

## Kyrene Traditional Academy



April 17, 2026

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### Message from the Principal

Hello KTA Tiger Families and Friends:

**What a wonderful week at KTA!** I hope many of you were able to attend our Annual Variety Show this past Wednesday evening. It was FANTASTIC! So many great performances by classrooms and students. Just pure joy! Ms. Haas' performance in the show was so amazing! And an Elvis sighting as well! What a lovely family event, with a **HUGE thank you to Mrs. Becky Bull for her incredible organizational skills.**

**This week also brought an opportunity for staff and parents** to give input on our transition with Kyrene de la Paloma for the 2027-28 school year, through focus group conversations with current and future KTA and Paloma leadership. The meetings were very productive and helpful and other opportunities will come our way. We will be sending a short survey form for all families to complete in the coming weeks to give input similar to the focus group questions this week. **I sincerely hope all families take this chance to share your thoughts, input, concerns and suggestions. YOUR INPUT MATTERS! Please watch for this coming soon.**

**Poetry was the focus at the Governing Board meeting on Tuesday night.** Students from across the district were honored for their outstanding poetry submissions to the Kyrene Poetry Contest. **We submitted our school winners in all grades and we had one district winner: kindergarten student Eyvind Ramos.** It was so fun to celebrate with him and his family at the event, and the district office was packed with winners and their families. It was a joyous evening!

**Did you get a chance to get to CULVERS this week for the week-long PTO Restaurant night???** **IF NOT—there is still time!!!** Stop by for a meal or ice cream through the 19th and mention KTA and a percentage of proceeds goes directly back to KTA!!!! Yummy food and a great return for our school. See you there!

**If you have a student in grades K-4, you will be receiving a PARENT INPUT FORM next Friday April 24.** This is a hard-copy form that will go home with your child in their backpack. If you choose to give input for next year's class placement, **this form must be received back at school to your**

child's teacher no later than the following Friday May 1. Forms received after May 1 will not be considered in the process for class placement for the 2026-27 school year.

DO you have [Celebration of Learning](#) on your calendar!! It is one of the signature events of the school year!! Wednesday April 29 5:00 to 7:00 pm . This wonderful school wide event is an open house that will include music performances, classroom displays, food, fun and friendship!!!! Be sure to come by ....a detailed flyer is coming home with the exact display and performance times.....please check that carefully and also check your teacher's emails for important information.

Thank you all for your continued support and collaboration.

Dr Marianne Lescher

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## **PARENT PERMISSION NEEDED: 8th GR**

At the end of April, Kyrene will participate in the Arizona Youth Survey, an anonymous statewide prevention needs assessment for middle and high school students conducted by the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission. Students need parent permission to participate in the survey. Parents of students in grade 8 can review survey details and opt in or out for their child's participation in ParentVUE. Please complete the acknowledgement by April 24 to indicate your preference for your child's participation.

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# DONATE WHILE

# YOU DINE



April 13<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> ALL DAY, EVERY DAY

As a bonus, on Thursday, April 16<sup>th</sup> spin the **Wheel of Prizes** for \$3 to win fun prizes, all proceeds go directly to KTA PTO!

Visit Culver's, just a few blocks from school, pm Ray Rd/101 and ask them to put your receipt in the **KTA Bucket** and 20% of your sales will be donated to our school! In-store and drive-thru purchase all count.

Enjoy a delicious meal, support a great cause and feel good all over!

**THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING KTA!**



Culver's of Chandler  
3155 W Ray Rd  
Chandler, AZ 85226

**CULVER'S FUNDRAISER WEEK**

**YOU STILL HAVE TWO DAYS LEFT!!!!**

Monday, April 13 - Sunday, April 19th

Let them know you are with the KTA Fundraiser all week long, and they will add your receipt to their collection bucket. Both inside and drive-thru sales count.

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FEED MY  
STARVING  
CHILDREN



## **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY**

Our KTA National Elementary Honor Society students are preparing for our second service project.

We are going to Feed My Starving Children!!

**Date: Thursday, April 23rd**

**Time: 4:45 PM – 6:15 PM (Please arrive by 4:35 PM)**

**Location: 1100 W Grove Pkwy Suite 101, Tempe, AZ 85283**

The KTA community is welcome to join us. Volunteers must be at least 5 years old. Sign up [on-line](#) before April 15th. Students must be accompanied by an adult.

# SPIRIT DAYS

Thursday, April 23 - \$1 Free Dress - Middle School Only

Friday, May 1 - NEON DAY

Thursday, May 21 - \$1 Free Dress - All School

Tuesday, May 26 - Dress Your Best Day

Thursday, May 28 - KTA Spirit Shirt Day

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## Middle School Theatre Production



**Singing In The Rain Jr.**

**Performance Dates:**

Friday, April 24th- 6:30pm

Saturday, April 25th- 2pm

Students- \$3

Adults- \$5

Tickets will be sold at the door

Seating starts 30 min prior to showtime

Enter through Garden gate



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## 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.

[Click here for a complete flyer!](#)

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You're invited to a



**DR. LESCHER'S**  
**RETIREMENT**  
**ASSEMBLY**  
**&**  
**RECEPTION**

**MAY 1, 2026**

@KTA - 8 a.m.

Refreshments Immediately Following!

Join us for National Principal's Day!  
Suggested attire: Neon Colors



### 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

- Mon, May 25 No School ~ ~ Memorial Day
  - Wed, May 27 NOT an early release day~release at 2:15 p.m.
  - Thur, May 28 Last day of school~early release at 12:15 p.m.
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# Save The Date

## *Class of 2026 KTA Alumni*

### Wednesday, May 27, 2026

KTA would like to invite Seniors to join us for a Senior Walk at KTA. Please meet us in the school cafeteria at 1:45 p.m. (enter through the Garden Gate)

Wear your gap and gown, lead us on a memory walk through the halls of KTA.

8th Grade Students will join in the walk for a final Clap Out.

A reception to follow in the MPR.



RSVP @  
<https://tinyurl.com/4hyhn6fz>  
OR  
With the QR Code

**QUESTIONS:**  
[stheob@kyrene.org](mailto:stheob@kyrene.org)  
or call 480-541-5400

*National Blue Ribbon School  
Spalding Accredited School  
A+ School of Excellence*

## Upcoming School Events

### APRIL

- April 13-19:** Culver's Fundraiser
- April 22:** Kyrene Resource Fair
- April 23:** Middle School Free Dress for \$1
- April 23:** Feed My Starving Children
- April 24 & 25:** Singing In The Rain
- April 29:** Celebration of Learning

### MAY

- May 1:** Neon Day
- May 1:** Dr. Lescher's Retirement Assembly @ 8 a.m.
- May 4:** PTO Meeting - 5:30 P.M.
- May 5:** Marimba Cats/Cool Cats Concert
- May 4 - 8:** Teacher Appreciation
- May 12:** Middle School Showcase (Theatre & Music Explo)

**May 15:** Middle School Dance  
**May 19:** Peter Piper Pizza  
**May 21:** Quarter 4 Band Concert  
**May 21:** 8th Grade End of Year Celebration - Main Event  
**May 21:** All School \$1 Free Dress  
**May 22:** 5th Grade End of Year Celebration  
**May 25:** Memorial Day - NO SCHOOL  
**May 26:** 5th Grade Promotion - 8 A.M.  
**May 26:** Spirit Day ~ ~ Dress Your Best  
**May 27:** Senior Walk/8th Grade Clap Out - 1:45 p.m.  
**May 27:** 8th Grade Promotion - 6 P.M.  
**May 27:** NOT an Early Release Day  
**May 28:** Spirit Day ~ ~ KTA Spirit Wear  
**May 28:** Last Day of School ~ ~ Early Release at 12:15 p.m.

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***Kids Club & After Hours 2026-27 Registration Now Open!***

*Looking for a safe, engaging place for your child before or after school? Kyrene offers outstanding programs for both elementary and middle school students, right on campus. **Kids Club** provides a structured, welcoming environment with activities designed to keep your child engaged, and **After Hours** gives students a safe place to connect and explore new interests. [Check out the 2026-27 Kids Club and After Hours](#) times and locations, and secure your spot today. Programs fill up fast!*

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### **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.*



**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       | <i>AND MANY MORE!</i>            |



**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](http://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](mailto:communityeducation@kyrene.org)**

**(480)-541-1500**



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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*