



Kyrene Athletics 09/10

Welcome back, the Kyrene Athletic Program is looking forward to an exciting 2009-2010 school year!

Last school year, over 2900 students participated in our athletics programs and we are growing every year. Athletics bring a wonderful sense of community to our middle schools and offers support to our students who participate. We truly believe that a student's participation in athletics teaches important character education skills like problem solving, sportsmanship, and an ability to communicate to work with others. These skills benefits each student personally and stretches into their classroom performance and confidence to succeed in the future. Whether your student participates in intramurals or an organized sport it is important for them to stay active and connected to school, so sign up today! Our middle schools offer a variety of sports and intramural programs to participate in, for more information on what your school offers contact your school's front office.

For more information about Kyrene Athletics please visit our website frequently at www.kyrene.org/athletics

Athletic Budget Facts

DID YOU KNOW...
athletic participation fees qualify as an Arizona State tax credit and play a huge part in covering operational costs?

Cost to operate the Kyrene Athletic Program in '08-'09 was \$343,879.

"Pay for Play" fees and Tax Credit Donations collected from our six middle schools in '08-'09 was \$309,600.

The difference made up through other outside sources was \$34,279.

For additional funding information, please log on to our program webpage at www.kyrene.org/athletics or give us a call at (480) 783-4060.

2008/2009 Sportsmanship Award Recipients



Fall:

7th Boys Soccer - Akimel A-al/Altadeña/Pueblo
8th Boys Soccer - Centennial
7th Volleyball - Aprende
8th Volleyball - Altadeña
Cross Country - Centennial

Winter Cont:

7th Boys Basketball - Pueblo
8th Boys Basketball - Pueblo
Wrestling - Centennial

Spring:

7th Girls Basketball - Centennial/Altadeña
8th Girls Basketball - Aprende/Centennial
7th Boys Baseball - Centennial
8th Boys Baseball - Pueblo
Track & Field - Pueblo

Winter:

7th Girls Soccer - Kyrene
8th Girls Soccer - Pueblo
7th Girls Softball - Centennial
8th Girls Softball - Aprende

Nominations are made by the individual sport's coaching staff throughout the district.

DATES to REMEMBER...

A current sport physical is required for athletic participation. Sport physicals are considered current for one calendar year, appointments can be scheduled online at www.physico2go.com.

Tuesday August 11th - Akimel A-AI & Pueblo 4:00 - 7:00 PM
Wednesday August 12th - Altadeña & Kyrene 4:00 - 7:00 PM
Thursday August 13th - Aprende & Centennial 4:00 - 7:00 PM

Season Openers:

Boys Soccer/Girls Volleyball
Cross Country

Season Tournaments:

Boys Soccer
Girls Volleyball
Cross Country Invitational A & B Meet



Wednesday September 9rd
Thursday September 10th

October 26th, 27th 28th, 29th
October 26th, 27th, 29th
October 28th

Individual game schedules are available on our webpage @ www.kyrene.org/athletics



Sports that hold "cuts", such as soccer, basketball, volleyball, etc., are currently \$135 per sport. "Non-cut" sports, such as Cross Country, Wrestling and Track & Field are \$100 per sport.

Who Are My Athletic Directors?

District Office: Athletic Director - Amanda Hamm /Program Technician - Ruth Covarrubias (480) 783-4060

Akimel A-al:

Athletic Director Joe Bonamo
 Secretary Geri Dempsey
 Phone Number 783-1691

Aprende:

Athletic Director Lyle Whigham
 Secretary Cathy Emery
 Phone Number 783-2289

Kyrene:

Athletic Director Stephani Wickwire
 Secretary Pam Adam
 Phone Number 783-1090

Altadena:

Athletic Director Tim O'Donnell
 Secretary Anne Saccoman
 Phone Number 783-1390

Centennial:

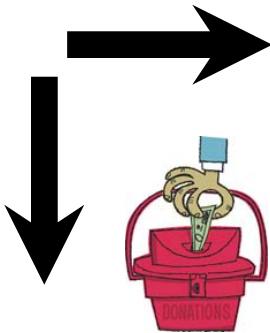
Athletic Director Ashley Schutkowski
 Secretary Deb Northrup
 Phone Number 783-2590

Pueblo:

Athletic Director Jeff Reisinger
 Secretary Leann Krigbaum
 Phone Number 783-2491



Additional ways to **support your child's athletic program!**



The kid you SPONSOR today can be the all-star athlete you ADMIRE tomorrow...



District wide budget cuts forced the elimination of district funding for Kyrene Athletics in the year 2000. We now rely on participation fees, tax credit donations, business and individual sponsorships to fund the program. Your individual sponsorship of \$100 can put a smile on a kid's face and help support this valuable program. Studies have shown that Academics and Athletics go hand-in-hand. Support a **Kyrene Kid Today!**

For more information on how you too can sponsor an Athlete contact the Kyrene Athletic Department at (480) 783-4060 or visit our webpage @ www.kyrene.org/athletics

The Kyrene Athletic Program relies on tax credit donations to fund this valuable program. Studies have shown that Athletics and Academics go hand-in-hand. Arizona taxpayers can receive a dollar-for-dollar State tax credit of up to \$200 (\$400 for married couples filing a joint return) by donating to our middle school athletic program. Visit our website at www.kyrene.org/athletics to download additional tax credit forms (grandparents, friends, neighbors).

Your donations are what make this program possible.

Kyrene School District Athletics
 8700 S. Kyrene Rd. Tempe, AZ. 85284
 (480) 783-4060
www.kyrene.org/athletics



Make checks payable to **"Kyrene School District - Athletics"** and mail to the address listed above. We will mail you a receipt for your records and report your donation to the State of Arizona as required by law.

Taxpayer Name: _____
 Student Name: _____
 School Name: _____
 Taxpayer Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____
 Email Address: _____

I do **not** wish to have my name published as a donor in the Kyrene Athletic Newsletter

Tax credits must be postmarked before December 31, 2009