

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES FOR GRADES 5K-4TH

It's time to plan our parent/teacher conferences for our students in Grades 5K-4. **Conferences** will be held VIRTUALLY on Thursday, November 11th and Monday, November 15th from 5:00 pm until 8:00 pm. Conferences will be 10 minutes in length and be held via google meet between the parent/guardian and the classroom teacher.

AGAIN THIS YEAR at Westside – We will be scheduling parent/teacher conferences through an ONLINE sign up system called PTCFast.com. After you choose a specific time and day for your child(ren), his/her teacher will send you a google meet invite for the conference time you selected. PTCFast.com will make sign-ups as convenient as possible. To schedule your preferred time for a parent/teacher conference:

- 1. Go to https://www.ptcfast.com/schools/Westside Elementary School 3
- 2. Choose your student's teacher(s) and submit.
- 3. Enter student information.
- 4. Enter parent information.
- 5. After entering your information, you will receive an email with a link to select the date and time of the conference.

Specials teachers will also be available via google meet during specific times on November 11 and November 15.

- Mr. Kovacs 5K Music
- Mr. Englebert 5K Phy.Ed.
- Mrs. Kinzel Grades 1-4 Music
- Mrs. Phillips Grades 1-4 Phy.Ed.
- Mrs. Englebert, Mrs. Lamers, or Mrs. Medema Art
- Ms. Newman School Counselor

All students in grades 5K-4 will be dismissed at 2:00 pm on both conference days. Unlike Friday 2:00 pm release days, childcare by Westside staff is NOT provided (no movie).

If you do not have internet access, please send a note to your child's teacher with your preferred times, and a phone conference can be scheduled.

We ask that you request your times by Wednesday, October 27th. If you have not submitted your request by Wednesday, October 27th, a time will be assigned to you. Our teachers are looking forward to this opportunity for sharing with you and discussing the progress of your child(ren).

Due to time constraints, we will schedule one conference per child. For families with more than one household, please touch base with each other so you can arrange a time that works for both households. Thank you for understanding and being there to support your children! As always, if you have any questions, please give us a call – 920-739-3578.

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<u>Improving Motivation to Do Homework</u>

Homework can be the bane of a young child's existence. Most of the time, children want to be outside playing with friends or doing other activities they enjoy. Because school can be stressful for a child, coming home is like the end of a workday for an adult. Children simply want to unwind and be part of a family experience or do things they enjoy. However, just because they don't always enjoy doing homework doesn't mean they can't get through it successfully. By making homework fun as a parent/guardian, you'll be able to encourage and help build homework habits for the future, ensuring your child is getting the most from their education.

Show that You Care

The reason homework may feel like such a chore to many children is that they find no enjoyment or fulfillment from doing it. Also, when they're doing their homework, they're probably doing it alone. By actively taking an interest in the work your child is doing (like assisting them with any problems or frustrations they have), you have the great opportunity to make it a fun experience. It's unrealistic to expect that your child will be overjoyed to do their homework alone in their room. If they have homework, ask them if they would like any help with it. If they want to do it alone, bring them healthy snacks and give them a break after 10 to 15 minutes of work. This will help them keep their mind active and focused as they concentrate on any given task.

Homework Enjoyment

By encouraging homework and making it fun, you can also improve how your child behaves in their day-to-day life. Homework can be a very stressful experience, especially when a child is having difficulty with the material. Even if you're having trouble understanding what your child was assigned to do, make the most of it. By making it fun and exciting and getting yourself involved, you'll be able to ensure that future homework assignments are an opportunity for you to spend time together and help your child succeed at school.







Remember







Even after making homework fun, it still may be a struggle for your child Do your best to help your child and encourage them to ask their teacher for help at school Let them know that once homework (and any other chores) are complete, they have free time



Kimberly Area School District

Academic and Career Planning



Preparing students for college, career and life.

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12th Grade & Post Graduation

During their senior year, students

will execute their plan. Whether it

they progress along their academic

and career path, we encourage our

Grade

is preparing for interviews, completing

college applications or meeting with a recruiter, our students will be ready. As

Execute Plan/ Reflect

5K to 4th Grade

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 <u>career clusters</u> 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 <u>career cluster</u> might be a good fit for them and worth further exploration.

7th & 8th Grade

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.

students to continually reflect, study and refine their plan as needed.

Study

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.

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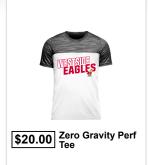
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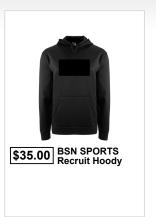


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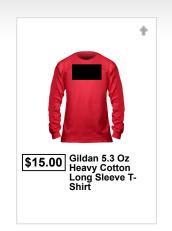






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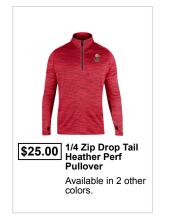












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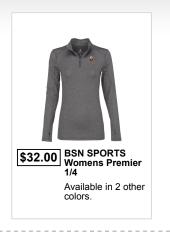
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STUDENT QUARANTINE GUIDELINES

Diagnosed with COVID

If you receive a positive test result for COVID-19, regardless if you are vaccinated, you will need to guarantine:

• Remain at home until at least 10 days have passed since symptom onset

AND

• At least 24 hours have passed since resolution of fever without use of medicine

AND

• Other symptoms have improved

Close Contacts

If you have been identified as a close contact, please see below for Kimberly Schools quarantine guidelines.

Close Contacts - Masked at School

For students that are identified as a close contact at school that were masked and that do not develop symptoms, you do not need to quarantine. Continue to monitor your symptoms daily through day 14, and continue to follow public health guidelines. If you develop COVID symptoms, then quarantine and contact your healthcare provider. *Household close contacts are excluded. Household close contacts will need to quarantine unless vaccinated and asymptomatic.

Close Contacts - Unvaccinated

For unvaccinated close contacts that do not develop symptoms, guarantine can end:

- 10 days after their last close contact without testing, or
- 7 days after their last contact, with a negative test result (PCR or antigen) collected on day 6 or 7.
 - Provide a copy of your child's negative test result to school

Continue to monitor your symptoms daily through day 14, and continue to follow public health guidelines. If you develop COVID symptoms, then quarantine and contact your healthcare provider.

Close Contacts - Vaccinated

For vaccinated close contacts that do not develop symptoms, you do not need to quarantine. Continue to monitor your symptoms daily through day 14, and continue to follow public health guidelines. If you develop COVID symptoms, then quarantine and contact your healthcare provider.

Close Contacts - Had COVID in last 90 days

For close contacts that had COVID-19 within the last 90 days that do not develop symptoms, you do not need to quarantine. Continue to monitor your symptoms daily through day 14, and continue to follow public health guidelines. If you develop COVID symptoms, then quarantine and contact your healthcare provider.

Public Health Guidelines

- Wear a face cover when you are around others
- Monitor your symptoms for a full 14 days

Quarantine

- Stay home, do not go to school or work
- Avoid travel
- Go out only if absolutely necessary
- Postpone all non-essential medical appointments until your quarantine is over
- Do not use public transportation, ride-sharing, or taxis

COVID HEALTH SCREEN

<u>If you are not vaccinated</u> and have the below symptoms or combination of symptoms you may have COVID-19. Stay home, call your school office and contact your healthcare provider for a return date.

Box A (any <u>one</u> symptom present)
☐ Cough (above baseline) ☐ Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing ☐ New loss of taste or smell
OK -
Box B (any <u>two</u> symptoms present)
\square Congestion or runny nose (above baseline) \square Chills or fever (100.4) \square Nausea or vomiting
☐ Diarrhea ☐ Unusual Fatigue ☐ Muscle or body aches ☐ Sore throat (above baseline)
If you choose not to contact your healthcare provider, you must remain home until at least 10 days have passed since symptom onset AND at least 24 hours have passed since resolution of fever without use of medicine AND other symptoms have improved.

For all other illnesses follow typical school illness protocol by staying home, calling the school office and once symptoms have improved and 24 hours fever free, you may return.

<u>If you are vaccinated</u>, follow typical school illness protocols by staying home, calling the school office and once symptoms have improved and 24 hours fever free, you may return. If your symptoms progress/worsen, please contact your healthcare provider for further direction and a return date.

It's time to order your Westside Elementary



Many of you have already paid for a 2021-22 Westside Elementary Yearbook! If you haven't had a chance to order and pay for a yearbook for your child, please go online to your Infinite Campus portal and make the \$11.00 payment, OR, complete the form below and return it to school with a payment – cash or check. If you are unsure if you've paid for a yearbook, please check your account in Infinite Campus OR, give us a call!

We will not receive the yearbooks until the end of the school year! Also, yearbooks are optional!

Order your yearbook online OR complete and return the form below to reserve your copy!

Please pay online through IC or return this form with cash or check (payable to Westside Elementary. Thank you!



Kimberly Area School District is seeking support from our community. Make a difference and consider becoming a substitute teacher or a substitute paraprofessional.

APPLY NOW AT kimberly.k12.wi.us/careers





Earn extra income while your child is at school.



Turn your volunteer hours into a paid position.



No prior teaching experience needed.



Maintain a flexible work schedule.



Help students succeed.



FREE EVENT!!!

CANDY! INFLATABLES! PRIZES! GAMES! COSTUMES! FUN!

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23rd, 3-5pm 1200 W. Kimberly Ave, Kimberly

In the Fox Valley Christian Fellowship parking lot

It's a fun time for kids and families!!!

Interested in decorating a trunk?

Contact Jessica Case:

991-1117 / jessica@fvcf.org

Weekend Backpack Program In partnership with the St. Joseph Food Program

Are you in need of extra food on the weekend when school meals are not available?

WE CAN HELP!

We will provide you with a bag of basic, small meals & snacks (per child) that will be sent home on Fridays during the school year.

There is no need to provide documentation to be eligible.

Contact your child(ren)'s school counselor
or the KASD School Social Worker, Katie DeLain at:

423-4159 or kdelain@kimberly.k12.wi.us

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



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.
 - * 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

KASD Homeless Liaison Rob DeLain 920.788.7905 State Coordinator
WI State Coordinator
Kristine Nadolski
608.267.7338