



September 10, 2021

Message from the Principal

Tomorrow marks the 20th Anniversary of 9/11. To honor all of our heroes and those that unfortunately lost their lives 20 years ago, our Student Council sponsored a spirit day by encouraging the Panther community to proudly wear red, white and blue to school. I would like to take a moment to thank our first responders as well as our servicemen and women of the United States Armed Forces for their time, dedication and sacrifices they have made and continue to make for their community and country. Our Panther community is forever grateful for what they have done to maintain our safety and freedom.

Inside the Classroom:

This week I would like to share some highlights from our 8th grade classrooms. Students in Ms. Willever's class learned how to compose a strong literature analysis that includes quotes from text to support their claim. Spanish 2 students continued to develop their listening comprehension skills by watching short stories in Spanish. Both Ms. Rodriguez and Ms. Harris had students work on DBQ's. You may be asking, what is a DBQ? DBQ is short for Document-Based Question. Social Studies teachers utilize DBQ's as a way to prepare students for the high school AP test and college. In a DBQ students are required to craft a thesis and support it with textual based evidence from short historical documents or quotes.

Erica Modzelewski, M. Ed. | Principal

Learning Lab is in session

Learning Lab provides students with a quiet place to work on homework or get help from Altadeña teachers. Sessions are held in the Altadeña library.

Tuesday & Thursday mornings from 7:30 - 8:10 am

Tuesday & Thursday afternoons from 3:05 - 4:00 pm

All students must be picked up promptly at 4:00 pm.



SIGN UP TO RECEIVE TEXT REMINDERS- Families must elect to receive text communications. Text “Y” or “yes” to 67587 to begin receiving text messages from both your child’s school and the Kyrene School District.

24 HR ATTENDANCE LINE- Parents are required to notify the school when your child is absent or running late. You do this by calling our 24-hour attendance/tardy line at (480) 541-6001. Please make sure to call the attendance line and leave a message, and not the front office main line. If your child is late, please walk them into the Front Office and sign them in.

EARLY STUDENT PICKUP- If parents are picking up your student early for any reason, please send a note with your student to bring to the office at the start of the school day. Office staff will issue your student a pass to leave class at the designated time. This will result in minimal calls to the classrooms interrupting instruction as well as having your student meet you in the office in a timely manner for sign out.

PARKING REMINDERS-Please adhere to the “No Parking” signs in the Thistle Landing neighborhood across from Altadeña’s campus. There is no parking or waiting to drop off/pick up students permitted on Thistle Landing and adjacent streets. Parking is only permitted for residents of that neighborhood. Please use the Altadeña parking lot drop off/pick up designated areas only.



Go Panthers! Fall Sports this Week:

Varsity Girls Volleyball won in 2 against Pueblo: 25-20, 25-5

JV Girls Volleyball won in 2 on Wednesday against Pueblo: 25-11, 25-10

Varsity Boys Soccer beat Kyrene Middle School 4-2

JV Boys Soccer tied against Kyrene Middle School: 4-4

Kyrene Safe Strong Website Updates

There have been several updates to the Kyrene Safe/Kyrene Strong web section this week: Links have been added to show the [Safety Survey Results](#), as well as updated [Kyrene Safety measures](#), [Kyrene Case Count Dashboard](#) and [County School Dashboard](#). There also links to clarify [Isolation Guidelines \(sick/positive\)](#) and [Quarantine Guidance \(exposed\)](#). Please visit <https://www.kyrene.org/safestrong> often to check for updated information.

From the Health Office

Email your student's test results to mmaria@kyrene.org prior to returning to school.

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 the full 10 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 10 days after the onset of symptoms.

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

COVID-19 Vaccination Event

For Kyrene students, staff and families



SEPT. 1 & 22 | OCT. 13
3:00-6:00PM

No Appointment Needed



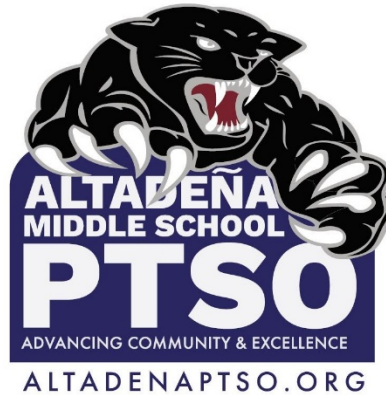
KYRENE DE LOS NIÑOS
MULTIPURPOSE ROOM (MPR)

1330 E. Dava Dr. Tempe, AZ 85283



SCAN TO DOWNLOAD FORMS
or visit kyrene.org/vaccineforms

Available to anyone age 12 and older



Message from the PTSO

The PTSO is still “Riding the Wave” and extending our thanks to our tremendous community for supporting our 2021-22 fundraiser. The student hoodies have been ordered and will be distributed during our class level celebrations to take place before fall break.

Shopping this season? You can continue to support the Altadena PTSO by using Amazon Smiles. Amazon Smiles works just like Amazon except a portion of your purchase goes back to our school. You can learn more at [altadenaptso.org/amazon-smiles/](https://www.altadenaptso.org/amazon-smiles/) or simply register at [amazon.smiles.com](https://www.amazon.com/smiles)

Our Hospitality Committee is kicking off football season on Thursday, September 16th with a tailgate themed luncheon for our teachers and staff. You can help us score big by donating chips, drinks and gift cards. Click here to sign-up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4CA9A623AAFBC25-september>

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Wed.: 8:15-1:05 pm

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