

Friday, April 8, 2022

UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL EVENTS

April 11: AASA Reading 1 & Math 1 Testing for all grades (8:15 AM - 11:30 AM)

April 12: AASA Reading 2 & Math 2 Testing for all grades (8:15 AM - 11:30 AM)

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 (Wednesday-Full School Day 8:15 AM-3:05 PM)

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

May 24: Kyrene Governing Board Meeting

View Full Calendar

Dear Aprende Families,

All students/grades will be taking our AASA Reading and Math Tests next week on Monday and Tuesday. We ask that students arrive on time. Students are allowed on campus at 7:55 AM. Our first bell to go to class is at 8:10 AM and school starts promptly at 8:15 AM. All students will go directly to their 2nd period class on Monday and Tuesday mornings when the bell rings at 8:10 AM for testing.

We will do everything we can to help the kids be successful on these assessments, but there are definitely some things you can do at home:

Make sure your child gets plenty of sleep the night before every test. Also, make sure your child eats a healthy breakfast with lots of protein so they can concentrate for extended periods of time. Please avoid sugary breakfast foods that will cause a sugar rush and subsequent crash. Have them bring a healthy snack and a book for reading for when they finish their test.

Your child will need a pair of earbuds/headphones for the test with an auxiliary plug (not Bluetooth or airpods) for them to plug into their laptop. Please make sure they have this in their backpack ready to use for Monday and Tuesday.

Monday, April 11: AASA Reading 1 & Math 1 Testing for all grades (8:15 AM - 11:30 AM) Tuesday, April 12: AASA Reading 2 & Math 2 Testing for all grades (8:15 AM - 11:30 AM)



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.



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 <u>Tax Credit Form</u>. Please call our school office at 480-541-6200 with any questions. Thank you.



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!



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!



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 or Athletic Secretary, Alissa DeFoe, 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.

The Varsity Baseball team rallied to come back from a 5 run deficit but fell short losing to Altadena 8-10 on Monday. The Jaguars took an early 5-2 lead at the end of the 2nd inning on runs scored on hits by Parker Williams, JJ Jenkins and Noah Plummer. Unfortunately, things began to unravel in the 3rd inning as the Jags surrendered 4 runs on 2 defensive errors and

bad calls. The game spiraled out of control in the 4th when the Jags committed 4 errors resulting in 4 more runs for Altadena. Aprende rallied for 3 runs in the final inning but it wasn't enough. Parker Williams led the Jags at the plate, going 2 for 3 and scoring 3 runs. Cam Kennedy, Hunter Albert and Josh Shepherd played well and were the bright spots defensively. Tough game Jags. On Wednesday, Varsity wins 15-8 vs Pueblo. Starting pitcher Aidan Gattie earned the victory on the mound, going 2.2 innings and allowing 1 earned run, while striking out 5 batters. Micah Capps and Josh Shepherd pitched out of the bullpen in relief to help close out the game. Aprende's offense lit up Pueblo pitching for 15 runs on 12 hits. Hugo Chamberlain and Nash Bigham each hit 2-run doubles while Hunter Albert, Cam Kennedy and Parker Williams all knocked in runs. Hugo Chamberlain led Aprende's offense, going 2 for 4 at the plate with 2 RBI's and 2 runs scored. The Jags ran wild on the base paths, stealing 12 bases. Great team victory Jags! Our season record is 5-2-1. Only 2 games remain in the regular season... our next game is 4:30pm on Monday 4/11 at Akimel.

Despite JV Aprende Baseball out hitting Altadena 10-4, the Jaguars fell to Altadena 4-6 in the run's column. The Jaguars didn't come close to playing their best game, but still battled to the end in the 4-6 loss. Colton Pruetz, Brandon Pate and Catcher Jones combined to only give up 4 hits on the mound. Evan Dunn and Hugh Hurkmans had multiple hits on the day. The Jaguars look forward to playing their best baseball come playoff time! Wednesday 4/6, Aprende beat Pueblo 16-2. Tanner Robertson, Evan Dunn, L.J. Thompson & Ismael Ramirez all combined to pitch a NO Hitter against the Bulldogs. The bats were hot for the Jaguars with the team combining to have a total of 15 hits in the game. Leading the way for the Jaguars offense was Landon Bickford, Lane Hifler, Brandon Pate & Colton Pruetz, all having multiple hits in the game. The Jaguars are building up the momentum for a great run in the playoffs! Go Jags!!!

Girls Varsity Basketball defeated Akimel A-al on Monday 4/4 with Jayla Freeman and Callie Hinder dominating with the pick and roll. Way to go team! Keep up the hard work! Wednesday 4/6, we had a BYE! Upcoming games: Mon 4/11 @ KMS at 5:30pm and Mon 4/18 @ ALT at 5:30pm.

Track & Field JV had our last regular track meet against Altadena on 4/5 and they had so many PR's in every event. Hopefully they went home on Tuesday night bragging about how well they performed. I know us coaches were so proud and we bragged about their success this season. JV girls & boys have a bright future in goal setting perseverance and a "I CAN" attitude. The Varsity track team followed suit running against Centennial Thursday, the PR's (personal records) were HUGE. The new events that some tried out all worked out. Caden Gorishek excelled in hurdles placing 2nd with hardly any experience under his belt. He was determined which will take him all the way to the conference championship meet along with Kimsey Sundberg in high jump. Her first go at it was random, she embraced it and now she's

on her way to conference in another event. Lauren Payne and Matthew Albanese both figured out their new event, the 800 meters (2 laps). They both used the last lap to really start kicking and it all worked out for the Win. The field events had some good performances with the girls shot put leader 6th grader Alaya Felix who will score big every time she throws. Simone Shabazz threw a PR in Shot Put, Jamiyah Ware's long jump of 14'10 is going in leading conference and Nathaniel Jenkins high jumped to a soaring 5"3 to win it. We are headed to the Conference Championship meet Wednesday, April 14 at Desert Vista High School. Field events start at 3:30pm. Come out to support your Jaguar family!

Volleyball Skills Camp: Registration & Payments open April 8-May 13



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 6-8th Graders (2022-2023 school year)

When: May 9th, 11th, and 13th 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!)

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HOW TO REGISTER:

Scan QR Code:



Or visit us at: https://az-kyrene.intouchreceipting.com/

Volleyball Questions 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

Please note: ALL YEARBOOK SALES ARE DONE ONLINE. No payments/orders will be taken in-person at this time.



Aprende PTSO elections is coming up on Monday, April 25 at the PTSO meeting 8:15 a.m. in the Aprende Library!

We are calling for nominations for all board positions.

Please contact us at: https://www.kyrene.org/AprendePTSO if you would like to be placed on the ballot and/or come to the meeting 4/25.

Board Roles and Responsibilities Information



AVID is college and career readiness program targeted to students who are mostly in the middle.

AVID teaches:

- academic and social skills not targeted in other classes.
- provides intensive support with in-class tutors and a strong student/teacher relationship.
- creates a positive peer group for students.
- develops a sense of hope and personal achievement gained through hard work and determination.

If you and your student are interested in AVID, contact Jackie Williams at jwilliams@kyrene.org to find our 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



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\$7.00 GENERAL ADMISSION \$4.00 STUDENTS / TEACHERS \$10.00 RESERVED \$20.00 VIP

TICKETS HERE



Music and Lyrics by Clark Gesner Based on The Comic Strip *Peanuts by Charles M Schm.z

YOU'RE A GOOD MAN, CHARLIE BROWN THE MUSICAL

SHOWTIMES

FRI., APRIL 22 @ 7 PM
SAT., APRIL 23 @ 2 PM

SUN., APRIL 24 @ 2 PM (UNDERSTUDY PERFORMANCE) FRI., APRIL 29 @ 7 PM

SAT., APKIL 30 @ O AM

(PRESCHOOL-FRIENDLY PERFORMANCE)

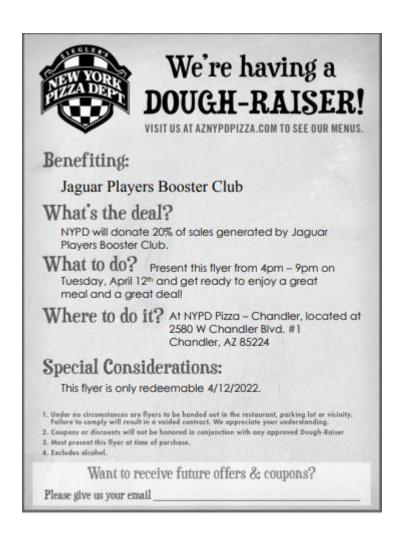
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Wag Wednesdays:

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!



Kyrene Summer Academy Math Course Offerings.

We are excited to offer the following 3 math courses for *acceleration* pathways for current Grade 4, Grade 5, and Grade 6 students. Courses will be hosted at KTA campus as part of summer academy. Here is the <u>registration link</u> you could share with families. Reach out to Becca Mahlerwein with any questions regarding these math courses. Feel free to share this

information and/or Community Education class links with interested families. We offered math courses in prior summers in Kyrene and Tempe Union is going to focus only on high school credit math courses in their programming.

- Current 4th graders option, Compact 5b/6 Preparation: This course is appropriate for a student who was in Math 4 but has strong potential to advance into Compact Math 5b/6 course OR a student who was in Compact Math 4/5a and needs some additional time with the Grade 5 math content before moving on to Compact 5b/6. Class is located at Kyrene Traditional Academy.
- Current 5th graders option, Math 6: This course is appropriate for a student who was in Math 5 but has strong potential to possibly advance to Math 7 in middle school OR a student who was in Compact 5b/6 and needs additional time with Grade 6 math content before moving on to Math 7. Class is located at Kyrene Traditional Academy.
- Current 6th graders option, Math 7: This course is appropriate for a student who was in Math 6 but has strong potential to possibly advance to Math 8. Class is located at Kyrene Traditional Academy.

We have a few spots left for KELP (Kyrene summer school).

The program will be at KTA and transportation is provided to and from Aprende. There is no cost and students will also receive free breakfast and lunch. The program will be 2 hours of ELA and 2 hours of math instruction/remediation, with breaks throughout and typically runs from 8-12. The dates are Monday-Thursday, May 31-June 23. If you are interested in having your current 6th or 7th grader attend summer school this summer, or if you have a additional questions, please e-mail the principal directly: rkory@kyrene.org



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.

The Art Specialists of Kyrene School District cordially invite you to attend



Art Show Opening

Monday, April 11th, 2022

Virtual art show link:

https://www.kyrene.org/artshow2022

Art Show will remain open Monday, April 11th, - Thursday, June 30th



KYRENE MONTE VISTA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 15221 S RAY ROAD - PHX

SAT APR 23RD, 2022 9:00 - 11:00 AM

On-Site Shred Truck and 2 Box Trucks!

We are asking for food donations for the Kyrene Resource Food Bank

(one item per box shredded please)

Looking For Healthy Snacks, Granola Bars, Goldfish, Cereal Bars, Beans, Rice, Canned Meat (Chicken or Tuna), Raisins, Pasta, and Pasta Sauce.



Quicklinks

- School Website
- Breakfast/Lunch Menu
- Calendar of Events
- ParentVue and StudentVue
- PTSO Information

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