



Gator News

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2020

Learning, Leadership and Laughter...The JRG Journey

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JRG At A Glance

April 10-14

No School—No Online
Classes

April 13-17

Tornado and Severe
Weather Week

June 4

Last Day of School

Clear Communication is Key

Now more than ever, clear communication is vital so that students and parents stay connected to school. It is always a good idea to try reaching out to your student's teacher via email first to ensure the quickest and most relevant response to your questions. Here are a few quick points to make sure student and parents are getting the information they need:

Google Classroom Codes for NEW 4th Quarter Classes

JRG teachers are using Google Classroom as their learning platform, and each class requires a unique code students use to sign in. It has come to our attention that some students did not receive a code for their new 4th Quarter Classes because their email notifications were disabled in Infinite Campus. If students have not received any information for NEW 4th Quarter classes due to disabled notifications, please see [this document](#) for guidance on how to turn notifications back on.

Parent Communications

If you feel you as a parent not getting regular updates please see the following tips that may be causing the issue.

- **Verify in Infinite Campus that you and your student's emails are selected to receive notifications.**
 - ◇ A step by step process to check this feature can be found [here](#).
 - ◇ Parent phone numbers can be changed in the Infinite Campus portal at any time. If you need to update an email address, please call the JRG office at 788-7905.

- **Don't have an Infinite Campus Parent Portal Account?**
 - ◇ Click [here](#) to sign up

- **Sign up for Notifications as a Parent in Google Classroom**
 - ◇ As a parent you can receive the following communication from Google classroom:
 - ⇒ Missing work
 - ⇒ Upcoming work
 - ⇒ Class Activities
 - If you would like to receive notifications from Google Classroom, please contact your child's TLC and they can set you up with an account
 - Notifications can help facilitate conversations between you and your student about what work needs to get done.
 - A quick note about Google classroom:
 - ⇒ The daily notification provides a good conversation starter for you and your student about the work expectations for their classes. There may be times when a student will turn in work outside of Google classroom (ie Flipgrid or Google forms). In this case, your student will click on "Done" instead of "Turn in" as they would with an assignment in Google classroom.
 - ⇒ Clicking "Done" removes the assignment from your student's "To Do" list in Classroom.

Please don't hesitate to reach out to your child's teacher with questions. They are more than willing to provide the support you need. Remember that our first priority during this extraordinary period of school closure is the social and emotional well-being of your child and your family. Every family's situation is different, so please let us know if online learning is causing too much stress on your family. We are here to be flexible and make adjustments.

Rob DeLain, Assistant Principal

In Case You Missed It...

On Monday, we shared a video message from Mr. Brinkmann along with a short survey seeking your input on what is going well and what could be improved in online learning. In case you missed it, you can watch the video [here](#) and take our survey [here](#).

Survey Feedback

Thank you for your responses to our parent survey - it's a record number of responses for us! You gave us some amazing feedback and ideas for how we can improve. Here's a brief summary of the responses we've received so far:

More than 230 parents responded, and of those responding, more than 75% said that the amount of work and difficulty level of work your student is doing is just right (halfway between too much and too little, and too easy and too hard) and 83% said that teachers are either responsive or very responsive to student and parent needs and questions.

Your feedback, communication, encouragement and ideas in this transition to online learning are so valuable for us. Thanks for taking the time to respond, and thank you for all you are doing to support your children. Our priorities are first and foremost the social and emotional well-being of your child, so please reach out to us with concerns or if you need support. We also want students' learning brains to stay engaged during this time, but we know that we can't duplicate what would happen if we were all together at JRG. Our teachers know that the priority is to be flexible and we understand that every student and every family's situation is different. If you are feeling frustrated or overwhelmed, let us know so we can adjust to meet your student's needs.

Spring Break Will Go On As Scheduled

There will be no online classes held April 10-14. The Food Service program will still be available during that time.



**Mr. Hoerth's
Exploring Technology: Printing and Photo
Photo of the Week Winner**

Week 5: Hannah Butler (Food)

MLK Essay Winners

Student Council spent many hours reading hundreds of responses to our Martin Luther King Jr Day mini-essay contest and we are excited to announce our winners!

Congratulations to Breanna Bastian (8th grade) and Mason Brandt (7th grade). Brenna and Mason's TLC each have earned a pizza party as a reward for their great work.

Thank you to all who participated in writing an essay to honor Dr. King's legacy.



LMC Receives A Makeover

At the beginning of March, JRG's LMC received a makeover! New wall decor was added by Appleton Sign, which features our JRG gator, our Kimberly values, and much-needed color for the walls in the LMC.

Tornado and Severe Weather Awareness Week, April 13-17

April 13-17, 2020 is Tornado and Severe Weather Awareness Week in Wisconsin. The state is planning a mock tornado drill on Thursday, April 16 at 6:45 pm for families to practice their tornado safety plans at home. Click [here](#) to be connected to the American Red Cross Tornado Safety Tips website.

Wisconsin averages 23 tornadoes annually. During the 2019 season, the National Weather Service (NWS) confirmed 28 tornadoes touched down in the state of Wisconsin. Of those, 18 occurred during a three-day period in late July, downing countless trees and damaging homes and other buildings across the central portion of the state.

Keep Contact Information Up To Date

As online learning is now our daily norm, keeping your contact information up to date is more important than ever.

Please take a moment to log into your [Parent Portal](#) account and ensure **all** of your contact information—home phone, cell phones and email addresses are all correct and current.

Once logged in, from the dropdown menu on the left of the screen, choose “More”. At that point, click on “Family Information”. There you will be able to verify and update phone and email contact information for each individual. Mailing address changes can only be made by the administration office.

Attendance During Online Learning

Please continue to call the school and leave a message if your student is unable to “attend” class. We have 2 lines that messages can be left on—an attendance and a general. Either is fine, as they will both be checked throughout the day.

Attendance will still be taken for each class. If your student has not logged in and completed the attendance assignment for the day, the teacher will contact you to inquire why.

Parent Notifications from Google Classroom

To facilitate distance learning from home, google classroom offers summary notifications for parents and guardians. These summaries include:

- Missing work - Work that's late at the time the summary was sent
- Upcoming work - Work that's due that day and the following day, as well as work due in the upcoming week.
- Class activity—Announcements, assignments, and questions recently posted by teachers

You are able to set the frequency of these notifications and remove yourself at any time. Once you are assigned to one of your student's classrooms, you will have access to all of their classes.

If you are **not already signed up** to receive google notifications from classroom and would like to, please contact your child's TLC teacher and they will get you set up. Please include the email at which you would like to be contacted.

If you have further questions, please reach out to Rob DeLain at rdelain@kimberly.k12.wi.us.

Student Services and Counselor Availability During School Closure

A majority of services that are provided by the JRG counselors and Student Services will be available through video chat and Google Classroom. Various resources and materials will be uploaded to Google Classroom over the coming days. Please have your student check their email for information about Student Services and Counselor availability.

Please see page 9 for a complete list of available resources and contacts.

Chromebook and Technology Assistance

Thank you for your patience and support as we transition to the world of online learning. We are “here” in the virtual, online sense of that word, to continue to support your child's learning and social-emotional needs. Please reach out to us with questions or concerns.

If your child is unsure of how to use an app or Chromebook feature, they should contact their teacher. If you are experiencing an issue with district-owned technology hardware, please contact your child's teacher and they will inform the proper department for assistance.

ACCESSING KASD LIBRARIES DURING SCHOOL CLOSURES

All Kimberly Area School District libraries are closed to students, parents, and community members.

However, digital access to the KASD libraries is always available! Find us on the KASD website or at destinydiscover.com.



Print Materials

All due dates on KASD library materials are extended until two weeks after school is back in session. No library materials should be returned until students return to schools.

At this time, the district will not be handling print materials for check-out or check-in, simply due to the threat of viral contamination. We are hoping that this will be an option for the future, and we will continue to explore this possibility.



E-Books

Digital access to books will be a platform we will continue to grow throughout this process. For students in grades K-3, Tumblebooks provides digital books, audiobooks, and interactive activities. Access this platform by clicking the link on the school's library catalog page. Students in grades 4-12 have access to a curated collection of e-books. 4th-6th graders can access these from their school's library catalog. Students in grades 7-12 can access e-books from their library website or by going directly to wsdclwi.libraryreserve.com

Research Access

KASD students have constant access to research resources using their school's digital library catalog. Badgerlink, Webpath Express, PebbleGo, Gale, and other databases are available for each school with links on their school's library catalog page. Some schools have e-books designated specifically for research purposes. These are available through that school's digital library catalog. Students should follow direction from their teacher regarding what research sources to use and at what level. Additional research assistance is available by contacting KASD library media specialist, Erin Wedemeier.



Importance of Reading

One of the best ways for students to keep up with their education during this unprecedented time is to keep reading. If your family is struggling to access reading materials, please contact a KASD staff member as soon as possible.



If you have any questions about access to the district libraries, please contact Erin Wedemeier, Library Media Specialist, at ewedemeier@kimberly.k12.wi.us

Try Something New—Virtual Exploration!

Oh the places you can go! With this new look at learning, there are so many opportunities to see new things. Many places around the World offer virtual tours and webcams—why not take a trip to the Louvre, visit the Smithsonian, or the San Diego Zoo? Here are a number of opportunities to visit someplace new:

[The Louvre](#)
[The Sistine Chapel](#)
[The Guggenheim Museum](#)
[Yosemite National Park](#)
[Van Gogh Museum](#)
[The Great Wall of China](#)
[The Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History](#)
[Yellowstone National Park](#)
[Museum of Modern Art](#)
[The San Diego Zoo](#)
[The British Museum](#)
[The Metropolitan Opera House](#)—Free Streaming performances
[NASA—visit Mars](#)
[Visit Hawaii with Google Earth](#)

Congress, 2020

An experience in reflective and effective leadership

From Eau Claire to Platteville, from **Kimberly** to Green Bay, from Milwaukee to Madison, from Beloit to Stevens Point, our Wisconsin experience includes a diversity of experiences and voices. And yet, we are all Wisconsinites. Who gets to define how we live together? What is just? Our elected officials?



hearing room



inside the capitol



getting ready

Six JRG students participated in this online experience where they learned about the needs of different constituencies in our state, the role of government, and the legislative process, and about what it means to lead change in our state.

After thinking about how global issues impacts our community, they went to Madison to sponsor or oppose actual legislation in a state-wide mock congress held in our state capitol building.



Congress, 2020

An experience in reflective and effective leadership



Depending on the constituents the students represented, students were asked to speak out in favor or in opposition to a bill or resolution. The students carefully crafted their arguments and presented them in front of a group of 'legislators'. After both sides had been heard and questioned, a vote was taken by all legislators. All Kimberly students were able to convince their fellow legislators to vote for their side.





National History Day 2020

National History Day is an exciting academic enrichment program that helps students learn about historical issues, ideas, people, and events. This year-long academic adventure fosters students' enthusiasm for learning and their love for history.

NHD teaches the skills individuals need for a successful future. The program's three central elements develop participants' abilities to:

1. Complete extensive research;
2. Critically analyze and develop historical conclusions about information they have discovered in a variety of sources; and
3. Present and defend their interpretations in a critical, yet creative forum.



Many JRG students worked diligently throughout the school year to produce a wide variety of projects and seven of these projects advanced to the NHD regional competition at UW Green Bay on Saturday, March 7.



7th graders: **Greta Melz** and **Maddi Mohr** created a website about *Code Talkers* - the brave Navajo men who made and broke many barriers in WWII. **Colton Pozniak** investigated the incredibly smart *Elizbeth Smith Friedman* who broke Nazi codes and helped us win WWII but she didn't get credit for her work because several much more famous men took credit for what she had achieved.



8th graders: **Adalynn Behling** created an exhibit about a *Mary Walker*, a Civil War doctor who is, to this day, the only woman to have won the Medal of Honor. Two groups created documentaries:

Madelyn Strebel, Faith Gilkerson, and Allison Oleszak about *Nellie Bly*, a brave investigative reporter who put herself in danger to inform the world about injustices, and **Alexis Huss** and

Madalyn Royakkers about *Hedy Lamarr*, the talented woman who had both looks and brain but sadly, her brain was not appreciated.



All students gained interesting and even surprising insights that they could not have found in history books alone. They did a fantastic job!



Madelyn, Faith, Allison, Greta and Maddi qualified for the state competition that is scheduled to take place on April 18, 2020 in Madison.

Congratulations to all NHD participants.

*For the first time ever, 2 JRG top spellers made it to the
Wisconsin State Spelling Bee:
Colton Pozniak and Tyler Van Gompel*



[MADISON \(WKOW; March 7, 2020\)](#) -- Some very good spellers from across Wisconsin were at Madison College Saturday afternoon for the Badger State Spelling Bee.

About 50 students grades 3-to-8 competed.

The winner will go on to the Scripps National Spelling Bee, but first had to go up against some tough competition.

"You've normally been through a school bee and a regional bee to get here. This is the last stop before Washington and the nationals. The students who are up here are very good at what they do. But it is a spelling bee. The idea is to narrow the field down to just one person who is going to go to

Washington," said Brad Williams, a pronouncer.

Maya Jadhav, of Fitchburg, won for the **second year in a row**. Her winning word was panchax. It's a type of fish.

There was a 6-way tie for 2nd place, (Colton was one of them!) which, after playoff words, was narrowed to a 2-way tie.

Congratulations Colton and Tyler!!

Supporting Student's Social and Emotional Wellbeing While School Is Closed

While school closure is a necessary response to the COVID-19 virus, it will be a scary, isolating or frustrating time for some of our students. In addition, life doesn't stop just because school is closed, and students might want support from their counselor as events occur at home, in the community, or with friends. The information below will guide you in accessing support for your student, whether from their school counselor or from other sources.

- **How to contact your counselor while school is closed**

- Parents or students can email or leave a voice message on their school phone. Counselors will be checking their voice messages and will be able to respond either via email or phone
 - Brad Demmin, 7th grade counselor 920-423-4103, bdemmin@kimberly.k12.wi.us
 - Shannon Steif, 8th grade counselor 920-423-4156, ssteif@kimberly.k12.wi.us

- **Student Services Google Classroom**

- Students can meet with a counselor via video chat through Google Hangouts. They have been provided information on how to sign up for meeting times as well as how to Google Chat through their Student Services Google Classroom.

- **Immediate Assistance In A Crisis**

- If you are in need of immediate assistance and are concerned that your child is at risk for harming themselves or is suicidal
 - Outagamie County Crisis: 920-832-4646
 - Calumet County Crisis: 920-849-9317
 - Winnebago County Crisis: 920-722-7707
 - Call 911

- **Hopeline**

- Text "Hopeline" to 741741
- If a student is struggling, wants to talk with someone, is having suicidal thoughts, feeling hopeless, helpless, anxious or depressed. The Hopeline might be a good place to connect with someone that can help. 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

- **Additional Mental Health Resources**

- [KASD Mental Health Resources](#)



SCHOOL CLOSURE MEAL PROGRAM

LUNCH AND BREAKFAST

Kimberly Area School District will provide meals to all children during school closure. Meals are free to all children 18 years or younger. Children must be present to receive a meal.



WHO: Children 18 years or younger

WHAT: Lunch and an optional breakfast for the following day

WHEN: Starting Wednesday, March 18 until further notice. **Monday through Friday, 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**

HOW: Pick up or drive up

WHERE: Pick up locations include Kimberly High School and Westside Elementary. See locations below

Westside Elementary School
 746 W. Third Street
 Kimberly, WI 54136
 Front Door Pick up

Kimberly High School
 1662 E. Kennedy Avenue
 Kimberly, WI 54136
 Front Door Pick up

IF YOU SEE SOMETHING



SAY SOMETHING



IF YOU
See something
Read something
Hear something
Know something
Then you should
SAY SOMETHING

TELL YOUR
Parent
Teacher
Principal
School Counselor
School Secretary
Librarian
Any Trusted Adult

Or Call 911 for
Emergencies

We are encouraging school and community members to become the eyes and ears of the Kimberly Area School District in order to provide information that keeps our students, staff and schools safe.

It sometimes can be difficult to define:

- Take your time to pay attention to your surroundings and to the behaviors of others around you.
- Know what suspicious or concerning behaviors look like.
- Does the activity look strange to you?
- Are you worried someone you know is thinking about hurting others or themselves?

Report it, don't just repeat it.



**Kimberly Area
 School District**

*See Something, Say Something® is modeled after
 the Department of Homeland Security's program.*

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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.

Community Events will be posted here as they become available.



[Heart of the Valley Poetry Contest](#), submit by April 15, 2020

[Kimberly Area Running Club Family Fun Series June 14, 28 and July 12](#)

[Kimberly Parks and Recreation Department is Hiring for Summer 2020](#)

[*Free Admission to EAA for Youth 18 and under](#)

Village of Kimberly parks & Recreation [2020 Program Guide](#)

Are you on our mailing list?

We want to ensure parents of young children (age 0-5) in our District are on our mailing list, so you can receive information relative to your child's age group, such as early childhood screening information or 4K and 5K registration information. We also need to have information for all children age 0-21 for state reporting. Click on this link <https://goo.gl/DFjSne> to complete the census form, or complete and mail the census form found here <https://goo.gl/TkNvX6>. If you know of other families with children in our District that may not be in our system, please help us by sharing this information with them.

Project Starfish Intended to Help Families in Financial Need

Limited Financial Assistance is available for activities, events and programs at JRG Middle School through Project Starfish.

In partnership with U. S. Ventures, Inc., JRG is proud to Continue its participation with Project Starfish. Project Starfish provides an opportunity for students to develop a plan to volunteer within the school community and "pay it forward" in an effort to make a difference to others. This could be anything from helping clean up school property; helping in the office, weeding, or an approved project the student may self select. Participants in Project Starfish remain confidential, must demonstrate financial hardship and must complete their volunteer work prior to the activity.

Forms to participate in Project Starfish can be picked up in the Student Services office. Submission of a request does not guarantee assistance.

Family Move - Outside of the Kimberly Area School District

When a family moves outside of the Kimberly Area School District, students may continue to attend the school where they are currently enrolled if they qualify for a Tuition Waiver (obtained from the district office). Students who qualify for a Tuition Waiver are entitled to continue their enrollment through the waiver period. However, they are required to apply for Open Enrollment during the next Open Enrollment application period if they want to remain in the Kimberly Area School District after the Tuition Waiver has expired.

For additional information, please contact Jen Bixler at (920)423-4166 or email her at jbixler@kimberly.k12.wi.us

Family Move - Within the Kimberly Area School District

When a family move occurs within the Kimberly Area School District, students may continue to attend the school where they are currently enrolled even though their residence has changed to another Kimberly Area School District attendance area.

Parents who wish to have their student(s) remain in the same school after a move within the school district must complete the School Request Form located on the district website under Student & Parents>Enrollment>Attendance and return it to the district office Attn: Sara Vogel.

For additional information regarding school request contact Sara Vogel at (920)423-4122.

SUMMER SCHOOL

At The Kimberly Area School District

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

ACCOUNT SET-UP

Account set-up starts February 27th. 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

Open House: June 8 (Mon.) 5:00 to 6:00 pm

Summer School: June 9 – July 3

(Mon. through Fri.) 8:00 am to 12:30 pm

* Due to the open house, the first day of summer school will be on a Tuesday

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 8 - June 26 (Mon. through Fri.) 8:00-11:30 am

Session 2: June 29 - July 17 (Mon. through Fri.) 8:00-11:45 am

† No classes July 6th

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 15 - July 2 (Mon. through Thurs.)

Session 2: July 13 - July 31 (Mon. through Thurs.)

Questions during registration: 920-423-4117

During Summer Session: 920-731-9229

REGISTRATION DATES

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27TH

Account Set-up begins

*Everyone needs to set-up a new account

THURSDAY, MARCH 12

Sports/Swimming Registration begins at 9 a.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 21

Summer School Registration begins at 9 a.m.

FRIDAY, MAY 15

Summer School Registration closes at 4 p.m.

REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT

General Registration Information:

The District Administration office will be open from 9:00 to 11:00 am on March 21.

(425 S. Washington St., Combined Locks)

Computers will also be available at Kimberly's Administration office starting Monday, March 23.

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.





Kimberly Area Running Club 2020

FAMILY FUN RUN SERIES

- *June 14th, June 28th, July 12th - run one, or run them all!*
- Registration begins at 6:00pm, run begins at 6:30pm.
 - Free registration!
 - Just come and run!
- Cross-country style run through trails, fields, and hills.
- 1 mile course or 2 mile course
- All ages and abilities welcome!
- Refreshments supplied after the run.
- Free T-shirts for finishers of all 3 runs.
- Held at Kimberly High School
- Kimberly Area Running Club sponsored event
- Timing Clock at the finish line
- For more info. email Joe at kimberlyarearunningclub@gmail.com



J.R. Gerritts

Red/White Calendar (Working Document)

2019-2020

September 2019				
M	T	W	TH	F
NS	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13
16	17	18	19	20
23	24	25	26	Gate Olympics
30				

October 2019				
M	T	W	TH	F
	1	2	3	4
7	8	9	10	11
14	15	16	17	18
21	22	23	SD	NS
28	29	30	31	

November 2019				
M	T	W	TH	F
				1
4	5	Q	7	8
11	12	13 PT Conf	14 PT Conf	7 Core Academy & Great Health Fair
18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	NS	NS

December 2019				
M	T	W	TH	F
2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13
16	17	18	19	20
NS	NS	NS	NS	NS
NS				

January 2020				
M	T	W	TH	F
		NS	2	3
6	7	8	9	10
13	14	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	Q End of 7th & 8 Core, Community Connections
27	28	29	30	31

February 2020				
M	T	W	TH	F
3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	SD	NS
17	18	19	20	21
24	25	26	27	28

March 2020				
M	T	W	TH	F
2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12 PT Conf	13
16	17	18	19	Student Staff Ball
23	24	25	26	Q
30	31			

April 2020				
M	T	W	TH	F
		1	2	3
6	7	8	9	NS
NS	NS	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	

May 2020				
M	T	W	TH	F
				1
4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	Community Connections 7 Academy 8 Core
18	19	20	21	22 Talent Show
NS	26	27	28	29

June 2020				
M	T	W	TH	F
1	2	3	4	Make Up Day, if needed

- NS No School
- Q End of quarter
- Q1 Red - 22
White - 22
- Q2 Red - 23
White - 23
- Q3 Red - 20
White - 20
- Q4 Red - 21
White - 21

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
Rob DeLain
KASD Homeless Liaison
920.788.7905

State Coordinator
Kristine Nadolski
608.267.7338

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