday September 9th and Tuesday September 16th from 4:30-6pm in the Corona del Sol Choir room.

After your student has completed the three week workshop, your student will get to perform in the CDS Fall choir concert in our newly remodeled auditorium on Thursday September 18th at 7pm and show you all the fun they had and what they learned. More information will be given to students that sign up for the workshop.

This year's workshop fee will be \$20 and will include 2 tickets (One for your student and one for a parent/guardian) to attend the Fall concert, a CDS choir T-shirt to commemorate their time with us, music, materials and a small snack and water that will be provided each day. More information will be sent to those families that sign up closer to the start date. Please sign up no later than August 25th to reserve your spot. Looking forward to seeing you there!

Please also note this is a 2 step process.

1. Fill out this google form and submit
2. Pay the workshop fee (which is \$20.00)





Quarter 1 Sports

Picture Day for Quarter 1 Sports is on Friday, August 29 Afterschool!

Aprende Girls Volleyball Season Is Here! 🏐 🍀

Tryouts are complete, and we're excited to announce our 2025–2026 teams! Congratulations to the 14 athletes on the Varsity team and the 12 athletes on Junior Varsity. Thank you to everyone who came out and gave it your all!

The season kicks off **Monday, August 11**, and we'd love your support in the stands for both of this week's home games:



Monday, August 11 vs. KMS

JV @ 4:30 PM | Varsity @ 5:30 PM



Thursday, August 14 vs. Altadena

JV @ 4:30 PM | Varsity @ 5:30 PM

View the full game schedules:

 [Varsity Schedule](#)

 [JV Schedule](#)

Let's go, Jaguars! ❤️🏐



A group photo of the Jaguars Volleyball team. Eleven players are standing in a line on a gymnasium floor. They are wearing black jerseys with "JAGUARS Volleyball" and their numbers in yellow. The player in the center is holding a yellow and white volleyball. The background shows a brick wall with several "CHAMPIONS" banners.



JAGUARS
Volleyball

**THIS WEEK:
HOME GAMES**

MON. 8/11 vs. KMS  JV @ 4:30 / VARSITY @ 5:30 PM

THURS., 8/14 vs. ALTADENA  JV @ 4:30 / VARSITY @ 5:30 PM

COME SUPPORT YOUR JAGS!



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Wrestling

Jag wrestlers are off to a great start this year. We are working hard, supporting each other, and growing our skills. We will have our first meet this Monday at KMS. I'm excited to watch us win or lose with grace. Go JAGS!

Upcoming Wrestling Meets:

Monday, Aug. 11 @ KMS @4:30pm

Thursday, Aug. 14 @ Altadena @4:30pm

<https://apr.kyrene.org/programs/athletics/wrestling-25-26>

Schedules/ Playoff Brackets:

<https://www.kyrene.org/educational-opportunities/athletics/game-schedules>

Athletics Information can be found on our website:

<https://apr.kyrene.org/programs/athletics>

Financial Aid Information and Form for Athletic Fees:

<https://www.kyrene.org/educational-opportunities/community-education-services/forms-registrationfinancial-assistance>

If you have any questions, please contact Athletic Director, Amy Violette, aviolette@kyrene.org or Loreth Vergara lvergara@kyrene.org 480-541-6203

Office hours: Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri 7:30am-4pm Wed 7:30am-2pm

Address: 777 N. Desert Breeze Blvd., East #2, Chandler, AZ 85226



Returning to School After an Injury

To provide the safest environment during the school day, any student returning to school following a serious injury, prolonged illness or surgery must provide a signed medical release form to return to school (discharge paperwork if seen by ER/Urgent Care).

Written permission, by a licensed medical provider, must be provided for all students requiring crutches, a wheelchair, knee scooter, etc. All equipment will be provided by the parent/guardian.

Please contact the school health office for any necessary health support at 480-541-6221. More health services information can be found in the Kyrene Family Handbook, at <https://www.kyrene.org/family-student-resources/family-handbook>.



Our clubs will be starting over the next couple of weeks. They will all be listed on the website. Stay tuned as more information will be provided. Below are a few fun opportunities that will be available!

ART CLUB!



Start Date: 8/12/2025

Weekly Day + Time: *Tuesday's 3:10PM-4:10PM*

Location: *Art Room 424*

Cost: *\$10 to join for the whole year*

Contact Info:

Ms. Vayner

svayner@kyrene.org



Positive Parenting Series - August Presentation

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 – 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

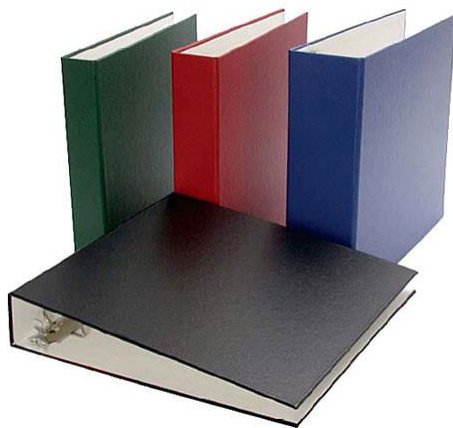
6:00-7:00pm

Location:

Online

[Registration/Zoom Link](#)

Donations are Appreciated!



We are looking for donations of **NEW or GENTLY USED 2 1/2 or 3 inch binders.** Nothing smaller please.

Also, we would appreciate donations of **Jolly Ranchers** for our PBIS system!



**Parents/students can drop
them off in the front office.**

Thank you in advance!



Kyrene School District is committed to working with families to improve student attendance and academic success. Our school will send email notices when a student misses four or more days of school, whether excused or unexcused. Additional notices are sent when a student reaches 8 and 13 absences. If a student exceeds 18 absences, a more formal letter will be sent, but it is our goal to partner with families before that happens. Kyrene has a [webpage](#) with resources to maintain good attendance habits, including our “Too Sick for school” guide to help determine when to keep children home.

Parents/guardians are asked to call the 24 hour attendance line 480.541.6201 each day that their child is absent. Please leave a message spelling the student's name, grade, date(s) of the absence and reason for absence. If a phone call is not received, or if the school has not been able to contact the parent/guardian, the student will be given an unexcused absence.

As a reminder, students who are absent from school the day of an activity MAY NOT attend the activity (i.e. classroom party; a middle school dance or sporting event; an after-school enrichment club; or Kids Club care after school).

Student Sign-Out



We understand students will need to be signed out for appointments, etc. Please try to avoid signing out your student after 2:55pm. The last 10 minutes of school tend to be hectic and we appreciate your understanding.

Also, please try to limit the amount of items being dropped off in the front office (water bottles, lunches, sweatshirts). Every time we need to call a classroom, it is disruptive to the class.

Where Ya Wanna Go Wednesdays!

Where ya wanna go Wednesdays!

**Wear your college gear
EVERY Wednesday!**

Any college! Show your spirit!



**GRAB
YOUR
HOODIE**



AVID®

Wag Wednesdays & Furry Friends Fridays!

Bring your pup to Aprende student drop-off on Wednesdays & Fridays from 7:50am to 8:15am for a little treat!

Just roll down your window and Staudohar will pop a Bubba Bite into your pup's mouth!



Tax Credit Donations



Please consider making a tax credit donation to help support some of the following at Aprende: Performing Arts, Athletics, Clubs, AVID, Field Trips, etc.

You can donate online through our [Payment Portal](#).

Click [here](#) for instructions on the payment portal.

Thank you for your continued support!



Quicklinks

- [School Website](#)
- [Breakfast/Lunch Menu](#)
- [Calendar of Events](#)

- [ParentVue and StudentVue](#)

- [PTSO Information](#)

Contact Us

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Attendance: 480-541-6201

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