



January 9, 2026

Upcoming Events

JANUARY

JAN 19	No School/School Offices Closed - Observing Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday
JAN 21	8th Grade Promotion Dance 1st Meeting - 5:30 PM in library
JAN 23	7/8 grade AVID Field Trip to ASU Polytech
JAN 28	Centennial Showcase Night - 5:00-6:30 PM



SCHOOLS CLOSED - Martin Luther King Jr. Day

There will be no school and offices will be closed on Monday, January 19 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

KYRENE LONG RANGE PLANNING

Long-Range Planning Information: Kyrene School District recently added a new section to the long-range planning web page with data, charts and other frequently requested information related to potential school consolidation. You can find this new section, along with proposed boundary maps, FAQs, links to meeting videos, committee information and all related communications over the past year at www.kyrene.org/longrangeplan.

OVERVIEW AND Q&A WITH THE DIVISION OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND ENCIRCLE FAMILIES

Join us for an information session with representatives from the Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD) and Encircle Families. They will provide an introduction to the supports and services their organizations provide to children with disabilities and their families and be available for questions after the presentation. [Registration for Overview with DDD and Encircle Families](#), Jan 12, 2026, 6:00 - 7:30 pm at the District Office.

KYRENE 2025-26
SCHOOL YEAR
PARENT TRAININGS

ESS Parent Trainings

Plan to attend the following ESS parent training

OVERVIEW AND Q&A WITH THE DIVISION OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND ENCIRCLE FAMILIES

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January 12, 2026 | 6-7:30 pm
Kyrene District Office

Scan the QR code to register or go to:
<https://forms.gle/5N5fbhW39Ehj6e1N9>

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



SCAN ME

 **KyreneSchoolDistrict**

2026-2027 MIDDLE SCHOOL ELECTIVE SELECTION

Dear 6th & 7th Grade families,

During the week of January 12, your child will be bringing home information about next year's course selection process. Students will receive an elective selection form for the 2026-2027 school year. Additional copies can be accessed on the Kyrene website on the [Resources for Families and Community Page](#).

Parents/Guardians are requested to review this information with your child and sign the form, acknowledging your approval of the courses selected. Students are required to return the form to their homeroom teacher by January 30. During the week of February 2, our students are scheduled to use these forms to enter their preferences online with their classroom teacher.

Families who are considering a different middle school must apply for registration at that school through the online portal when next year's registration window opens in February. Students will complete the elective selection process for the school they are currently assigned. Selections will be transferred to the new school if a new registration is approved. Families must apply and be approved for open enrollment to attend a non-resident school.



Parent Information Nights

The Kyrene School District is pleased to continue the successful Positive Parenting Series this school year, focusing on issues that affect families both at school and at home. We hope you can join us.

Jan. 12 - Overview and Q&A with the Division of Developmental Disabilities and Encircle Families

Hosted by:
ESS Department

Date and Time:
January 12, 2026
6:00- 7:30pm

Location:
Kyrene District Office
8700 South Kyrene Road
Tempe, AZ 85284

Jan. 21- Coping with Teenager's Emotions

This course provides families with strategies to understand, navigate, and support their teenager's emotional development and manage challenging behaviors with empathy and confidence.

Presenter:
Janna McGuire

Date and Time:
January 21, 2026
6:00-7:00pm

Location:
Online

Registration/ Zoom Link



The poster is for a Kyrene Esports event. It features a dark green background with a geometric pattern. At the top left, it says 'INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY COMMUNITY EDUCATION' with a logo. Next to it is the 'intel.' logo. To the right, there's a QR code with the text 'SCAN ME scan the QR code for information and registration'. Below the QR code is a photo of two students gaming. The main title 'KYRENE ESPORTS' is in large, bold, white letters. Below that, it says 'JANUARY 20 - FEBRUARY 28' and 'OPEN TO 6TH - 8TH GRADE STUDENTS'. A paragraph describes the event: 'Join us this winter for competitive, organized video gaming! Middle school students will participate in *The Minecraft Games* with competitions between Kyrene schools. Game schedule will be provided once teams have been determined.' Below this is a list of schools and their respective times: AKIMEL A-aI, ALTADENA, APRENDE, CMS, KMS, KTA, and PUEBLO. To the right of this list is a large '\$50' with 'INCLUDES TEAM T-SHIRT!' below it. At the bottom, it says 'REGISTER ONLINE AT: kyrene.arux.app' and 'QUESTIONS? CONTACT US: (480) 541-1200'.

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ALTADENA	MON/TUE 3:15PM-4:15PM
APRENDE	MON/TUE 3:15PM-4:15PM
CMS	TUE/TH 3:15PM-4:15PM
KMS	MON/TUE 3:15PM-4:15PM
KTA	TUE 2:15PM-4:15PM (open to 5th-8th graders)
PUEBLO	TUE/TH 3:15PM-4:15PM

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PTO NEW EMAIL ADDRESS: KCMSPTOCONNECT@GMAIL.COM

ATTENTION PARENTS - 8TH GRDE PROMOTION DANCE MEETING



Parent Volunteers Needed to Plan the 8th Grade Promotion Dance!

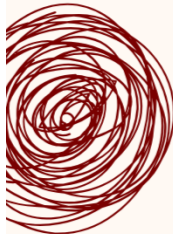
Come help to plan the 8th Grade Promotion Dance for our 8th graders. No experience necessary! We need your help to decorate, provide refreshments, and plan the entertainment. Let's make this a special night for our kids! The 1st Planning Meeting will be held on **January 21 at 5:30 PM in the library**. Have Questions? Contact CMS PTO at KCMSPTOCONNECT@GMAIL.COM. Please come to the meeting, even if you're running late. All parents are welcome!!!

JOIN OUR PTO LEADERSHIP TEAM!

Centennial PTO needs a parent to fill our Secretary position as soon as possible. The Leadership team meets each month (more if necessary) and general PTO meetings once per quarter. Some duties include: keeping meeting agendas, minutes and attendance records, helping to monitor email and social media accounts, maintain By-Laws and school communications, plus being part of a team who wants to support our Centennial teachers and community. If you're interested or have any questions, please contact Heather Brown at:

hehamiltonbrown@kyrene.org

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Centennial Middle School

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out on your 25-26 yearbook!*



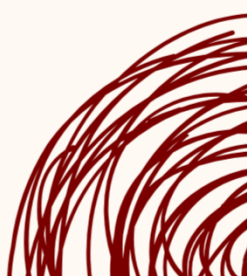
Order by **March 06, 2026** for the best price!

To order your book, visit: **buytheyearbook.com**

Enter School ID# **292264** to find your school faster!

\$40.00

8th Grade Baby Photos are listed as “Ads.”

- ½ Page Ad (baby photos): \$15.00
 - ¼ Page Ad (baby photos): \$10.00
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Early Bird Yearbook Special of \$40 through March 6, 2026

If you'd like to order your yearbook, please go to buytheyearbook.com and use the school code **292264** or search for Kyrene Centennial Middle School in Phoenix Arizona to order your yearbook or go to BuyTheYearbook.com. You may also purchase yearbooks through our [InTouch](#) portal and click on Items At All Schools/Middle School/Centennial Middle School/Student Activities/Yearbook. Yearbooks may also be purchased in the front office in student services. Send check/cash/money order to reserve a yearbook now. **Books are \$40 until March 6, 2026. Price will go up to \$45 after March 6, 2026.** Buy your yearbook now! If you have any questions, email Harriet Everett at heverett@kyrene.org

8th Grade Baby Yearbook Recognition Ads

You can also purchase a baby ad for your eighth grader. **8th grade Baby Yearbook Recognition Ads** are a great way to commemorate student achievements and important milestones in the yearbook. In addition, revenues from ads help Centennial to create a better yearbook. The deadline to submit the ad is **March 6, 2026**; we have a limited number of available spaces and typically run out so please make sure you get your ad turned in today. You may purchase a half-page for \$15, 1/4 page for \$10. This is a great price. Purchase an ad now at buytheyearbook.com. Instructions are below. If you have additional questions, email Harriet Everett at heverett@kyrene.org.

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Families, make a tax credit contribution today! Inspiring, educational field trips. Programs that teach good citizenship, manners, and work ethic. Experiences that demonstrate future career possibilities. You can be a champion for education through tax credit contributions. A tax credit contribution will allow you to reduce the amount of taxes you owe the State. Arizona statute allows individuals/couples to claim up to \$200/\$400 for a dollar-to-dollar tax credit. Take charge and have a say in how your tax dollars are put to work. By making a tax credit contribution to Kyrene Schools, you are telling the State of Arizona how you want your money spent. Visit [Kyrene Tax Credit](#) to begin the donation process. If you would like to apply tax credit to your 2025 taxes, the deadline to contribute is April 15, 2026.



Quick Links

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[School Schedules](#)

[School and District Calendars](#)

[School Lunch Information](#)

[Bus Route Information & Stopfinder App](#)

[Safety and Security](#)

[First Day Guide](#)

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School Hours: 8:20 am – 3:05 pm
Every Wednesday at 1:05 p.m.

Office Hours: 7:30 am – 4:00 pm
Every Wednesday at 2:00 pm