



News From The Principal

We would like to get the PTG group back up and running again, where we look forward to working with parents to make our school better! Please let us know if you are interested in being a part of PTG. IMPORTANT: Student safety is of the utmost importance to us at KMS. Please continue to remind your student to cross at our crosswalk at the front of our building and to cross Division Ave. at 48th St. We have seen an influx of students dangerously crossing Division Ave. in between 48th St. and 44th St. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call us at 532-1575. Thank you!

News From the Assistant Principal

KMS continues to educate students and fight against bullying. Bullying is defined as a person willfully and repeatedly exercising power or control over another with hostile or malicious intent. Bullying can be physical, verbal, psychological or a combination of all three. Cyberbullying is when a person sends mean, vulgar or threatening messages or images, pretends to be someone else in order for someone to look bad or posts sensitive or private information of an individual. Cyberbullying can be done through email, text or digital messaging, instant messaging, web pages, chat rooms, and using other communication technologies. Kelloggsville Middle School acts on all reported cases of bullying and investigates all complaints. We take mean behavior and bullying very seriously and encourage all of our students to be good bystanders and reporters.

Attendance and Truancy

Every day of school is important— whether students are learning in person or online. The consequences of missing classes and instruction can be especially tough on your child, especially during the second half of the school year. Here's why:

- Every class is packed with essential material due to limited instruction time caused by pandemic responses and challenges.
- Once the year is half over, many teachers turn a serious eye to the end-of-year grades. The pace of instruction picks up.
- In just a short time, teachers will also begin to review for final assignments. This review will go on at the same time as regular teaching.
- Your child may have more assignments as a result of faster instruction and review. The more time he/she is out of class, the more the schoolwork piles up, which can overwhelm your middle schooler.

KMS has also adopted a Tardy Policy in an effort to improve punctuality and minimize classroom disruptions.

Here's a breakdown of the rules for our tardy policy:

- 4 Tardies - 1 lunch detention
- 5 Tardies - 3 lunch detentions
- 6 Tardies - 5 lunch detentions
- 7 Tardies - 1 lunch detention + 1hr SRR
- 8 Tardies - 3 lunch detentions + 3hrs SRR
- 9 Tardies - 5 lunch detentions + 5hrs SRR
- 10 Tardies - 1 day ISS
- 11 Tardies - 2 days ISS
- 12+ Tardies - 3 days ISS



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To support your child's attendance, continue to:

- Emphasize to your child the importance of being in every class. He/she should arrive on time prepared and ready to participate.
- Accept no excuses except true illness or emergency for having your child miss a class.
- Avoid making appointments or plans for your child that would require him/her to miss a class.

Kelloggsville Public Schools takes student attendance very seriously. Parent/Guardian, please be sure to call the office if your student will be gone from school. Also, be sure to bring in a doctor's note to verify appointments.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Lamont Mallett @ lmallett@kvilleps.org

News from the Counselors

Congratulations to Antonio Zayas-Castellanos and Joel Mubake who were the top 2 spellers in the KMS spelling bee last month. They participated in a county-wide bee against students from other schools at the end of February. We are proud of them for representing KMS well!

KMS students have started using Xello for career exploration lessons. This is a fun program that allows them to explore a wide variety of jobs, colleges and careers while learning more about their own interests, skills and goals. Ask your students to show you what they are learning about themselves and their interests in Xello!

Summer School Program

If your student does not earn enough credits during the year, they will be invited to attend our summer school

program. This will allow them to make up credit in the core classes of math, science, language arts, and social studies. Students must attend all days and complete all work in order to receive credit. Students who are eligible to attend will be notified in May. More details to come.

Emergency Contact Information:

If any of your address, phone number, email address or emergency information has changed, we ask that you please stop in the main office to ensure school-related information is up to date. This information is extremely important in the event of an emergency so you can be notified as quickly as possible. Thank you!

News from the Nurse

March is National Nutrition Month! The focus of this month is to make informed food choices and develop good eating habits. Home is a great place to start developing good habits such as eating breakfast, packing snacks, and choosing fresh foods. Cooking food at home can be a great way to introduce new healthy foods to your child. I encourage all students to eat a healthy filling breakfast. Having a full stomach can improve attentiveness and behavior throughout the school day

Important Dates

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| March 10th | 7th Grade GVSU Trip |
| March 31st- April 7th | Spring Break |
| April 10th | School back in session |