

# STINGER NEWS

APRIL 5, 2019



## TESTING SCHEDULE:

AzMerit Testing is upon us. 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.

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

## 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.

## LOST AND FOUND:

Parents please have your students check lost and found for any missing items. Anything not picked up by 4/18/2019 will be donated.



## WEB:

What is WEB? WEB is a student mentoring program. Our trained 8th grade mentors work throughout the school year to support a group of 8-12 sixth graders academically, socially, and emotionally as they transition into middle school. For more information and to apply [click here](#).

## NO PERSONAL SPORTS EQUIPMENT:

You may have noticed that KMS has begun a new policy of leaving personal outdoor play equipment at home. Footballs, basketballs, soccer balls, etc will no longer be allowed on campus. The reason for this is because we have very limited areas for play. Innocent bystanders were getting hit by random balls because groups of kids wanted to play a game of soccer, catch or football. In addition, when bells rang, games kept going on. No one was stopping to get to class and tardies were increasing.

We now have several pieces of KMS equipment to be checked out during free time. We will add on more equipment as we see or hear a need for more.

## 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 [donate 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 come out and support our scorpions!

Click [here for Game Schedules](#).



## 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](http://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](http://www.kyrene.org/ESS).

## EVENTS

### Monday, April 8, 2019

AzMerit Reading

Girls Basketball- home 5pm

Baseball- home 5pm

### Tuesday, April 9, 2019

AzMerit Reading

JV Track & Field- home 5pm

KSD Board Meeting @ 7pm

### Wednesday, April 10, 2019

Team PLC Day

Girls Basketball- home 4:30pm

Baseball- home 4:30pm

### Thursday, April 11, 2019

AzMerit Reading

Track & Field- @ CMS 5pm

### Friday, April 12, 2019

AzMerit Reading

## 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.\*\*\*

**Disney MULAN JR.**  
Community Theatre (Incoming 4th-9th)  
SHOW DIRECTOR, KRISTI MABEE  
Auditions: Saturday, April 6  
Centennial Middle School | 10:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.  
138018 S. 36th Street, Phoenix, AZ 85044  
Call backs 1:00-3:00 p.m.  
Rehearsals: June 3 - June 27  
Aprende Middle School, 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., M-TH  
777 N. Desert Breeze Blvd, East 112, Chandler, AZ 85226  
Cost: \$300 for Ensemble and Crew  
Two Performances:  
June 25 and June 26 at 7:00 p.m.

**MADAGASCAR A MUSICAL ADVENTURE JR.**

## AUDITIONS FOR ASAP@DAYSRING SUMMER MUSICAL THEATRE WORKSHOP

### "MADAGASCAR, jr"

A fun musical version of the first movie – including PENGUINS!

Do you like to move it, move it? There are lots of fun parts in this musical!