



CHALLENGER NEWS

September 19, 2025

Upcoming Mariposa Events

SEPTEMBER

- 20 PTO Park Meet 8:00am -10:00am (open house) at Mary & Moses Green Park
- 22 Chip's Night Out - ALL DAY! at Juice It Up!
- 24 **EARLY RELEASE, 12:15pm**
- 27 PTO Park Meet 8:00am -10:00am (open house) at Mary & Moses Green Park
- 29 - Oct 10 Fall Break - Schools Closed

OCTOBER

- 13 Teacher Workday - Schools Closed
- 14 School Resumes

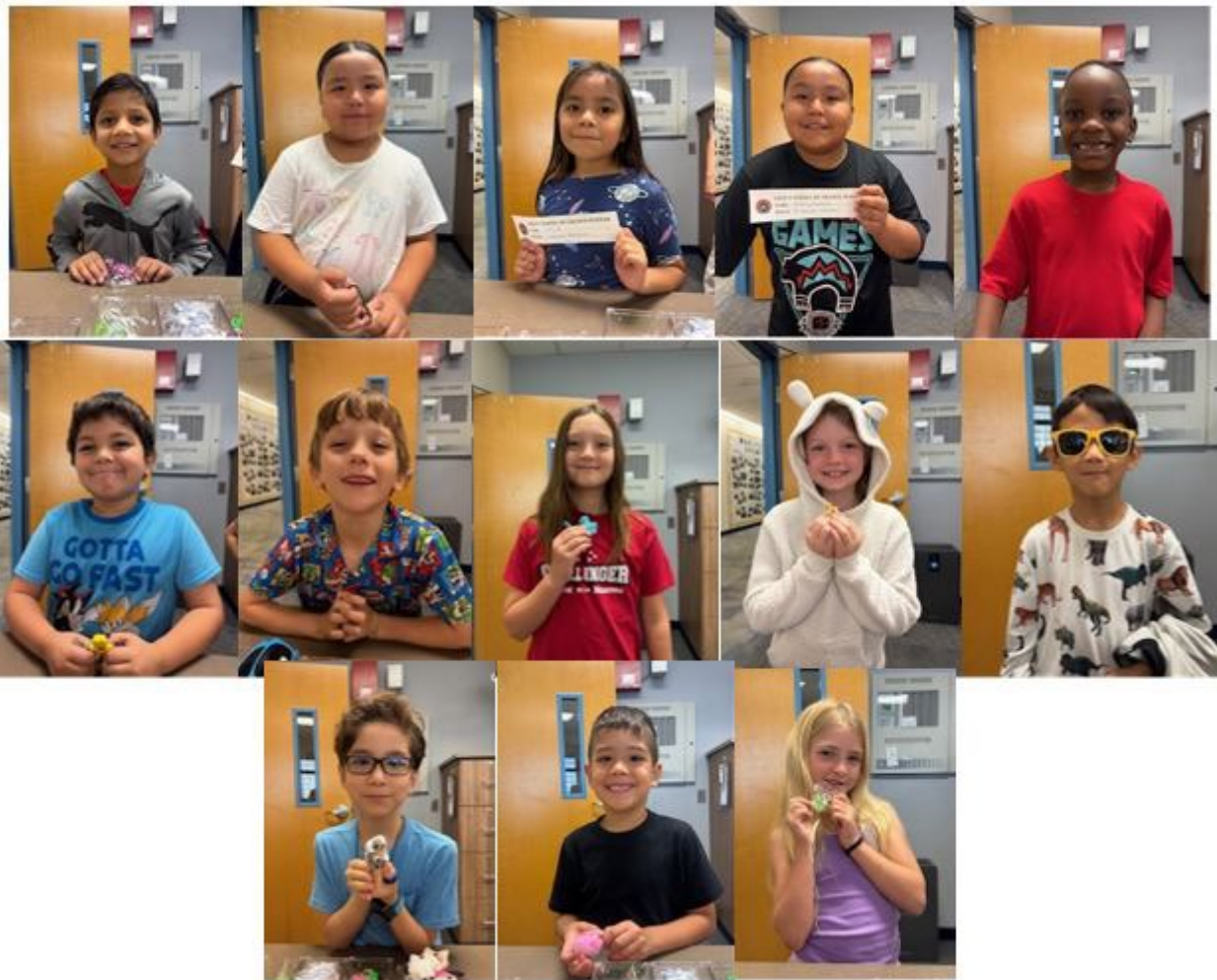
Reminder: Every Wednesday is Early Release at 12:15pm

See PTO Information below for upcoming events and volunteer opportunities.

Chip's Cheers Winners!

Students who have received Chip's Cheers were recognized by teachers or staff as a leader on campus by following Chip's Way: Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Safe. Congratulations!

K	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4th	5th
Elijah	Felton	Adilynn	Lino	Kassidy	Breana
Noah	Shrihaan	Kehlani	Autumn	Zelda	
	Capoli	Brayden	Zoey	Sathvik	



Chip Chip Hooray!!

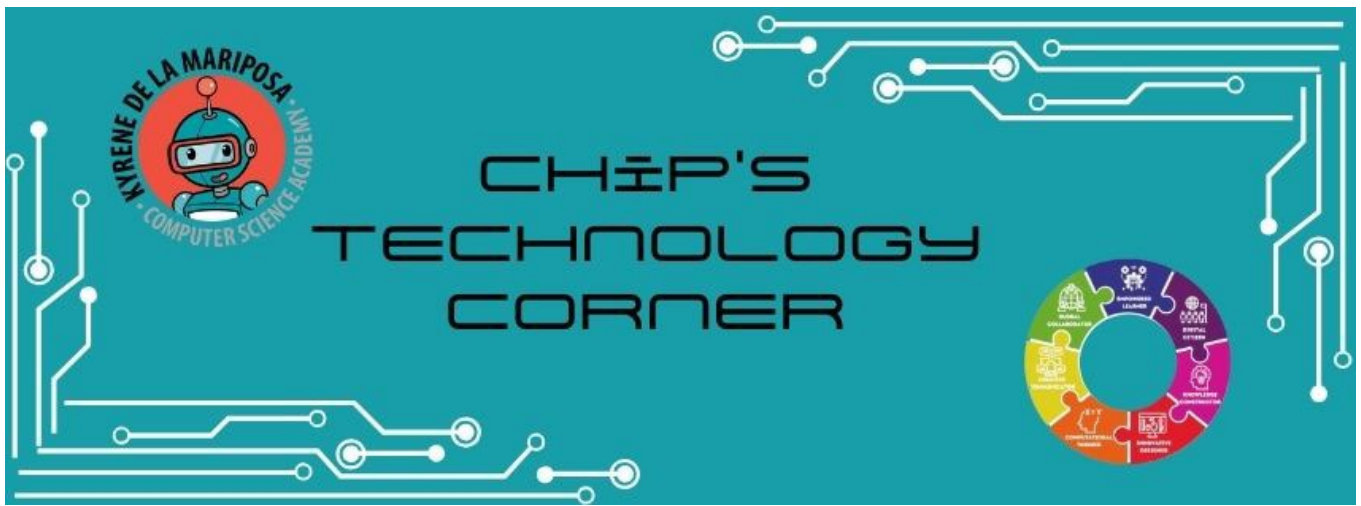
Chip's Cheers Winners from last week celebrated their winning "Chip's Wheel of Chance" spins! Salem, from Ms. Adrian's kindergarten, enjoyed lunch with Principal Fallgatter and Blake, from Ms. Harshfield's 2nd grade class, helped Ms. Bernice raise the flag. Keep up the good work Challengers!



Third Grade - Go Fish! The Musical

On Thursday evening, our third graders put on a fun and colorful musical performance, directed by one of our talented music teachers, Mrs. Marshall. Go Fish! The Musical is a musical about the adventures of many underwater creatures and friendships. Bravo to a wonderful performance third grader! Thank you, Mrs. Marshall!





Did you know that Kyrene de la Mariposa's Computer Science Academy is grounded in the ISTE Standards? (International Society for Technology in Education)

The ISTE Standards for Students are a set of guidelines that help students develop the skills and knowledge they need to be successful in a digital world. The stars are designed to help students become active learners and responsible digital citizens.

- **Empowered Learner:** Students use technology to choose and demonstrate their learning goals.
- **Digital Citizen:** Students understand their rights and responsibilities online, and act in a safe, legal, and ethical manner.
- **Knowledge Constructor:** Students use digital tools to curate resources, create artifacts, and make learning experiences.
- **Innovative Designer:** Students use technology to identify and solve problems by creating new solutions.
- **Computational Thinker:** Students use technological methods to understand and solve problems.
- **Creative Communicator:** Students use digital media to express themselves clearly and creatively.
- **Global Collaborator:** Students use digital tools to work effectively in teams.

The ISTE standards can help guide educators as they create authentic learning experiences for their students. Educators can collect feedback from students on their work and use that feedback to improve lessons and projects.



Mariposa School Store

The Mariposa School Store needs your help! We've had a few volunteer spots open and would be thankful for any help to get these filled. We reward our students twice a month with a school store where they can exchange their Chip's Cheers coupons for prizes. It's a lot of fun, and we can't do it without our awesome parent volunteers!

You can find the sign up [HERE](#) for the available spots.

We LOVE our parent volunteers!

School Meal Payments

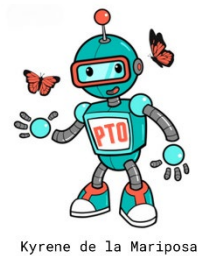


Starting September 15, Kyrene families will have a new way to manage student meal accounts. In addition to InTouch Receipting and cash/check payments, families may now use **LINQ Connect**—a website and mobile app that allows instant deposits, spending limits, alerts, sibling transfers, and more.

Learn more at the [Food Services webpage](#).



A Message from Your Mariposa PTO



Hi Mariposa families,

We are hard at work supporting our amazing teachers and staff. Thank you to the many volunteers who have stepped up to help our Mariposa Together efforts! Please reach out to us at kyrenemariposapto@gmail.com if you'd like to join us.

Stay up-to-date by following Mariposa PTO on [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#).

Your Mariposa PTO Board

Co-Presidents: Jennifer Olonan and Kelsey Wolf-Donnay

Secretary: Jennifer Pratt

Treasurer: Sarah Alexander

In-School Support: Jeni Fuhrmann

Fundraising: Suzanne Percy

Mariposa PTO Family Directory

[View the Family Directory](#)

Please reach out to us at kyrenemariposapto@gmail.com or send us a message on [Instagram](#) if you have any questions or would like to volunteer.



Connect with the PTO:

[Mariposa PTO Facebook](#)

[Mariposa Instagram](#)

[Mariposa PTO Website](#)

PTO Calendar



We've made it easy for you to stay in sync with our events. **Subscribe to the PTO calendar** and MAGIC... it appears alongside your personal calendar.

Android Calendar: [Android PTO Calendar](#)

iPhone: [iPhone PTO Calendar](#)

Mark your calendars for our next events:

September:

- Saturday, Sept. 20 - 8 to 10 AM (open house) - Park Meet-up - Mary & Moses Green Park [Let us know you are joining us.](#)
- Monday, Sept. 22 - ALL DAY - Juice It Up! Chip's Day Out. Consider asking your students' teachers and staff what they would like to order a smoothie for them on Monday. Located on the NWC of Ray & Rural: [Juice It Up! Tempe](#)
- Saturday, Sept. 27 - 8 to 10 AM (open house) - Park Meet-up - Mary & Moses Green Park [Let us know you are joining us.](#)

October:

- Fall Scholastic Book Fair - Week of October 20 Volunteers Needed: [Sign Up Here](#)
- Trunk or Treat - Friday, October 24 from 5 to 7 p.m. Stay tuned for more details! [Trunk or Treat Sign Ups, Volunteers and Donations](#)

School and District Communication



Library Materials Review

Kyrene has updated how we share new library book purchases with families. In lieu of a once-a-year 60-day review window, the district and school websites will have lists of new library purchases. The list will be updated up to 3 times a year in order to capture all new titles purchased and available to students for check-out. Families may request that a student be opted out of specific titles, and those who want a broader review can use the district's existing reconsideration process. Details

on this process can be viewed on the [Media Center Public Review Webpage](#). Questions can be directed to the [Academic Equity and Excellence Department](#).

KYRENE 2025-26
SCHOOL YEAR
PARENT TRAININGS



ESS Parent Trainings

Plan to attend the following ESS parent training

HANDS ON OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY AND ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY

OCTOBER 20, 2025

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.

October 20, 2025 | 6-7:30 pm

Kyrene District Office

Scan the QR code to register or go to:
<https://forms.gle/Qgzi7eFVNN3eEbYX8>

Contact Amy Dill, adill@kyrene.org
for more information.



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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.



Speak Up Kyrene



Kyrene School District is proud to announce that later this month, we will officially launch Speak Up Kyrene, an anonymous reporting system available 24/7/365. This tool is a partnership with Sandy Hook Promise and Navigate360 and will provide licensed crisis counselors and a safe way for students, families, and community members to share concerns such as bullying or threats. Be on the lookout for an email from the district with more information once the system goes live.

Student Assessment Reports

Beginning of the year district assessment reports have been posted to ParentVUE. Families are able to access the results through ParentVue in the documents section. Need help accessing the reports? See the information below for directions with screenshots. Need help understanding the reports how to support your child? See the family guide for each assessment or reach out to your child’s teacher.

Assessment Results in ParentVUE

Navigate to the ParentVUE website (www.kyrene.org/pvue)

ParentVUE Login

Forgot Password

Activate Account

View Assessment
Results

1. Enter your Username and password and click the **Login** button.
2. If you are unsure what your username or password is, click the **Forgot Password** link. The username associated with your ParentVUE account will be emailed to you along with a link to reset your password.
3. If you do not have a ParentVUE account, contact your child's school to issue you an Activation Key with directions on how to create an account.

4. Once logged in to ParentVUE, click on the **Documents** tab on the left-hand side.

5. Click on the blue hyperlink in the "Document" column to open each report.

DOCUMENTS		
Documents		
Upload Date	Document	Document Category
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06/15/2021	AzMERIT Spring 2021 Math	Assessment Results
06/15/2021	AzMERIT Spring 2021 ELA	Assessment Results
01/29/2021	2020-2021 2nd Quarter Grading Report	Report Cards
10/27/2020	2020-21 1st Quarter Grading Report	Report Cards
05/28/2020	2019-20 4th Quarter Grading Report	Report Cards
03/21/2020	2019-20 3rd Quarter Grading Report	Report Cards
07/29/2019	AzMERIT Spring 2019 ELA	Assessment Results
07/29/2019	AzMERIT Spring 2019 Math	Assessment Results

Understanding Your Student's i-Ready Diagnostic Results

For Families

What is the Diagnostic?

The Diagnostic is an adaptive assessment that adjusts its questions for each student. As a student answers correctly, the questions get more difficult. As a student answers incorrectly, the questions get easier. This adaptability allows the Diagnostic to identify the strengths and opportunities for growth of each student.

Why is my student taking it?

The purpose of the Diagnostic is not to give your student a grade, but instead to determine how best to support their learning. It will help your student's teacher(s) determine their needs, personalize their learning, and monitor progress throughout the year.

How should I interpret my student's results?

How is my student doing overall?

The goal is for your student to be performing at or above grade level, which means they have mastered the skills students at that grade level are expected to master and are prepared to learn more advanced skills.

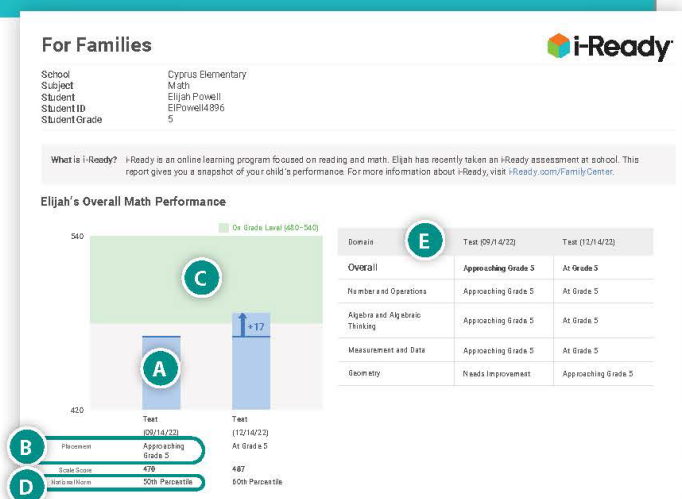
On the For Families report, the **A** blue bar(s) on the graph and the corresponding **B** placement level(s) indicate how your student performed on each test in relation to their grade level, which is indicated by the **C** green shading. The **D** National Norm percentile below the graph indicates how your student performed in relation to students in the same grade level nationwide.

How is my student doing in specific learning areas?

Students have different areas of strengths and opportunities for growth. It is important to understand how your student did in more specific learning areas, which are called [domains](#). The **E** domain table shows how your student did in specific domains and helps teachers know where to build on strengths and focus their support.

How is my student progressing over time?

The goal is also for your student to be making progress in their learning. After your student has taken more than one Diagnostic in the school year, you will see results for each Diagnostic, allowing you to see the progress your student is making both overall and in each domain.



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.

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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