



4K Center for Literacy NEWSLETTER October 2019

Principal Reflections....

When I sit down to write, I prefer to write about the things that are on my mind. Generally these things are current, recurring themes at school. Last month I wrote to you about safety drills at school and urged you to open conversations with your child about the things he/she is learning. I hope that you had some good dialogue about school safety. Like all topics, this is a great time to give your child a lead role in “teaching” you about the things learned at school. If you ever feel a need for ways to open these conversations please feel free to contact your child’s teacher, school counselor or me.

Although school safety will continue to be of utmost importance, today I have been thinking a lot about another kind of safety. Some people might refer to this as emotional safety. What I am referring to is something that each teacher strives to create within their classroom - a sense of safety related to sharing one’s thinking in class. In other words - feeling safe to take risks as a learner.

To be honest, there are obvious things that can derail any risk taking in a group environment. The effort to encourage students to share their thinking is less direct, but not more difficult. If you take a moment to think about the times that you felt comfortable sharing your thinking, I think that you will find many of the following conditions existed:

- The environment was free of negative judgement
- You were made to feel “the expert” on your thinking/opinion
- Others in the group probably modeled this behavior frequently
- There was likely time/structure built in for everyone to share
- You felt that there could be a benefit to your thinking by sharing

In our classrooms, our teachers try to create these conditions on a regular basis throughout all parts of the school day. Since I am writing this column, I am thinking mostly about the practice of students sharing their thinking while writing. Many parents see writing as an academic exercise that is to produce a product - finished piece of writing. Although I would agree that *sometimes that is correct, at school we really are striving to help students realize the social reality of writing. After all, writing requires an audience and a message. In order to develop a message for an intended audience, it makes sense to “rehearse” the thinking behind the message. When students talk with each other and their teacher about their thinking while writing, the message they want to share is more clearly developed.*

This is true of 4K and 5K students who are telling a story or creating a narrative through drawing, and it continues to be true as these same students grow in their ability to write their message. It is true for all writers, and this is the reason for this reflection. Your child will be well served if you ask about and help your child explore their thinking when you have any opportunity to see samples of their writing.

As always, I invite you to contact me at any time if you have any questions or concerns.

Sean

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Dates to Remember

October 18th—Spirit Day
Oct. 21—Culvers Night — 4-7 PM
Oct. 24 & 25—NO SCHOOL
Nov. 15—NO SCHOOL
Nov 28 & 29—NO SCHOOL

Calling Your Student in Absent



When you call your child in absent, please share with the office why you are calling him/her in. In the case of strep throat, chicken pox, pink eye or any other contagious illness, a letter will be sent to each child in the class, after two cases have been reported, indicating that a classmate has been exposed.

Back to School Safety

Now that school is back in session, please remember to drive safely around pedestrians, school buses and bicyclists, and to provide children with the necessary knowledge to stay safe on their way to school and while at school. Whether you and your student walk, ride their bike, take the bus or drive to school, it is extremely important that you - and the motorists around you - take proper safety precautions. Please remember to:



- Slow down and watch for students in school zones and wherever children are present.
- Drive cautiously around school buses, including obeying the amber warning and red stopping systems.
- Follow the safety procedures for drop off and pick up at our school. Safety is a top priority and we appreciate your support in helping to keep the children in our community safe.

Spirit Day

We will have a spirit day on Friday, October 18th and it's red and white day. It is Homecoming for the Kimberly Papermakers! Go Makers!



No School—October 24 & 25

There will be no school on Thursday, October 24th and Friday, October 25th. Enjoy the long weekend!



School Board Meetings for 2019-20

Board of
Education

October 28
November 11 & 25
December 9
January 13 & 27
February 10 & 24
March 9 & 23
April 13 & 27
May 11
June 8

All Board of Education Meetings unless specifically stated otherwise are held at:

Kimberly Administrative Offices

425 S Washington St—Combined Locks

Beginning at 6:30 PM

View the Board of Education's current and past Agendas and Meeting Minutes in BoardDocs
<http://www.boarddocs.com/wi/kasdwi/board.nsf>

YMCA Wrap Around Needs

The YMCA Wrap Around is looking for a qualified individual to work in their wrap around care program Monday through Friday from 3:30—4:30/5:00 pm. If you are interested, contact Tracie Miller at 920-858-6831.



Social Media Concerns

We need to make sure that everyone is aware of the concerns of posting photos on social media sites. Our Classroom Shutterfly/Bloomz Sites are secure for our classroom; however, you do have the capability of sharing these photos. We need to make sure in order to protect student confidentiality and rights that you do not post any photos with any other children in it other than your own on any kind of social media site (Facebook, Twitter, etc.). We appreciate your cooperation and respect for the privacy of others.



Medications At School

If it is necessary for your child to take medication at school please fill out the Authorization to Dispense Medication form found online or in the school office. If your child will be taking prescription medication the form will need to be signed by your physician. Please make sure all medication is in it's original packaging with your student's name. Thank you!



Parking Reminders

Due to the fact that our parking lot near the main entrance of the 4K Center is very limited in size, and we share many of these spots with Holy Spirit Church staff, it is important that we do not overcrowd the lot during drop-off or pick-up times. There is limited room for parents to park, so we ask that all parents who are driving to the 4K Center for pick-up and/or drop-off use the parking lot on Pine Street, allowing you to walk, behind the Church, to the school. Thank you for your cooperation.



Join us tonight for our Family
Fall Festival from
6—7:30

Culver's®

Culver's® Present

Scoopie Night!

Stop in at Culver's
of Darboy

On October 21st
From 4 to 7 P.M.

10% of the sales will
be given to
the 4K Center !



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KHS KEY CLUB HALLOWEEN PARTY



TRICK-OR-TREAT HALLWAY
 PUMPKIN PATCH
 GAMES
 PHOTO BOOTH
 ARTS AND CRAFTS

PUMPKIN DECORATING
 COOKIE DECORATING
 CONCESSIONS
 FACE PAINTING
 BALLOON ANIMALS

COSTUME CONTEST
 AND FAMILY FUN!

BACK BY POPULAR REQUEST...
 BINGO!!

DATE: THURSDAY,
 OCTOBER. 24, 2018

LOCATION:
 WOODLAND SCHOOL

TIME: 6PM - 8PM

PAY AHEAD PRICE:

\$5 PER CHILD OR \$10 PER
 FAMILY (2+ KIDS)

PAY AT THE DOOR PRICE:

\$7 PER CHILD/\$14 PER
 FAMILY (2+ KIDS)

**RAFFLE BASKETS &
 CONCESSIONS AVAILABLE
 FOR AN ADDITIONAL FEE
 REMEMBER YOUR
 COSTUMES!!!

TRICK-OR-TREAT FOR UNICEF



Proceeds donated to UNICEF Supporting the ELIMINATE Project

Have Questions? Contact Stacy Dollevoet at sadollevoet@kimberly.k12.wi.us or 687-3024 ext. 3261

Please make checks payable to Kimberly High School. Return this slip and money to your School Office by: **Monday October 21st or Pay at the Door.**

First & Last Name: _____

School: _____

Number of Children: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____

School Staff – Please send to Stacy Dollevoet at Kimberly High School by Wednesday, Oct 23.



**Kimberly Area
School District**



PLAY and LEARN



Play and Learn is a fun and engaging program that is offered free-of-charge for Kimberly Area School District children ages 2-4 years old, not yet attending school, and their caregivers.

Play and Learn sessions provide a learning environment for families who may not have access to similar opportunities and who are not currently participating in similar programs.

Children learn numeracy and literacy skills through play while caregivers learn about child development, the importance of play and dialogue, and parenting skills.

Please join us for our first Play and Learn session!

Date: Tuesday, *November 5, 2019*

Time: 6:00 – 7:00 PM

Theme: Childhood Developmental Milestones and ways to engage with your child through play.

RSVP: (920) 423-4190 by *October 29, 2019*.

Location: 4K Center for Literacy
614 E Kimberly Ave
Kimberly, WI



Who Can Attend?

- The KASD Play and Learn program is open to families who live within the boundaries of the Kimberly Area School District.
- The program is designed to include the parents/caregivers with their children ages 2-4 years.
- Families with additional children are welcome to include the siblings, however we ask that families limit that number of children to three for the purpose of the session.

KASD Play and Learn Goals:

- To strengthen caregivers' knowledge of child development and appropriate ways to stimulate learning.
- To increase caregivers' access to materials and ideas that can be replicated with children in their homes.
- To promote community among participants and KASD staff to support families with young children.
- To provide a means for early detection of potential developmental delays.
- To enhance caregivers' competence and confidence in giving the child the best possible start in life.

How do I register for the KASD Play and Learn?

Please contact the 4K Center for Literacy by calling **(920) 423-4190**.

When you call, please indicate that you wish to be included in the Play and Learn Session and include your (caregiver name(s), as well as the names and ages of the children attending with you.

We ask that families register a minimum of 1 week prior to the date of the session.

KIMBERLY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT PARENT CALENDAR 2020-2021

September 2020

M	T	W	TH	F
	1	2	3	4
NS	8	9	10	11
14	15	16	17	E2
21	22	23	24	AM
28	29	30		

October 2020

M	T	W	TH	F
			1	2
5	6	HS	8	9
12	13	14	15	E2
19	20	21	22	23
26	27	28	NS	NS

November 2020

M	T	W	TH	F
2	3	4	Q	6
9	10	11	E2&C	13
E2&C	17	MS	MS	AM
23	24	25	NS	NS
30				

December 2020

M	T	W	TH	F
	1	2	3	4
7	8	9	10	11
14	15	16	17	18
21	22	AM	NS	NS
NS	NS	NS	NS	

January 2021

M	T	W	TH	F
				NS
4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	Q/AM
18	19	I	I	22
25	26	27	28	29

February 2021

M	T	W	TH	F
1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	NS
15	16	HS	18	19
22	23	24	25	E2

March 2021

M	T	W	TH	F
1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	MS	AM
15	16	17	18	19
Q	23	24	25	26
NS	NS	NS		

April 2021

M	T	W	TH	F
			NS	NS
5	6	7	8	9
12	13	14	15	16
19	20	21	22	E2
26	27	28	29	30

May 2021

M	T	W	TH	F
3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	AM
17	18	19	20	21
24	25	26	27	EN
NS				

June 2021

M	T	W	TH	F
	1	2	3	*SNOW DAY MAKE-UP

*If needed, snow day make-up will be on Friday, June 4th.

NS No School

AM AM classes only (exception: No school for 4K) KHS dismissed at 11:31am, JRG & Intermediate dismissed at 11:20am, Elementary dismissed at 12:00pm

E2 Elementary Early Release - Elementary dismissed at 2:00pm (Exception: 4K morning classes 8:45am - 10:45am, afternoon classes 11:45am - 1:45pm)

EN Elementary Noon Release - All Elementary students dismissed at 12:00pm (exception: No school for 4K)

HS High School Parent/Teacher Conferences - KHS students dismissed at 2:00pm

MS Middle School Parent/Teacher Conferences - JRG students dismissed at 2:00pm except on November 19th - students will have a full day of school

I Intermediate School Parent/Teacher Conferences - Intermediate students dismissed at 2:00pm

E2&C 4K-4th Gr. Parent Teacher Conferences; No school for 4K; Grades 5K-4th Grades dismissed at 2:00pm

Q End of quarter



Academic and Career Planning

Preparing students for college, career and life.



5K to 4th Grade

Awareness

Students in our elementary schools have a multitude of opportunities to experience the world of work through classroom instruction, field trips, guest speakers and ACP geared life skills lessons. Each child is encouraged to explore their developing strengths and interests through our diverse curriculum.

5th & 6th Grade

Exploration

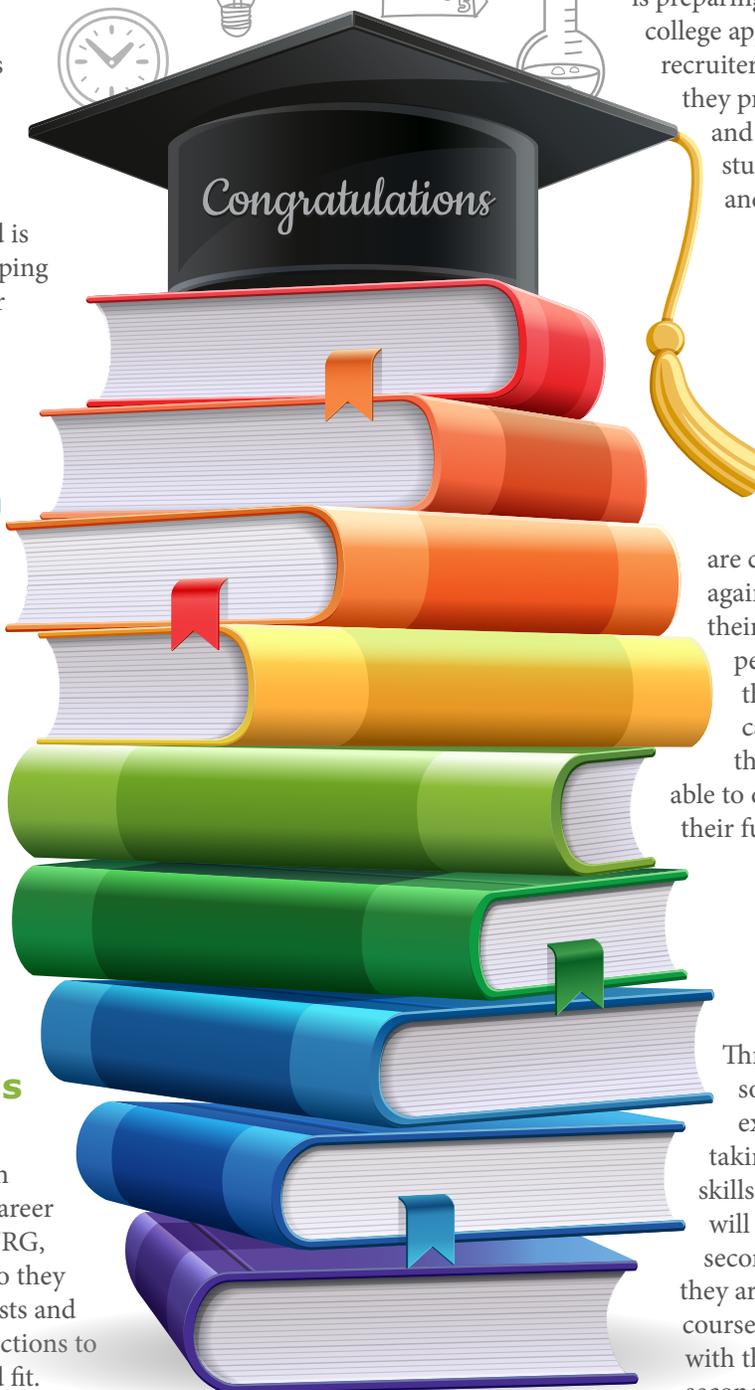
While at intermediate school, students begin to explore [career clusters](#) in a more personalized way through the use of career exploration software and interest inventories. They learn about the importance of looking at their skills, interests and personality when determining if a [career cluster](#) might be a good fit for them and worth further exploration.

7th & 8th Grade

Connections

Students will experience a variety of opportunities to help them begin narrowing their focus of possible career options. Throughout their time at JRG, they will thoughtfully consider who they are, reflecting on their skills, interests and personality to begin making connections to [career clusters](#) that could be a good fit.

To learn more about what students will learn, who will be teaching it and how parents can support their learning at home, visit www.kimberly.k12.wi.us/acp.



12th Grade & Post Graduation

Execute Plan/ Reflect

During their senior year, students will execute their plan. Whether it is preparing for interviews, completing college applications or meeting with a recruiter, our students will be ready. As they progress along their academic and career path, we encourage our students to continually reflect, study and refine their plan as needed.

11th Grade

Study & Refine

Through guided reflection with their ACP advisors, juniors will research what is needed to be successful on the paths they are considering, assess themselves against those requirements and refine their plan as needed to meet their personal goals. This may be done through job shadows, interviews, career speakers and more. With these experiences students will be able to develop an actionable plan for their future.

9th & 10th Grade

Plan

Throughout freshman and sophomore year, students will explore course options while taking into consideration their skills, interests and personality. They will learn about multiple post-secondary options for the careers they are considering. Students will plan course sequencing that both aligns with their career interests and post-secondary needs while also learning the importance of getting involved in extracurricular opportunities.



**Do you enjoy working with children while maintaining a flexible work schedule?
Have you considered becoming a substitute teacher?**

The Kimberly Area School District is seeking talented Substitute Teachers who want to join a team of ambitious professionals who help all students succeed. Sometimes, our educators are away from their classrooms for things like professional development or when they are ill. That's when we need talented individuals to continue providing a high-quality education to our students.

Qualifications:

- **Current Wisconsin Educator License - or - Substitute Teacher Permit**
- Have an **Associate's Degree** or **Bachelor's Degree** but not a **Substitute Teacher Permit**? Contact us at (920) 788-7900 to learn more about pursuing training to obtain a Substitute Teacher Permit.

Substitute Teachers new to KASD are supported by helpful District staff at each building. The District uses Frontline, an online Substitute Teacher system, where you can view and customize subbing positions you are most interested in for your subbing career. KASD offers a competitive daily pay rate for our substitute teachers.

Are you ready to join a team of talented professionals who help every student reach their potential? Complete an online application through WECAN (Wisconsin's K-12 hiring website) <https://wecan.education.wisc.edu>.



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**Learn more about the Kimberly Area School District at
www.kimberly.k12.wi.us/careers.**

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS



IF YOUR FAMILY LIVES IN ANY OF THE FOLLOWING SITUATIONS:

In a shelter



In a motel or campground due to the lack of an alternative adequate accommodation



In a car, park, abandoned building, or bus or train station



Doubled up with other people due to loss of housing or economic hardship

Your school-age children may qualify for certain rights and protections under the federal McKinney-Vento Act.

Your eligible children have the right to:

- Receive a free, appropriate public education.
- Enroll in school immediately, even if lacking documents normally required for enrollment.
- Enroll in school and attend classes while the school gathers needed documents.
- Enroll in the local school; or continue attending their school of origin (the school they attended when permanently housed or the school in which they were last enrolled), if that is your preference and is feasible.
 - * If the school district believes that the school you select is not in the best interest of your children, then the district must provide you with a written explanation of its position and inform you of your right to appeal its decision.
- Receive transportation to and from the school of origin, if you request this.
- Receive educational services comparable to those provided to other students, according to your children's needs.

If you believe your children may be eligible, contact the local liaison to find out what services and supports may be available. There also may be supports available for your preschool-age children.



Local Liaison

State Coordinator

If you need further assistance with your children's educational needs,
contact the National Center for Homeless Education:
1-800-308-2145 * homeless@serve.org * www.serve.org/nche