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Kyrene Long-Range Planning Update

October 15, 2025

Dear Kyrene Community,

I want to provide you with a few brief updates on long-range planning efforts in Kyrene. As a reminder, tomorrow is the first of six regional hearings on proposed school closures and boundary changes. <u>View Proposed Boundaries</u>.

October 16, 2025, 6:00 p.m.

Kyrene Middle School

1050 E. Carver Road

Tempe, AZ 85284

Meeting Agenda 10.16.25

The purpose of the public hearings is for the Kyrene Governing Board to receive community feedback before making a decision. Speakers will be allowed two minutes each. The board will not respond to comments, discuss, vote, or take any action during the hearings. Written comments may also be submitted electronically. Electronic comments will not be read aloud, but they will be recorded and filed as part of the official record. Electronic comments must be submitted by Noon the day of each hearing.

Public Comment Submission Form

Hearings will also be streamed live and a recording posted online within 48 hours.

Transportation and Bell Schedules

At the Kyrene Governing Board study session on Tuesday, October 14, the board discussed current transportation challenges and strategies. As part of that discussion, it was shared that there will be no changes to school start/end times until after the board takes action on potential changes. Any updates would be shared with the public in January, at the earliest. We know families are eager to know school start/end times, and we thank you for your patience with this process. There are several updates to transportation questions in our online FAQs today.

Enrollment Timeline

Transportation is just one piece of information parents need in order to make enrollment decisions for the 2026-27 school year. To ensure there is time to provide families with all of the information needed to make decisions, registration for 2026-27 will be moved from January to February this year. This includes preschool and Kids Club enrollment. An exact date will be shared after the board takes action on potential school closures and boundary changes.

As always, I encourage you to remain engaged and thank you for your support as we continue to walk this road together, united in our goal to ensure Kyrene remains the very best school district in Arizona.

Sincerely, Laura Toenjes Superintendent



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