



August 15, 2025

Upcoming Events

AUGUST

AUG 18: NO School & Offices Closed due to Staff Development Day

AUG 20: **Positive Parenting Presentation:** Transitioning to A New School Year:
Family Support Beyond the Classroom

AUG 21: Family Dineout at Zzeeks Pizza - 48th Street/Warner Rd (Basha's Plaza)

AUG 27: AVID Family Night (7th & 8th Grade Students) @ 5:30 PM

NO SCHOOL & OFFICES CLOSED ON MONDAY, AUGUST 18



A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRINCIPAL - Dress Code Reminder

CMS families, please take some time to talk to your students about the Kyrene School District dress code guidelines. *The guidelines can be found in the Governing Board Policy Manual online, under [Procedure 5-302.A Student Attire - Student Dress](#). The guidelines are also available in the [Kyrene Family Handbook](#).*

Any student whose attire does not meet the requirements of Board Policy may be asked to remedy the matter by putting on their own alternative clothing, if available. If the student's own clothing is not available, the school will provide inconspicuous clothing for the student to

wear for the remainder of the day. If necessary, students' parents may be called during the school day to bring alternative clothing for the student to wear.

PARENT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORMS

We need your help! Every school-year we have important KSD forms that are required to be reviewed and acknowledged at the beginning of the school year. **If you have not already done** so, please go to [ParentVUE](#) to review and acknowledge all beginning of the year forms (Family Handbook Acknowledgement, Technology Agreement, etc.) before August 29. If you have any questions, please call and ask. We are here to help.

IMPORTANT: SIGN UP FOR TEXT MESSAGES

In the event of an emergency, text messages are the fastest and most effective way to communicate information to families. You must opt in to receive text communications! Text "Y" or "yes" to 67587 to begin receiving text messages from our school and Kyrene School District.

VERIFY EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION IN PARENT VUE ASAP

Thank you for taking a few moments to review and update, if necessary, your child's emergency and contact information. While this form has been available over the last few weeks, we are re-launching access to this form beginning August 29 through [ParentVUE](#) at login. All next week, families will be required to review the form before accessing additional information in ParentVUE. Please know that for any family who interacted with this form this year, this request may be a duplicate activity. We apologize for any inconvenience and appreciate your support with this launch. With this release, the system has been set to streamline the form selection process so that families are directed to only this form when responding to the link.

SELECT REGISTRATION TO BEGIN

Please select the online packet you would like to begin

2023-2024 School Year

 Community Preschool Registration	 Current Student Change School Request (KG-8th)	 Health Emergency & Address Information Update	 Integrated Preschool Registration
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Join the Centennial Middle School Site Council!

Centennial is looking for and **8th grade parent** to join our **Site Council** for the 2025-2026 school year. This important group supports school improvement efforts and provides valuable input on a variety of topics.

The purpose of the Site Council is to:

- Serve in an advisory role to school administrative staff
- Represent and gather input from parents, community, and staff
- Review data
- Make recommendations for school improvement
- Provide leadership and representation in school decision-making
- Approve tax credit expenditures

The group will meet **quarterly**, and your voice and perspective can help guide our school's success.

If you're interested in joining or have questions, please contact **Elizabeth Reynoso** at ereyno@kyrene.org. We'd love to have you be part of the team!



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](#)

REPORTING YOUR STUDENT ABSENCE

Centennial Middle School is equipped with a computerized telephone attendance reporting system. The absence reporting phone number is 480-541-6401 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.

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

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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!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT SCHOOL MEALS

Apply today for Free or Reduced Meals

Dear Kyrene Families,

Kyrene School District is excited and preparing for the 2025-2026 school year. The application portal for free and reduced breakfast and lunch is now available. The online portal is the most convenient method for applying. As a reminder, a new meal application is required every year to determine eligibility for the current school year. This message provides some key dates and important information pertaining to our Food Service program for the upcoming school year.

Key Dates:

- **July 1**- Online Application portal opens! [Apply](#) for free or reduced breakfast and lunch for the 2025- 2026 school
- **July 23**- First day of school
- **September 4**- Eligibility from **2024-2025** school year **EXPIRES!** Please [submit a new application](#) for the new school

Exciting News!

- Students who qualify for reduced-price meal eligibility by submitting a meal will receive free meals, as the State of Arizona is covering all reduced-price meals costs under a recently passed bill!
- **Meal prices will remain the same for the fifth year in a row!** Please click [meal prices](#) on our website for additional information.

Important take-aways and links:

A new meal application is required every year to determine eligibility for the current school

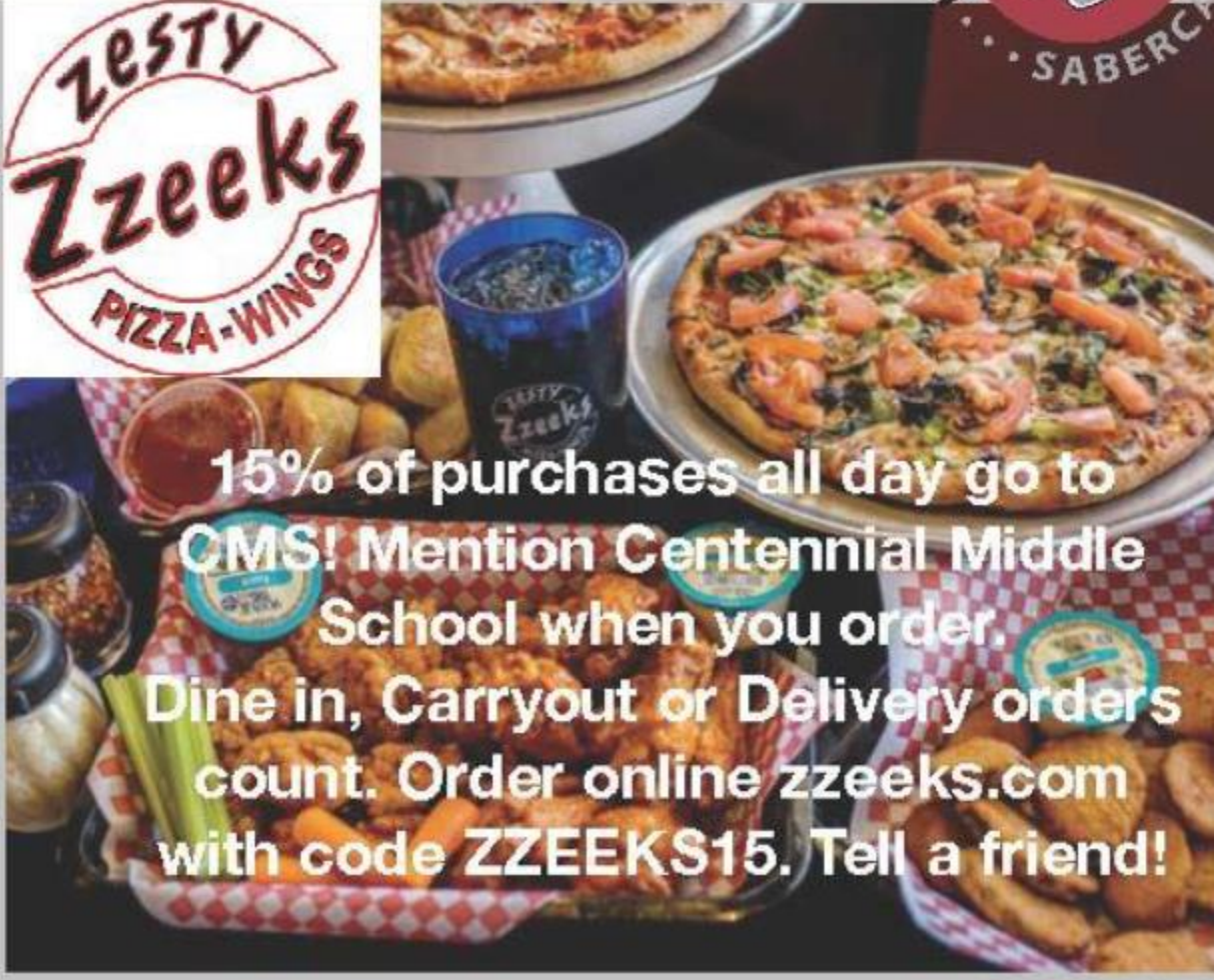
- To submit your 2025-2026 household meal application, please click [here](#).
- Meal Account payments may be made online by visiting [InTouch Make A School Lunch Payment](#).
- Lunch balances may be viewed by visiting [LINQ Connect](#).

Thank you for being part of the Kyrene community!



PTO NEW EMAIL ADDRESS: KCMSPTOCONNECT@GMAIL.COM

FAMILY DINNER NIGHT



15% of purchases all day go to CMS! Mention Centennial Middle School when you order. Dine in, Carryout or Delivery orders count. Order online zzeeks.com with code ZZEEKS15. Tell a friend!

Celebrate this MONTH'S successes with a meal from ZZeek's Pizza and Wings and don't forget the ZZepoles! Join us at Zzeeks Pizza on **Thursday, August 21, 2025 from 11:00 am to 10:30 PM** and support CMS. See you there!

Quick Links

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School Hours: 8:20 am – 3:05 pm
Every Wednesday at 1:05 p.m.

Office Hours: 7:30 am – 4:00 pm
Every Wednesday at 2:00 pm