#### **KELLOGGSVILLE**

## ROCKETEER

**APRIL 2023** 

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## Accepting Applications for New Rockets! Kelloggsville Public Schools 2023-24 Schools of Choice Program

Applications are now being accepting for students residing outside of the Kelloggsville Public Schools boundaries that would like to attend our school district for the 2023-24 school year.

#### **Important Schools of Choice Dates**

- Applications accepted April 10 May 12, 2023 at 4:00 p.m.
- Schools of Choice Openings: 350 (K-12)
- Parents notified by May 26, 2023 if student(s) accepted.

#### **Application Process**

- Please use our online application process or you can pick up an application at the Administration Office during regular business hours; 242 52nd Street SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49548.
- One application form per child, completed at your district of choice.

If you have additional questions, please contact Beth Postma at 616-538-7460 or bpostma@kvilleps.org

#### 2021 Bond Update

Ground has broken on the next project for the 2021 Bond that was passed with the support of the Kelloggsville Community! In March, a special ground breaking ceremony was held with Mr. James Alston, Mr. Nick Patin, and the Kelloggsville School Board. During Spring Break the real ground-breaking began with Owen-Ames-Kimball Co. on the STEM extension at KHS.







Middle school students participated in a door decorating contest to celebrate Black History Month. Each door was someone who greatly impacted the Black Community and people our students can look up to. Ms. Wickstrom's 6th-grade class won the door competition, which honored Michael Jackson. In second place, Ms. Popma's 7th-grade PRIDE class honored Michael Jordan. And in third place, Mrs. Anderson's 6th-grade class honored Harriet Tubman!

Kelloggsville Middle School







#### Southeast Kelloggsville Elementary



Southeast Elementary Celebrated March is Reading Month with a Basketball Theme!

Students used reading logs to track their reading minutes throughout the month and turned them in every Friday! Students read over 52,000 minutes as a school!!

They participated in various themed dress-up days as well as read with the entire building in their Weekly Friday Hallway Reads. On Wednesdays, as a special treat, students had teachers from other classrooms come in and share their favorite stories with them. Southeast families got into the fun by sharing their favorite books with them and posed with their own Lorax here at Southeast! It was a great build-up to Spring Break and all the Staff and Families did an amazing job celebrating our Rocket Readers!



## West Kelloggsville Elementary

This year West is having a Mock Caldecott Award contest. Each year the Caldecott Medal is given to an illustrator for his/her outstanding illustrations in a new book. Students at West are practicing their artistic skills by watching videos on Art for Kids Hub. They draw the characters at home and then bring the pictures to school to add to the Book Character Gallery.













## Central Kelloggsville Elementary

Central Kelloggsville students won an assembly for their "Love to SOAR" competition in the month of February. Students were caught being nice and filled 2 - heart shaped boards with SOAR tickets. One of the activities in the assembly was pie in the face. Thank you to Mr. Picardat, Ms. Weeks, Mrs. Austin, Ms. Sturgeon, Ms. Ally, and Mr. Muhammad for being a good sports.



Board of Education Center 242 52nd Street SE 616-538-7460 Kelloggsville Virtual School 242 52nd Street SE 616-532-8449 Kelloggsville High School 4787 S. Divison SW 616-532-1570 Kelloggsville Middle School 4650 S. Division SE 616-532-1575 54th Street Academy 173 54th Street SW 616-531-7433 Central Kelloggsville Elementary 4625 Jefferson Ave SE 616-532-1580 West Kelloggsville Elementary 4555 Magnolia SW 616-532-1595







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#### 1/2 Day

#### 2022-23 Board of Education Meetings

Board of Education meetings are held at the Board of Education Center at 6:00 pm unless posted otherwise. Regular and special meetings are open to the public. All are welcome to attend these meetings. The minutes of the meetings are posted at kvilleps.org/about-us/boe

#### 2023

-June 12\*+ -May 8 -June 26\*+ -May 22

- \* denotes 5:30 p.m. meeting
- + denotes meetings held at the Common Learning Area at Kelloggsville High School

## **Kelloggsville Athletics**

**Find Athletic** News & **Updates at:** 

**f** @kvilleathletics

@kville\_athletics kvilleathletics.org

#### **Free Sports Physicals**

#### Monday, May 8th **KHS Main Gym**

Any student currently in 4th-11th grade that is interested in playing a sport next year should plan to attend, as this will be the only opportunity offered by the Kelloggsville Athletic Department for a free physical. Elementary and middle school students must be accompanied by a parent/guardian. Physical forms are available at www.kvilleathletics.org under the "Files & Links" tab. If you have any questions, please call the Athletic Office at 616-532-1594.

#### **Admission Ticket Information**

**Admission Prices** Middle School Events: \$2.00 High School Events: \$5.00

Punch Cards (good for 10 Entries)

Student Cards: \$10.00 Adult Cards: \$20.00

OK Conference & Golden Age Passes Accepted

All regular season ticket sales are cash only. All MHSAA District Event tickets must be purchased at gofan.co.

## 54th Street Academy

54th Street students are exposed to as many career opportunities as possible. Over the course of the school year, students are taken on field trips to visit different colleges, trade schools, and cosmetology programs. Once students are accepted to GRCC, they schedule and complete their placement tests that help determine what classes they will need in their first year of college. 54th Street Students then are able to take a field trip to GRCC to visit the campus and take their placement tests with the building's counselor.



KVS students have been enjoying an engaging month of reading activities virtually and in-person! Virtually, students chose to read aloud books from their blanket forts at home, reading books to family members and pets, and participating in reading challenges. Culminating activities included in-person experiences such as a beach themed reading party (K-5) and a "cafe" style read-in (6-12). Students enjoyed socializing and learning with books during March!

Kelloggsville Virtual School



#### Kelloggsville Food Service

National School Breakfast Week is observed the first week of March and acknowledges the importance of a nutritious breakfast in fueling students for success. Central Elementary celebrated with a visit from the Rocket Mascot, photo booth, deliciously decorated whole grain donuts, breakfast sandwiches, games and prizes. Our School Breakfast Program gives our kids a great start to every day.



Kelloggsville Middle School During the month of March, KMS Student Council students fundraised \$500 for Stand Up To Cancer, a national organization that donates 100% of its proceeds to cancer research. Students sold raffle tickets during lunches for students to have the opportunity to pie a staff member in the face! At the Rewards Assembly on Thursday, March 30, Mr. Ruby, Mr. Banks, Mr. Padilla, Mrs. Lanser, and Mr. Morrow were all pied in the face by students who donated to the cause. The following students were randomly selected to pie a staff member in the face: Keiley Juarez, Brayden Henry, Lyla Rubio-Salgado, Cameron Clark, and Addison Torres. Thank you to all who contributed to this awesome cause!



Is your parent email up to date in PowerSchool? It is essential that we have at least one current parent email in PowerSchool for each student. Our classrooms, buildings, and the district communicate important information using email communications. Don't miss out on important information! Contact your student's school if you have any questions or need to update your information.

#### Kelloggsville High School



On March 15, 2023, multiple students throughout Kelloggsville High School attended the César E. Chávez Social Justice March. This included students from Mrs. Berlanga's Native Spanish class down to students from Ms. Nelson's Spanish I class. The event was a wonderful chance to see students of all ages and ethnicities walk together to celebrate all the hard work that César E. Chávez did and the impact he has had. The march took place on the newly named César Chávez Avenue and ended with a presentation at the Potter's House Chapel. The presentation empowered the students through motivational speakers about what they can do and the impact and power that they can have now as students and in the future.



## Kelloggsville Early Childhood Learning Center

Mrs. Tennant and Ms. Ann's class at KECLC celebrated March is Reading Month with some special activities relating to Dr. Suess:

- Green Eggs and Ham: The kids all learned to crack an egg and mixed the eggs. They learned that the eggs are
  yellow and when blue food coloring is added, it makes green! All kids ate the scrambled eggs and loved them!
- Cat in the Hat: Kids had the choice of painting a new hat for Dr. Seuss.
- Fox in Socks: The kids had the option to design and/or decorate a new sock and measure their foot.











## Vote on May 2nd, 2023

Non-Homestead Property Tax Proposal

A principal residence is exempt from this millage!

## Kelloggsville Bands



On April 15th, select 7th and 8th grade band students will be participating in the MSBOA District Ten Solo and Ensemble event. These students will play either a solo or in a group for judges and be rated anywhere between Division 1 (the highest) to Division 5.

The annual Middle School Band Concert will be held on May 10th at 7pm in the high school auditorium. These students have been working hard all year and are looking forward to playing a concert. It is free and open to the public. We look forward to seeing you!

#### **High School Band News:**

The annual Spring Awards concert for the High School Symphonic Band will be held on May 2nd at 7pm in the high school auditorium. This concert is unique because it not only showcases the band, but highlights senior soloists and conductors. You won't want to miss this!

On March 28th, Kelloggsville High School Band students, Morgan Sleet, David Stobbe, Caden Terrell, Alex Chavez, Alvin Nguyen and Berlina Mubake, came together with other select band students from Godwin, Godfrey-Lee and Wyoming High Schools to form the All Wyoming Honor Band. These students and their directors had one day full of rehearsals and fun to put together a concert that very evening held at Godwin Heights.



Kelloggsville

# Middle School

Students
participate in a
robot battle every
Friday in Mrs.
Dickinson's 8th
Grade Robotics
class. Using the
LocoRobo remote
app on an iPad,
students try to
knock each other's
robots over. The
last robot standing
is the winner.





# Central Kelloggsville Elementary



congratulations go
out to the top
sellers in the
World's Finest
Bunny Fundraiser.
(L-R), Faith Brewer
(2nd place), Myla
Leopold (1st place),
and Yvonne Binion
(3rd place). Thank
you for all your hard
work. Sellers
received gift cards
to Craig's Cruisers.

#### Kelloggsville Early Childhood Learning Center

Students in Mrs. Tennant and Ms. Ann's class at KECLC studied about dinosaurs and castles. They tried to squeeze as many students onto one of the brachiosaurus footprints. The sand and water table was turned into an excavation lab where the students excavated "fossil bones" of dinosaurs. They used brushes and safety goggles while they were finding the bones (dog rawhides) in the sand. The students have been learning about armor of dinosaurs and what things protect bodies from other dinosaurs. The students explored knights in castles and the armor they wear on their bodies to protect them. In small group, the students put "armor" on their knight using tin foil.



## **Community News**



The Dock Ministries is open after school each Monday - Thursday while school is in session. From 3:00 -5:00 p.m., KMS and KHS students can enjoy the following programs at no cost:

- Mondays: Teen Cuisine Cooking and Nutritional Class
- Tuesdays and Wednesdays: Our Refuel Station is open! Come enjoy good food and fun activities!
- Thursdays: SALT Leadership Class meets to learn and grow as student leaders.

And on Thursday nights from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m., we offer Cadets, a Christian version of Boy Scouts. All elementary school boys are welcome to join us.



#### **LOTS OF GREAT PROGRAMS FOR KIDS OF ALL AGES!**

- Art
- Basketball
- Biking

- Dance
- Soccer
- Martial Arts
- CookingT-ball
- And More!





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## Kelloggsville Virtual School

A 3-12 Michigan Based Public Education Option

Interested in online learning for the 2023-2024 school year?

A <u>flexible</u> learning option that uses a <u>challenging curriculum</u> and is taught by <u>certified</u> Kelloggsville teachers!





# Mrs. Pickard is the Southeast Media and Instructional Support Specialist

What teachers had the greatest impact on your education?

Mr. Replogle was a great teacher in the fact that I learned a lot from his class. Mr. Lakatos was a laid-back teacher who was easy to get along with. Ms. Farkas was a great science/chemistry teacher who had fun experiments in class and was a great volleyball coach when I was in middle school.



What was your initial plan when you graduated? What hurdles did you face when you first graduated, and how did you overcome them?

I have always wanted to work with kids. After graduation, I worked at St. John Vianney Preschool and Childcare for 18 years. I taught Mr. Allen's boys, Ms. Farkas' kids, Mrs. Miheve's daughter, Mrs. Harvey's kids, and Mr. Wright's grandsons. I started in the childcare program and eventually got my CDA to teach early childhood/preschool. I didn't have many hurdles except motivation. I felt content for many years before deciding to want more in my career.