

April 30, 2020

Message from the Principal

Dear Cerritos Families,

I have some exciting news to share with the Cerritos community. Cerritos has been awarded the Phoenix Suns Charities STEM schools of The Future Grant. This STEM grant will fund a teacher leadership team of four teachers and the principal to attend trainings and allow us to work collaboratively with our entire staff on needed training and a school wide STEM plan. It also includes a \$500 grant to purchase items needed for the program. The project includes a school wide STEM project that will allow us to partner with a community organization to complete our project. We will be partnering with Arizona Game and Fish on a schoolwide project. More details to come on that when the new school year starts.

Our goal with this grant is to combine our leadership work with the planning and implementing of STEM concepts into our classrooms. We believe that STEM can be a doorway for all students to get involved on campus and to showcase their leadership and talents in a variety of different ways.

We would also like to involve members of our community in our STEM plans. If you currently work in a STEM field, have an interest in STEM, or would like to help with classrooms as they begin to implement more STEM, please complete this google form. We would love to have families and members of our community join us as we develop our plan for STEM Leadership at Cerritos.

Amy Gingell Principal



Upcoming Events

May 5: Take out Tuesday at El Pollo Loco

May 10: PTO Zoom Meeting 3 pm May 14: Early Release at 12:30 pm

May 18: Take Out Tuesday at Papa Johns

View Full Calendar

5th Grade End of Year Action Items

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1. **Slideshow Photos:** Please send in 5 photos of your child for the 5th grade slideshow. These pictures can be from this school year or previous school years. Email your photos tojharris@kyrene.org and include your child's first and last name with each photo.

2. **Web Form:** Please complete this form web form by Monday, May 3rd to contribute towards the 5th grade end of year celebration on behalf of your child, specify the t-shirt size for your son/daughter, order a celebratory yard sign for \$9 (if desired), and donate towards group gift of appreciation for the teacher (if desired).



QUICKLINKS

- School Website
- Facebook
- Cerritos Brag Page
- Breakfast/Lunch Menu
- Calendar of Events
- ParentVUE/StudentVUE
- PTO Information

School Supply Packs for 2021-2022 School Year

SHOP NOW for your 2021-22 school supplies. Avoid the stores and get all your school supply shopping done online. EPI school supply packs contain all the items and brands our teachers require. Not only is this convenient for you, but it is a fundraiser to help our school. Order now with our School ID: KYR000 at https://www.educationalproducts.com/shoppacks/

- 1. Go to www.educationalproducts.com/shoppacks
- 2. Enter the school ID, KYR000 (3 letters/3 numbers)
- 3. Follow the directions to complete your order.
- 4. Print your online confirmation as your receipt.



Habit 6- SYNERGIZE! 4th Grade Science Experiments

Our 4th graders have been Zooming with Mrs. Cook's flex class for science so her class can enjoy some fun electricity experiments. These student leaders are a great example of Habit #6: SYNERGIZE!

May Link Crew Challenge

May is our final month for Link Crews and we are going to have some fun! Each week classes will participate in an exciting Minute to Win it challenge. The winner for each class will compete in a final challenge each Monday mornings earning additional points for their Link Crew. We will have a grand final challenge the first week of June with all the 1st place winners from the school. Good luck to all the Link Crews!

Thank you - Table Dedication

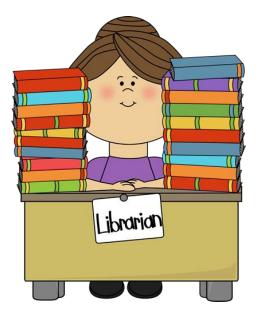
We were very excited to have the Call family with South Mountain Auto Detail visit Cerritos this afternoon to enjoy some tasty dessert in honor of sponsoring one of our beautiful courtyard tables. Keith, a 2nd grade Cerritos Leader, said he love to eat lunch at his special table. We appreciate the support and helping the PTO reach their fundraising goal to make our outdoor learning and dining space possible this school year!





PTO Important Messages

- Next Week is Teacher Appreciation Week, May 3-7, 2021. Cerritos PTO Hospitality will be
 celebrating our fabulous teachers and staff all week long. Need some ideas to help
 celebrate? Click here for our list of Teacher & Staff Favorites!
- Take out Tuesday. Enjoy El Pollo Loco on Cinco de Mayo Next Week! Wednesday, May 5, 2021, 3:30 p.m. 9:30 p.m. at El Pollo Loco, 4728 E. Ray Rd. Must mention Cerritos or show our event flyer to earn fundraising credit. 20% of all Cerritos sales will be donated back to our school! Click here for event flyer.
- Order Your Cerritos Strong Yearbook! We have a unique book of memories highlighting the Cerritos Strong year we've had! Don't miss out, order your yearbook today! Purchase deadline is May 28, 2021. Click here to order!
- Executive Board Positions open. We have 2 Spots to Fill, Please Help! PTO has 2 positions available on next year's Executive Board. No experience necessary, will train! You can make a positive difference at Cerritos. Please click on the link below for details of how you can help. Click here to learn more, to nominate yourself or another parent at Cerritos. Development Coordinator: The Development Coordinator(s) manage and oversee the fundraising efforts of the PTO, including our main fundraiser in the Fall, Go Speedy Go. Other fundraising includes family dinner nights and corporate sponsorships. Historian: The Historian(s) photographs school events, oversees the creation of the school yearbook.



Please return overdue library books and curriculum

Families, you may receive a message from the library if your child has an overdue library book or curriculum from earlier quarters that were not returned. We ask that you please return them as soon as possible. If your child has books from another Kyrene school, these books can be returned to the Cerritos library and we will return them to the appropriate school.