



# JAGWIRE NEWS

Friday, March 25, 2022

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### MARCH EVENTS

March 25: PBIS Store During Lunches

March 29: Kyrene Governing Board Meeting

March 31: Orchestra Spring Concert

### APRIL EVENTS

April 7: NJHS Meeting

April 12: Kyrene Governing Board Meeting

April 15: No School

April 22: PBIS Store During Lunches

April 22: Jaguar Players Spring Musical "You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown" 7PM

April 23: Jaguar Players Spring Musical "You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown" 2PM

April 24: Jaguar Players Spring Musical "You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown" 2PM

April 26: Kyrene Governing Board Meeting

April 29: 5th Grade Rally Day

April 29: Jaguar Players Spring Musical "You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown" 7PM

April 30: Jaguar Players Spring Musical "You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown" 10AM

### MAY EVENTS

May 6: 8th Grade Celebration Dance

May 6-8: 7th Grade Grand Canyon Trip

May 9: Band Spring Concert at Corona del Sol Auditorium

May 10: Kyrene Governing Board Meeting

May 12-14: Disney, CA Trip for band, Choir & Orchestra

May 13: PBIS Store During Lunches

May 16: 8th Grade Main Event Trip

May 17: 8th Grade Promotion

May 18: 6th Grade AMF Bowling Trip

May 18: 7th Grade Main Event Trip

May 19: Last Day of School (Early Release Day @ 1:05 PM)

May 24: Kyrene Governing Board Meeting

[View Full Calendar](#)

# Field Trip!

Aprende's End-of-the-Year Fieldtrips are ready to register and pay! Online Payment Portal: <https://az-kyrene.intouchreceipting.com/>. Log in, select your student and then select: Pay for Athletics/PE Uniforms/Activities and more tab, then select Fieldtrips tab. You can pay using Tax Credit or Auxiliary online or in our school office with exact cash or check made out to Aprende Middle School. All in-person payments will be paid using Auxiliary funds unless accompanied with a [Tax Credit Form](#). Please call our school office at 480-541-6200 with any questions. Thank you.

## 6<sup>th</sup> grade

It's a celebration! Sixth-grade students will be celebrating the end of the school year with a trip to AMF Lanes for Cosmic Bowling on Wednesday, May 18th during the school day. All eligible sixth graders are invited for a day of fun! The cost is \$15.00 per student and includes unlimited glow in the dark bowling, music, pizza, and soda. Additional food will be available for purchase at the snack bar. Mark your calendars it will be a celebration to remember!

## 7<sup>th</sup> grade

Let's celebrate! Seventh grade students will be celebrating a great year with a fieldtrip to the MAIN EVENT in Tempe on Wednesday, May 18 during the school day. It is a regular day schedule (no early release) and all eligible students can attend. The cost is \$30.00 per student and includes a \$20 reloadable game play card, food, drink, video games, unlimited laser tag, bowling, ropes course and so much FUN. Mark the date on your calendar and plan to celebrate!



Whoo hoo!! Eighth grade students will be celebrating with a DANCE on Friday, May 6 from 6:00-8:00 PM. There is no cost to attend this memorable event. They will also be ending this school year with a fieldtrip to MAIN EVENT in Tempe on Monday, May 16 during the school day. All eligible students can attend. The cost is \$30.00 per student and includes a \$20 reloadable game play card, food, drink, video games, unlimited laser tag, bowling, ropes course and lots of FUN. Mark the dates on your calendar and plan to celebrate!



#### **Reporting Your Child's Absence**

Aprende Middle School is equipped with a computerized telephone attendance reporting system. The absence/late reporting phone number is 480-541-6201 and may be called 24 hours a day. When calling: please say your name, student's full name, their grade, the date(s) of absence, and a detailed reason for absence along with your phone number.

Parents/legal guardians are asked to call the attendance office by 9:00 a.m. each day that their child is absent or late. **If we do not receive a parent phone call, the student's absence will be recorded as Unexcused/Tuant.**

#### **Signing Students Out Prior to the End of the School Day**

For the safety and protection of your child, we cannot allow him or her to be taken from the classroom before our regular dismissal time without the parent/guardian first coming to the office and signing the child out. **EACH CHILD WHO IS EXCUSED EARLY MUST BE SIGNED OUT IN THE OFFICE** by the child's parent/guardian or by the person(s) specifically authorized by the parents/guardians in their Emergency Contacts.

When signing students out, please print the student's full legal name and if hyphenated we need their entire name. Please refrain from using nicknames as it makes it hard for us to locate them in our student system.

The school office staff **WILL NOT RELEASE YOUR CHILD TO ANYONE UNLESS SPECIFICALLY AUTHORIZED** (must be 18 years or older) by you on the Health Services Emergency Information Card. Please update any changes in your emergency card when they occur.

**NOTE:** Persons listed on your child's emergency card will be able to sign your child out of

school without a note or phone call from you.

In all cases, proper identification must be shown before we can release a child to a parent, guardian, or other authorized person.

It is helpful if you send your child to school with a note indicating the reason for early release and the time which you will pick up your child. The student should give the note to the office first thing in the morning at which time he/she will be given a pass to leave class and come to the office at the appropriate time.

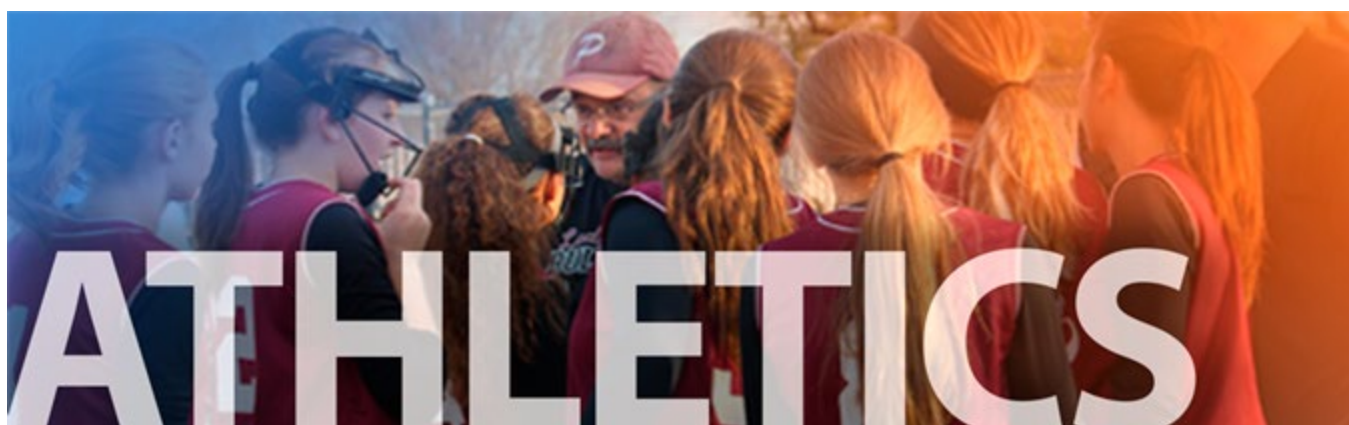
## HUMAN GROWTH *and* DEVELOPMENT *education*

Parent previews for the curriculum and resources for all 3 grade levels will be:

Daytime preview April 4th, 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. in the school office conference room.

Evening preview on April 5th, 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. in the school library.

You are welcome to view the Human Growth & Development curriculum, power points, and student materials on these two days/times.



### Spring Sports

**\*\*PLEASE RETURN FALL SPORT UNIFORMS TO MS. DEFOE IN THE FRONT OFFICE\*\***

## Practices:

### Baseball & Girls Basketball:

Mon, Tues & Thursdays 3:30-5:30pm Wednesdays 1:30-3:30pm (no practice Fridays)

### Track & Field:

Mon, Tues, Wed: 6:30-7:55am (KTA 5:45am) Thursdays: 3:15-4:30pm (no practice Fridays)

## Schedules:

[Track & Field](#)

[Baseball](#)

[Girls Basketball](#)

Check out our [Aprende's Athletic webpage](#) for registration, practice info, schedules, etc.

If you have any questions, please contact Athletic Director, Carl Nasuta, [cnasuta@kyrene.org](mailto:cnasuta@kyrene.org) or Athletic Secretary, Alissa DeFoe, [adefoe@kyrene.org](mailto:adefoe@kyrene.org)

Office hours: M, Tu, Th, F 7:45-4:15 p.m. and Wednesdays 7:45-2:15 p.m.

Address: 777 N. Desert Breeze Blvd., East #2, Chandler, AZ 85226

## Sports Corner

All sports "[Scores & Results 21-22](#)" are posted on Aprende's Athletic page.

In front of another large crowd, the **Aprende Varsity Baseball** stole the lead in the 3rd inning and held on to beat Pueblo 8-7 at home on Wednesday, 3/16. Starting pitcher Nash Bigham pitched a great game, allowing no earned runs and striking out 7 Pueblo batters. After a sluggish two innings, Aprende's offense came to life in the bottom of the 3rd. With the bases loaded, Parker Williams jacked a grand slam home run, giving Aprende a commanding 5-2 lead. Aprende pitchers surrendered a total of 11 walks during the game, which ultimately allowed Pueblo to keep the game close. The Jaguars were holding on to an 7-3 lead in the final inning when relief pitcher Marcus O'Bleness was called in to pitch. With the bases loaded, O'Bleness struck out 2 Pueblo batters to close out the game, while earning the 1st save of the season!!! Caden Correll and Josh Shepherd each collected 2 hits for the Jags. On 3/21, due to lack of light, a shortened contest between Altadena & Aprende ends in a tie 3-3. Aprende hurler Parker Williams started on the mound for the Jaguars, pitching 3 innings while allowing 3 runs and striking out 1. After giving up 3 runs in the 1st inning, the Jaguars were down 3-0 most of the game, but fought back with a big 3-run 3rd inning to tie things up heading into the final stretch. Quinn Atwood pitched 1 inning in relief, giving up 1 hit & striking out 3 batters to end the game. On 3/23, Varsity's early lead over KMS sets stage for 1 13-6 win. The Jaguars had a strong start, scoring 4 runs the 1st inning & adding 7 more in the

3rd inning. Aprende starting pitcher Austin Pierce earned the win, allowing 4 hits & 2 earned runs, while striking out 6. Parker Williams, Josh Shepherd, & Noah Plummer all had RBI's and our defense made some terrific plays (Nash Bigham & Aiden Gattie). Parker Williams & JJ Jenkins each had multiple hits for the Jags. Cam Kennedy pitched the final inning in relief and was dominate, striking out 3 batters to end the game. Great overall game Jags! Our next game is @ Centennial on Monday 3/28 at 4:30pm. Our next home game is Wednesday 3/30 @ 3:30pm also vs. Centennial. We've had some great crowds at every game, keep coming out to support your baseball team!

**JV Aprende Jaguar Baseball** Three pitchers combine for a NO Hitter to defeat the Pueblo Bulldogs on 3/16. Colton Pruetz, Catcher Jones and Cullen Colby combined for the no hit performance. Colton struck out 5 of the 6 batters and only walked one. Landon Bickford got the day started for the offense, leading the game with an in the park Homerun in the 1st inning. The hits kept coming in the 2nd inning as Lane Hifler, Landon Bickford, Louis Wolf and Brandon Pate also knocked in runs in the 2nd. Landon Bickford finished the game going 3 for 4 with an outstanding day at the plate. On Mon 3/21, the Jaguars offense came strong with the bats, out hitting the Altadena Panthers 11 to 4. But it wasn't enough in the 7-9 loss. The Panthers five run 3rd inning was too much to overcome. Aprende had multiple hits from Spencer Bigham, Colton Pruetz & Jack Berriochoa. Hugh Hurkmans, Spencer Bigham, Catcher Jones & Colton Pruetz all contributed on the pitcher's mound. Aprende had the bats hot again in the 11-1 win over the KMS Scorpions on 3/23. In the 2nd inning the Jags scored 5 runs, knocking in runs were Blake Notbohm, Cullen Coby & Ismael Ramirez. Colton Pruetz, Evan Dunn, Easton Vesely & Tanner Robertson all had great performances in the team effort on the pitcher's mound. Evan Dunn & Catcher Jones each had multiple hits in the game.

**Girls Varsity Basketball** pulled off a close game on 3/16 vs Akimel A-al. We won 39-37, keeping the undefeated streak alive from last year. Jayla Freeman went off scoring 37 points and getting a steal in the 4th quarter to seal the victory. Aprende won their 3rd straight game on 3/23 vs KMS. Good job girls! Way to start the season!!

**Track & Field** had a very successful Home meet on 3/17 vs Pueblo. The kids and coaches were excited by the many PR's (personal records). Their hard work is paying off. Some Highlight Event Winners- 75 Hurdles: Melanie Lindenstruth & Gabriel Castillo, 100 Meters: Azariah Burnett, 200M: Paige Buckley & Gabriel Castillo, 400M: Lauren Payne & again Gabriel Castillo, 800M: Addison Stewart & Daniel Holgate, 1600M Emma Weaver & Jack Black Feather, Shot Put: Alaya Felix & Jameson Reed, Discus: Ryan Eberle & Kimsey Sundberg, Long Jump: Kimsey Sundberg & Isaiah Alexander, High Jump: Emily Wyatt. Both Girls & Boys relays Won!!

We started the week off Tuesday with JV girls winning 76 vs Pueblo 10 and JV boys 76 vs Pueblo 22. The girls team was led by 2 girls: Sydney Turner placing 1st in long jump 400



meters and anchoring the 4x400 relay. Evangeline Pedersoli placed 1st in 100 meters, 200 and anchoring the 4x100 relay team. The boys led by Kielan Wiggins-Ramirez 100, 200 meters and ran a leg on the winning 4x100 relay. Chris Yazzie's win in the shot put and discus added to that huge score. The JV team all showed up big with lots of PR's. The Varsity team ended the week running against KMS. The girls overall Win was led by Addison Stewart placing 1st in 800 and 1600 meters. The girls 4x100 and 4x400 relay continues with a Winning streak. The boys team didn't get an overall team victory but still produced some huge PR's. The 1st place finishers Gabriel Castillo 75 hurdles, Daniel Holgate 400 meters, Ryan Eberle high jump & boys 4x400 relay. Many times dropped in sprints, distance throws and jumps. The hard work is definitely paying off. Good job to all of our Jaguars!

**Volleyball Skills Camp: Registration & Payments open April 18-May 13**



# Aprende Volleyball Skills Camp!!!

## NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY

This is a 3-day camp to get you ready to play "Competitive Team Volleyball." Perfect for girls that want to try out next school year for Aprende Volleyball Team

**WHO:** *Incoming 6-8<sup>th</sup> Graders (2022-2023 school year)*

**When:** May 9<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 13<sup>th</sup> MON/WED/ FRI.

**TIME: 3:30 – 5:30 PM**

**Where:** Aprende Middle School Gym

**Cost:** **\$75** (register early to get a spot, space is limited!)

**Passing /Setting, Hitting/ Blocking**

**Serving / Serve Receive**

## **HOW TO REGISTER:**

**Scan QR Code:**



**Or visit us at:** <https://az-kyrene.intouchrecepting.com/>

**Volleyball Questions** [cbwilson@tempeunion.org](mailto:cbwilson@tempeunion.org) or TEXT 760-404-6997

**What you will need:**



- Knee pads
- Court shoes, or athletic shoes
- Full Water bottle (**NO SHARING**)
- Proper athletic dress to play volleyball. School PE clothes are fine.







### **2021-2022 Yearbook Sales Continue...**

Don't miss out on the opportunity to purchase your 2021-2022 Aprende yearbook. It will be filled with special memories that highlight all the happenings of our Aprende students and staff. The yearbook is only \$35 with a limited number of copies available. Get yours while supplies last! Order NOW!

Visit <https://ybpay.lifetouch.com> and enter Yearbook ID Code 14349322

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## SHOWTIMES

FRI., APRIL 22 @ 7 PM

SAT., APRIL 23 @ 2 PM

(SENSORY-FRIENDLY PERFORMANCE)

SUN., APRIL 24 @ 2 PM

(UNDERSTUDY PERFORMANCE)

FRI., APRIL 29 @ 7 PM

SAT., APRIL 30 @ 10 AM

(PRESCHOOL-FRIENDLY PERFORMANCE)

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## Seventh Grade Grand Canyon Trip

The 7th grade optional Grand Canyon Field Trip is May 6th-8th. Check out the flyer below! Register and pay on our [Online Payment Portal](#). Please email Ms. Holmesley at [gholme@kyrene.org](mailto:gholme@kyrene.org) or call the front office with any questions, 480-541-6200.



## Grand Canyon/ CO River Adventure

### Aprende Middle School—7th Grade

**\$400/ student**  
**\$420/ adult**



**Grand Canyon**



**Bus Activities**



**Petroglyph Beach**

**May 6-8, 2022**

Join Project Exploration and Aprende Middle School for an exciting adventure visiting the Grand Canyon and floating down the Colorado River! Traveling along the geological timeline, we will teach about the geology and history of the Grand Canyon. While floating the Colorado River, we will pass through Horseshoe Bend and visit Petroglyph Beach. This trip is sure to be a blast!

**Parent Info Night**

February 22nd from 5-6PM  
at Aprende MS

**Trip Price Includes**

All entrance fees  
Motor coach transportation  
1 night hotel stay & night security  
Live animal presentation  
Educational guide  
Most meals





It's hard to believe that the end of the school year is coming! Our students will be completing their middle school years. It's been quite the journey for us all!

We're EXCITED to let you know that our 8th Graders will be able to have an IN PERSON 8th Grade Celebratory Dance!\*

**WHAT: 8th GRADE CELEBRATION**  
**WHEN: FRIDAY, MAY 6, 2022**  
**TIME: 6:00p - 8:00p**  
**WHERE: APRENDE MIDDLE SCHOOL GYM**  
\*More information to come!!

### **This Celebration is 100% FUNDED BY DONATIONS**

We are asking our 8th Grade families to consider donating \$20, or any amount possible, to help support the success of this event.

Our goal is to raise enough money  
to create a themed event  
with music, dancing, photos, slideshow,  
decorations, games, snacks & beverages.

**\*\*\* DONATE ONLINE! \*\*\***

CASH/CHECK: Return to Aprende office  
(checks payable to Aprende PTSO; Memo: 8th Grade Celebration)

Questions: Please email [amsdance2022@gmail.com](mailto:amsdance2022@gmail.com)

ALL 8th Graders are invited to the 8th Grade Celebration regardless of ability to donate.

Thank you for supporting this memorable 8th grade annual tradition!

**SAVE THE DATE: 8th Grade Promotion: Tuesday, May 17, 2022**  
**\*more information to come**

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If you and your student are interested in AVID, contact Jackie Williams at [jwilliams@kyrene.org](mailto:jwilliams@kyrene.org) to find out more about what AVID can do for you!

Follow us on Instagram at [ams\\_avid\\_rocks](#) and Facebook at [Kyrene Aprende AVID](#).

Jackie Williams, M.Ed.  
AVID Elective Teacher / AVID Coordinator



**Free Edulastic AASA practice tests** are available to help students to familiarize themselves with the structure of questions, test format and interface of state tests. You can find these free practice tests [here](#) along with [Teacher Talk Webinar](#) on state test prep tips and tools. As part of preparation for the main exam, students should take regular practice assessment tests to build their confidence, understand their weak areas and strengths, as well as have an idea of what to expect when testing day arrives.



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Free virtual tutoring available to Arizona students through the AmeriCorps STEMM program, skilled tutor mentors provide free online math tutoring and support to K-12 students. Use [this link](#) to view the schedule of tutoring sessions and access live tutoring.



### Wag Wednesdays:

Bring your pup to student drop-off from 7:55 a.m. to 8:10 a.m. for a little treat! Just roll down your window, and Mrs. Staudohar will pop a mini- Milkbone into your pup's mouth!



### Quicklinks

- [School Website](#)
- [Breakfast/Lunch Menu](#)
- [Calendar of Events](#)
- [ParentVue and StudentVue](#)
- [PTSO Information](#)

## Contact Us

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**School Hours M, T, Th, F:** 8:15 am - 3:05 pm  
**Wednesday Early Release:** 8:15 am - 1:05 pm

**Office Hours M, T, Th, F:** 7:45 am - 4:15 pm  
**Wednesday Early Release:** 7:45 am - 2:15 pm

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