



CERRITOS NEWS

July 23, 2021

Upcoming Events

July 27: Meet the Teacher 5pm-7pm

5pm-6pm Last Names A-L

6pm-7pm Last Names M-Z

July 29: First Day of School

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Meet the Teacher Night:

Join us for Meet the Teacher Night on Tuesday, July 27! This is a chance to spend time in your classroom, fill out important forms for your teacher, purchase spirit wear, learn about transportation, set up a lunch account online, and learn more about our PTO. Please enter through the playground gates and walk down to the Cafeteria/Multi-Purpose Room. Maps and school staff will be available to help you find your classrooms.

- 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm: Families with last names that begin with A - L
- 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm: Families with last names that begin with M - Z

Teacher assignments will be available on ParentVUE on July 27, 2021.

First Day of School Procedures:

Our first day of school is July 29, 2021. The campus will be open for students at 7:05 am and class will begin at 7:25 am. Students will enter the campus by the playground at 7:05 am and the playground will remain open until 7:15 am. At 7:15 am the bell will ring and students will enter the building through the designated doors. Breakfast will be provided free of charge each day and will be grab and go from carts in the main hallway. Students will proceed to their classrooms to unpack and eat their breakfast. If a student arrives on campus after 7:15 am, they will enter the CA doors, pick up their

breakfast and proceed to their classroom. The last bell will ring, and students should be in class ready to learn at 7:25 am.

In order to minimize the number of people on campus, parents will not be able to visit the classrooms with their students on the first day of school like we traditionally do. You are welcome to take pictures out front and then walk your student to the gate or CA door.

School bus riders will be dropped off at the front of the school and will enter the playground gate or the CA door depending on the time of their arrival.

First Day of School Procedures (KINDERGRATEN ONLY):

To assist our newest learners, we are asking that they be dropped off at the CA door starting at 7:05 am on the first day of school. There will be staff and student helpers available to help them find their classrooms. Teachers will show them the playground and where to go normally in the morning during the first day so they can learn where to go starting Friday morning. We will also be delivering breakfast to the classroom, so students do not have to worry about getting them from the carts. Teachers will also review this with them on the first day as well.

Late Arrival Procedures:

In the event your child arrives on campus after 7:25 am, parents/guardians will need to bring them into the front office and sign them in. Once they have been signed in, they will be given a late pass and proceed through the office to their classroom.

School Supplies:

If you purchased a school supply kit from the PTO in the Spring, your child's kit will be delivered directly to his/her classroom teacher and will be ready for the first day of school. If you did not purchase a kit in the Spring and will be purchasing supplies from local retailers, please use the [supply list](#) on the Cerritos Website. You are welcome to get any brand of supplies from local retailers. Feel free to bring your child's supplies with you to Meet the Teacher Night so you do not have to bring them on the first day of school.

Afternoon Pick-up Procedures:

Mrs. Gingell has a few reminders about the Cerritos parking lot procedures:
<https://youtu.be/tOzHPCCG4lo>

Crosswalk Updates:

Due to a current staffing limitations, we will not have a crossing guard available to assist Cerritos students in crossing the upper crosswalk across from Altadena. Students who need to cross over from the east side of Desert Foothills parkway should walk down the sidewalk to the supervised crosswalk across from Cerritos so they can safely cross to school. If we are able to hire additional staff later this year, we will revisit the use of the upper crosswalk.

Health Office News

Please contact Ms. Sickman at 480-541-2220 or wsickman@kyrene.org if you have any health questions or concerns. Some important reminders:

- Update any health conditions along with care plans as soon as possible. New paperwork needs to be filed each year.
- We accept clothing donations for the health office and really need flip flops and elastic shorts of all sizes.
- *Please do not send medication with your child to school.* All medication needs to come through the health office.
- Any crutches or wheelchairs require orders from a physician to be used on campus.

ENGAGE Arizona

The Arizona Governor's Office of Education has partnered with Graduation Alliance to provide an extra layer of support for students in grades K-12, and their families, who might be struggling. Every student can now get an academic coach to answer questions, help them connect with resources and develop a plan to address barriers they may be facing. This program is completely free to students. For more information, visit www.kyrene.org/engageaz.



QUICKLINKS

- [School Website](#)
- [Facebook](#)
- [Cerritos Brag Page](#)
- [Breakfast/Lunch Menu](#)
- [Calendar of Events](#)
- [ParentVUE/StudentVUE](#)
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School Hours: 7:25 am – 2:15 pm (M, Tu, Th, F)
7:25 am – 12:15 pm (W)

Office Hours: 7:00 am – 3:30 pm (M, Tu, Th, F)
7:00 am – 1:30pm (W)

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