

KYRENE communicator

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Upcoming Kyrene Events

Dollars and Sense: understanding school district budgets

On March 5 at 7:00pm you can learn more about school district financing. The Kyrene School District Business Services Department will be presenting Kyrene 101: Budget Basics. This presentation is designed to walk you through the basics, covering the school district budget's main components. You'll learn where the money comes from, how the money is used, and how you can get involved in school district budget decisions. This presentation is designed to introduce you to the Kyrene School District budget and provide a forecast for the 2007-2008 fiscal year.

- Monday, March 5, 7:00pm
Ben Furlong Education Center

Governing Board Meetings

Agendas for upcoming meetings are located on the Kyrene School District Web site at kyrene.org/gb/minutes-agendas/2007.htm.

- March 27, 7:00pm,
Ben Furlong Education Center

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In the News: redistricting and unification

On February 15, the School District Redistricting Commission held a hearing downtown to talk about the redistricting/unification plans and hear public comments. Currently, two plans are being discussed by the Commission that affect Kyrene School District: a plan that consolidates Tempe Union, Temple Elementary and Kyrene into one large district, and a plan that divides Tempe Union along the current elementary border (Guadalupe Rd.) and forms two unified districts.

According to the timeline, the Commission is to provide their unification recommendation plan to the Governing Board by April 30. Once the plan has been received, we will host community forums so that you can gain additional insight on how these plans will affect your child and provide feedback. The Kyrene web site (kyrene.org) will be updated as more information becomes available. ☎

Last Chance: health curriculum materials review ends soon

Your input is important to us. Resources to support Growth and Development, HIV, AIDS, and STIs, part of the expanded Health curriculum, are on review until Tuesday, March 27th. Materials are available to review in the Curriculum Room at the Ben Furlong Education Center from 7:30am – 4:30pm.

If you have viewed the materials and would like to provide verbal feedback, please attend the final evening session on Tuesday, March 6 from 6:00 – 8:00 pm. For more information, please call 480/783-4127. ☎

Discover Kyrene Kids Club: the state's best child care

Are you looking to place your child in a before and after-school program you can trust? Do you need a summer program that will offer your child invaluable experiences? Kyrene Kids Club is what you need.

The Kyrene Kids Club was recently awarded the State of Arizona's best multi-site childcare award by Governor Napolitano. Our program offers licensed, quality childcare before and after school, during school closures and throughout the summer. Enroll today at kyrene.org/eservices. ☎

School Calendar

MARCH

12-16 Spring Break

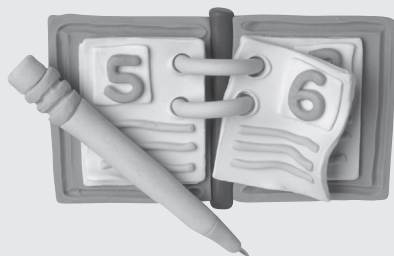
APRIL

6 Schools closed

MAY

24 Last day of classes for students

25 Last day for teachers



Now Enrolling: experience excellence in education at Kyrene

Enrollment for the 2007-2008 school year has begun. Don't miss out on the opportunity to provide your child with the foundation for lifelong learning. Visit kyrene.org for more information on kindergarten, signature programs and open enrollment information.

Student Handbook Reminder: photographing students

The Community Relations and Marketing Department would like to remind you to review page 4 of the handbook in regards to photographing students. Briefly, this states that your child may be photographed for marketing purposes unless you advise the school otherwise.

Signature Programs: special programs for your child

Signature programs are opportunities offered through Kyrene to provide you options for your child's education. Examples of these programs are:

- Kids Club Early Learning Centers; this program is for infants through four-year-olds to prepare them for Kyrene's exceptional kindergarten program.
- Kyrene Montessori; an alternative program for three, four and five-year-olds rooted in the Montessori philosophy.
- C.A.S.A. Vida; this is an enrichment program for home-schooled students where curriculum is created with home school parents and includes science, technology, communication skills, art, music and physical education.
- Youth and Adult Enrichment classes; courses are offered at Kyrene schools or online and vary by session (examples: chess, yoga, tennis, art).
- Kyrene Prep Program: Kyrene Prep is a sixth, seventh and eighth grade program where students will be introduced to a rigorous, advanced curriculum.

For more information on these programs, visit kyrene.org. 🚌

Summer Programs: enrich your child's Summer

Kyrene Schools District has exciting summer programs that will enrich your child's learning and social experience. Review the abbreviated listing below, and go to kyrene.org/eservices to register.

Summer Academy

This four-week enrichment opportunity for preschool through eighth grade students runs Monday through Thursday, June 4-28. Your child will participate in courses such as science, cooking, art, Spanish and athletics.

Community Theater

This exciting four-week theater experience is for fourth through ninth grade students from June 4-28. Students will audition for the cast, ensemble and crew of Annie. Parents will be able to see the results of their children's hard work in June.

Coming Soon

July Enrichment Camps, Summer Sports Spectacular, classes for elementary and middle school students 🚌

