

September 1, 2023

MARK YOUR CALENDARS - UPCOMING EVENTS

SEPT

SEPT 4: Schools Closed: Observing Labor Day

SEPT 6: Watch D.O.G.S. Open House in CMS Library, 5:30-6:30 PM - More details to come

SEPT 11-22: Step It Up Fundraiser - More details to come

Week of Sept. 11: Panoramic Survey

SEPT 13: CMS NJHS Induction Ceremony

SEPT 14: Advanced Band & Orchestra Side by Side Concert @ Mtn. Point HS @ 6:30 PM

SEPT 15: Diamondback Choir Night @ Chase Field

SEPT 20: Dairy Queen Family Dineout Night

SEPT 20: 6/7/8 Grade Choir Concert @ CMS, 6:30 PM

NO SCHOOL ON MONDAY, SEPT 4: LABOR DAY

A reminder that there will be no school and the office will be closed on Monday, September 4 in observance of Labor Day.



A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRINCIPAL

Dear Families,

We thank you and your family for being our valued partners as we work together to educate our students at Centennial Middle School. As you may already be aware, building social-emotional learning skills is an important goal of ours. At the beginning of the school year, we asked for your permission to have students participate in a social emotional learning survey. If we have consent for a student to participate, they will complete a survey designed to provide school staff data on students' understanding of concepts related to Second Step, which is the social-emotional learning curriculum we are implementing with all students in grades 6-8.

The survey content will ask students to self-reflect on Emotion Regulation, Self-Efficacy, Sense of Belonging, and Teacher-Student Relationships. These topics are related to the content in Second Step and will help guide the implementation of the curriculum and measure its impact over time. The online survey will take place between September 11th and September 22nd. It will be completed at school and should not take more than 20-30 minutes to complete.

Student responses will provide invaluable insights into their experiences and how we can improve and adapt our school to their needs. If a student doesn't feel like they have enough information to answer a question, they will be able to skip the item altogether. The responses to these surveys will be completely confidential.

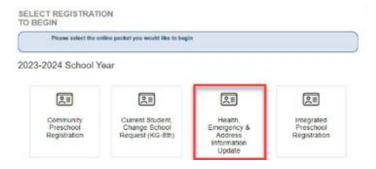
If you have any questions about the survey, please don't hesitate to contact us at 480-541-6400.

Sincerely,

James Martin, Principal kyrene.org/cen

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Each year, families are required to review their child(ren)'s address, emergency and health information that is on file. If you have yet to review your student (s) emergency and health information, you may do so in PARENTVUE. We appreciate all families taking the time to complete this request by September 8. If you have questions and/or need assistance with accessing your account, please call the school office.



DRESS CODE REMINDER

We want to remind families that Kyrene School District made adjustments to dress code guidelines last year, and we recommend families review current procedures with your students. The guidelines can be found in the Governing Board Policy Manual online, under Procedure <u>5-302.A</u> Student Attire - Student Dress. The guidelines are also available in the Kyrene Family Handbook.

IMPORTANT: SIGN UP FOR TEXT MESSAGES

In the event of an emergency, text messages are the fastest and most effective way to communicate information to families. You must opt in to receive text communications! Text "Y" or "yes" to 67587 to begin receiving text messages from our school and Kyrene School District.

MATH TUTORING AVAILABLE TO CMS STUDENTS

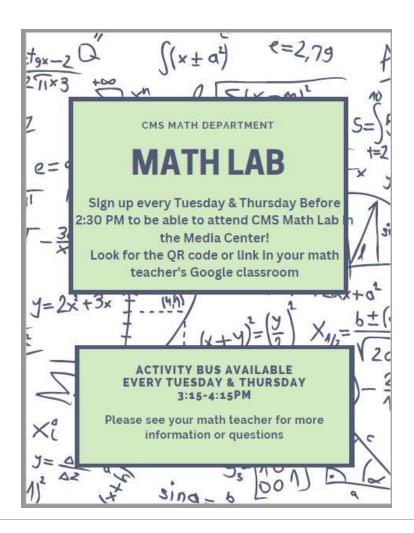
The CMS Math department is now offering after-school tutoring beginning August 22nd. Tutoring will take place in the Media Center(Library) every Tuesday & Thursday from 3:15-4:15 PM.

Students are asked to go directly from the 7th Period to the Media Center. There is no charge and all students are welcome! The intention of the math tutoring lab is to provide help with current topics covered in class, answer students' questions, and assist with homework. The math lab is completely voluntary.

In order to ensure that there will be room on the bus and Math Lab, please ask your student to sign up using the QR Code posted around campus or in math teacher's google classroom by the morning on the day the student is planning to attend Math Lab. All students attending Math Tutoring Lab must have an <u>Math Tutoring Contract</u> on file in student services. A grace period will be given (August 22 through 24) to submit the contract.

An activity bus is provided for students needing transportation home and will pick up after every tutoring session! The activity bus stops at scheduled stops assigned by transportation - (list of stops are on Math Tutoring contract). If you have any questions, please feel free to call the front office.

Math Tutoring Coordinator,
Ms. Malone
8th Grade Math Teacher/Math Cadre
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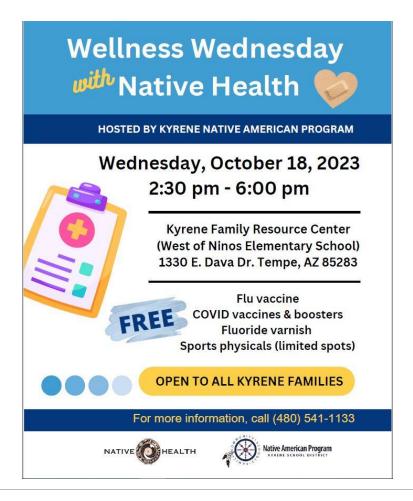
BOND & OVERRIDE ELECTION

The Kyrene Governing Board has called for a special election on November 7 for a Bond and District Additional Assistance (DAA) Override. Revenue from both the bond and override directly supports the safety and security of our campuses, helps us address critical school maintenance projects, and ensures we can continue to provide high-quality, innovative learning environments for students. As a reminder, this is a mail-in only election. The voter registration deadline is October 10, and the last day to mail your ballot is October 31. For more information, visit www.kyrene.org/election.

WELLNESS WEDNESDAY

Wellness Wednesday. The Kyrene Native American Program is hosting "Wellness Wednesday" at the Family Resource Center on Wednesday, October 18, 2:30 pm - 6:00 pm. Free flu vaccines, COVID vaccines & boosters, fluoride varnish and sports physicals (limited spots) will be offered. This is open to ALL Kyrene Families.

Location: Kyrene Family Resource Center, (West of Ninos Elementary School), 1330 E. Dava Dr. Tempe, AZ 8528





OUR FIRST FAMILY DINNER NIGHT AT ZZEEKS WAS A SUCCESS

Thank you to all our families and staff for making Zzeeks Family Dinner Night a success. It was fun to see students there and administration delivering pizzas to tables. Centennial PTO appreciates your participation and is excited to see you all at our next Family Dinner Night at Dairy Queen on September 20, 2023 from 10:30 AM - 10 PM at 4751 E Warner Rd. Phoenix. Don't forget to mention that you are support Centennial Middle School. See you there!



Quicklinks

- <u>School Website</u>
- Breakfast/Lunch Menu
- Calendar of Events
- ParentVue and StudentVue
- Kyrene Transportation