



July 11, 2025



Message from the Principal

Dear Families,

Welcome to Kyrene de la Mariposa Computer Science Academy! We are the only designated Kyrene school with a significant emphasis on the immersion of technology in learning in the Kyrene School District. We are proud to be an “A+ Excellence in Education Award School” as designated by the Arizona Educational Foundation! Mariposa achieved this designation in

2004, 2009, 2015, 2019 and in 2024. We are one of ten schools in the state that has received the A+ designation five or more consecutive times with each designation awarded for four years. We are very proud of this unique accomplishment!

Our mission is to educate and foster the development of the whole child in a safe environment by collaborating with families, staff, and the community. We strive to meet individual needs while instilling a love of learning in every student to ensure continuous academic achievement.

We are excited to return to school! Please take time to read through the information contained in this newsletter, as it has important resources to support you and your family as we begin the 2025-26 school year. It is especially important to review Mariposa's dismissal procedures, to ensure the safety of our students, staff, and families. You will be able to access your child's placement for this school year in ParentVue on Monday, July 21st.

We are very proud of the many events that our families can participate in during the school year and look forward to seeing you at our first event which is Meet the Teacher on Monday, July 21st from 5:00 – 6:30. Mariposa is a great place for children and adults alike! We are committed to providing a caring environment for your child and providing an experience for them that will last a lifetime.

Thank you for deciding to join or return to our outstanding community! Our primary goal is to always put your children at the heart and center of our decision-making and to make this goal our practice in all that we do.

Welcome! We are looking forward to a great year of learning!

Sincerely,

Spencer Fallgatter, Principal

Meet the Teacher Night

Our Meet the Teacher Night is Monday, July 22nd from 5-6:30pm! We invite ALL families to attend! Please enter through the Multi-Purpose Room (MPR)/Cafeteria. Doors will open at 4:45pm. Your student's teacher assignment will be provided when you arrive if you do not have access to it in your ParentVUE account. If you have your student's school supplies with you, please bring them to help alleviate some stress on the first day!



MEET THE TEACHER

Monday, July 21

1-4 p.m.	Middle Schools & 6-8 grade students from Kyrene Traditional Academy
5-6:30 p.m.	Elementary Schools & K-5 students from Kyrene Traditional Academy, and all grades at Kyrene de las Manitas

Attendance Matters!

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.

First Day of School Guide

Team Kyrene has compiled our best tips, tricks and conversation starters for both students and parents. This guide is filled with school calendars, bell schedules and other important details you may need throughout the year. You can find it all in our annual [First Day Guide!](#)

School and District Communication

PLEASE READ

If you are not set up to receive text messages from us, you are missing out on extremely valuable information!

Please opt in today! It takes seconds! Thank you! Text “Y” or “yes” to 67587 to begin receiving text messages from our school and Kyrene School District.



Bus Stops, Routes & Reminders



Kyrene is proud to provide transportation for students in an environment that is safe, courteous, and on time. Be sure to review the [Bus Rules](#) and expectations as well as our video reviewing seat belt usage during the bus ride.

Bus Stop Reminder!

Safe transportation is a priority in Kyrene, especially for our youngest bus riders, who may still be getting used to riding a bus. Kindergarten and first grade students must have a parent/guardian present at the bus stop at the end of the day. If a parent/guardian is not present, students will be returned to school. Exceptions will be granted if families specifically request that a student be dropped off unattended or with a sibling. Again, this applies only to kindergarten and first grade bus riders

Better Bus Tracking!

Kyrene School District has a new and improved app for tracking your child’s bus route this school year. **Stopfinder** is an easy-to-use, all-in-one app that provides accurate information about bus routes and locations. You’ll be able to track your child’s bus, set up alerts for bus arrivals and departures, and communicate directly with the Kyrene Transportation team—all through the Stopfinder app. Kyrene will be sending additional information to all eligible bus riders.

Note: Even if your child has ridden the bus in the past, please check the online [transportation portal](#) to verify eligibility and bus stop locations! Bus routes will be posted by July 9.

Contact Us

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School Hours: 7:30 am - 2:15 pm

Early Release Wed: 12:15 pm

Office Hours: 7:00 am - 3:30 pm

Wednesday: 7:00 am - 1:30 pm



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