



PUEBLO NEWS

August 21, 2026

UPCOMING EVENTS

AUGUST

- 24 Dungeons & Dragons, Library, 3:15pm - 4:15pm
4:30/5:30 pm - Girls Volleyball games vs Kyrene MS at HOME
4:30 pm - Wrestling meet @ Kyrene MS
- 25 Kyrene Governing Board Meetings, District Office, 7:00pm
- 26 Early Release Staff Meeting - [Feed a Teacher Donations](#)
4:30/5:30 pm - Girls Volleyball games vs Aprende at KTA
4:30 pm - Wrestling vs Aprende @ Home
Interest Meeting for 8th Grade Washington DC Trip @ Kyrene MS, 5:00pm
- 27 Theatre Club, 3:15-4:30pm, Room D5
Pueblo PTO Restaurant Night! BJ's Restaurant Brewhouse, 4:00pm - 10:00pm
- 31 4:30/5:30 pm - Girls Volleyball games @ Altadena
4:30 pm - Wrestling meet vs Altadena @ Home

SEPTEMBER

- 7 No School - Labor Day
- 8 Governing Board Meeting, 7:00pm
- 9 Parent Teacher Conferences, EARLY RELEASE, 1:05pm
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REMINDER: Every Wednesday is EARLY Release at 1:05pm

BULLDOG LEADERS OF THE WEEK



Our Leaders of the Week are recognized by teachers and staff for leading the way on campus by demonstrating respect, responsibility, safety and kindness.

Ollie Olmstead

Jackson Houtchens

Landry Wansten

Mila Acosta

Bentley Baymon

Brady McMahon

Grey Ward

STUDENT REPORTS FOR DISTRICT ASSESSMENTS



Beginning of the year district assessment reports have been posted to ParentVUE. Families are able to access the results through ParentVue in the documents section.

Need help accessing the reports? See the attachment for directions with screenshots

[Accessing Assessment Results in ParentVUE](#)

Need help understanding the reports or how to support your child? See the family guide linked below or reach out to your child's teacher.

[Family Guide to NWEA](#)



DUNGEONS & DRAGONS

Starts next Monday, August 24 at 3:15pm in the Library. There are still a few spots left, so if you are interested, see Mr. Anderson.

Students will explore creativity, teamwork, and storytelling as they embark on epic adventures in a fantasy world. All experience levels are welcome; We encourage any students who are interested to come and join us!

Meeting Days: Every Monday

Time: 3:15 - 4:15 pm

Location: Media Center



NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY

The Pueblo Pride Chapter of the National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) is an organization that recognizes students who demonstrate a combination of outstanding scholarship, character, leadership, citizenship and service.

More information can be found here: [Pueblo NJHS](#)

The application link is: [NJHS Application 26-27](#)

****There is a \$25 membership fee.****

This fee will help to cover the cost of the National Chapter dues, NJHS volunteer t-shirts and the end-of year induction ceremony.

Meeting Days: First meeting is on Thursday, September 17, 2026

Time: 7:50 - 8:15 am

Location: Mr. Selleh's Room (A-8)

QUARTER 2 SPORTS REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN



Our quarter 2 sports start up as soon as we return from our fall break. Don't wait to register and get physicals completed.

Tryouts are not permitted without with a physical on file.



See athletics
information below to
register.



PUEBLO & KTA BOYS

LET'S GET READY TO REGISTER!!

BASKETBALL TRYOUTS

REGISTRATION MUST BE COMPLETED PRIOR TO TRYOUTS. REMINDER TO GET YOUR ANNUAL PHYSICAL NOW!

[WWW.KYRENE.ORG/EDUCATIONAL-OPPORTUNITIES/ATHLETICS](https://www.kyrene.org/educational-opportunities/athletics)

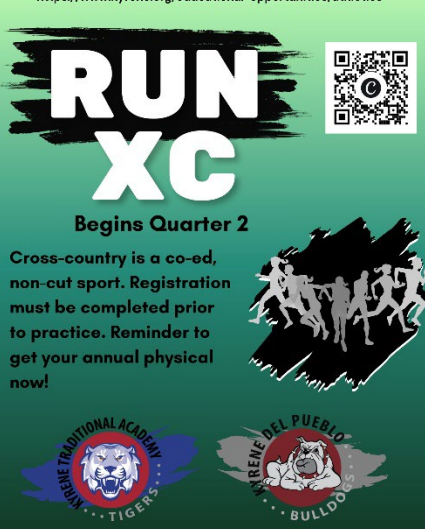


CHEER TRYOUTS

Registration must be completed prior to tryouts. Reminder to get your annual physical now!

BEGINS IN QUARTER 2

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



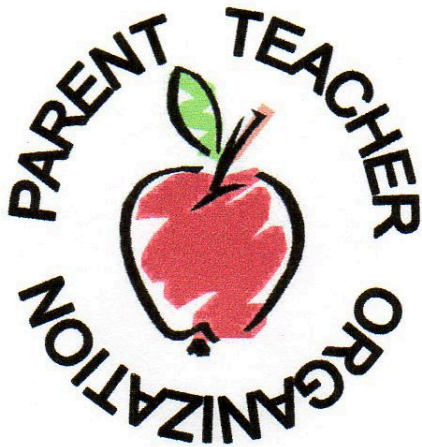
RUN XC

Begins Quarter 2

Cross-country is a co-ed, non-cut sport. Registration must be completed prior to practice. Reminder to get your annual physical now!

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

MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK



PUEBLO PTO NEEDS YOU!

Our Pueblo PTO is looking to our community to make this a wonderful year for our Pueblo students and staff. With this being the last year, we would truly appreciate any help, ideas or offerings you are will to give to make our school's last year a memorable one.

Please take a moment to complete and share your ideas on our [PTO Interest Form 2026-27](#)

Thank you in advance for reaching out and helping us to support our Pueblo Bulldogs.



**KEEP
CALM
AND
FEED THE
TEACHER**

SIGN UP FOR STAFF MEETING DONATIONS

Pueblo PTO is looking for donations to provide our staff some **salty and sweet** treats for their staff meeting on Wednesday, August 26. If you would like to "feed a teacher" please sign up to drop off a salty or sweet treat below. Please be sure to add what you will be bringing.

Please drop off your items by the 1:05 dismissal time on Wed. August 26.

[Feed a Teacher Donations](#)

Thank you in advance for your help. Our Pueblo Parents are the best!

8th GRADE TRIP TO WASHINGTON DC & PHILADELPHIA

Attention 8th Grade Families,

Our Pueblo eighth graders have been offered an amazing opportunity to team up with Kyrene Middle School for a joint educational study trip to Washington DC & Philadelphia in Spring 2027. If you are interested in gathering more information about this trip and learning how your student can attend, please mark your calendar to attend the informational meeting.

KMS & Pueblo 8th Grade Trip

Informational Meeting

Wednesday, August 26

5:00pm-6:30pm

Media Center

Kyrene Middle School

The trip is being coordinated via Valerie Wilmot at Kyrene Middle School, If you have any questions, please bring them to the meeting or reach out to Ms. Wilmot at vwilmot@kyrene.org.

KMS & Pueblo 8th Grade Trip to

WASHINGTON DC & PHILADELPHIA

Trip Dates: April 25-29, 2027*

*Dates subject to change

Parent Informational Meeting

- General travel information
- Cost
- Application process & all relevant dates
- Eligibility requirements

AUGUST 26TH

5-6:30PM

KMS Media Center



SITES INCLUDE

Capitol Hill
White House Grounds
Lincoln Memorial
MLK Memorial
Smithsonian Museums
And more!



Trip Coordinator
Valerie Wilmot
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(480) 541-6644



BULLDOG NIGHT OUT!

Our Pueblo PTO is having a Bulldogs' Night Out at BJ's Restaurant Brewhouse on **Thursday, August 27** from 4:00pm - 11:00pm. Be sure to make this mark this night as a 'No Cook Night' on your menu

planning! Pueblo PTO will receive 20% donation from all food and soft beverage sales. Dine in, Takeout or Curbside Pick up at the location on Ray Road.

Make a fun and plan a dinner out with your friends. Show this flier below:



JOIN US FOR A DELICIOUS WAY TO **RAISE MONEY!**

Date: Aug 27, 2026

Time: 4:00PM to 11:00PM

For Dine In, Takeout or Curbside at this BJ's Location:

7151 W. Ray Rd.
Chandler, AZ 85226
623-320-0300

Enjoy delicious food in a fun atmosphere along with your family and friends while earning funds in support of:

Kyrene del Pueblo PTO Restaurant Night

WITH EACH FLYER PRESENTED DURING THIS FUNDRAISING EVENT, BJ's WILL DONATE 20% OF FOOD AND SOFT BEVERAGE SALES TO THE DESIGNATED ORGANIZATION!

VISIT US IN PERSON, ORDER ONLINE OR PLACE A TAKE-OUT ORDER

When dining in: Present this flyer to your server at any time during your meal.

When ordering online: Enter the 6-digit fundraiser code below at the time of checkout.

When placing a take-out order: Present this flyer to a BJ's team member upon your arrival.



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Valid for dine in, takeout or curbside when applicable. Not valid toward alcoholic beverages, Happy Hour specials or for delivery orders. Please do not distribute flyers on site during the event.



DONATE

Donate to help with restocking the PBIS store this year. The PTO supports our PBIS Store every year through generous donations from our families.

If you would like to donate to help restock the PBIS Store follow this link: [**Help us Restock the PBIS Store**](#)

WHAT IS PBIS YOU ASK?

PBIS is Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports. This is a schoolwide approach in which the goal is to establish a positive student culture and individualized behavior support necessary to create a safe and effective learning environment for all students. The store is part of this program, in which students earn “dog tags” for following specific positive behavioral guidelines and can “purchase” items from the store. Students follow our unified set of B.A.R.K. expectations throughout the day:

Be Respectful

Act Responsibly

Remember Safety

Kindness Matters



FOLLOW THE NEW PUEBLO PTO SOCIALS!

Stay connected with our school community by following the new Pueblo PTO on Facebook and Instagram! Join us for updates, events, and all the latest news to support our children and school activities.

PTO Facebook

PTO Instagram

FRYS REWARD CARD - COMMUNITY REWARDS

Your Fry's Reward Card can earn money for Pueblo PTO! Our Fry's Reward Card program has raised funds to support PBIS and Teacher Supplies! Thank you to everyone who has signed up to help us earn money to support our students and staff of Pueblo.

You can register at [Frys.com](https://www.frys.com), through the Frys App, or go to customer service and ask them to add you to the Pueblo PTO. You do need to re-register each year, so please sign up again, if you've done so in the past!



ATHLETICS

ALL sports are open for registration **NOW**

Registration for the 2026/27 school year **is now open** for all four quarters. The Athletic Packet registration will close **one day prior to each deadline** so that packets can be reviewed by staff. It will reopen the next day for the next quarter of sports. Please mark your calendars.

Quarter 2 Registration Deadlines:

- Cut sport registration closes: September 25, 2026 (12:00pm)
- Non-cut sports registration closes: October 30, 2026 (12:00pm)
- Cheer registration TBD

Quarter 3 Registration Deadlines:

- Cut sport registration closes: December 18, 2026 (12:00pm)

Quarter 4 Registration Deadlines:

- Cut sport registration closes: March 5, 2027 (12:00pm)
- Non-cut sport registration closes: April 2, 2027 (12:00pm)

REPEAT INFORMATION

ATTENDANCE LINE

The absence reporting phone number is 480-541-6801 and may be called 24 hours a day.

Parents/guardians are asked to call the attendance line or enter the absence into ParentVUE before 9:00 AM each day that their child is absent. If you call, please leave a message on the voicemail, indicating the student's name, grade, date(s) of the absence and reason for the absence. If we do not receive a notification that the child will be absent, the student's absence will be recorded as a truancy.

NOTE: Parents MUST report their child's absence to the attendance office within 24 hours, even if they spoke to the health office or if they told a teacher. We cannot excuse any absences until we receive a message from the parent/guardian.

Pueblo Middle School is equipped with a computerized telephone attendance reporting system.

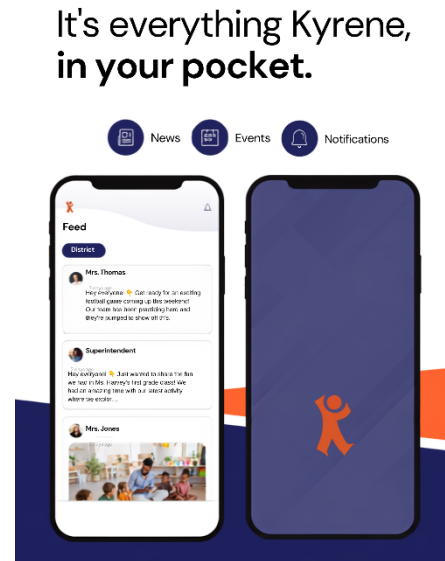
Parents will also be able to submit their child's absences in ParentVue up to 5 days in advance.

Pueblo
Attendance
Procedures

DOWNLOAD OUR APP (It's everything Kyrene, in your pocket!)

Kyrene has a new mobile app to keep you connected to both your school and the district. Stay updated on events, student stories and important announcements. Families can access multiple school feeds from a single app, and the app is available to anyone! That means extended family members and caregivers can stay in the loop as well.

The Kyrene app is free to download from the [Apple App Store](#) or the [Google Play Store](#).



ARIZONA HEALTHY SCHOOLS ACT

(Important changes for the 2026-27 school year)

Arizona's new Healthy Schools Act changes laws governing food in schools, to help kids stay healthy. The law identifies 11 banned ingredients, and schools participating in federal meal programs cannot serve or sell foods with any of the ingredients. Additionally, food brought to campus during the school day must not contain any of the banned ingredients.

Important! These new rules do not apply to parents packing their child's individual lunch or snacks. You can still pack any lunches, snacks, or treats for your individual child. However, the new rules do restrict the foods allowed during classroom parties and other celebrations during the school day. For a full lists of banned ingredients, answers to frequently asked questions, and additional information, visit [Kyrene.org/healthyschools](https://kyrene.org/healthyschools).

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WHAT'S NEW

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ALLOWED

- ✓ Food fundraisers held off campus or outside the school day
- ✓ Food brought by parents for their own child
- ✓ Shared food that does not contain banned ingredients

RESTRICTED

- ✗ Shared food during the school day that contain banned ingredients
- ✗ Classroom parties and celebrations with foods containing banned ingredients
- ✗ School-sponsored birthday or holiday treats with banned ingredients

SCHOOL DAY RESTRICTIONS

- School Meals
- School Stores
- Fundraisers
- Class Celebrations
- Culinary or FACS Classes
- Catering
- Vending Machines

For this law, a school day is defined as midnight until 30 minutes after the instructional day ends.

RESTRICTED INGREDIENTS

- Potassium Bromate
- Propylparaben
- Titanium Dioxide
- Brominated Vegetable Oil
- Yellow Dye 5 or 6
- Red Dye 3 or 40
- Blue Dye 1 or 2
- Green Dye 3



For more information, visit www.kyrene.org/foodservices

MEAL DELIVERIES

Please note that we **do not** allow any third-party lunch deliveries to the school office. (Examples would include DoorDash and Uber Eats, among others.) Deliveries of this kind disrupt students' lunch schedules, and the timing is often unreliable. In addition we have a food service contract with the District, which specifies not having competing foods brought into school.

Parents may bring their own students' lunches to the office if need be, but may not bring lunches or treats for additional students. If any 3rd party delivered lunches arrive in the office, unless arrangements have been previously made with the administration, the student will have to pick them up at the end of the day. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Students will not be called out of class to pick up dropped-off items.

TRANSPORTATION

Families can access information regarding Bus Routes and Bus Safety by visiting the Kyrene webpage and looking under the Parent Tab. Click the button to visit the transportation webpage.

Kyrene Transportation

Please update your information as soon as possible with Transportation if your address has changed. Our Transportation system is based on a student's physical home address.

FOOD SERVICES

In order to determine if your student qualifies for free or reduced price meals, we ask that all families complete the free and reduced meal application located on kyrene.org.

Meal payments can be made on the InTouch Payment Portal this year. Parents can view meal balances on the Linq Connect Portal or pay by check/cash at schools.

[InTouch Payment Portal](#)

Free & Reduced lunch applications are available at school sites. You can complete an application on the Kyrene website or email at kbs@kyrene.org.

[Linq Connect Portal](#)

[Free & Reduced Lunches](#)

E-BIKES AND SCOOTERS

Please note that motorized vehicles and devices, including e-bikes and e-scooters, are not allowed on Kyrene school campuses. Students may not use them as transportation to and from school, and they may not be operated or parked on campus. This restriction does not apply to approved accommodations such as mobility devices required for disabilities. Those devices are permitted. The City of Chandler has laws regulating the use of motorized devices, including who can ride them and where. Kyrene's practice is aligned with those laws, and we will continue to partner with police to help ensure the safety of our campus and community.

[City of Chandler bike and scooter laws](#)



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

Early Dismissal Wed: 1:05 pm

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

Wednesday: 7:30 am - 2:00 pm

Every Wednesday is Early Release.



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