

# Kyrene del Norte Dual Language Academy

“The function of education is to teach one to think intensively and to think critically. Intelligence plus character - that is the goal of true education.

~Martin Luther King Jr.

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**Friday, November 4, 2016**

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## Quick Links



**NORTE  
WEBSITE**



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**PARENT VUE**



**KYRENE  
DISTRICT**

### Fall Festival Tonight!

Fun, food, games, bounce house, cake walk and all kinds of excitement. Please join us for a great time to be with family and friends.

### Miss Arizona Visits Norte

Friday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, Norte had the pleasure of hosting Miss Arizona at our school. We were so excited that we were able to have Katelyn Niemiec, our reigning Miss Arizona, come to our school to cap off our Anti Bullying month. Katelyn has such passion for this cause and is a wonderful advocate for those that have suffered the injustice of bullying. Her message is universal and applies to all, not just kids. Make sure that you ask your student/s what they learned from this assembly.

### Tax Credit Donations!!

It's not too early to make a Tax Credit Donation to Kyrene del Norte. Thanks to our families that made donations last year, our Norte students were able to go to the Phoenix Zoo, Tempe Center for the Arts, Sea Life at AZ Mills, Imax, Higley Center for the Arts and 5<sup>th</sup> grade Biztown without any cost to our families.

### Lunch Money Deposit Plan Changing

Starting on Tuesday, October 25, 2016, lunch money deposited into “My School Bucks” will be transferred into the new system called E-Funds. If you have questions, you can go to [www.kyrene.org/foodservices](http://www.kyrene.org/foodservices) or if you want to speak to someone, please call 480-541-1350 or 480-541-1660. Parents will need to set up a new account for meal payments in E-Funds. You will be able to view MySchoolBucks for information or account history.

### IMPORTANT DATES!

**Fall Festival!**  
Friday,  
November 4<sup>th</sup>  
5:00pm-8:00pm

**Community  
Forum**  
District Office  
Nov 9<sup>th</sup>  
5:00pm

**FTO Meeting**  
Thurs, Nov 10<sup>th</sup>  
3:00pm

**No School,  
Veterans Day**  
Friday, Nov 11<sup>th</sup>

**Juntos con  
Jaime**  
Wed, Nov 16<sup>th</sup>  
8:00-8:45am

Dr. Vesely sent a message to community and staff, providing an update on her Superintendent Priorities ([http://www.kyrene.org/Superintendent\\_Message](http://www.kyrene.org/Superintendent_Message)). In that message, she outlined the work being done to explore options for a redesign of Kyrene’s middle school program, for expansion of Early Childhood programs (both Preschool and Early Learning Centers) and to make sure the dual language and Kyrene Traditional Academy programs can be extended through middle school.

The options for these programs, which include creating an International Baccalaureate (IB) Program for Kyrene, are all in the very early stages of development. Dr. Vesely is engaging school leaders and administrators in the discussion of these options, and it is important for our communities to **understand that no decisions have been made—everything is in the preliminary stage of exploration**. The timeline, however, is to have a recommendation ready to present to the Governing Board at a study session on November 22, with further consideration tentatively scheduled for the regular board meeting on December 6. Both of these meetings are open to the public.

There will be several opportunities for parents and community members to provide input and feedback on these proposals, including community forums on the IB program, which are scheduled for 5:00 pm at the District Office on November 9 and November 15).

These forums will be streamed live online and recorded and available for viewing on the Kyrene YouTube channel. In addition, online surveys will be used to solicit feedback and input from the community. If you would like to learn more about the IB program, go to <http://ibo.org/en/information-for-parents/>. You may also want to view this presentation on “What parents need to know about IB” at <http://www.ibo.org/globalassets/digital-toolkit/presentations/1506-presentation-whatyouneedtoknow-en.pdf>

**Thanksgiving Holiday**

No School for Students or Staff  
Nov 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>

**Parent Tours**

Last Friday of each month  
8:00am-10:00am on the half hour  
Next tour will be 11/18/16. Please call the office to sign up

**Save the date!**

**Turkey Trot**

Wednesday, Nov 23<sup>rd</sup>  
8:00-10:30 am

**Kyrene Foundation Taste of Kyrene**

Feb. 24, 2017  
Tickets on sale in our office  
\$10 ticket  
\$5 goes of each ticket goes back to Norte.

**Phone Numbers**

**Main Line:**480-541-4800  
**Attendance:**480-541-4801  
**Health Office:**480-541-4820  
**Cafeteria:** 480-541-4826  
**Fax:** 480-541-4810  
**Transportation:** 480-541-1700

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