



May 21, 2021

End of Year Reminders

- **Early Release days.** Our next early release is Friday, May 28th at 12:30 p.m. June 7th and 8th are both early release days at 12:30 p.m. The last day of school is Tuesday, June 8, 2021.
- **Spirit Week.** Mark your calendars for our final Spirit Week June 1-4th. Details are listed in this newsletter.
- **Medications.** All medications must be picked up from the health office before the end of the school year by a parent/guardian. No medications will be sent home with students. If medications are not picked up by the last day of school, they will be disposed of before the Health Assistant leaves for the summer.
- **Class parties.** Teachers will be sharing information about class parties and events for the end of the year. We will not be able to have families join us for the class parties this year but we look forward to returning to volunteers in the class room next year.
- **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!
- **School supplies for 2021-22.** There are lots of reasons to avoid the back-to-school shopping crowds this year. Just order a pack online to get all the teacher approved items for next school year. Go to www.educationalproducts.com/shoppacks Enter the school ID, KYR000 (3 letters/3 numbers). Follow the directions to complete your order. Print your confirmation as your receipt.

Upcoming Events

May 28: Early Release at 12:30 pm

May 31: No School - Memorial Day

June 1-4: Spirit Week

June 7: Class Parties & Early Release

June 8: Last day of School

[View Full Calendar](#)

Mark your Calendars! Spirit Week is June 1-4

Tuesday, June 1- DIY Hat Day. Students can wear their favorite hat, or they can make their own fun DIY hat. Each class will vote who has the most creative hat and those students will be featured in the end of the year assembly slideshow.

Wednesday, June 2- 80's Day. Dress up in your favorite 80's gear.

Thursday, June 3- Guess Who Day. Students can dress as their favorite animal, youtuber, celebrity idol, superhero, fictional character, athlete, friend, family member, or personal hero. No masks, face paint, or accessories that resemble or could be used as weapons.

Friday, June 4- Comfy Cozy Day. Students can wear their favorite Pj's and bring a fuzzy blanket and/or favorite stuffed animal to school. Students need to wear shoes to school- no slippers please.



Library Books and Curriculum

All library books were due today, May 21. If you received an email from the library regarding overdue books or outstanding curriculum materials (CKLA readers) from quarters 1 - 3, please return those items to Cerritos as soon as possible. Flex student material drop off, including laptops and chargers, will be June 7th and 8th. Thank you for your assistance with this!



QUICKLINKS

- [School Website](#)
 - [Facebook](#)
 - [Cerritos Brag Page](#)
 - [Breakfast/Lunch Menu](#)
 - [Calendar of Events](#)
 - [ParentVUE/StudentVUE](#)
 - [PTO Information](#)
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5th Grade End of Year Information

June 4: Virtual End of the Year Assembly. While we wish we could all be together in the MPR for our annual end of the year assembly, we need to honor the cohort model and COVID-19 mitigation strategies. Students will attend a virtual assembly online from the computers in their classrooms.

June 7: 5th Grade Party & Yearbook distribution. Mrs. Eger's class should bring curriculum, laptops and chargers to return. The 5th grade "I Survived" Party will include an escape room, games, snacks, photos, and lunch. Unfortunately, due to COVID-19 we are not able to have any parent visitors. We will take a ton of pictures and do some Facebook live videos for parents who want to watch the event. Students will receive a commemorative t-shirt the morning of the party and will be able to wear it for the party and they will get their yearbooks. Students will have time to gather signatures during the party and on June 8th.

June 8: Kickball Game, Slideshow & Clap Out. Mrs. Eger's class should bring curriculum, laptops and chargers to return. The 5th grade classes will play their annual kickball game starting at 8 a.m. Unfortunately, due to COVID-19 we are not able to have any parent visitors. We will take a ton of pictures and do some Facebook live videos for parents who want to watch the event. After the Kickball game, students will enjoy a special slideshow in their classrooms. We are so excited to have the opportunity to bring back our traditional 5th grade clapout, but it will look a little different in order to maintain our cohort model. Each class will line up in a special location outside allowing students to social distance. The 5th graders will walk the path and be celebrated by their fellow Roadrunners! Their path will end in their classrooms where they will say their final goodbyes and gather their belongings for dismissal.



Spring Photo Update and 5th Grade Group Photo Ordering

You can still access School Pics online ordering system and have pictures shipped to home if you wish. School Pics will accept print orders through May 14. After that, parents can order a digital download through June 30.

We are excited to share that this year, our photo company School Pics, went above and beyond and created a special 5th grade group panoramic photo for our students. Since the children were not able to be photographed as a group, the company took a photo of each child on Spring picture day against a green screen and then used photo editing software to create an amazing group photo. If you are interested in ordering a copy of this unique, mask-free photo it is now available for online viewing and ordering online. **Order by May 21st**, and your prints will be delivered to school. Remote learners will still have to have their Pano shipped to home. <https://www.schoolpicsonline.com>

Graduate Walk of Fame

Parent, please feel free to share this message with High School and College Graduates 2021!

Cerritos invites you to a modified/virtual version of our annual "Begin with the End in Mind" Graduate Walk of Fame. We want to celebrate YOU and show our young students that hard work pays off!

1. Please send a short video clip (horizontal orientation) wearing your cap and gown. Videos will be featured at our end of the year virtual assembly on June 4th, however, you will also be invited to attend the Zoom assembly wearing your cap and gown.
2. Assembly times and Zoom links will be emailed to participants.
3. In the video share your name, school, and post high school or college plans. If you wish, include some words of wisdom for our young leaders and a favorite memory from elementary school
4. Email your video clip to Jessica Harris at jharris@kyrene.org by MONDAY, MAY 24th.



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- Videos will be shared at our virtual school assembly on Friday, June 4th, but you are also invited to attend the Zoom assembly wearing your cap and gown.

Please email your video to Jessica Harris at
jharris@kyrene.org by Monday, May 24th.

PTO News

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. The Volunteer Coordinator(s) are responsible for assisting event chairs and PTO leadership in securing volunteers for on-campus events. The Historian(s) photographs school events, oversees the creation of the school yearbook.

Click [here](#) to learn more, to nominate yourself or another parent at Cerritos.

Last Takeout Tuesday of the year is on the last day of school, June 8, 2021, 12:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. at Yoasis Frozen Yogurt, 1304 E. Chandler Blvd. Ste 104, Phoenix AZ 85048. Please mention Cerritos at time of purchase to earn credit. 20% of sales will be donated back to our school!

Face Covering Update

Kyrene School District announced new guidance this week regarding the use of face coverings while outside. Please check your email for a message from the District on May 19th, regarding this update, which was made in consultation with the Maricopa County Department of Public Health, in response to evolving CDC recommendations.

We want to provide you with some additional information about what this adjustment means on the Cerritos campus. Thank you for your diligence in following all safety protocols as outlined on www.kyrene.org/safestrong. Please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions.

- Masks are now optional in outdoor settings, such as recess, outdoor lunch, outdoor P.E. and any uncrowded outside space.
- Students, staff and families should continue to wear face coverings during arrival and dismissal until away from the crowd, as social distancing is difficult during these periods of the day.
- It is important that parents and guardians communicate with your children about your expectation/preference for face coverings. While our teachers and staff will do everything possible to support your family's choice, it is the student's responsibility to know whether they should be wearing a face covering outside.
- For students who will be exercising the option to remove face coverings during approved outside settings, we recommend attaching masks to a lanyard, placing their mask in a pocket, attaching it around their water bottle or using a plastic baggie with their name to store while outside to avoid losing the mask or dropping it on the ground. Students must still wear masks while transitioning to and from outside area so they will need a place to store them if removed.

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