



KMS

August 2019

**First day of school...Wednesday, September 4
Doors open at 7:40 a.m.**

There are few things in life more fulfilling and meaningful than building and nurturing authentic relationships. As someone new to Kingston Middle School, it is an exciting prospect to start a new school year on September 4th with the possibility of developing new connections and partnerships.

This fall will mark my 44th start of a school year- 17 years as a student, 17 as a teacher and 10 years as an administrator. What I have learned from all these starts is that each year is an opportunity to begin laying the groundwork for caring and valuing each other – adults and students alike. Being new to Kingston Middle School, I find assurance in the kindness of the people who I am getting to know and their ability to love and care for each student. I believe that this start will be the best one yet!

Placing a high emphasis on the care and kindness for students and adults will be noticeable as we enter into the 2019-20 school year. As such, we have added a few new staff members who share this vision:

Michael Bosch: New Assistant Principal – Mr. Bosch comes to us from the Auburn School District where he taught English for five years and has served as a dean for the last two years. He loves to travel, is a sports enthusiast and has a strong group of friends in the Seattle area. Interestingly enough, I was Mr. Bosch's Economics teacher in high school.

Jon Schmitz: New 7th Grade Language Arts Teacher – Mr. Schmitz comes from the Northshore School District as an experienced middle school language arts teacher. His wife, an Olympic College professor and his two children will be moving with him to a new rental in Indianola in the coming weeks.

Melissa Mello: New Life Skills Instructor – Mrs. Mello comes to us from Coure d'Alene, Idaho with a great deal of experience in teaching special education. Her husband and three children have moved to Bainbridge Island this summer and are thrilled to be in our area.

David Di Prete: New Robotics and Science Teacher - Mr. Di Prete is transferring from Poulsbo Middle School to start our new robotics program and will also serve as a science teacher at KMS.

Aaron Lee: New Principal – I taught social studies, special education and language arts for 17 years in the South Kitsap School District; served as assistant principal, principal and director of teaching and learning in the Orting School District for eight years; and principal at Enumclaw High School for the last two years. My wife, Julie, is a 4th grade teacher at Purdy Elementary, my daughter, Jessica, will be attending PLU in the fall, and my youngest daughter, Cami, will be a sophomore at South Kitsap High in the fall.

All of us at Kingston Middle School are looking forward to our partnership with you to ensure the success of your daughter or son at Kingston Middle School. Our doors open on August 19th, we will have a Cav Info Day for student schedule pick up on August 29th and a WEB orientation day for our incoming 6th graders on September 3rd. Keep an eye on our webpage for further details regarding these events.

We are excited and honored to welcome you and your son or daughter to the 2019-2020 school year. Thank you for your partnership and placing your trust in us as we work together to provide an excellent education and a fulfilling middle school experience for your son or daughter.

Sincerely,
Aaron Lee, Principal, Kingston Middle School

Go Cavaliers!

Immunization Deadline—October 8, 2019

Immunization deadline for the 2019-20 school year is October 8. One of the following **must** be on file:

- Completed Certificate of Immunization Status Form **or**
- Certificate of Exemption Form signed by your licensed healthcare provider for medical or personal reasons **or**
- An appointment card from a licensed healthcare provider indicating a future immunization appointment date.

For more information on immunizations go to nkschools.org or contact School Health Services at 360-396-3580.

KMS Cav Info Day - Thursday, August 29, 3:00-6:00 p.m. - Open to all grades

Cav Info Day is an opportunity for you and your student to visit Kingston Middle School and take a self-guided look around. It's an informal day with a lot of information available. You can come any time between 3:00-6:00 p.m. and do any or all of the following:

- Pick up your class schedule (It is our goal to have them available however...)
- Purchase ASB Card—\$15 (*supports activities, recognition, rewards, and required for sports and band trips*)
- Get information on Sports and/or Pay your Sports Participation Fee (Football & Cross Country)
- Purchase your yearbook—\$30
- Purchase lunch credits
- Complete and submit Free/Reduced Lunch form for current school year
- Purchase PE clothing (**optional uniform—\$20; just shirt—\$8; just shorts—\$13**)
- Purchase grade level spirit shirt (\$7 with ASB Card or \$10 without—optional)
- Meet and speak with our Principal, Assistant Principal, Counselors, Librarian & Kitchen staff
- Update emergency contact information in the counseling office
- Speak with the school nurse and turn in any medical forms and/or student medications
- **Please note, teachers will not be available to meet with during this activity.**

6th Grade WEB Orientation—Open to only our incoming 6th Grade Class—September 3, 8:30 a.m.—12 Noon

What is WEB? "Where Everyone Belongs" is our mentoring program with a focus on building school relationships. On Sept. 3 from 8:30-12:00 noon we will welcome your 6th grade student to KMS through our WEB Program. This will be a fun filled, personalized orientation where your student will be welcomed and assisted by older students regarding life in middle school. Drop your 6th grade student off at KMS 10 minutes before our 8:30 a.m. start time for this student only activity. Pick up is 12:00 noon sharp.

AUGUST/SEPTEMBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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| August 29 | Cav Info Day (details above) |
| September 2 | Labor Day Holiday |
| September 3 | 6th Grade Orientation (details above) |
| September 4 | First Day of School—doors open at 7:40 a.m. First bell rings at 8:00 a.m. |
| September 10 | Band Parent Meeting/BBQ—Ted Brown Music will be in attendance—4:00-7:00 p.m. |
| September 17 | Open House, 6:00-7:30 p.m. (more information to come, watch for an email) |
| September 19 | School Picture Day |
| September 24 | Vision and Hearing Screening |

Phone Numbers for KMS

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| Main Office | 360-396-3400 |
| Counseling | 360-396-3435 |
| Attendance | 360-396-3407 |
| Library | 360-396-3423 |
| Kitchen | 360-396-3420 |
| Athletics | 360-396-3405 |

Miscellaneous Information about KMS

Office hours are 7:40-3:00
School colors are red, black and white; School mascot is the Cavalier
We do not have a full time nurse on staff
Bus notes **will not be taken over the phone**—we can accept a signed, handwritten note or an email
We will not be able to deliver notes past 2:00 MTThF and 1:00 Wednesday

24 Hour Attendance Hotline: 360-396-3407—Call any time!!!

KINGSTON MIDDLE SCHOOL BELL SCHEDULES FOR THE 2019-20 SCHOOL YEAR

KMS opens to students at 7:40 a.m. Students are expected to report to the gym, commons, library or band room. Breakfast is served from 7:40 to 8:00 a.m. First bell rings at 8:00; students are to be seated in class by the 8:05 bell.

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday Schedule

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| Core | 8:05—8:35 |
| 1st | 8:39—9:29 |
| 2nd | 9:33—10:23 |
| 3rd | 10:27—11:17 |
| 4th | 11:21—12:47 (with ½ hour lunch) |
| 5th | 12:51—1:41 |
| 6th | 1:45—2:35 |

Wednesday Early Release Schedule (begins 9/4)

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| 1st | 8:05—8:55 |
| 2nd | 8:59—9:45 |
| 3rd | 9:49—10:35 |
| 4th | 10:39—12:05 (with ½ hour lunch) |
| 5th | 12:09—12:55 |
| 6th | 12:59—1:45 |

All students must be off campus by 3:00 p.m. (2:00 on Wednesday) unless they are involved in a sport or supervised activity.

Free and Reduced lunch status for students currently enrolled in the program rolls over for the first 30 days of the beginning of the 2019-20 school year. A new application must be returned to the school before the end of the 30 day period. New applications must be submitted every school year. Free & Reduced lunch forms are available in every school office or at the NKSD web site, www.nkschools.org. Forms can be submitted any time during the school year.

| General KMS Supply List | | |
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| <p>Success at school starts with good attendance and having the necessary supplies for each class. Students will be supplied with a KMS Planner that will be used at the start of every class. Please help support your student by checking his/her planner each day and making sure they have the supplies needed for each class.</p> | | |
| Pencils Pens—(blue, black, red) Highlighters Kleenex | Lined notebook paper USB Flash memory Drive Glue stick (s) KMS Planner (provided at no charge) | Erasers Ruler Scissors 2 Composition books (Mrs. Fox's class) |
| English / Social Studies | Mathematics | Science |
| 2- Composition notebooks Colored pencils 3" x 5" lined note cards 3-prong report folder Hand held pencil sharpener | Graph paper, ¼ inch Fraction Calculator 1" binder One package dividers Three ring pencil pouch | 2 Composition Books Graph paper |
| Physical Education | Leadership | Exploratory |
| Appropriate exercise clothing (no jeans or cargo shorts) Or KMS PE Shorts/Shirt (available for purchase) Athletic shoes and socks Deodorant stick (no spray) Solid colored paper folder (3-brad style) | Students will be informed of specific supplies after class meets for the first time. Please bring general supplies (pens, paper, etc.) with you on your first day. | General supplies as listed above. Choir Uniform: Black button up shirt Black slacks Black shoes |



Bus route information may be obtained by calling Transportation at 360-396-3099

Schedules will also be available on line at www.nkschools.org

| Kingston Middle School Order Form | |
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| 9000 NE West Kingston Road, Kingston WA 98346 360-396-3400 | |
| In an effort to simplify Cav Info Day and help you to avoid lengthy waiting lines, the following order form may be filled out and returned to Kingston Middle School in person or via US Post. Please include your check or money order made out to Kingston Middle School (or KMS). Please note, all items listed below can be purchased throughout the year. | |
| Student Name (please print) _____ | Grade _____ |
| Parent/Guardian (please print) _____ | Phone _____ |
| Total Amount Enclosed _____ | Check # _____ |
| _____ ASB Card | \$15.00 |
| _____ Yearbook | \$30.00 |
| _____ Grade Level Spirit Shirt | |
| _____ \$7.00 with ASB Card | _____ \$10.00 without ASB Card (check one) |
| | Size (please circle) XS S M Lg XLg 2XLg <i>(Note...these are adult sizes)</i> |
| _____ PE Uniform (optional) | |
| _____ Shirt/short set | \$20.00 |
| _____ Shirt only | \$ 8.00 |
| _____ Shorts only | \$13.00 |
| NOTE: PE teacher will be provided with a list of students who purchased clothing. Uniforms will be distributed during PE class. Teacher will ensure your students gets the proper size. | |
| Any/all of these items may also be purchased in person during Cav Info Day which is scheduled for later in August. None of the items are required (except the ASB Card if your student chooses to participate in athletics, band trips or clubs). If you have any questions, please call our office at 360-396-3400. | |