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Preschool Enrollment Extremely Competitive in Kyrene School District

TEMPE, Arizona (April 5, 2019) Just weeks into enrollment season, Kyrene School District preschools are filling up fast. More than 200 families seeking to register their young learners were online at 6:30 a.m., March 19, when enrollment opened. Half a dozen preschools reached capacity within the first hour of registration.

Preschool in Kyrene expanded to all 19 elementary campuses in the last two years, in an effort to keep up with demand from families who are increasingly interested in early learning for children ages 3-5. Several campuses have multiple preschool programs.

For the 2019-20 school year, the total number of preschool programs for families will increase to 28, with the addition of a new Community Preschool classroom at Kyrene del Cielo and an Integrated Preschool classroom at Kyrene de los Niños.

“Our community has a significant need for high-quality preschool programs and Kyrene is working hard to meet those needs through program expansion,” said Community Education Program Director Josh Glider. “Whether families are looking for a full day option, a unique program philosophy or a part-time, first-learning experience, there is an option for everyone.”

Those options include:

- **Community Preschool** classrooms with full-day, half-day and 3-day options
- **Signature Preschool** programs that offer unique learning experiences (such as Dual Language and Leadership)
- **Integrated Preschool** offerings for both children experiencing developmental delays and for their typically-developing peers

These programs give families countless options and account for more than 700 openings for early learners in the Ahwatukee, Chandler and Tempe areas. A limited number of preschool spots are still available, but families are encouraged to register today, as programs are filling up.

More information on Kyrene Preschool programs can be found at www.kyrene.org/Preschool.

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Kyrene School District is one of the top elementary school districts in Arizona, comprised of 25 schools (18 elementary, 6 middle, one K-8). The District's boundaries encompass all of Ahwatukee, parts of Chandler, Tempe, Guadalupe and the Gila River Indian Reservation. Kyrene enrolls approximately 17,000 students annually, offering many educational choices to enhance learning (arts integration, dual language, traditional, college preparatory, leadership, and gifted.) Kyrene also offers a variety of on-site community programs before/after school and during school breaks. To learn more, visit kyrene.org or call 480-541-1000.

