



EAGLE NEWS

January 10, 2022



Message from the Principal

Welcome back Lomas Families! I truly hope you all were able to enjoy your families and make new memories over winter break. We stayed close to home this year and spent time continuing some DeGraffenreid traditions and starting some new ones.

Even though it's a new year, COVID remains. As this entire experience evolves, I can't help but be so grateful and impressed by our Lomas Staff and the entire Lomas Community. Teachers came back to work after the break with smiles and new lofty goals for a new semester. Despite substitute shortages, and an unusually busy quarter ahead, they maintain a positive attitude and a belief that what they do matters each day.

We are hopeful and optimistic for a great 2nd semester. Last week, we celebrated and awarded 2nd quarter academic growth, academic achievement and GRIT. Our students continue to gain momentum towards their end of the year goals and I am so proud of each and everyone of them.

Report cards will be posted in parent vue at the end of the day today. Please reach out to the front office if you are having difficulty accessing your code to retrieve your child's report card. Parent Teacher Conferences are not scheduled until the end of February so please contact your child's teacher if you have any immediate concerns or questions.

A part of our vision is to build community with our parents and families. That means your voice is valuable and needed as we continue to improve



our school. Kyrene de las Lomas is an identified site to receive Title I funds within the Kyrene School District. So each year we work with our district office to collect parent feedback on topics related to the funds to better understand your students' experiences. Click the link below and answer each question as best you can. We appreciate your time as a partner in building the Lomas vision.

[Parent CNA Survey](#)

Please continue to take care, wash hands, stay safe and enjoy this beautiful Arizona weather with your family.

Sincerely,

Tika DeGraffenreid, Principal

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Enrollment Begins January 11th



Registration for the 2022-23 school year begins January 11, 2022.

Dear Current and Future Kyrene Families,

Kyrene kids are at the top of the class, consistently outperforming students in peer districts and charter schools.

Kyrene kids aspire to become leaders, performers, scientists and more, through a variety of PreK-8 program offerings, including computer science immersion, experiential and project-based learning, fine arts, performing arts, STEM, a traditional academy and a digital academy.

Kyrene kids get a global education with opportunities to learn world languages (Spanish and Mandarin) and an International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme.

To help with your planning for next year and to learn more about what it means to be a Kyrene kid, be sure to visit www.kyrene.org/kyrenekids.

Kindergarten Enrollment Begins January 11th



Dear Kyrene Preschool Family,

Kyrene School District is proud to be part of your child's earliest learning experience. Our preschools are designed to ensure students enter kindergarten ready to learn. Your child appears to be entering kindergarten next year, and enrollment begins next week! Registration will open Tuesday, January 11 for the 2022-23 school year.

To help support your child's registration, you are receiving this letter with instructions tailored specifically for you, based on your child's current Kyrene preschool program.

Children enrolled in a Community or Signature Preschool:

If you have no other children currently or previously enrolled in Kyrene, and you have no children in an Integrated Preschool program in Kyrene, you will access the [new family portal](#) and create a new account to begin registration. Once in the portal, be sure to select **2022-2023 New Student, Registration** from the dropdown menu.

If you have older children currently or previously enrolled in Kyrene, you will follow the instructions below to begin your preschool child's kindergarten enrollment.

Children enrolled in Integrated Preschool / Preschool families with older children who currently or previously attended Kyrene schools:

You must register your new kindergartener through your existing [ParentVUE](#) account.

Families who have/had a child enrolled in Kyrene but have not set-up a ParentVUE account should have received an email with an activation code. If you did not receive this code, call your school's front office. They will confirm your email address and provide a code to get you started.

Once in ParentVUE, select the "online registration" link (in the top right corner), select **2022-2023 Current Student, Change School Request** from the drop-down menu.

*Note: If you currently have other children in grades K-8, you will see them listed in your ParentVUE account. Select **exclude** and move forward with your Kindergartener.*

Thank you for taking the time to register your child(ren). We look forward to seeing your preschoolers in kindergarten next year!

Sincerely,

Kyrene School District

kyrene.org/kindergarten

No School - MLK Day

No School Monday, January 7th in observance of Martin Luther King Day!

Martin Luther
King Day
NO SCHOOL

Pre-K & Kinder Showcase Night

Monday, January 31, 2022

5:30 pm - 7:00pm

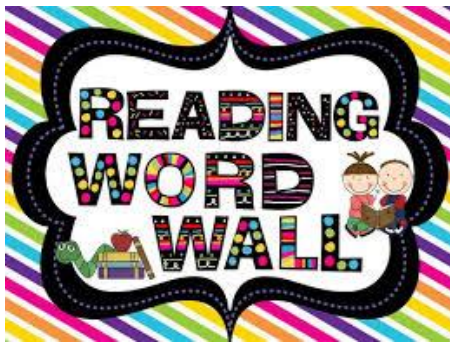
Thank you for coming to our showcase night!

Families will have an opportunity to explore the benefits of choosing Lomas and learn how we inspire and empower our scholars to achieve. We hope that you **choose Lomas** for your scholar's educational experience.

****Masks are Required****



Reading Wall



The Lomas Reading Wall is Here!

Your child may earn up to **3 free books** this school year! If they complete more than 3 reading logs, additional prizes will be awarded.

Your child received a reading log this week to keep track of minutes read. Be sure to have your kids fill out their reading logs and return them to their teacher. They will get to pick a **FREE** book for each log they complete! Any reading counts, being read to, reading out loud, or reading on their own! The first date to turn in reading logs will be Wednesday, January 26th.

If you have any questions, please contact your classroom teacher or the Reading Wall coordinator, Kayla Langston, klangston@kyrene.org

100th Day of School

Celebrate the 100th Day of School!

Thursday January 13th

To celebrate our 100th day of school we would love to have students participate in spirit day! Below you will find two ways students can participate.

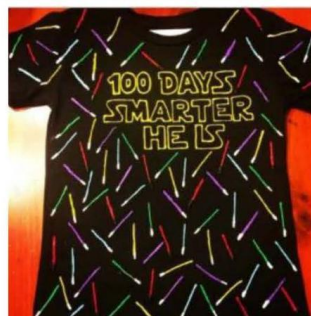
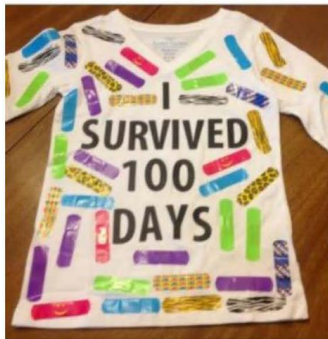
1. Dress up like they are 100 years old. No need to buy costumes, but instead find items you already have at home.

- a. Hair curlers
- b. Glasses
- c. Shawl
- d. Robe
- e. Tie
- f. Gray hair
- g. Cane



2. Wear 100 things!

This is another fantastic way to use your creativity. Glue, draw or paint 100 items onto a shirt. Below are some fun examples.



COVID-19 Checklist

If you are experiencing any symptoms associated with COVID-19, you must meet the three criteria to return to school/work.

If you test positive for COVID-19, you must stay home from school/work for at least **5 full days**.

COVID-19 CHECK

FEVER FREE FOR 24 HOURS*
SYMPTOMS IMPROVING
NEGATIVE COVID-19 TEST

*without the use of fever-reducing medication

You must meet ALL THREE of the above conditions or stay home from school/work for 5 full days after the onset of symptoms.

COVID-19 Testing Locations: www.kyrene.org/covidtesting
MORE INFO: WWW.KYRENE.ORG/SAFESTRONG

COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic

COVID-19 Vaccine Event

Free COVID-19 vaccines, ages 5+

Schedule online at [Kyrene.org/VaccineEvent](https://kyrene.org/VaccineEvent)

January 8
10AM-3PM

Kyrene de las Manitas
1201 W Courtney Ln
Tempe, AZ 85284

*Pfizer is approved for age 5+
Moderna is approved for ages 18+
Boosters are approved for ages 18+*

*Minors must be accompanied by a
parent/legal guardian.*

*Bring insurance card(s) if insured; if you don't
have insurance this vaccine is still free!*



Lost and Found



We have a lot of jackets, water bottles, lunch boxes in the lost and found. Please have your child check for items in the lost and found to see if anything belongs to them.

Morning drop off

A friendly reminder that students are **not allowed** on campus before 8:45am. Starting at 8:45am the gate to the playground will be opened for students. Here is the arrival and dismissal procedure video. Please watch so we can improve the flow of traffic. [Arrival and Dismissal Procedure Video](#)



Update Emergency Contact Information for 2021-2022

Please log into your ParentVue account and update emergency contact information, email(s) & address information. If you have an address change, please make sure to include proof of residency, such as, a utility bill, mortgage or lease. It is important that we have at least 2 emergency contact numbers in case of any emergency. This must be completed each school year. Please follow the link to update information: [ParentVue](#)



Clothes for Health Office



The health office is in need of boys and girls clothes for kinder and 1st graders. If you have clothes that you would like to donate, Ms. Tina would greatly appreciate it.

Attendance

Please make sure to call the 24 hour attendance line @ (480) 541-3401 if your child will be absent. Please leave a detailed message stating the reason for the absence. Emails to the teacher will not be acceptable, please contact the office via phone, or the absence the will be unexcused.



Transportation Changes



If your child will be going home a different way than normal, please make sure to email their teacher. If you do not receive a response by 3pm (1pm on Wednesdays), please call the office @ (480) 541-3400 and we will make sure the teacher gets the message.

Gifted Testing 2021-22

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 services. Kyrene makes gifted testing available for students at school sites three times per year by application. Applications are due for the next round of testing for 2021-22 on January 17, 2022. 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.

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Every day counts.



SCAN ME TO GET STARTED!

Tax Credit Donations



This giving season, please consider making a tax credit donation to a Kyrene school. Arizona tax payers can receive a dollar-for-dollar tax credit when they contribute to extracurricular activities in public schools. Tax credit donations help students attend activities like athletics; art and music programs; character education; and field trips...anything that requires enrolled students to pay a fee to participate. When you make a tax credit donation, you can reduce the amount of taxes you owe to the State of Arizona. The amount you contribute (up to \$200 for single taxpayers or \$400 for married couples filing jointly) will be the amount you may claim as a state tax credit. Begin the donation process by visiting the Kyrene tax credit donation [webpage](#).

District Calendar

2021

SEP 6: Labor Day, No School

SEP 14: Step it Up kick off

OCT 1: Teacher Day, No School

OCT 4-8: Fall Break, No School

OCT 11: Staff Development, No School

OCT 14: Picture Day

OCT 15: Day of Awesomeness

NOV 11: Veteran's Day, No School

NOV 24: Turkey Trot

NOV 25-26: Thanksgiving, No School

DEC 17: Teacher Day, No School

DEC 20-31: Winter Recess, No School

2022

JAN 17: MLK Day, No School

FEB 21: President's Day, No School

MAR 7-11: Spring Break, No School

MAR14: Teacher Day, No School

APR 15: No School

MAY 19: Last Day of School

[View Full Calendar](#)

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School Hours: 9:05 am – 3:55 pm

Every Wednesday at 1:50 pm

Office Hours: 8:00 am – 4:30 pm

Every Wednesday at 2:30 pm

