



December 2023/January 2024

Message from the Principal

Dear Sierra families,

It is hard to believe that we are coming to the end of the first semester and on to 2024! We accomplished a lot so far with still so much to look forward to. When we return from Winter Break new student registration begins and our annual Kindergarten/Preschool Showcase takes place. There are field trips and assemblies planned. As well as the PTO Gala Night, Carnival and Dance to look forward to. The second semester is going to be amazing.

From the entire Sierra staff, we wish all of our Sierra community a safe, happy and restful Winter Break.

Happy Holidays,

Brian Gibson, Principal

Upcoming Events

DEC 11: Papa John's FDN

DEC 12: Governing Board Meeting, 6:00pm

DEC 18-JAN 2: Winter Break, NO SCHOOL

JAN 3: School resumes

JAN 9: Governing Board Meeting, 6:00pm

JAN 11: Modern Market FDN

JAN 15: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, NO SCHOOL

JAN 16: Kindergarten/Preschool Showcase, 5:30pm

JAN 17: Main Event Night

JAN 20: Gala Night

JAN 23: Governing Board Meeting, 6:00pm

JAN 29: Jump Rope for Heart Kickoff

JAN 30: PTO Community Connection Meeting, 6:00pm

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Pajama Drive

The 9th Annual Pajama Drive was a success! Thanks to you, 151 pairs of pajamas were donated. The Sierra Student Council counted, categorized and boxed them up to send to the Kyrene Family Resource Center. The KFRC helps Kyrene families in need and they are always so grateful to the Sierra community for helping to make the holidays a little brighter for these children. Thank you!



Spelling Bee Winner!

Today we had our school spelling bee. There were 12 participants from our 4th and 5th grade classes. These students were the winners of their classroom spelling bee. After 16 rounds, the 2023 Sierra Spelling Bee champion is 5th grader, Pepper DiGrazia! She will go on to represent Sierra at the Kyrene School District spelling bee on January 18, 2024. Congratulations to Pepper and all the participants. It was an outstanding experience for all!



New Student Registration:

New student registration begins January 9th! Do you have a Kindergartner? All students entering kindergarten require a [new student registration](#). Current students are automatically enrolled for the 24/25 school year. If you will not be returning to Sierra or your 5th grader will not be going to Altadena next year, please inform the office, 480-541-5200. Interested in Kids Club for after school care? [Registration](#) begins January 9th, also.

Kindergarten/Preschool Showcase:

Please join us for our annual Kindergarten/Preschool Showcase on Tuesday, January 16. This is a wonderful event for all incoming Kindergartners or Preschoolers and their parents. You do not need to be registered at Sierra to attend. If interested please RSVP [here](#).

Parking:

We have noticed an increase in parking issues. As a reminder, the front parking lot is reserved for staff only. If you are visiting please use the 12th Street parking lot. When we have school events or a large number of visitors, parking spaces fill up quickly. Please refrain from using the preschool and handicap parking spaces for general use. Those spaces are for the designated use only and we have had those spots utilized inappropriately.



Lost and Found

As you can see, the Lost and Found is overflowing! Please encourage your child to come to the office to look for anything they have misplaced. Parents are always welcome to stop in to peruse for themselves. All unclaimed items will be donated to the Kyene Family Resource Center immediately after Winter Break.



Contact Us

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Attendance: 480-541-5201

School Hours: 7:30 am - 2:15 pm

Early Dismissal Wed: 12:15 pm

Office Hours: 7:00 am - 3:30 pm

Wednesday: 7:00 am - 1:30 pm

National Blue Ribbon School

