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Important Dates

Oct 29

Pumpkin Walk

Nov 11-12

Veteran's Day; No School

Nov 24

Turkey Trot

Nov 25 - 26

Thanksgiving; No School

Dec 4 - 10

Holiday Boutique

Dec 14

PTO General Meeting

Dec 16

Gift of Time

Dec 20 - 31

Winter Break; No School

Jan 17

MLK Day; No School

Feb 4

Sock Hop

Feb 21

President's Day; No School

Mar 8

PTO General Meeting; 3:00

Mar 14 - 18

Spring Break; No School

Mar 28-Apr 8

Spring Book Fair

Apr 8

Ice Cream Social

Apr 22

No School

To Cerritos Parents,

Welcome back! I hope your family had a wonderful Fall Break and enjoyed the time together to relax, travel, and enjoy our beautiful Fall weather.

It is hard to believe that the first quarter of school is behind us. With all of the excitement from the beginning of the school year, it is nice to see our students settling into their routines and enjoying all of the friendships they have created and how inspired they are by all of the amazing things that are taking place at our school, The Leadership Academy.

It is apparent by the beaming excitement of our students and all of the wonderful bulletin boards and inspiring quotes displayed throughout our school that our children are in an environment that fosters creativity, diversity, cooperative learning, academic excellence, and above all, Leaders! I am proud to be a part of a community that values their children's education and supports the teachers and staff for all of their hard work preparing our children for all of their future endeavors.

I hope everyone enjoyed The Ice Cream Social. This was PTO's way of thanking all of the Cerritos families for their commitment to our school and children. We are very appreciative for all the support each family provides throughout the school year. We hope your family enjoyed meeting other families and the chance to meet all of the new friends and families that our children have made this year.

The Third Annual Pumpkin Walk is Friday, October 29th from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. in the courtyard. Bring the whole family to view all of the beautifully carved and decorated pumpkins by our creative students. We will also have an opportunity for families to get their pictures taken, sip warm apple cider, eat yummy treats baked by Cake Café and enjoy seeing all of the kids dressed in their costumes and dancing to the great tunes provided by Mr. G. This is a fun family event that you don't want to miss!

The PTO would like to thank you for your continued support to our school. We still have plenty of opportunities for you to get involved helping with one of the many fun, exciting committees this year. Please contact our volunteer coordinator, Lorinda Thompson at matthewandlorind@cox.net to see the various opportunities available.

See you at the Pumpkin Walk!

Warm regards,
Mary Axelrod, PTO Secretary



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Mrs. Foster IS a Hero in the Classroom!

Mrs. Foster wins the Hero in the Classroom award given on the 26th of September based on this submitted letter: "I do not think I KNOW Melissa Foster is A Hero in the Classroom. Mrs. Foster was my daughter's third grade teacher. My daughter began to struggle in her studies and was becoming frustrated with school all together. Mrs. Foster noticed these difficulties and went above and beyond to get her back on track. Even with a young family of her own, Mrs. Foster would stay after school to meet with me and discuss what we can do to help my daughter. Mrs. Foster understood my daughter's learning style and modified her work so she would get the most benefit from it. Mrs. Foster's always encouraged her to do her best, and never made her feel less competent than the others in the classroom. I am forever grateful for what Mrs. Foster did for my daughter. If it was not for her I do not know how my daughter would succeed at school."

Heroes In the Classroom

Arizona Cardinals and the University of Phoenix have joined together to pay tribute to Arizona teachers. This program, "Heroes in the Classroom," will recognize and reward teachers throughout Arizona at each Cardinals home game this season. Selected teachers will win an Arizona Cardinals jersey, four tickets to a regular season game and four VIP sideline passes. To nominate your child's teacher, click on the link below. Please submit the nomination form found on this link: http://prod.static.cardinals.clubs.nfl.com/assets/docs/2010_HeroesNominationForm.pdf

Family Dinner Night

Take a night off from cooking and join other Cerritos families at one of our restaurant nights. It's a good way to socialize with the Cerritos community with a minimum of 20% of the evening sales going to the school. There are many opportunities throughout the year with a variety of different restaurants to choose from.

Our next date will be November 10th at Papa John's Pizza. Keep on the look out for more information to come.

Food Handler Testing

Do you volunteer at school concession stands? Register to test to get your Volunteer Food Handler's Card - <http://tinyurl.com/dvhs-foodhandlers>.

Wednesday, November 3 4 - 6 P.M. at the Desert Vista High School Faculty Cafeteria 16440 S 32nd St ,Phoenix, AZ 85048

Questions? Contact Laura Ramos lmrasmus@msn.com or 602-301-1156. Sponsored by Desert Vista Thunder Board.



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Winter Boutique

It's almost time for our Annual Winter Boutique. The boutique will be held this year from Dec 6th-10th in the Community room at the Media Center. A letter will be coming home soon asking for craft item donations and volunteers.

If you want to volunteer or offer a donation, please e-mail Joan Sample at joansample@cox.net or Andrea Cordero at acjy@q.com.

Thanks so much,
Joan Sample & Andrea Cordero,
Co-Chairs- Winter Boutique

Looking For Cooks...

The Hospitality Committee is looking for parents to make CROCK POT soups or chili, OR donate other food items for our two evening teacher conferences, October 27, 2010 and November 2, 2010. If you are able and would like to help out please contact: Maria Blewster at (480) 706-1406 or e-mail: Maria_msw@cox.net.

Exciting news about Capri Sun recycling at Cerritos

Did any of you wonder why you would throw away your empty Capri Sun or juice pouches in a separate trash bin the cafeteria? Since Cerritos is a "Go Green" school, we are looking for as many ways to save and recycle as we can and one of those ways is with a company called Terracycle. Every few weeks, one of our volunteers comes in and collects the empty pouches and ships them off to Terracycle. Every empty juice pouch is worth .02 cents. With the money that we earned through this program last year, we were able to buy FIVE (5) sturdy, durable, rolling coolers for our classrooms to use on field trips, carrying your lunches, drinks, etc. And our hard working teachers no longer have to lug along the big heavy coolers, while trying to make sure that all the students are staying with the group! Talk about turning trash into treasure!! We couldn't have done this without you! Many thanks go to Miss Mary in the cafeteria, along with Mr. Gilbert, and all the hard working cafeteria staff who help to make this program work. This year we are hoping to make even more money. I wonder what we'll be able spend it on?

How can you help? Continue to toss your empty Capri Sun of any other brand of juice pouch (Terracycle collects all brands, even generic) but please make sure that it is empty and free of straws into the special bin. Look for the new sign so you know which one to use. You can also save these at home and send them in when you have a nice sized stack. That's it! We appreciate everyone's help to make all our programs at Cerritos run so well. Please help me to double our efforts this year. Do not hesitate to contact Chylon Brigham at chylon@juno.com or 480-283-1005 if you have any questions.





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NO COST Fundraising!!

Earn cash for your school at no extra cost to you. These programs are designed to raise money for Cerritos with minimal time, effort and no additional expense. Participate today and help earn free money for our school!

EScrip

Did you know that each year, our school earns approximately \$9,000 in "FREE MONEY" from Safeway's EScrip program? It's true and it's a tremendous source of income for our school!

In order to get as many Cerritos families to sign up for this program, the PTO sent home yellow EScrip renewal forms with your students. Students who return their EScrip forms by this Friday, August 27th, 2010 will win a prize from the school store!

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Erica Riordan (ejbriordan@cox.net) or Stephanie Hayden (Steph27064@aol.com). You can either complete the yellow form that came home with your child or register online at www.escrip.com.

REMEMBER - You must renew your registration each year & you can register your card for up to 3 schools!!

BoxTops

Clip BoxTops & earn FREE MONEY for Cerritos! It's AS EASY AS 1,2,3...

1. CLIP OUT YOUR BOX TOPS
2. PUT THEM IN A ZIP LOCK BAG
3. TURN THEM INTO YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER



Each quarter, the class that collects the most BOX TOPS wins a prize!! Last year, we received more than \$2300 from BoxTops - let's earn even more this year!

Fry's has "COOL CASH" for Cerritos!!!

Present this barcode to the cashier & a portion of your purchase will automatically be deposited in our school's account. Once the school reaches \$50,000 in spending, Fry's will send the school a \$500 check! We have until April 24, 2011 to earn up to \$2,000.





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Make a tax credit donation to a Kyrene school, you'll get it back in more ways than one. Support well-rounded students that build strong communities. Donate up to \$400 to a Kyrene school of your choice and deduct that amount from state income taxes through a tax credit.*

You can donate in person at the schools or district office, mail this contribution form, or give online at:

www.kyrene.org/taxcredit

Yes! My choice is to enhance education! I am enclosing a check money order payable to the Kyrene School of my choice for \$_____ as a contribution to the public school system for extracurricular activity fees. A separate check must be received for each school.

Name _____ Daytime Phone _____

Mailing Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

*Total amount cannot exceed \$400 for joint tax return. Individual returns are \$200 maximum credit. Corporate and/or business checks are not eligible. A.R.S. 43-1089(E) defines extracurricular activities as school-sponsored activities that supplement the school's educational program and require enrolled students to pay a fee in order to participate. Please check with the school if you have questions about specific program eligibility.

Please Note: The above complete information is required in order for this contribution to be used as a TAX CREDIT on your 2010 Arizona State Income report. If the information is incomplete, your contribution and form will be returned to you. Tax credits must be POSTMARKED by December 31, 2010. Please mail completed form to: Tax Credits, Kyrene School District No. 28, 8700 South Kyrene Road, Tempe, AZ 85284. **This is NOT a receipt. You will be mailed a receipt by the receiving school. If you have any questions, please call the school directly.**

Designated school and/or area to receive funding:

Elementary Schools

- \$_____ Kyrene de las Brisas
- \$_____ Kyrene de los Cerritos
- \$_____ Kyrene del Cielo
- \$_____ Kyrene de la Colina
- \$_____ Kyrene de la Esperanza
- \$_____ Kyrene de la Estrella
- \$_____ Kyrene de los Lagos
- \$_____ Kyrene de las Lomas
- \$_____ Kyrene de las Manitas
- \$_____ Kyrene de la Mariposa
- \$_____ Kyrene del Milenio
- \$_____ Kyrene de la Mirada
- \$_____ Kyrene Monte Vista
- \$_____ Kyrene de los Niños
- \$_____ Kyrene del Norte
- \$_____ Kyrene de la Paloma
- \$_____ Kyrene de la Sierra
- \$_____ Kyrene del Sureño
- \$_____ C.I. Waggoner

Middle Schools

- \$_____ Kyrene Akimel A-al
- \$_____ Kyrene Altadeña
- \$_____ Kyrene Aprende
- \$_____ Kyrene Centennial
- \$_____ Kyrene Middle School
- \$_____ Kyrene del Pueblo
- \$_____ KASP (located at Kyrene del Pueblo)
- \$_____ CASA Vida (located at Kyrene de la Colina)

Please apply my contribution to the following specific EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITY at the school(s) that I have designated:





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2010/2011 Cerritos Spiritwear Order Form

Date: _____ Your Name _____ Phone _____

Student's Name _____ Teacher's Name & Grade _____

****Please circle your choice****

Item Description	Price	Sizes
Cerritos Water Bottles	\$5	n/a
Cerritos Windshield Decal	\$5	n/a
Cerritos Car Magnet	\$5	n/a
Short Sleeve Gray T-shirt	\$10	Youth S, M, L, Adult S, M, L, XL
Girls turquoise fitted shirt w/bling	\$12	Youth S, M, L
Women's black tank w/bling	\$12	Adult M, L, XL
Girls Cheer Shorts, (Black)	\$10	Youth S, M, L, Adult S
Mesh basketball shorts (Black)	\$12	Youth S, M, L, Adult S
Special Order- All Bling-Any size, color & style	\$20	Any size
Spirit Wear Flip Flops	\$17	11/12, 12, 1/2, 3/4, 5/6
Embroidered Hoodies (Black or Gray) **Special order	\$24	Any size
“ (personalized)	\$26	“

Cash or Check (made payable to Cerritos PTO) are welcome!

Please note that we NO LONGER accept credit card payment.

If you have any questions, please call Monica Hedeby (480) 636-9057 or Sydney Sterling (602) 751-7118.



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2010/2011 Cerritos Yearbook Order Form

Pre-orders for the 2010 - 2011 Yearbook are now being taken at a price of \$24.00 each. Be aware that the cost will increase to \$27 each beginning in January 2011, so be sure and take advantage of the special pre-order price now!

Please complete this form below in its entirety and return it to school in an envelope marked "Yearbook Order" to your child's teacher along with a check (payable to CERRITOS PTO). Please note that we NO LONGER accept credit card payment.

Order confirmation/receipts are being sent via email. Please be assured that your email address will be used solely for this purpose and will not be distributed for any other reason. If you do not wish to receive an email, a paper receipt will be sent home via your child.

If you have any questions, please contact Frances Brakebill at cerritosyearbook@msn.com or at 480-460-4220.

PLEASE PRINT AND RETURN TO YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER OR THE CERRITOS OFFICE

Please reserve _____ yearbooks @ \$24 ea

Student _____ Teacher _____ Grade _____

Student _____ Teacher _____ Grade _____

Student _____ Teacher _____ Grade _____

Parent Name _____ Email address _____ (for an email receipt)

Cash, Check (made payable to Cerritos PTO)

TOTAL AMOUNT OF CHECK OR CASH: _____