

Colina Coyote Tracks

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Tax Credit Donations provide so much!

Your tax credit donation helps students attend extracurricular activities like art and music programs; character education; and field trips. These programs develop well-rounded students who in turn build strong communities. Arizona statute allows individuals/couples to donate \$200/\$400 for a dollar-to-dollar tax credit.

Examples of extracurricular enhanced learning include:

- lessons that come alive with author visits
- experiences that demonstrate future career possibilities
- programs that teach manners, work ethic and good citizenship
- inspiring educational field trips

Please consider making a [tax credit donation](#). Last year, donations by 37 families covered field trips for all students. Some families who can't participate in the full amount will donate a minimum of \$10 to cover their child's field trip. Thank you for your donation!

Congratulations Gia M. – Colina Spelling Bee winner!

Gia won the Colina Spelling Bee and represented our school in the District Spelling Bee! Also, congratulations go out to Isabella M. who was the runner up.



FEB 4

PTO Reading Wall Redemption
Student Council Mtg till 3:30
PTO Community Mtg 6-7p
Positive Parenting Series 5-6p at

Colina

FEB 7

PTO Family Dance 6-8p
Spirit Day: Colina shirt

FEB 11

Student Council Mtg till 3:30
KSD Board Mtg 7p
Colina Showcase for 20-21
Kinders and PS 4:30-5:30

FEB 12

Yearbook Mtg till 1:30

FEB 13

Colina Site Council Mtg 3-4p

FEB 14

Spirit Day: Fancy dress day

FEB 17

NO SCHOOL-President's Day

FEB 18

PTO FDN: Chick-fil-A

FEB 20

Green Team Mtg till 3:15

FEB 21

Spirit Day: Colina shirt

FEB 25

Student Council Mtg till 3:30
KSD Board Meeting 7p

FEB 26 & 27 12:30 Release Parent/Teacher Conferences



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Be the "I" in Kind!

We are excited to announce our BE KIND Challenge! Students and staff are working together to help recognize and highlight the numerous acts of kindness we see each and every day. To help us achieve this, staff members will be catching students who are displaying kindness and write them a slip to drop off in the office. There, students will create a hand of their choice with a summary of their kind act which will then be displayed on the board. Every Friday **three** lucky students will be pulled from the KIND basket to get their picture in front of the board for all of Colina to see!



Positive Parenting Series – Early Childhood Literacy: Feb. 4th at Colina 5-6p

Have you ever asked yourself “What can I do to help my child at home?” Come join us for an evening to learn about the importance of reading in the home to set children up for school readiness. [RSVP](#) now to attend this informative night.

Parents who have attended said:

“I learned the positive impact reading can have – even at an early age. I also learned how I can help my child participate in reading.”

“I learned that I should read to my baby. That it is important even from birth to get that done so they can develop vocab and learning skills growing up.”

Library News:

We are excited to announce that Author Amy Fellner Dominy will be presenting to all classes in the Library at Colina on Wednesday, March 25th. She is the author of [Cookiesaurus Rex](#) which is one of the 2019-2020 Grand Canyon Award Nominees! This book as well as others are available for preorder for a 20% discount. Each book will be autographed and personalized. Colina will be sending [order forms](#) home with your child on February 3rd. Please pay by cash or check (made out to the Colina PTO) by Friday February 14. All payments should be sent in with your child’s order form. A limited number of books will be available for purchase on the day of the presentation. Order early to secure your copies!

FEB 27

12:30 THURSDAY EARLY RELEASE

for Conferences

FEB 28

Spirit Day: Galaxy day (dress like a planet or star)

MAR 3

Field Day

PTO Reading Wall Redemption

Student Council Mtg till 3:30

PTO FDN: Texas Roadhouse

MAR 6

Spirit Day: Colina shirt

MAR 9-16

SPRING BREAK

MAR 16

NO SCHOOL-Teacher work day

MAR 19

5th Grade Group Photo

Green Team Meeting till 3:15

MAR 20

Report cards go home

Spirit Day: Career Day

MAR 24

Student Council Meeting till 3:30

District Board Mtg 7p

MAR 27

PTO Pack-a-Palooza 6-8:30p

Spirit Day: Colina shirt

APR 3

Spirit Day: Motivational quote

APR 7

PTO Reading Wall Redemption

Student Council Mtg till 3:30

APR 9

Spirit Day: Colina shirt

APR 10

NO SCHOOL

Field Day – March 3

Grades K-2: 9:00-10:20 // Grades 3-5: 1:00-2:20

The purpose of Field Day is to have everyone participate and have fun celebrating physical activity. Students will need to wear comfortable clothing, tennis shoes and sunscreen. The students will be participating in physical education games and activities at an assortment of stations.

In order for the Field Day to be a success, parent volunteers are needed. We need a large number of volunteers to work at the activity stations that students will be rotating through during the event. As an activity station volunteer, you will be responsible for organizing the students and teaching them your assigned game station. Classroom teachers will be with the students as they participate in each game station. You can sign up to volunteer at an activity station at

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080F4FA5AF2AA20-field2>

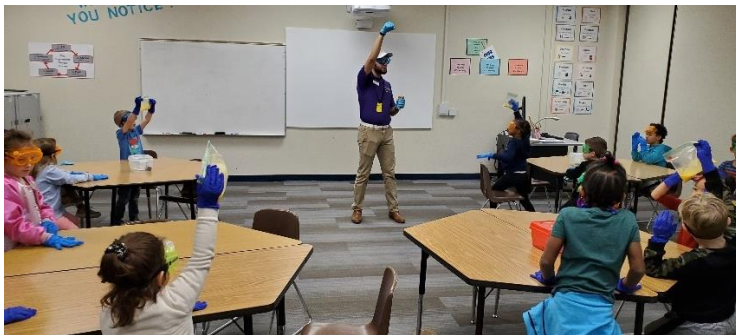
You can contact Dave Moser at (480) 541-2677 or via email at dmoser@kyrene.org if you have any questions or concerns about this event. Please bring a photo ID with you as you will need it to sign-in and enter the campus through the front office. Parents who are coming to watch the event and not help as a volunteer can sign-in at the north gate.

Amazing STEM projects

5th Grade STEM – Catapults



Arizona Science Center presented “Chemysteries” in the DISCOVERoom last week.



Phone Numbers

Main Line: 480-541-2600

Attendance: 480-541-2601

Fax: 480-541-2610

Health Office: 480-541-2620

Transportation: 480-541-1700

Cafeteria: 480-541-2626

School Hours

7:10 am-2:30 pm

Wed. Early Release 12:30 pm

Office Hours

7:10 am – 3:40 pm

Colina Mission Statement

Inspiring Growth & Achieving Excellence

We will inspire growth and achieve excellence by building relationships with students, families and the community. We are committed to embracing diversity, encouraging a growth mindset and establishing high expectations for all.

The 4Bs at Colina:

- Be Respectful
- Be Responsible
- Be Safe
- Be Kind

At Colina, we remind children:

THINK before you speak.

Are your words:

- True
- Helpful
- Inspiring
- Necessary
- Kind

WATCH D.O.G.S. – Dads of Great Students

Watch D.O.G.S. is an innovative, father-involvement, educational initiative of the National Center for Fathering. Their goals are to provide positive male role models for students, demonstrating by their presence that education is important and to provide an extra *set of eyes and ears to enhance school* security and reduce bullying. It's an amazing program and students are so excited when Watch D.O.G.S. are on campus! [Volunteer here!](#)

A big shout-out to Mr. Ryan Herold, who is serving in the role of Top Dog! New this year, every adult who attended the kick-off was asked to recruit one more person to serve as a WATCH D.O.G. at least once this year. We can do it! If you have questions about signing up, please email Mr. Herold at colinawatchdogs@gmail.com.



The **DISCOVERRoom** thanks all the volunteers (veteran and new) who make the DR so great!

We need Volunteers to keep the DR open for all our great activities. Shifts are 10:50-12:30 Tuesdays and 10:10-11:50 Wednesdays and Thursdays. Interested? Contact us at discoveroomkyrene@gmail.com subj. Colina DR Vol

We can't wait to see you in the DISCOVERRoom!



Student Messages & Deliveries

In an attempt to preserve instructional time, messages and deliveries for students will be held in the office and an email will be sent alerting the teacher that it is there. Teachers will send the student down during a break in instruction.

If you have a change in transportation for your child, please send a note ahead of time with your child or, for last minute changes, contact the Colina office *PRIOR* to 2:00 pm.

School Breakfast - Good for Kids and Good for Parents!

Breakfast is served at all schools except Cerritos and Sierra, usually in the MPR when students are allowed on campus before school starts. Visit www.kyrene.org/foodservices, and complete an application at Lunchapplication.com. Cash and checks for payments on meal accounts are accepted at all school sites.

Create an account at K12paymentcenter.com to view your child's meal account, set low balance notifications for free, make optional credit card payments that have a convenience fee, and transfer money between your children's accounts.

Please contact Linda Stewart with any questions 480-541-1350.

FROM THE DISTRICT OFFICE:

New this year! Report Cards are available in ParentVUE/ StudentVUE. Families and students are encouraged to log into their accounts, select the "Report Card" tab, and review second quarter progress. Paper copies are also being sent home with students.

Gifted Child Find Notice

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 2019-20 on February 3, 2020. 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.