



# Kyrene de la Sierra Elementary School

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## Sierra Weekly News Principals Front Page News

I wanted to start this month's newsletter by saying a huge "Thank You" to all our families who donated during our "Let's Get Wild About Sierra" Fundraiser. It was a huge success and the PTO reached their goal! We definitely couldn't have done it without the amazing support of our Sierra Community. I know the PTO is still finalizing the total amount, and I can't wait to share the final number once we have the total. Our PTO did an amazing job and I can't thank them enough for all that they did to make this fundraiser a huge success! Speaking of the PTO they have scheduled a school wide assembly with Deb's Dragons Interactive Wildlife Encounter on September 30. Each presentation will be catered to the specific grade level and I know the students are going to love it. I'm also looking forward to the weather cooling off so that we can have our Lunch on the Lawn that we originally had planned to end our PTO Fundraiser. Stay tuned for more details☺

We have some exciting events and opportunities come up for our Sierra Community.

- Friday, September 6, 2019 from 6-8 pm in our MPR we have the PTO Bingo Night for the whole family.
- Friday, September 13, 2019 our first General PTO mtg. starting at 9:30 in Room 27.  
(If you plan to attend please bring your ID)
- Friday, September 13, 2019 we have our Watch D.O.G Pizza night where dads can come and find out about this amazing opportunity to get involved during the school day at Sierra.

As we move into September we will continue our work to inspire confidence, empower each other, respect diversity, reach for knowledge, and achieve academic excellence in our students. We know that meaningful learning and positive behavior will be everywhere on campus!

We hope to see you at one of our upcoming events☺

Fondly,  
Brian Gibson



## Calendar of Events:

9/2-No School  
9/6-Bingo Night 6-8p  
9/11-Site Council  
9/12-Bahama Bucks 11a-10:30p  
9/13-PTO general meeting 9:30a  
Watch D.O.G.S Pizza night 5:30p  
9/14-PTO Service Event-2-4p  
9/17-Zeeks's Pizza 11a-11p  
9/20-Student Pictures  
9/27-Community Event-Blood Drive  
9-1p in parking lot

## Mark your calendar for upcoming events:

10/2-Absent student pictures  
10/4-14 No school Fall Break  
10/15-School Resumes. Special areas  
follow Monday schedule (Library  
books & PE shoes)  
10/16-Report cards go home.  
10/17-Batty Bedtime for  
Kindergarten 6-7p  
10/18-Lunch on the Lawn  
Restaurant day at Papa John's  
10/23 & 24 Parent Teacher  
Conferences  
10/24-additional early release  
12:35p  
10/25 Fall Festival 5:30-8p

## **2019-20 Asbestos Notification Letter**

Dear Parent, Guardian, or Staff Member:

As per the United States Environmental Protection Agency's "Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act" [(AHERA) 40CFR Part 763], please be advised that an Asbestos Inspection Report and Management Plan has been developed for each school and building in the Kyrene School District. The Principal at each school is responsible for maintaining a copy of the Asbestos Management Plan in the Administrative Office, and to make sure the plan is available for review at each school during normal hours. Additionally, a copy of each plan is kept by the Facilities Department's website at <https://www.kyrene.org/Page/756>. The Designated contact for the Kyrene School District is Mr. Giacomo (Jack) Musella, Facilities Manager. To keep the plan current, as required by the U.S.E.P.A, a complete survey and inspection of all Kyrene schools is conducted every six months by properly-trained and accredited individuals.

Chris Herrmann

Chief Financial & Operations Officer

This notice is in compliance with 40CFR Part 763.93 (g) (4).

**Text Alert Reminders.** Text messaging is the most effective way for our school and District to communicate critical information, especially in an emergency. Did you know the average person reads only 20% of incoming email, but **98%** of incoming text messages? Make sure you don't miss a message from Kyrene School District or [SCHOOL NAME]. **Sign up for text alerts by simply texting "Y" or "yes" to 67587**

**Sierra Fall Picture Day.** Mark your calendar for Friday, September 20. A flyer with picture day information will be coming home in your child's backpack closer to the date. No money is needed on picture day. School Pics uses a proof program, which allows you to view several proofs of your child before you purchase. School Pics will send home proofs and ordering information approximately 3 weeks after picture day. All students will be photographed for the yearbook on this day.

### **Sierra PTO Events and Information.**

**BINGO Night** is fun for the whole family. Friday, Sept 6 the doors will open at 5:45pm. Raffle baskets include DISNEYLAND tickets, Odysea Aquarium tickets, DBacks baseline tickets, Tuft & Needle mattress, and more! BINGO Cards, Daubers, snacks, popcorn and water will be for sale along with vintage Sierra. To volunteer, <http://tiny.cc/BINGONight>

Join us for our first **PTO General Meeting** of the year on Friday, September 13 at 9:30am. We will review our financial information as well as go over planned PTO events for the year.

Calling all dads to join us on Friday, September 13 for the **Watch D.O.G.S Pizza Night** at 5:30PM. Located in the Sierra Multi – Purpose room. Dads of Great Students will have an opportunity to sign up and have a day volunteering at Sierra. The goal of this program is to have a positive role model at the school spending the day performing numerous duties. RSVP by emailing to [WatchDOGS@sierrapto.org](mailto:WatchDOGS@sierrapto.org).

**Restaurant Nights – Bahama Buck's** from 12-10pm on Thursday, Sept 12. Mention Sierra or show flyer and 20% will go back to Sierra PTO. Location 4910 E Chandler Blvd only.

**Zzeek's Pizza** from 11-11 on Tuesday, Sept 17. Mention Sierra or show flyer and 20% will go back to Sierra PTO. Location 48<sup>th</sup> St and Warner.

**9/14 Feed My Starving Children-** Sierra PTO community service committee has secured a date for Sierra families to help pack meals at Feed My Starving Children (Located at 1345 S. Alma School Road, Mesa AZ 85210). All Sierra students and families are welcome to participate! Children need to be at least 5 years of age and Kinder-2nd graders must have a parent with each student. For example, if a family has kids in kinder and 2nd grade, two adults from that family would need to attend. This is a great way for our wonderful school community to give back to others! Sign up link <https://www.fmssc.org/> sign up using join code <https://bit.ly/2ZeeRts>

**9/27 Blood Drive with Vitalant-** In honor of Childhood Cancer Awareness Month on Friday, Sept. 27 from 9am to 1pm the bloodmobile will be in the Sierra parking lot. To schedule an appointment, log on to <http://bloodhero.com> use sponsor code: KyreneSierra. If you have any problems email [Kyreneblooddrives@gmail.com](mailto:Kyreneblooddrives@gmail.com).

**Sierra yearbook** orders are now available online. The early-bird price of the full color, hard cover book is \$22.00 until 12/20/2019. The price will increase to \$25.00 when purchased 12/21 – 3/13. After 3/13, yearbooks will increase to \$30 cash/check only open to purchase the last week of school subject to availability. Love Lines \$5 open now until 2/14/2020. To place your order for yearbook or love lines go to <https://commpe.pictavo.com/> enter school ID#7824 to be directed to the Sierra Elementary online store.

**Lunch on the Lawn Rescheduled!** Due to very hot temperatures we are postponing our fundraiser celebration with Lunch on the Lawn for October 18! Mark your calendar to join your students for lunch.

**Students and cellular devices at the school.** Students must have cell phones turned off and secured in backpacks from bell to bell. **Student electronic devices i.e. Apple watch or Fit Bit must be disconnected from service during the school day.** Please assist us in keeping our learning environment free from distractions (refer to [Kyrene Family Handbook](#))

**Sierra Celebrates our Veteran's.** Please join us Friday, November 8 from 8-8:30am for the celebration. Sierra family members who are veterans are encouraged to fill out one of the pages on our web site (link below). Then return to the school so you can be celebrated on our veteran's banner. [Recognizing our veteran's poster](#) due date for this information is Friday, November 1.

**Important Safety Reminder.** Parents please be very aware of families crossing in the parent pick up and drop off lane. **You must always use the crosswalk** each way when crossing from the parking spots to the school. Cars are also not allowed to pass each other while in the drop off and pick up lanes. Sierra front parking lot is for drop off in the morning. Only staff parking in the front lot. Thank you for being patient at the school so we can keep all students safe.