



# Kyrene de la Sierra Elementary School

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## Sierra March News Principals News

February was an exciting month with many fun events and exciting things to celebrate. A huge “Thank You” to all our families that participated in Parent/Teacher Conferences. This is an important time to share the progress of your children and celebrate all that they have accomplished this year. As we move into March we remind families of the importance for children to get enough sleep, start the day with a healthy breakfast, and arrive at school on time. We hope to see you at some of our upcoming events during the month of March.

### Just a couple of important reminders:

Read-A-Thon Week with lots of activities including a character assembly and guest author visit.

Spring Break no school 3/9-16

Lunch on the Lawn Friday, March 20. Bring a blanket and enjoy lunch with your child at the scheduled lunch time.

Remind friends and family Kindergarten orientation is being held on March 25. Please RSVP 480-541-5200

5<sup>th</sup> Grade music performance on Thursday, March 26 in the MPR at 6pm.

Fondly,

Brian Gibson

**Kyrene School’s Spring Break.** March 9-16 Sierra school will be closed for spring break. **Classes resume on Tuesday, March 17.** Reminder if your family will be starting Spring Break early you must call the attendance line at 480-541-5201

**Kindergarten Orientation with Sierra Teachers and Principal.** This will take place on Wednesday, March 25 at 5:30pm in the Library (enter door A). Please invite friends & neighbors to RSVP and attend. Sierra’s teachers will provide information on getting ready for Kindergarten. Registration for new students began on January 13. This is an online application available through Parent Vue. RSVP 480-541-5200 or email [jheist@kyrene.org](mailto:jheist@kyrene.org)

**Fifth Grade Musical Performance.** All Sierra families are invited to attend this event on Thursday, March 26 at 6pm in the Sierra Multi-Purpose room.

### Calendar of Events:

3/2 Rainbow Day  
3/3 Crazy Hair & Sock Day  
Three Screens presentation  
Green Team  
3/4 Book Character Day  
3/5 Twin Day  
Sierra PTO hosts author visit Conrad Stord in the Library.  
Student Council  
3/6 Sports Day  
Second and Fourth Grade field trips.  
3/9-16 Spring Break - no school  
3/17 School resumes  
Green Team  
Community Ed registration opens  
3/19 Student Council  
Foundation Opportunity drawing  
3/20 Report Cards go home  
Lunch on the Lawn  
3/23 School tours -RSVP  
3/24 Honey Baked Ham restaurant day  
11am - 6pm  
Staff lunch  
3/25 Kindergarten Orientation 5:30-6:30pm RSVP  
3/26 Fourth Grade field trip  
Fifth Grade Concert 6pm in MPR  
3/27 Kindergarten and Fifth Grade field trips  
3/31 Green Team

### Mark your calendar for upcoming events:

4/2 Student Council  
4/10 No School  
4/14 Green Team  
4/17 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade field trip 9-1:45pm  
4/22 District Art Festival 4-7pm  
PTO general election mtg. 6pm  
4/28 Green Team  
4/30 Student Council



## **Sierra PTO Events and Information**

**Read-A-Thon week March 2-6.** Celebrate literacy with a fun week of activities. Friday, Feb. 28 kickoff with a book walk during lunch recess.

**Monday, Mar. 2 Rainbow Day students dress in these colors. Happy Birthday Dr. Seuss**

preschool & kindergarten -red

1<sup>st</sup> grade-orange

2<sup>nd</sup> grade-yellow

3<sup>rd</sup> grade-green

4<sup>th</sup> grade-blue

5<sup>th</sup> grade-purple

**Tuesday, Mar. 3 Crazy Hair and Sock Day**

**Wednesday, Mar. 4 Book Character or Author Day**

**Thursday, Mar. 5 Twin Day and author Conrad Storar visits today.**

**Friday, Mar. 6 Sports Day**

Reading Logs and donations are due Friday, March 6.

### **Sierra PTO Restaurant Nights:**

**Papa John's Pizza Restaurant Night** on Friday, March 20 from 9:30am - 11pm. Mention Sierra and 20% of purchase going back to Sierra PTO.

**Honey baked Ham Restaurant Night** on Tuesday, March 24 from 10am to 6pm. 20% of your purchase will go back to Sierra PTO with the mention of Sierra.

**Lunch on the Lawn will be held on Friday, March 20.** Bring your blanket and picnic with your child during scheduled lunch. The weather should be beautiful. You may bring lunch for your child or purchase the school lunch menu-Pepperoni or Cheese Pizza, Crispy Chicken Salad.

**Bike Safety Rodeo at Altadeña on Saturday, March 21.** Cycling is a great way to promote good health. Many of our students and family's cycle, and we want to encourage more of this in our community. Altadeña is excited to partner with Phoenix Children's Hospital and Sierra to conduct our first ever bike safety rodeo. Families are encouraged to bring their bikes and helmets to this event where representatives from PCH and the Phoenix Fire and Police Departments will be on hand to talk about bike and helmet safety. There will be a bicycle course set up, and participants will also learn about picking out the helmet that is right for them.

In addition, Global Bikes will be present to help with any basic bicycle maintenance, and the Desert Vista Mountain Bike Club will be conducting a demonstration. This event is open to all. We look forward to seeing you there.

Bike Safety Rodeo, Saturday, March 21, 9:00-11:00 AM  
Altadeña Middle School

**Gallery Night Volunteers Needed.** On Gallery Night every Sierra student will have a piece of artwork displayed on Friday, May 1. We are in need of volunteers to mount artwork, hang displays, and remove artwork after Gallery Night. Please contact Barb Maki Tiede via email [btiede@kyrene.org](mailto:btiede@kyrene.org) if you are able to schedule time to help with this project.

**Lost and Found Jackets are overflowing.** Please remind you child to check the lost and found if you are missing a jacket or water bottle. Items will be donated after spring break.

**No need to enroll current Sierra students.** All current students will be rolled into Sierra next grades. If you have a change in emergency information, please go into your students [PARENTVUE](#) account and make those changes.

**Have a new student coming to Sierra or know of a family coming to Sierra?** Enrollment for new students has begun. If you are a current Kyrene family go to your [ParentVue](#) account to enroll. If you are new to Kyrene follow this link to set up a [ParentVue](#) account to enroll.

**Opportunity Drawing Tickets Available select Sierra PTO or Teacher by March 7!** \$10 buys you an opportunity to win

3-day/2-night hotel stay in Anaheim. Package includes 1-Day Disneyland Resort Tickets for 2 adults and 2 children. (\$1,000 value)

- Tickets are eligible for additional Opportunity Drawing prizes.
- 2nd Prize - 1 School House Rock Summer Camp session (\$500 value)
- 3rd Prize - Golf for 4 at Arizona Grand (\$250 value)
- 4th Prize - Dinner for 2 at the Phoenician's J&G Steakhouse (\$150 value)
- 5th Prize - 2 Arizona Diamondbacks Baseball Tickets
- Drawing will be held Thursday, March 19 at Kyrene de las Manitas Elementary School

For each ticket sold, \$5 will go directly to the Kyrene school PTO by selecting Sierra or a teacher. The other \$5 supports the work of the nonprofit Kyrene Foundation. Tickets available at

<http://www.kyrenefoundation.org/event/opportunity-2020/>

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School Hours: 7:30-2:30pm

Wednesday Release: 12:30pm

Preschool Hours: 7:30-10:30am morning session, 11:30-2:30pm afternoon session