



# 2022/2023 School Year

**STUDENTS CANNOT BE ON SCHOOL GROUNDS PRIOR TO 7:05 A.M.**

**Breakfast begins at 7:00 A.M.**

## SCHOOL HOURS

Kindergarten through 8th grade:

Cafeteria Doors Open at 7:00 a.m.

Parent Drop off begins at 7:00 a.m. on either the Galveston St or Metro Blvd lots.

Monday—Tuesday—Thursday—Friday  
7:25 a.m. —2:15 p.m.

First Bell Rings: 7:25 a.m.

Tardy Bell Rings: 7:30 a.m.

Early Release Every Wednesday

7:25 a.m.—12:15 p.m.

First Bell Rings: 7:25 a.m.

Tardy Bell Rings: 7:30 a.m.

Add'l Early Release Days: October 20 & March 2

(Students must be signed in by a parent if they arrive after the 7:25 a.m. tardy bell to obtain a pass.)

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

July 25: KTA Middle School Meet The Teacher  
Grades 6—8

July 26: Elementary School Meet The Teacher  
Grades K—5

July 28: First Day For Students

September 5: No School, Labor Day

September 29: 1st Quarter Ends

September 30: No School, Teacher Work Day

October 3-7: No School, Fall Break

October 10: No School, Staff Development

November 11: No School, Veteran's Day

November 24-25: No School, Thanksgiving Holiday

December 22: 2nd Quarter Ends

December 23: No School, Teacher Work Day

December 26: Winter Recess Begins

January 6: Winter Break Ends

January 9: School Resumes

January 16: No School, Martin Luther King Day

February 20: No School, President's Day

March 10: 3rd Quarter Ends

March 13-17: No School, Spring Break

March 20: No School, Teacher Work Day

April 7: No School

May 18: Last Day of School, 4th Quarter Ends

## CONTACT INFO

School Office: 480-541-5400  
Office Hours: M, T, TH, F 7:00 a.m.—3:30 p.m.  
W 7:00 a.m.—1:30 p.m.

School Fax: 480-541-5410  
Health Office: 480-541-5420  
Cafeteria: 480-541-5426  
24 Hour Attendance Line: 480-541-5401

## ATTENDANCE

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We welcome you to Kyrene's premier Traditional Academy! *Kyrene Traditional Academy (KTA) is a program of choice.*

**Our school's philosophy:**

*The acquisition of core skills, primarily through direct instruction, in a highly structured environment is viewed as the foundation of the learning process. Students are taught independence, citizenship, and self responsibility for their learning. Priority is given to the fundamental tools of learning in the core academic areas of phonics and reading; grammar; spelling and writing; mathematics; social studies; and science. We believe that students need a structured learning environment that minimizes instructional distractions in order to provide them with the strongest opportunity for academic success.*

**By selecting KTA, parents, students and staff are responsible for and committed to supporting the KTA programs, upholding standards, and following the rules and policies of the school.**

**\*Key program components of KTA\***

**Kyrene curriculum** is the focus for student learning

**Direct instructional model** for phonics, reading, writing and math using *Spalding reading* and *Saxon mathematics*

**School wide discipline plan** with positive and pro-active incentives

**Prescribed student dress**

**Parental Agreement Commitment** ( all parents must sign) with *required* school participation and volunteer hours

**School wide homework plans** (4 nights/week) with parent follow up and signature

**PRESCRIBED DRESS CODE**

- Uniform pants, shorts, skorts, jumpers and skirts must be khaki and navy in color. Fabric should be cotton or blend. No "sparkle" or lace fabric. No tears or holes.
- Collared shirts in white, navy blue or red must be plain or with the school logo.
- Sweatshirts/sweaters worn in school must be red, white or navy only.
- Outerwear (coats) can be any color/print.
- Jeans can be worn **only** on Friday Spirit Days with any school shirt. No tears or holes.
- Temporary tattoos are not permitted. Hair must be a natural color.
- Sturdy shoes or sandals are required; "flip flops" and high (knee high) lace up sneakers are not allowed. Sandals must have a back strap.
- "Free Dress Day" can be earned by classroom or grade level as part of a school-wide plan. See the KTA School Handbook for More Details!!!

**Safe Travel To and From School**

*Please work with your child to be sure they understand how they get to/from school each day, and what to do if you are unexpectedly late or if there are changes in afterschool transportation plans.*

- Walkers and bikers should leave home to arrive at school no sooner than 7:05 a.m. and no later than 7:25 a.m. to be sure that there is supervision when they arrive and that they don't rush to avoid being late for school when the bell rings at 7:20 a.m. Late bell is 7:25 a.m.
- Please remind your children to walk with friends when possible for their safety
- Cross in crosswalks and follow safety directions of crossing guards
- Bikes and scooters are allowed, but skateboards are not permitted. Helmets and locks are encouraged. Students on bikes and scooters are to dismount and walk their bike / scooter across crosswalks
- Parents—*please follow school zone speed limits and be aware of children that may enter the street at all times. Be mindful of your speed in the school parking lot.*

## Drop-Off and Pick-Up Information

**Morning Student Drop-off: Students may be dropped-off in EITHER the north parking lot (Galveston side) or the east parking lot (Metro side). There will be supervision beginning at 7:05 am. Please do not drop off before 7:05 am.**

### **NORTH (GALVESTON ST.) DROP-OFF:**

- \*Enter the north parking lot queue (lining up area) on Galveston.
- \*Pull forward to the furthest cone.
- \*Students should exit the car (curbside) quickly and proceed to the playground gate (adjacent to the bike rack).
- \*Parents proceed through the school parking area exit back onto Galveston.
- \*Children eating breakfast on campus may enter the gate and walk around the back of campus and enter the cafeteria from inside the playground gates.

### **EAST (METRO BLVD.) DROP-OFF:**

- \*Enter the east parking lot queue (lining up area) on Metro. There are two queue lanes that will merge into one lane as you turn into the drop-off line.
- \*Only one entry point is permitted, the other will be closed off.
- \*Pull forward to the furthest cone. Students should exit the car (curbside) and proceed through the Garden Gates to the playground or cafeteria
- \*Parents proceed through the exit (same as the entry) back onto Metro.

**Afternoon Student Pick-up: There are 2 pick-up areas determined by the grade level of the youngest child in your family or car-pool group.**

*\*Kindergarten through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade: pick-up in the north parking lot off of Galveston St. (Front of school)*

*\*3<sup>rd</sup> grade through 8<sup>th</sup> grade: pick-up in the east parking lot off of Metro Blvd.*

- \*Enter the queue. Display family/student name card on your dashboard.
- \*Merge to one lane and pull forward to the farthest cone.
- \*Your child/children will be waiting for you, ready to load.
- \*Remain in your car. (If you need to leave your vehicle to assist children, please park.)

To ensure safety and efficiency:

1. Always display the family/student name card on the passenger side dash.
2. **END ALL cell phone calls once you enter the student pick-up lane.**
3. Have passenger side doors unlocked and seats clear prior to pulling forward.
4. Remain in your vehicle.

Parents walking to pick-up children in the front of the school should:

- \*Remain in the designated meeting area by the marquee to wait for students.
- \*Use sidewalks and crosswalks.
- \*Stay clear of the student loading zone.

**Any changes in after school plans need to be made prior to 1:45 p.m. on M, T, Th, F or 11:45 a.m. on Wed.**

**Children will not be released to adults not on the emergency card!**



The Kyrene School District is pleased to announce the updated Transportation website.

We have partnered with Tyler Technologies to provide the Versatrans E-Link™ and Versatrans My Stop™ App for mobile devices. Please visit [www.kyrene.org/transportation](http://www.kyrene.org/transportation) to view the following:

- Your Student's Bus Information via the Versatrans E-Link™ Portal
- Download the Versatrans My Stop™ App for Mobile devices
- View Bus Rules
- Provide Feedback
- How-to Guides for both E-Link and My Stop

To utilize Versatrans E-Link™ and My Stop™ you will need the following information:

- Your Student(s) school ID number
- Your Student(s) birth date

After viewing the updated website, if you have any further questions, please call Transportation at 480-541-1700



*Attention Intel Parents:* This is a reminder that Intel will match your volunteer hours at our school - as long as you report your hours to Intel! After a minimum of 20 hours is reported for our school, Intel Foundation will match with a \$10/hr grant.

Any type of activity is eligible for the matching grant including but not limited to providing classroom assistance, chaperoning a field trip, leading band booster activities or coaching sports. Please record your volunteer hours in the Intel Involved Database at this website:

<http://volunteer.intel.com/signup>

Please contact Kristin Marshall with any questions at 480-554-8287.



Happy new school-year from Kyrene Kids Club! We are excited to offer the following enrichment programs at KTA this year:

- After School Program (school release time until 6:30 p.m.)
- Before School Program (6:30 a.m. until school start time)
- Early Release Day (every Wednesday) or One Day Only
- Emergency Childcare (available on an as-needed basis)
- One Hour A day Only

For details about our programs including how to enroll, call 480-541-1500 or check out our full-service website at [www.kyrene.org/eservices](http://www.kyrene.org/eservices)

### ATTENDANCE PROCEDURES

It is extremely important that you call our attendance line if your child is going to be absent or tardy. If possible, please notify the office by 8:30 a.m. The number is: **480-541-5401**. It is a 24-hour number and messages can be left at any time. It is necessary that you state the day(s) absent and the reason for the absence/tardy. Students will be marked truant if parents/guardians do not notify the school office of their child's absences. We really appreciate those parents who call in each time their child is absent. This is an Arizona requirement for the safety of all children. Thank you!