



October 17, 2025

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 20: Picture Retakes

October 22: PTSO Chipotle Fundraiser

October 22: Band Concert @ 6:30pm

October 24: Jeremiah's

****EVERY WEDNESDAY IS EARLY RELEASE @ 1:05pm****

[View Full Calendar](#)

New Policy - PLEASE READ!

Parents, we have a lot of families dropping off forgotten items in the office, which results in a great amount of phone call interruptions into classrooms, which we want to avoid. From now on, unless it's an emergency, we will not be calling into classrooms for students to pick up forgotten items. If it's a forgotten lunch, we will call students at the start of their lunch to come get the lunch from the office. If it is other items, we will e-mail teachers to have students come

pick up the item in between classes. Thank you for your understanding in helping us to limit classroom interruptions.

What's on the Ballot for Kyrene?

This November, Kyrene voters will decide whether to continue the Maintenance & Operations (M&O) Override. This critical source of funding is directed to classrooms and helps sustain core parts of the Kyrene experience. Override funds support 200 teaching positions (one in five Kyrene educators), maintain smaller class sizes, preserve electives such as art, music, and P.E., and provide essential student services, including speech, hearing, and physical/occupational therapies. Learn more at kyrene.org/election.

What's on the ballot?

M&O OVERRIDE CONT.

Ballots must
be mailed by
Oct. 28 or
dropped in a
drop box by
Nov. 4.



SMALLER CLASSES

Funds 200 teaching positions, or **1 in 5** Kyrene teachers.

CRITICAL SERVICES

Supports services like hearing, OT/PT therapies, speech and more.

ROBUST ELECTIVES

Maintains specials like art, music, culinary, STEM, P.E. and more.

EDUCATOR SALARIES

Maintains competitive pay to attract and retain high-quality educators.

LEARN MORE @ [KYRENE.ORG/ELECTION](https://kyrene.org/election)

School Pics

PICTURE RETAKES 10/20!!!

[Picture Retake Order Form](#)

****Please email lvergara@kyrene.org if your student will do retakes****

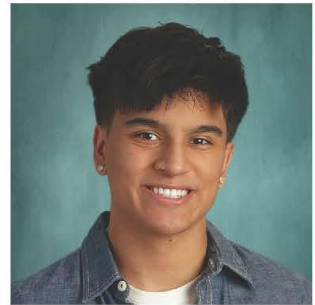


Picture Retake Day is Coming!

¡Ya llega el Día de las nuevas tomas fotográficas!

Monday, October 20, 2025

Kyrene Aprende Middle School Retake Day!



How it Works:



Students are photographed on Picture Retake Day. Bring original package if available!



You can still order on mylifetouch.com. Create an account or login with your Picture Day ID:
EVT3438C4



Orders will be sent home with your student after Picture Retake Day.

*Cómo funciona: Los estudiantes son fotografiados el Día de las Nuevas Tomas Fotográficas. Trae paquete original ¡si está disponible!
Aún puedes encargar en mylifetouch.com. Crea una cuenta o inicia sesión con tu identificación del Día de la Foto.
Los pedidos serán enviados a tu casa con tu estudiante después del Día de las Nuevas Tomas Fotográficas.*

Questions? Contact our Help Center at lifetouch.com/support-us. Select K-12 School Photography for assistance.
¿Preguntas? Comunícate con nuestro Centro de Ayuda en lifetouch.com/support-us. Selecciona Fotografía Escolar K-12 para recibir asistencia.

Don't Forget to Order This Year's School Pictures

ENJOY 10% OFF your order!

CODE: F2510OFF

EXPIRES: July 31, 2026

[Redeem Now](#)

Don't forget to order your FREE Digital SmileSafe card!

More about the Smilesafe program [here](#).

AVID Shirts

Aprende **SALE** 2025-26 AVID T-Shirt!

Order by Friday, Oct. 24, 2025!



Adult Sizes XS - XL

Short Sleeve:

XS-XL: \$20 2XL: \$23 3XL: \$25 4XL: \$27

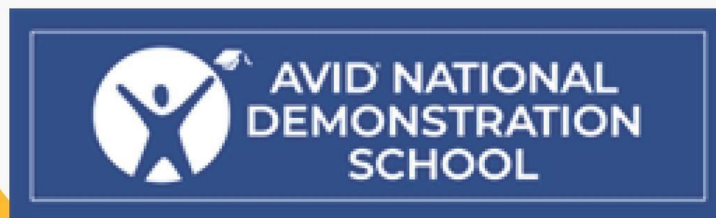
Long Sleeve:

XS-XL: \$25 2XL: \$28 3XL: \$30 4XL: \$32

CHILDREN SIZES NOT AVAILABLE



<https://az-kyrene.intouchrecepting.com>



Pop Top Challenge - AVID



Ronald McDonald House Charities® of Central and Northern Arizona

Aprende is participating in the Ronald McDonald House POP TAB Challenge!



It's all about the TABS!

Unfortunately, we cannot accept can tops, including those from tennis ball cans. For our purposes, only pop can TABS are recyclable. They contain the most pure aluminum, thus are more valuable.

Aprende is in competition with other area schools around greater Phoenix!

Help Aprende WIN by bringing POP TABS to to your advisory teacher!

AVID Club:

AVID Club will be sorting through POP Tabs and transporting them to the designated drop offs.

Bring Pop Tops to your advisory teachers for collection.



Jaguar Singers

Aprende's Got Talent

We are looking for students to be a part of an all new performing ensemble at Aprende! Do you have a talent for singing? Are you interested in being a part of an advanced singing ensemble at Aprende? Then **Jaguar Singers** is for YOU! Jaguar Singers is an auditioned choir that will meet on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 7:15-8:00am. Auditions are open to all 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students. Auditions will take place after school on Monday, October 20, 2025 and Thursday, October 23, 2025 in the choir room. Students can sign up for an audition time outside of the choir room (110). For questions, please email Ms. Figueroa (lfigueroa@kyrene.org). Don't miss this opportunity to be a part of an amazing group that will showcase Aprende's singing talent!



Jaguar Singers

Jaguar Singers is an advanced singing ensemble offered to all 6th-8th grade students. Jaguar Singers will sing a variety of music styles and will perform in a quarterly choir concert with the choir elective classes. In addition, Jaguar Singers will have special performance opportunities throughout the year. Jaguar Singers is an auditioned choir. Students must show proficiency in singing and matching pitch. Students who are selected to be in this choir must also maintain eligibility through satisfactory academics, attendance, and behavior.

AUDITION PROCESS

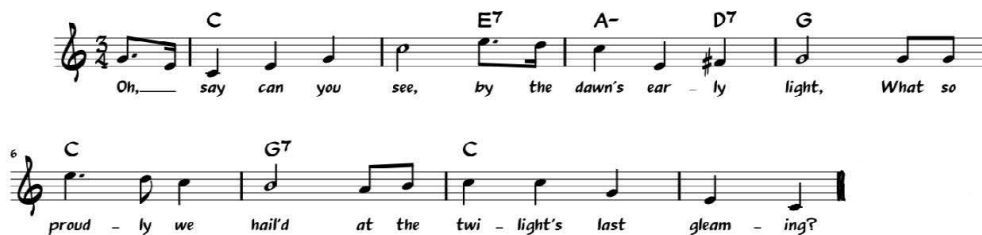
Auditions will be after school on Monday, October 20, 2025 and Thursday, October 23, 2025 in the choir room. For the audition:

- Students will sing the beginning of the Star Spangled Banner (see below).
- Students will sing short melodic phrases for pitch matching.

Star Spangled Banner

Francis Scott Key

John Stafford Smith



REHEARSALS AND CONCERT DATES

Jaguar Singers will rehearse every Tuesday and Thursday morning from 7:15-8:00am.

The quarterly Choir Concerts will take place at Corona del Sol HS on the dates below:

- Wednesday, December 10, 2025
- Wednesday, February 25, 2026
- Wednesday, May 13, 2026

Each concert starts at 7pm. Jaguar Singers will have a call time of 5:30pm.

Other performance opportunities will be communicated as they are scheduled throughout the year.

COST

To support the cost of running this extra-curricular ensemble, (Music, supplies, uniforms, etc.), there is a fee of \$50 for the year.

PTSO Chipotle Restaurant Night

**DO GOOD
WITH CHIPOTLE**



CHIPOTLE FUNDRAISER FOR
**APRENDE MIDDLE
SCHOOL PTSO**

25% OF EVENT SALES GET DONATED TO THE CAUSE

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22ND | 4-8PM
3395 W CHANDLER BLVD STE 1, CHANDLER, AZ, 85226

ORDER ONLINE FOR PICKUP USING CODE **X7V3RBP**
OR SHOW THIS FLYER IN RESTAURANT



For online orders to count towards the fundraiser, they must be placed for pickup only from the restaurant location of, and during the hours of, the fundraiser. Delivery orders and gift cards do not qualify. \$150 minimum event sales required to receive any donation.

Jeremiah's



TASTY FROZEN TREATS ARE HEADED YOUR WAY!

The Jeremiah's Italian Ice® Frog Squad is headed your way soon to scoop up our refreshing Italian Ice!



We wanted to give you a heads up about our upcoming visit!
Check out the tasty details below:

APRENDE

DATE:
FRIDAY, OCT. 24TH

TIME:
AFTER SCHOOL

OUR FLAVORS:

BLUE RAZ
STRAWBERRY LEMON

MANGO JELATI
COTTON CANDY JELATI

Jelati | \$5 Italian Ice | \$5

SUPPORT APRENDE! 20% SALES DONATED BACK!

JEREMIAHSICE.COM



School Cents

Help Aprende earn points for School Cents by uploading your Chandler Fashion Center (and surrounding restaurants/retailers) receipts dated July 1, 2025 through March 31, 2026 at www.shopandlog.com/chandler, or drop them in a School Cents receipt box in the Aprende front office! The schools that earn the most points are awarded with the largest amount of funds! See the flyer for more details and the current bonus point promotions this month. This weekend there are some AMAZING EXTRA BONUS POINT opportunities, please check them out and help Aprende earn some points!

Click the links below for info on the events and bonus points offered - don't forget to log those receipts & mention Kyrene Aprende & School Cents in store for the BONUS POINT offers!

[Oct 17th - Pillar Athletics Grand Opening & 30% Off](#)

*1000 BONUS POINTS for stopping in and 500 BONUS POINTS per dollar spent at Pillar!

[Oct 17th - Care Card Program Kicks Off, Buy and Get 20% Off at Chandler Retailers](#)

*6000 BONUS POINTS for purchasing a Care Card (don't forget to log your receipt)

[Oct 18th - Free lululemon Fitness Event](#)

*1000 BONUS POINTS for attending & 100 BONUS POINTS per dollar spent that day at Lululemon.

[Oct 18th - Smoke & Mirrors Grand Opening with Special Discounts](#)

*1000 BONUS POINTS for stopping in and 500 BONUS POINTS per dollar spent at Smoke & Mirrors that day.

SCHOOLCENTS

Fueled by: 



Help your school earn up to \$3,000! Submit your Chandler Fashion Center receipts dated July 1, 2025 through March 31, 2026 to earn at least five points per dollar spent. Submit receipts at shopandlog.com/chandler or scan the QR code.



It's Home Coming Season! Get in Gear! 100 Bonus Points

The Fit: Abercrombie, Dillard's, H&M, Macy's, Nick's Men's Wear, Windsor
The Kicks: Footlocker, Shoe Palace, JD Sports, ALDO, Puchunguis Shoes, Prime Cuts & Kicks
The Flair: Sephora, ManiKIRA (reusable nails), COACH, gorjana, James Avery, Perfumes

50 Bonus Points for Sweet Treats!
Chocolate Bash, Cinnabon, Haagen-Dazs, Mrs Field's Cookies, Cotton Candy Party (just outside of Macy's) and **See's Candies**
Bonus points given for receipts from above stores dated and submitted 9/16-10/31/25. Limit 100,000 points per receipt total. Receipts submitted after 10/31 or from other Chandler Fashion Center stores will earn five points per dollar spent.

ShopChandlerFashionCenter.com shopandlog.com/chandler 1-800-539-3273

Arrowhead Lexus
Superstition Springs Lexus
Earnhardt Lexus
Bell Lexus North Scottsdale
Lexus of Chandler



SCHOOLCENTS

POINTS THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2025

SCHOOL	POINTS	RANK
Archway Chandler Great Hearts	32,275	10
Arizona College Prep – High School	43,120	9
Arizona College Prep – Middle School	23,710	15
Bogle Junior High School	30,760	12
Center for Educational Excellence	130,925	5
Chandler High School	7,015	20
Connolly Middle School	31,240	11
Corona Del Sol High School	290,940	2
CTA Independence	140,400	4
Fulton Elementary	128,555	6
Jacobson Elementary	16,865	17
Kyrene Aprende Middle School	99,790	7
Kyrene de la Paloma	16,465	18
Kyrene de las Brisas Elementary	29,375	13
Kyrene de los Lagos Elementary	52,955	8
Kyrene Del Cielo	29,055	14
Kyrene Monte Vista Elementary	16,915	16
Kyrene Traditional Academy	207,510	3
Santan Elementary - Chandler	512,170	1
Tarwater Elementary	12,345	19



Let's keep it up and keep climbing!! The higher our rank, the more money earned for Aprende!

Yearbooks



2025-2026 YEARBOOKS ON SALE NOW!

25% OF OUR BOOKS HAVE ALREADY BEEN SOLD!

LAST YEAR THEY SOLD OUT!

**Don't let this be
you! Buy your
yearbook now!**



Scan the QR code
or visit ybpay.com
Code: 14349326

8th Grade ONLY! Baby Ads

YEARBOOK

8th Grade Only*

Baby Ads

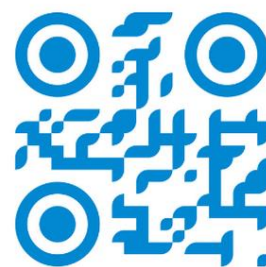
HONOR YOUR 8TH GRADE GRADUATE
IN THE YEARBOOK



PURCHASE
ADS AT
YBPAY.COM
CODE: 14349326

Quarter page- \$25

Business card- \$15



ONCE YOU PURCHASE YOUR AD, YOU WILL RECEIVE
AN EMAIL FROM LIFETOUCH INVITING YOU TO
CREATE YOUR AD.

Ads are for 8th graders only. Refunds cannot be issued for ads purchased
for students in other grade levels.



Quarter 2 Sports

Cross Country

Registration is still OPEN for Cross Country! Join now register by October 31.

<https://az-kyrene.intouchrecepting.com/>

Parents cross country is underway training. Training Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 6:25 AM & Tuesdays after school 3:15 PM until 4:45 PM.

Mandatory parent meeting will be Tuesday October 21 after practice under the Ramada at 5 PM

Order Cross Country Spirit Wear from PTSO <https://aprende.company.site/>

<https://apr.kyrene.org/programs/athletics/cross-country-25-26>

Cheer

Order Cheer Spirit Wear from PTSO <https://aprende.company.site/> Closes Saturday, October 18 at 6pm!

<https://apr.kyrene.org/programs/athletics/cheer-25-26>

Girls Flag Football

Try outs are underway and will conclude next week!

<https://apr.kyrene.org/programs/athletics/girls-flag-football-25-26>

Boys Soccer

Try outs are underway and will conclude next week!

<https://apr.kyrene.org/programs/athletics/boys-soccer-25-26>

Boys Basketball

Try outs are underway and will conclude next week!

<https://apr.kyrene.org/programs/athletics/boys-basketball-25-26>

Schedules/ Playoff Brackets:

<https://www.kyrene.org/educational-opportunities/athletics/game-schedules>

Athletics Information can be found on our website:

<https://apr.kyrene.org/programs/athletics>

Financial Aid Information and Form for Athletic Fees:

<https://www.kyrene.org/educational-opportunities/community-education-services/forms-registrationfinancial-assistance>

If you have any questions, please contact Athletic Director, Amy Violette,
aviolette@kyrene.org or Loreth Vergara lvergara@kyrene.org 480-541-6203

Office hours: Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri 7:30am-4pm Wed 7:30am-2pm

Address: 777 N. Desert Breeze Blvd., East #2, Chandler, AZ 85226

Intramural Sports

Kyrene Intramural Programs

Students will be signing up through Arux (QR Code below)

Parents will transport student athletes to all practices and scrimmages

Season runs October 27th - December 19th

Two practices per week with 12-16 per team

Number of games determined by number of teams

Teams will get a jersey for scrimmages that they will need to return at the end of the season



Practices

Two times a week, coach determined

Parent provided transportation

Game/scrimmages with over Intramural Teams

1 per week on Wednesday's

Start times vary but last one hour

Coaches will referee

Parent provided transportation

KYRENE SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOYS INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL

PRACTICE BEGINS WEEK OF OCTOBER 27TH



Register Here

REPRESENT YOUR SCHOOL

COST - \$110

PRACTICE AT YOUR SCHOOL WITH SCRIMMAGES AGAINST
OTHER KYRENE SCHOOLS

TEAM WILL MEET 3 TIMES PER WEEK, TIME AND DATES ARE TBD
REGISTRATION CLOSES 10/24 AT 12:00PM



Where Ya Wanna Go Wednesdays!

Where ya wanna go Wednesdays!

**Wear your college or career gear
EVERY Wednesday!
Show your spirit!**



**GRAB
YOUR
HOODIE**

**Donate a bag
of Dum Dum
suckers!**

Students who
demonstrate their
college spirit get a
sucker at lunch!





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.



SCAN ME



Oct. 20 – Hands- On Occupational Therapy and Assistive Technology

Come and explore items and get ideas from our Occupational therapists and Assistive

Technology specialists. An area will also be set up for families to make and take items home to use with your children.

Presenter:

Danielle Flowers

Date and Time:

October 20, 2025

6:00 - 7:30pm

Location:

Kyrene District Office

8700 South Kyrene Road

Tempe, AZ 85284

Oct. 30 – Child 2.0 – How to Reach, Teach, and Support iGeneration Students

(Rescheduled Session from Sept. 17)

Children are growing up in a world in which technology is ubiquitous. Join us to gain valuable insight into tips and strategies for raising children for whom technology has always been present.

Presenter:

Katey McPherson

Date and Time:

October 30, 2025

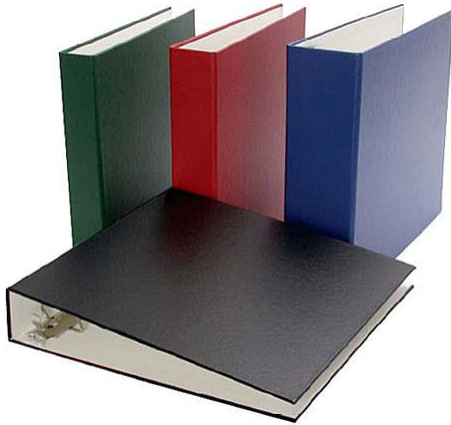
6:00-7:00pm

Location:

Online

[Registration/Zoom Link](#)

Donations are Appreciated!



We are looking for donations of **NEW or GENTLY USED 2 1/2 or 3 inch binders.**
Nothing smaller please.

Also, we would appreciate donations of **Jolly Ranchers** for our PBIS system!



Parents/students can drop them off in the front office.

Thank you in advance!

Stay in the know... follow us on social media for current & upcoming events!

APRENDE MIDDLE SCHOOL



Facebook.com/KyreneAprende

Instagram
@kyreneaprende

APRENDE PTSO



Facebook.com/AprendePTSO

Instagram
@aprendepto

AprendePTSO.org

WHERE TO GO FOR ALL THE THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW





PTSO is seeking volunteers for various events throughout the year, fill out our volunteer interest form to receive notifications of upcoming volunteer opportunities!

<https://aprendeptso.org/volunteer>



As we continue to partner with you regarding your child's attendance, we need to inform you of an important update regarding how "absences due to appointments" should be reported. In alignment with guidance from the Arizona Department of Education (ADE), please be specific when reporting the reason for your child's appointment. Only appointments for medical, dental or behavioral health will be marked as excused. All other appointments will be considered unexcused. If you have any questions about this update or your child's attendance, please contact your school's attendance clerk.

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.

Parents/guardians are asked to call the 24 hour attendance line 480.541.6201 each day that their child is absent. Please leave a message spelling the student's name, grade, date(s) of the absence and reason for absence. If a phone call is not received, or if the school has not been able to contact the parent/guardian, the student will be given an unexcused absence.

As a reminder, students who are absent from school the day of an activity MAY NOT attend the activity (i.e. classroom party; a middle school dance or sporting event; an after-school enrichment club; or Kids Club care after school).

Student Sign-Out



We understand students will need to be signed out for appointments, etc. Please try to avoid signing out your student after 2:55pm. The last 10 minutes of school tend to be hectic and we appreciate your understanding.

Also, please try to limit the amount of items being dropped off in the front office (water bottles, lunches, sweatshirts). Every time we need to call a classroom, it is disruptive to the class.

Wag Wednesdays & Furry Friends Fridays!

Bring your pup to Aprende student drop-off on Wednesdays & Fridays from 7:50am to 8:15am for a little treat!

Just roll down your window and Staudohar will pop a Bubba Bite into your pup's mouth!



Tax Credit Donations



Please consider making a tax credit donation to help support some of the following at Aprende: Performing Arts, Athletics, Clubs, AVID, Field Trips, etc.

You can donate online through our [Payment Portal](#).

Click [here](#) for instructions on the payment portal.

Thank you for your continued support!



Quicklinks

- [School Website](#)
- [Breakfast/Lunch Menu](#)
- [Calendar of Events](#)
- [ParentVue and StudentVue](#)
- [PTSO Information](#)

Contact Us

Kyrene Aprende Middle School

777 N. Desert Breeze Blvd. E. #2

Chandler, AZ 85226

School Hours: 8:20am-3:05pm

Office Hours: 7:30am-4:00pm

Phone: 480-541-6200

Fax: 480-541-6210

Attendance: 480-541-6201

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Excellence™*

