



STINGER NEWS

MARCH 22, 2019



TESTING SCHEDULE:

Our testing season is quickly approaching. Please avoid planning appointments on days when your child is scheduled to complete their tests. In case of unavoidable scheduling conflicts, please reach out to your child's teachers as soon as possible so alternate arrangements can be made for them to complete testing. Thanks in advance! See below for AIMS and AZMerit Test dates.

AIMS: Monday 3/25/19 and Thursday 3/28/19

AZ Merit Writing: Monday 4/1/19 and Tuesday 4/2/19

AZMerit Reading: Monday 4/8/19, Tuesday 4/9/19, Thursday 4/11/19, & Friday 4/12/19

AZMerit Math: Monday 4/15/19, Tuesday 4/16/19, Thursday 4/18/19, & Monday 4/22/19

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE UPDATE:

Celebration of Student Learners will commence March 27 from 9:00 a.m. until 10:15ish in the MPR. Please note the time change. Invitations have been given out. Please ask your student if they received one. If you feel that your student should have received an invitation and they did not, please contact Mrs. Cigich at kcigich@kyrene.org I am attaching a link to a 3 question survey created to get parent input regarding the celebration. We are hoping to revamp this important event to make it more meaningful to our students and parents. Please take a moment to complete the survey. Thank you. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/F3SJWPD>

With AZ Merit quickly approaching, it is fortuitous that our Approaches to Learning skill focus for next week is Reflection Skills. Students that are proficient at reflecting identify personal strengths and weaknesses, ask "What don't I understand?", "What can I already do?", "How can I share my skills to help peers who need more practice?", and "What factors are important for helping me learn well?" Please help your student reflect on their learning and learn how they learn. This is a very beneficial skill for students, well anyone, to have.

POSITIVE PARENTING PROGRAM:

Triple P – Positive Parenting Program® is one of the world's most effective parenting programs. It takes the guesswork out of parenting teenagers! It is an 8-week program for parents or caregivers of teenagers interested in promoting their teenager's development and potential; and wish to address concerns they have about their teenager's behavior. **Triple P does not tell people how to parent.** Rather, it gives them simple and practical strategies they can adapt to suit their own values, beliefs and needs. Please see the [attached letter](#) for more information.

TAX CREDIT DONATIONS:

Did you know that Arizona state law allows tax payers to contribute up to \$400 to public schools for extra curricular activities and then deduct that amount directly from their state income taxes? Individuals may claim a maximum of \$200 and couples filing together can claim a maximum of \$400. Please consider donating to support our school. All funds go directly to student activities. Tax credit donations support athletics, art and music, character education, and field trips. You can [do-nate online](#) to KMS's general tax credit fund, or fill out the [paper form](#) to specify which activities.



SPRING SPORTS:

See our Spring Sports schedules below to out and support our scorpions! Click [here for Game Schedules](#).



LOS VIAJEROS PANCAKE SALE:

Students are raising money to go to Peru. They will be selling pancakes for \$1 each, including butter and syrup. For \$1, you can also buy 2 additional toppings: chocolate chips, whipped cream, or blueberries. Tickets will be for sale outside the FACS room in the morning before school through Wednesday, March 27th. Then, students must bring their tickets for pancake pick up on Friday, March 29th.



GIFTED TESTING:

All public school districts have an ongoing "Child Find" obligation. This means that the Kyrene School District will identify, locate and evaluate all children within their geographic boundaries who are in need of special education and related service. Kyrene makes gifted testing available for students at school sites three times per year by application. Applications are due for the third round of testing for 2018-19 on April 15, 2019. If you think your child may be gifted, please visit the website at www.kyrene.org/gifted for information about gifted education, services, and testing in Kyrene. More information about the child find process can be found at www.kyrene.org/ESS.

EVENTS

Monday, 3/25/2019

AIMS Testing
Girls Basketball- home 5pm
Baseball- home 5pm
Orchestra Concert- MPR 6:30pm

Tuesday, 3/26/2019

8th grade field trip
JV Track & Field- home 5pm
KSD Board Meeting– 7pm

Wednesday, 3/27/2019

Celebration of Learners- MPR 9am
WEB Assembly-Gym 1pm
Girls Basketball- home 4:30pm
Baseball- home 4:30pm

Thursday, 3/28/2019

AIMS Testing
Track & Field- home 5pm
Mariachi Concert-MPR 6:30pm

Friday, 3/29/2019

AIMS Testing
Pancake Sale-FACS room before school



Attendance

Please call our 24 Hour Attendance line if your student is going to be absent
480-541-6601

Please remember, if your student is dropped off after 8:30am please sign them into school at the front office.