Kyrene de la Mirada Leadership Academy

MIRADA NEWS

February 20, 2026

A Message from Mrs. Anderson

We can't believe there is just one more week left in February, followed by one week in March before we head into Spring Break beginning March 9.

TAKE NOTE: Shortly after we return, state testing for our students in grades 3–5 will begin on March 30, with our fifth graders starting with the Arizona Science Assessment. Please review the assessment calendar below. During testing days, students in grades 3- 5 who arrive late will not be able to enter the classroom while testing is in progress; they will wait in the office and complete the test on a make-up day.

As we wrap up this quarter, let's encourage our students to finish strong by giving their best effort each day while practicing Habit 1—being proactive, Habit 2—beginning with the end in mind, and Habit 3—putting first things first, so they stay focused, organized, and proud of the progress they make.

Warmly,

Michelle Anderson

Principal

Upcoming Events

February 24	*Governing Board Meeting 6pm*
February 26	*MML Awards*
	7:40-8:20 Kindergarten, 2nd and 3rd Grades *8:30-9:10 1st, 4th and 5th Grades*
	PTO Meeting 5:45-6:45pm in the library
February 27	*Spring Picture Day/5th Grade composite- More details to follow*
	4th Grade Invention Convention
March 4	*Monarch Night Out at McDonald's 5900 W. Chandler Blvd.*
March 6	*Field Day See below*
March 9-20	*Spring Break*
March 23	*Teacher Work Day--No students*
March 24	*4th Quarter Begins-Students return to school*
March 26	*PTO Meeting 2:45pm in the Media Center*
March 27	*Movie Night*
March 30	*AASA Testing begins*

Spring Pictures are coming on

Friday, February 27th!

Please read the flyer carefully for important details.

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5th Graders will take a group photo.

All students who started the year after our Fall Picture Day will have their picture taken so they will be in the yearbook.

Click here for Picture Day Flyer

Field Day

Friday, March 6th
8:00-9:36 • 3rd-5th grades
12:30-1:30 • K-2nd grades

Mirada Families,

We are very excited for our upcoming Field Day, where students showcase skills that they have learned during physical education! Field Day gives students an opportunity to celebrate being active and demonstrate sportsmanship in a variety of activities and games.

Student Reminders for field day:
- Shorts or athletic clothing
- Tennis Shoes
- Hat (outside during field day)
- Water Bottle w/name on it
- Sunglasses
- Put on Sunscreen
- Good Sportsmanship
- Have FUN!



Field Day is made up of various activity stations that each class will rotate through. For the day to be a success, we need volunteers to be station leaders! Your responsibilities would include organizing students, presenting the station directions, and supervising safe play. Teachers will be present as students participate.

If you are interested in volunteering, please click the appropriate link below to sign up.

Volunteers for 3rd-5th Grade Field Day

Volunteers for K-2nd Grade Field Day

Feel free to come watch, support, and cheer on your children! If you are not volunteering, but are coming to watch, you must bring a photo I.D. and check in at the entrance gate.

Thank you for your support in making this event a success! Please contact me with any questions at vdurazo@kyrene.org.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Durazo
Physical Education Teacher

Volunteer for 3-5th Grade Field Day

Volunteer for K-2nd Grade Field Day

Dear Third, Fourth, and Fifth Grade Families,

Mirada third, fourth, and fifth grade students will take Arizona's Academic Standards Assessment (AASA) and fifth graders will also take the AZ Science Assessment between the dates of Monday, March 31st and Friday, April 18th.

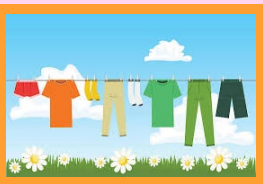
Please make note of the following specific testing dates to ***avoid scheduling any appointments for your child(ren) during these days.*** *It is important for your child to be in attendance. However, it is more important that they are well and fever free. If you find your child has any symptoms that would not allow for them to come to school for the day, please make sure to call the attendance line at 480-541-4201 and report his or her absence. If your child begins the test, then becomes ill or exhibits symptoms that require them to be sent home, they will not be able to complete that section or retake that section. During testing days, students in grades 3- 5 who arrive late will not be able to enter the classroom while testing is in progress; they will wait in the office and complete the test on a make-up day.*

If you have any questions about state assessments please email your child's teacher and/or Mrs. Adey, Asst. Principal, at radey@kyrene.org.

STATE TEST SCHEDULE 2026

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
30 AzSci 5th Grade Only Parts 1 and 2	31 AzSci 5Th Grade Only Part 3	1	2 Grades 3,4,5 Writing	3 ORF Testing 3rd Grade Only
6 ORF Testing 3rd Grade Only	7 Grades 3,4,5 Reading Part 1	8	9 Grades 3,4,5 Reading Part 2	10
13	14 Grades 3,4,5 Math Part 1	15	16 Grades 3,4,5 Math Part 2	17 Make Up Testing
20 Make Up Testing	21 Make Up Testing	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	

Printable
State Test Schedule



The Health Office is in need of

Boys pants, all sizes,

elastic waist band preferred.

Please drop off any donations to the front office. Thank you!