



Learning, Leadership and Laughter...The JRG Journey

J.R. Gerritts Middle School * 545 S. John St. * Kimberly, WI * 920-788-7905



Please Check Your Infinite Campus Notification Settings

We ask that parents take a moment to log into their Infinite Campus Parent Portal accounts. Once logged in, click on "Contact Preferences" along the left side of the screen. This area indicates how you are currently being notified. Please take a moment to ensure your contact information (phone numbers and email addresses) are correct, and that you check the boxes indicating how you would like to be notified. If your phone number or email address has changed, please call the Main Office at (920) 788-7905 to update.

Boys and Girls Track and Tennis Begin in April

Boys and Girls Track will begin Wednesday, April 4 and will continue into May. Practices will be held daily from 3:10 until approximately 4:30. Participants will receive a schedule during practice with more detailed information about meet dates and times. This year, coaches will be using the Remind App to stay connected, however it is not a requirement for your child to have a phone.

Boys and Girls Tennis begins with an informational meeting on Monday, April 9 from 3:00-3:45 in Ms. Vanevenhoven's room. Tennis will run from April 10-May 18.

Please make sure you have all of the proper paperwork on file the office. You can find the JRG athletic form on our website by clicking here.

National Tornado and Severe Weather Awareness Week

The National Weather Service has declared April 9-13 as National Tornado and Severe Weather Awareness Week. State-wide tornado drills will be held on April 12 at 1:00 PM. Due to scheduled Forward testing, JRG will be holding the tornado drill on Friday, April 13 at 1:00 PM.

March 30-April 3
No School—Spring Break

April 9-13
Tornado and Severe Weather Awareness Week

April 9
ROCKS SkyZone—3:15-5:30 PM

April 13
JRG Tornado Drill—1:00

April 20
Early Release—11:20

April 30-May 4
Scholastic BOGO Book Fair

May 7
Band and Choir Concert
7th Grade—6:00
8th Grade—7:15

May 11
Early Release—11:20

May 28
No School—Memorial Day

May 29
8th Grade Recognition—6:00

May 31
Class Trips
7th Grade—Bay Beach
8th Grade—Great America

Last Day of School

Follow JRG on Instagram, 'Like' Us on Facebook

JRG can be found on Facebook at Facebook.com/JRGerritts. In addition, JRG is now on Instagram at JRGMSOfficial.



These resources are used to provide occasional school-wide updates and for reminders about various upcoming events. Families also find it's fun to check out the hundreds of pictures of students participating in events, activities and other learning experiences at JRG.

Additional Opportunities Available on the KASD Community Events Page

While many community opportunities are included in our weekly newsletters, additional events and opportunities are also posted on the District webpage under Community Events, or by clicking here. Links to items such as Park and Rec opportunities, community dances, educational opportunities, speakers, and local festivals can be found there.

WI DNR Boater Safety Classes, March, April and May, various dates and locations offering
Babysitting Certification Class offered for ages 10 and older, April 2, 2018 (Spring Break)
Super Science Saturday - a FREE event at Woodland Elementary 9:30 a.m., April 7, 2018
Pollyanna presented by the Papermaker Players April 12, 13, 14, 2018
YMCA Kids Fun Night, April 28, 2018
Girls Intro to Hockey at Fox River Girls Hockey Club, April and May 2018
YMCA Camp Nan A Bo Sho Summer 2018 Camp Offerings
2018 Baseball/Softball/Tee Ball Registration for Combined Locks Rec. Dept.2018
Baseball Registration and Information for Kimberly Park and Rec.



Forward Exam—Revised Schedule Below

JRG students began Forward Exam testing last week, and will continue periodically until late April. All Wisconsin public school students in grades 3-8 are assessed annually using the Forward exam. At JRG, both grades complete assessments in Math and English Language Arts, while 8th graders are also assessed in Science and Social Studies. Schedule changes have been underlined below.

Our testing schedule this year will be:

March 19-23: Some students with Special Education needs begin testing

March 27-29: 8th grade Science testing (during Science or Social Studies class)

April 5-6: 8th grade Social Studies testing (during Science or Social Studies class)

April 10 - 12: 7th and 8th grade English Language Arts testing (during Language Arts Class)

April 17 & 18: 7th and 8th grade Math testing (during Math class)

April 23-May 4: Make-up testing (for students who need to finish testing for various reasons)

The results from state testing, along with local measures such as report cards, MAP assessments, classroom assessments and teacher feedback, provide meaningful information about students' academic achievement to parents, students, teachers and the school district. We use these results to identify ways we can improve our students' learning.

Important reminders for the Forward Exam:

- As always, we ask that whenever possible families avoid scheduling appointments or other pre-scheduled absences during the testing sessions.
- Remind your student to charge their Chromebook, since all testing is done online. Also, remember that students cannot use a personal device (laptop, Chromebook, etc.) for testing. We will provide those few students who typically opt to use their own device with a district Chromebook to use during testing.
- Students should bring headphones on testing days, as some portions of the test require them.
- Phones, smartwatches and any other personal electronic devices cannot be used by anyone (students or staff) in the testing environment. When possible, students should leave them at home on testing days. Teachers will be collecting these devices during testing, and returning them at the end of the testing session.
- You can also help your child to perform at their best by ensuring that they get a good night's sleep and eat a healthy breakfast.

Additional information about the Forward Exam can be found in [this brochure](#). If you have questions about the Forward Exam, please feel free to contact Eric Brinkmann, Principal.

Emergency Medications

Please be aware that emergency medications that are provided for use during the school day will not be accessible before or after school hours. Parents and students must plan ahead to have emergency medication available during school activities such as clubs and sports. If an emergency arises and a student does not have their emergency medication available, 911 will be called.

Sky Zone Trampoline Park

Monday, April 9, 2018



Leave JRG via bus @ 3:15 P.M.
Parent pick-up at SkyZone @ 5:30 P.M.



SKY ZONE
TRAMPOLINE PARK

Cost of this event:

\$10.00 for 2 hours of jump time,
Sky Zone socks, pizza, soda &
one-way bus transportation

** Students do not need to have or print the
Eventbrite "ticket." That is for registration
purposes only.

*Pizza and soda are included in the cost of this event. Bring extra money if you
care to eat anything additional from the concessions.*

Tickets will be sold online at rocksskyzone.eventbrite.com
starting Wednesday, March 14th at 3:15 PM until sold out or
Thursday, March 29th at 11:59 PM.

*Need help registering online? Contact Chad Verboomen at
cverboomen@kimberly.k12.wi.us*

** Note: For safety and planning purposes, no late registrations will be accepted
for any reason. No exceptions. Additionally, you must be in school and be in good
disciplinary standing on the day of the event to attend. Any requests for
exemption must be addressed prior to the event in order to be considered for
approval by administration. No refunds will be given for this event.

Hidden in Plain Sight Bedroom Tours

100% FREE!

An Initiative to help parents/caregivers spot signs of risky behaviors

HIDDEN IN PLAIN SIGHT

WHAT ARE YOU NOT SEEING?



HIDDEN SIGNS OF DRUG AND ALCOHOL ABUSE.

Parents: Do NOT miss this opportunity to walk through and experience a hands-on search for clues of substance abuse!

DATES & TIMES **May 7, 9 from 9:30 am to 7:30 pm**
 May 8 from 9:30 am to 4:30 pm

LOCATION **Appleton Public Library**
 225 N Oneida St, Conference Room B
 Appleton, WI 54911

Do you know where to look?

Join us for this **Free** exhibit for adults (over 21) only. Explore ways that drugs, alcohol, and other risky behaviors can be hidden in plain sight. You can't stop what you don't know...this is an amazing opportunity that challenges parents to find drugs and alcohol-related items that most parents would not be able to identify. You'll learn about signs such as concealment areas, hidden containers, clothing, paraphernalia, logos and more!

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JRG Club Information

Art Club - 3:05-4:15 Room 436

Upcoming Dates: April 9, 16,23,30
May 7 (last meeting)

Contact: Mrs. Dagesse with questions. rdagesse@kimberly.k12.wi.us

Coding Club - 3:00-4:00 Room 111

Upcoming Dates: April 5, 9, 12, 17, 19, 23, 26, 30
May 7, 10, 14, 17, 21, 24 (last meeting)

Contact: Ms. Froze with questions: afroze@kimberly.k12.wi.us



Kimberly Papermakers Dance Team Tryouts

Tryout Clinics:

- Tuesday, April 24 6:30-8:30pm
- Thursday, April 26 6:30-8:30pm

Tryouts:

- Friday, April 27 starting at 5:30pm

*All clinics/tryout to be held at Woodland Elementary Gym

Questions: Contact Head Coach Kelly Van Noie at kelmjdance01@gmail.com

SUMMER SCHOOL

At The Kimberly Area School District

www.kimberly.k12.wi.us/summer-school

ACCOUNT SET-UP

Account set-up started **March 1st**. Everyone will need to create a new account. They do not carry over from year to year.

We encourage you to set up your account up prior to registration.

WOODLAND (ENTERING GRADES 4K-9):

Ng085 North Coop Road, Appleton

June 5 – June 29 (Mon. through Fri.)

8:00 am to 12:30 pm

Summer School Attendance: 920-423-4117

♦ Recommended classes for Grade 9 will be held at Kimberly High School

KIMBERLY HIGH SCHOOL (ENTERING GRADES 9-12):

1662 East Kennedy Avenue, Kimberly

Session 1: June 4 - June 22 (Mon. through Fri.) 8:00-11:30 am

Session 2: June 25 - July 13 (Mon. through Fri.) 8:00-11:45 am

♦ No classes July 4th

Summer School Attendance: (920) 423-4171

To register for credit recovery courses please contact Student Services at KHS (920) 687-3031

SWIM LESSONS (ENTERING GRADES 4K-9):

Sunset Beach, 1010 W Fulcer Ave, Kimberly, WI 54136

Session 1: June 11 - June 28 (Mon. through Thurs.)

Session 2: July 9 - July 26 (Mon. through Thurs.)

Questions during registration: 920-423-4117

During Summer Session: 920-731-9229

REGISTRATION DATES

THURSDAY, MARCH 1

Account Set-up begins at 9 a.m.

*Everyone needs to set-up a new account

THURSDAY, MARCH 15

Sports/Swimming Registration begins at 9 a.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 24

Summer School Registration begins at 9 a.m.

FRIDAY, MAY 18

Summer School Registration closes at 4 p.m.

REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT

General Registration Information:

The District Office (425 S. Washington St., Combined Locks) will be open from 9:00 to 11:00 am on March 24.

Computers will also be available at Kimberly's Administration Office starting **Monday, March 26**.

Classes fill fast! We recommend that you find an alternative class in case your first choice is full. There is **no waiting list**. Should a child drop from a class an opening will be created. It will be the parents' responsibility to check the website periodically for openings.

