



September 26, 2025

Message from the Principal

Hello KTA Tiger Families and Friends:

We made it to FALL BREAK! It really it hard to believe that we are a quarter of the way through the school year already....how did that happen? The weather feels like it is starting to cooperate, finally!!!

There are so many great things to be proud of this week at KTA! Here is your weekly snapshot!

- **We held our second ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL LUNCH** and what a fun time we had! Such great students, being recognized for their hard work in academic areas, as wonderful role models for others, for being kind and helpful to their friends and classmates and for showing what the 4Bs mean, every day at KTA! Way to go TIGERS!!!
- **We had a fun PTO \$1.00 Dress Day!** Kids wore everything from fancy outfits and party dresses to concert t-shirts to college gear and more. It is always fun day when students get to show their personalities a little bit with their clothing. Just a reminder to all that all clothing needs to be school appropriate, so nothing scary or offensive as graphics. Thanks for your support with that!
- **Our KTA Site Council met for the first time this school year.** This is a great group of teachers, staff, parents and community members. We discuss needs of the school and one of the main responsibilities is to make decisions on how our school will be spending **TAX CREDIT DONATIONS!** This year, as in past years, **TAX CREDIT DONATIONS** will be going to things like: school store incentives and prizes, field trips, special assemblies and author visits, after school clubs such as SLUG garden, recess equipment like balls and basketball nets, STEM Lab supplies and consumable items for student use, field trips, special school beautification projects....and so

much more. YOU CAN MAKE a **TAX CREDIT DONATION** at any time in the school year. You get a **DOLLAR FOR DOLLAR** credit on your Arizona taxes up to \$250 or \$400 depending on how you file. It is a true **WIN WIN** for you and our school Please consider this as you begin to assemble your tax materials because this can really help YOU and KTA!!!!

- Our KTA Tiger Band performed with Director Ms. Lauren Scott at the Corona del Sol Auditorium with the other Middle Schools in Kyrene. What a fantastic night and a fantastic event!!!
- KTA students who participate in the Aprende Wrestling Team under the coaching of Mr. Mark Collins had a great showing at the Regional Meet this week. Students showed amazing skills and sportsmanship!!
- Middle Schoolers had their School Store today! This is such a great recognition of students who have earned **TIGER 4B TICKETS**. They can trade them in to ‘buy’ snack items, fun trinkets, books, stickers and other cool things that middle schoolers like! **Students earn these tickets for hard work, getting their work done and in on time, and for showing citizenship skills as in our 4Bs: Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be Kind and Be Responsible.**

As a school we practiced a ‘Shelter in Place’ lockdown drill this week. This is an important step in the safety of our campus and all students and staff performed well. We will continue to practice different types of drills over the next several months, covering different types of possible situations. Please know that we take the safety of your children extremely seriously.

The discussions on [school closings](#) continue...with the Governing Board and with our District Leadership Team. Know that our KTA PTO is representing our community with conviction and grace and ensuring that the individuals in the decision-making seats have all the information they need to understand what makes KTA an amazing school. We encourage parents and community members to use your voice to add your opinion and input to the process. [CLICK HERE](#) to do that. Or you can [click here to email](#) Governing Board and Kyrene Leadership Team.

NEXT WEEK STARTS FALL BREAK!!! We are off September 29-October 10. We wish you a very healthy and happy break from school and hope that you get rest and relaxation. We also have a Teacher Work Day on Monday October 13, so all students return on Tuesday October 14. **PLEASE** mark your calendars and plan accordingly!!!

Thank you for your continued support!

Thank you!!

Marianne L. Lescher, Ph.D.

Fall Break - NO SCHOOL
September 29 - October 3
October 6 - October 10
October 13



School Resumes October 14



STUDENT ASSESSMENTS

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 [attachment for directions](#) with screenshots. Need help understanding the reports or how to support your child? See the family guide for each assessment or reach out to your child's teacher.



Sweatshirt Orders: On-Line Only
Deadline: NEW SITE - Order by
September 30 at midnight

https://stores.inksoft.com/ksdaz_ksa

This is the only order for the year.

- o Crewneck Sweatshirts
- o Hoodies
- o Beanie Hats
- o Polos

NOTE: Please be sure to read the descriptions. If they are Youth sizes,

the description will say 'YOUTH'. If it doesn't say 'YOUTH' then it is adult.



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 vibrant illustration of a craft fair. In the foreground, there are several vendor stalls with colorful awnings (yellow, red, and green). People are seen interacting at the stalls. In the background, there are colorful triangular bunting flags and a city skyline under a blue sky with white clouds.

Call For Vendors

November 22nd
10:00 to 2:00PM
Kyrene Traditional Academy MPR

Are you looking to showcase your product or services to a vibrant and engaged audience

CONTACT US ☎ 602-999-7300 ✉ ktaptotigers@gmail.com

KTA PTO is in the planning stages for a Craft Fair on Saturday, November 22. We are looking for vendors to participate. Please contact the PTO if you are interested. Cost is \$20 per 8' table.

They can be reached at:

602-999-7300

or

by email at: ktaptotigers@gmail.com

Please share with any friends or family who might be interested.

KYRENE INTRAMURALS RUNNING CLUB

TO REGISTER: [CLICK HERE](#)

KTA is now registering for our after school Running Club. The club will be lead by our very own Mr. Smith.

KTA Grades K - 2: \$85

Mon from 2:20 p.m. - 3:20 p.m.

November 3 - December 8

KTA Grades 3 - 5 : \$100

Tues & Thurs from 2:20 p.m. - 3:20 p.m.

October 28 - December 11

Final championship will be December 13th.



Long Range Planning

Kyrene Governing Board Meetings

October 14 @ 6 p.m.

October 28 @ 6 p.m.

Community Engagement Meetings

@ 6 p.m. unless otherwise

October 16: Kyrene Middle School - MPR

October 21: Akimel-A-al - MPR

October 29: Centennial - MPR

November 5: Pueblo - MPR

November 12: Altadena - MPR

November 18: District Office @ 5 p.m.

November 19: Aprende - MPR



NEW INFORMATION ABOUT LIBRARY BOOKS

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](#).

Middle School Only (Grades 6 - 8)

Free Dress Day

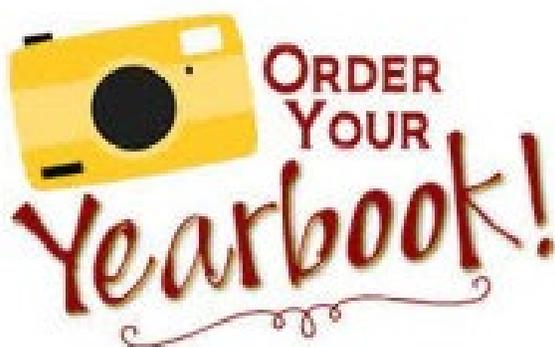
October 23, 2025

Donate \$1 to participate in a Free Dress Day.



Proceeds of Middle School Free Dress Days benefit the dance at the end of the school year.

Clothing must still be school appropriate!!!



YEARBOOKS NOW AVAILABLE FOR
PREORDER!!!!

<https://yearbookordercenter.com/job/26599>

\$25

Orders are being processed directly through the yearbook company this year. Please use the above link or QR code.

Orders accepted through March 27? No preorders will be accepted after this date. A small qty of extra yearbooks will be ordered and will be sold on a first come/first served basis.

Yearbooks don't come in until the last weeks of school, but don't miss out....Order your yearbook in advance!!

[View Full Calendar](#)

Upcoming Events

September

September 29 - 30

Fall Break - No School

OCTOBER

October 1 - 10	Fall Break - No School
October 13	No School - Teacher Plan Day
October 14	Students Return
October 16	Community Engagement Meeting @ 6 PM Kyrene Middle School
October 21	Picture Retakes
October 21	In & Out Fundraiser 4 p.m. - 8 p.m.
October 21	Community Engagement Meeting @ 6 PM Akimel A-al
October 23	Middle School \$1 Free Dress
October 29	Community Engagement Meeting @ 6 PM Centennial Middle School
October 31	Spirit Day: Halloween Theme (no costumes)

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



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.

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



ESS Parent Trainings

**Kyrene School District offers ESS parent trainings.
All trainings will be held at the District Office from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.**

October 20, 2025	Hands on Occupational Therapy and Assistive Technology
November 20, 2025	Calm Bodies, Ready Minds
January 12, 2026	Overview and Q & A with the Division of Developmental Disabilities and Encircle Families
February 19, 2026	IEP Training with Encircle Families
April 1, 2026	Early Childhood Literacy

And
April 22, 2026 ESS Family Resource Fair
Kyrene del Pueblo Middle School.
More Information to come!

[CLICK HERE FOR A MORE DETAILED FLYER!](#)

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Wednesday 7:25 am - 12:15 pm

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

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