

Kyrene Traditional Academy



March 27, 2026

Message from the Principal

Hello KTA Families and Friends:

Happy Fourth Quarter! It is so hard to believe we are into the final quarter of the 2025-2026 school year! Time truly does fly by! My **best advice to all of our families is to be sure you keep in touch with us**, by reading this weekly newsletter, by checking out our Facebook page and by reading information sent to you by your classroom teachers. So many wonderful events happen in the fourth quarter and you do not want to miss anything!!

TONIGHT IS FAMILY GAME NIGHT!!! This is such a fun event! Everyone is invited and it is FREE to come and join in! Come and enjoy games and prizes! PTO will be selling snacks and drinks! 5:30 pm is the start time in the MPR. Please enter from the GARDEN GATE on the METRO SIDE PARKING LOT.

This first week back was busy, even with a short week!

Teachers had their training to administer and proctor our **Arizona Academic Standards Assessment (AASA)** which starts next week for grades 3-8. PLEASE do all that you can to have students arriving on time and well prepared for the testing. This means a good night of sleep, a nutritious breakfast and a positive attitude!

Members of our Middle School Band were in a competition event and performed beautifully, earning a rating of EXCELLENT in the scoring. Well done! Thank you to Band Director, Ms. Lauren Scott, for her amazing preparation and dedication.

Students had an outstanding time for FIELD DAY for grades K-5 with some Middle School students as assistants! Thanks to Mr. Shepherd for his excellent logistical skills and thanks to our PTO for providing ice pops for all students!

Next week... TESTING is our main focus for the next two weeks. Students in grades 3-8 will have multiple days of testing and students need to complete a test sub section on the same day they start it. We ask that you refrain from picking up your students early so that we can ensure that students

finish their testing. We will do all we can to provide make up opportunities however, we have a limited timeframe to do make ups, so if a student misses one subsection (such as a portion of reading in a multiple section reading test) they will not get a grade for that full section. We really do appreciate your help and support during testing weeks.

PARENTS AND GUARDIANS: Please put this date and time on your calendar, Wednesday April 15, 2:30 pm. We will be holding a FOCUS GROUP for parents and guardians to give input as we develop the transition plan for the school year (2027-2028) after KTA is closed and our elementary student move over to Kyrene de la Paloma and our middle school students move ahead as well. We will send out a google invitation asking for an RSVP so that we know who is able to attend and participate. Thank you in advance for your participation.

Thank you for your continued support.

Marianne L. Lescher, Ph.D.

Principal, Kyrene Traditional Academy

FAMILY BINGO NIGHT



FREE TO PLAY!

FUN
PRIZES!

FOOD/DRINKS
FOR SALE!

FROZEN
TREATS!

MARCH 27TH FROM **5:30 - 7:00** PM

IN THE MPR

MENU:

PIZZA - \$2.25
NACHOS - \$2.25
CHIPS - \$1.25
DRINKS - \$1.25
FROZEN TREATS - \$2.25

**25¢ DISCOUNT PER ITEM APPLIED
FOR CASH/VENMO PAYMENTS**

PAYMENT OPTIONS:

CASH
VENMO
CARD PAYMENTS!

WE NEED
VOLUNTEERS!!!





**WHAT CAN YOU DO ON A SUNNY SATURDAY?
COME AND WORK IN THE
S.L.U.G. GARDEN!**

COME AND WEED, TRIM, RAKE, ETC. HOURS GOOD FOR PARENT VOLUNTEER TIME AND KIDS CAN COME AND WORK, TOO. PLEASE WEAR CLOSED-TOE SHOES AND CLOTHES TO GET DIRTY. SEE YOU IN THE S.L.U.G. GARDEN, EAST SIDE OF SCHOOL. ENTER FROM METRO BLVD. CONTACT MS. RANDOLPH AT GARDENGAL2019@GMAIL.COM WITH ANY QUESTIONS.

Saturday, March 28
9:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.



Harkins Summer Movie Fun 2026!

Enjoy 8 movies over Summer Break at a Harkins Theater of your choice for only \$8 total! You pick the day of the week you would like to attend and the movie will play at 9:45am each day. Even if you can't make all of the movies it's a great deal! Tickets will be sent home with students when we receive them.

Return order forms or email your theater choice, day of the week and students name/teacher by **Monday, March 30th**. Payments can be sent to our Venmo @KTAPTO or you can send in cash!

Order form: <https://acrobat.adobe.com/id/urn:aaid:sc:US:82edd890-0996-4801-854a-333a3961008f>

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BURGERS and FRIES

FIVE GUYS

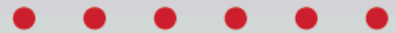


COMMUNITY
.....EVENTS

**FIVE GUYS
WILL DONATE
20%
OF YOUR
PURCHASE**

**Kyrene Traditional
Academy PTO**

**NEEDS
YOUR
SUPPORT!**



JOIN US!

MAR 31st, 2026

4:00PM-8:00PM

**3395 W. CHANDLER BLVD.
SUITE 5
CHANDLER, AZ 85226**

KYRENE TRADITIONAL ACADEMY PTO

1-2-3-4 We Declare A

COIN WAR

APRIL 6-10, 2026

The funds raised for this event will be used for Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week

HOW IT WORKS








Each GRADE has their own piggy bank for collecting money. Students **GAIN POINTS** by adding **PENNIES & BILLS** to their own grade's pig. **BUT...** Grades can **DEDUCT POINTS** from each other by adding **SILVER COINS** to other Grade's pig.

**THE GRADE WITH THE MOST POINTS WINS A FROZEN TREAT PARTY!
ONE WINNER FROM K-2ND; ONE WINNER FROM 3RD-5TH;
ONE WINNER FROM 6TH-8TH**

OUR GOAL IS TO RAISE \$2,000 AS A SCHOOL!

**IF WE REACH OUR GOAL, DR. LESCHER AND MRS. VESTER WILL
HAVE A CAMP OUT AT SCHOOL!**

WIN POINTS

-  EACH PENNY = +1 POINT
-  \$1 BILL = +100 POINTS
-  \$2 BILL = +200 POINTS
-  \$5 BILL = +500 POINTS
-  \$10 BILL = +1,000 POINTS
-  \$20 BILL = +2,000 POINTS
-  PENNY ROLL = +250 POINTS

LOSS POINTS

-  NICKEL = -5 POINTS
-  DIME = -10 POINTS
-  QUARTER = -25 POINTS
-  HALF DOLLAR = -50 POINTS
-  DOLLAR COIN = -100 POINTS



**PIGGY BANKS WILL BE BY THE WATER
FOUNTAINS FOR K-5TH AND BY THE
STAIRS FOR 6TH-8TH BEFORE SCHOOL
EACH DAY!**

**ALL MONEY MUST BE TURNED IN BY
8:00AM ON FRIDAY TO BE COUNTED!**

FOR MORE INFORMATION EMAIL KTAPTOTIGERS@GMAIL.COM



NEXT MEETING

Monday, April 6, 2026

5:30 p.m.

MPR/Enter Through the Garden Gate



Variety Show

Wednesday, April 15, 2026

5:30 p.m.

Outside

Feel free to bring your own chair!

PTO will have refreshments available for purchase!

Middle School Theatre Production



Singing In The Rain Jr.

Friday, April 24 @ 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 25 @ 2:30 p.m.



Celebration of Learning

SAVE THE DATE: Wednesday, April 29, 2026

TIME: 5 P.M. - 7 P.M.

A fun filled night of art, music, wax museum, volume zoo.

More details to follow



IMPORTANT DATES

Fri, May 15 MS Dance

Thurs, May 21 8th Grade Celebration~~Main Event

Wed, May 27 Clap Out - 2 p.m.

Wed, May 27 Last Day of School for 8th Grade Only

Wed, May 27 8th Grade Promotion 6 P.M.



IMPORTANT DATES

Fri, May 22 5th Grade Celebration (Students Only) ~~ Circus
Tues, May 26 8th Grade Promotion - 8 a.m. (Family Welcome)



Memorial Day ~ ~ No School

Monday, May 25, 2026



Important Dates You Need To Know

Fri, April 3 Early Release Day ~ students release at 12:15 p.m.
Mon, May 25 No School ~ ~ Memorial Day
Wed, May 27 NOT an early release day~release at 2:15 p.m.
Thur, May 278 Last day of school~early release at 12:15 p.m.



Online Registration for Quarter 4 Athletics

Quarter 4 Deadlines:

Non-cut sport registration closes: April 3, 2026

Sports Offered:

Boys Baseball (Cut)

Girls Basketball (Cut)

Girls & Boys Track & Field (Non-cut)

To register for a sport, please visit: [InTouch-Kyrene School District](#)

Upcoming School Events

MARCH

March 27: Family Game Night @ 5:30 p.m.

March 28: SLUG Garden Work Event

March 31: Five Guys Fundraiser 4 p.m. - 9 p.m.

APRIL

April 3: Deadline for NON-Cut Sports

April 3: Early Release Day - release time 12:15 p.m.

April 6-10: Coin Wars

April 6: PTO Meeting at 5:30 p.m.

April 15: Variety Show

April 13-16: Culver's Fundraiser

April 22: Kyrene Resource Fair

April 24 & 25: Singing In The Rain

April 29: Celebration of Learning





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.



Apr. 1- Early Childhood Literacy

Parents are invited to learn more about the importance of oral language & reading in the home to set up children for school readiness. Each participant will be able to take home an early literacy bag.

Presenter: ESS Department

Date and Time: April 1, 2026 6:00-7:30 pm

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

Apr. 15- Vaping/Nicotine- Stop the Addiction Before it Starts

Gain the knowledge and strategies you need to prevent your child from starting to vape or using nicotine products.

Presenter: TBA

Date and Time: April 15, 2026 6:00-7:00 pm

Location: Zoom [Registration/Zoom Link](#)

KYRENE 2025-26
SCHOOL YEAR
PARENT TRAININGS

ESS Parent Trainings



Kyrene School District offers ESS parent trainings.

April 22, 2026 ESS Family Resource Fair

Kyrene del Pueblo Middle School.



ATTEND THE KYRENE RESOURCE FAIR

Join us for an enriching experience tailored to families navigating the journey of raising children with disabilities. Kyrene School District's Exceptional Student Services team invites you to our Resource Fair, an opportunity for families to discover local resources and create connections in the community.

- Gain insights, strategies, and valuable information from experts in a variety of fields involved with raising children with special needs.
- Engage in one-on-one conversations with resource providers to address your family's unique needs and concerns.
- Gather informational flyers, brochures and contacts to support your family.

Wednesday, April 22  From 4:30-6:00 p.m.

Kyrene del Pueblo Middle School
360 S. Twelve Oaks Boulevard, Chandler, AZ 85226

WHO WILL BE THERE?

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| AHCCCS | Higher Octave Healing | The Miracle League |
| ASU SPELL Program | Hope Group | The Suzy Foundation |
| AzTAP | Kyrene Resource Center | YMCA |
| B Noelle Foundation | Mariposa Therapy | Out and About |
| Care for Caregivers | Mountain Park Health Center | Absolute HCBS |
| Chicanos Por La Causa | Phoenix Adaptive Rec | Kyrene Related Service Providers |
| Disability Rights Arizona | Phoenix Public Library/Ironwood | DES Child and Community Services |
| Duet (Grandparents Raising Grandchildren) | Ryan House | DDD |
| Encircle Families | Southwest Network | Inspire Services |
| Gompers | Tempe Adaptive Recreation | AND MANY MORE! |





WELCOME

Summer

JUNE 2 - JULY 10

7AM - 6PM

KIDS CLUB

INCOMING 1ST - 5TH GRADE

LAGOS AND PALOMA

\$279.00/WEEK

JUNE 2 - JUNE 26

7AM - 4PM

ADVENTURE TOURS

INCOMING 4TH - 8TH GRADE

PUEBLO

\$389.75/WEEK

***WRAP AVAILABLE UNTIL 6PM**

AFTER HOURS

INCOMING 6TH - 8TH GRADES

PUEBLO

\$279.00/WEEK

VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT:

WWW.KYRENE.ORG/COMMUNITYEDUCATION

PRESCHOOL

AGES 3-5 YEARS AND INCOMING

KINDERGARTENERS

LAGOS AND PALOMA

FULL DAY 8:00AM - 2:45PM

\$157.80/WEEK

***BEFORE AND AFTER CARE OPTIONS
AVAILABLE**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION
ABOUT OTHER FUN MINI-
CAMPS INCLUDING SPORTS,
STEM, ART AND MORE!**

QUESTIONS? CONTACT US!

communityeducation@kyrene.org

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School Hours: 7:30 am - 2:15 pm

Early Release Wednesday: 12:15 pm

Office Hours: 7:00 am - 3:30 pm

Wednesday: 7:00 am - 1:30 pm