



December 3, 2021

Message from the Principal

Theatre

This week our theatre students performed vignettes for a packed audience. Our Panthers did a fantastic job writing and performing for our community. It was great to witness our students in action after two years of not being able to host theatre events. If your student is interested in joining after school Theatre Club, please have them contact Ms. Hensley.

Inside the Classroom

In Mr. Bertling's class students reviewed key terms through review games.

Students in Ms. Adams class were finishing reading *Freak the Mighty*.

In Spanish 2, students took a vocabulary quiz on Friday.

Students in Mr. Jordan's STEM class conducted a rocket experiment. More rocket adventures to come. (See photo below.)

Sincerely,

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.



More than a Meal

Did you know that families who fill out Kyrene's free and reduced meal application can qualify for a whole lot more than a free lunch? Eligible families can also receive discounts on everything from athletic programs to home internet service. Your application may also help our school secure federal funding for critical learning supports, such as math and literacy coaches, instructional assistants, and kindergarten prep programs. If you have not already applied for free or reduced meals this school year, please [apply online](#) by **December 31**. The application takes just minutes, and it could make a world of difference for you, your children, and our entire school.

Tax Credit Donations

This giving season, please consider making a tax credit donation to a Kyrene school. Arizona taxpayers 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](#). Be sure to specify what club, sport or activity you would like your donation to benefit.

Looking Ahead

We are approaching the end of the first semester. Parents and students- please check current grades in ParentVUE and StudentVUE.

The Lost and Found in the school office is overflowing with clothing, water bottles, lunches, sports equipment, etc. Parents and students are encouraged to stop by the office and claim their items. All non-perishable items not claimed by Thursday, December 16th will be donated to the Kyrene Family Resource Center.



NJHS Induction Ceremony

The NJHS Induction Ceremony will take place on December 8, 2021 in the Multipurpose Room. Inductees should arrive by 6:30 pm and the ceremony begins at 7:00 pm.



**COVID-19
Vaccine Event**
Free COVID-19 vaccines, ages 5+

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

Saturday December 18 10AM-3PM	Kyrene de las Manitas 1201 W Courtney Ln Tempe, AZ 85284
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*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!*



Free Vaccine Event

Kyrene School District is partnering with Albertsons/Safeway to hold a free COVID-19 Vaccine Event for ages 5+ on December 18, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The event will be held on the Kyrene de las Manitas campus at 1201 W. Courtney Ln., Tempe AZ 85284. For more information or to schedule your appointment online, visit kyrene.org/vaccineevent.



Winter Sports Update

This week's results:

Varsity Boys Basketball beat Akimel, 59-24 on Monday and lost to Kyrene Middle School 46-59 on Wednesday.

JV Boys Basketball beat Akimel, 54-43 on Monday and had a bye on Wednesday.

Varsity Girls Softball beat Aprende 13-3 on Monday and beat Akimel 8-5 on Wednesday

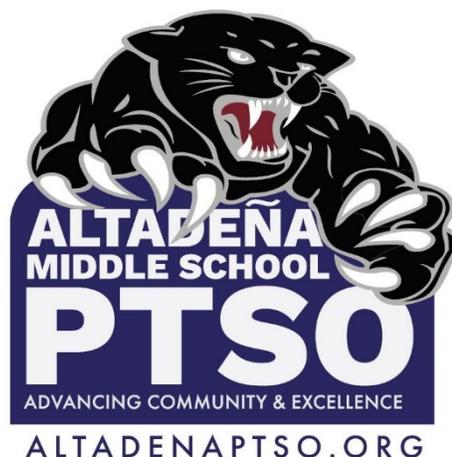
JV Girls Softball lost on Monday to Aprende and to Akimel on Wednesday.

Varsity Girls Soccer beat Akimel on Monday, 7-0 and beat KMS 6-0 on Wednesday.

JV Girls Soccer won against Akimel, 2-1 on Monday and beat Aprende, 15-0 on Wednesday.

Panther Wrestling Team beat Centennial 72-33 on Tuesday and lost to Akimel on Thursday.

For all Winter Sports schedules, please visit the [Altadeña Athletics page](#)



Message from PTSO:

Our Staff and Teacher December Hospitality Lunch is Thursday, December 9th. We will be treating our teachers to lunch and a Holiday Cookie Exchange. Sign-up to bring a dozen cookies or to volunteer your time:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4CA9A623AAFBC25-december>

Support your Altadena PTSO by using Amazon Smiles this Holiday Season. It's easy to sign-up, click here for instructions: <https://altadenaptso.org/amazon-smiles/>

Thank you to everyone who supported the Kyrene Foundation's Winter Wonderland with Dodgeball donations. Your generosity will help make sure kids in need will receive a Holiday gift this year. Thank you to our top contributors who helped gather the gift cards for the Holiday drive.

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Wed: 7:45am -2:15pm

School Hours: Mon, Tue, Thur, Fri, 8:15am – 3:05 pm

Wed. 8:15am - 1:05pm