

A Note from Nurse Dixie

Please note that all asthma, anaphylaxis, seizure action plan forms, and medication authorization forms, must be re-filed at the school of attendance EVERY year. Much can change over a summer, causing forms from the previous year to become void. Also, if your student has received any immunizations over the summer, please bring the updated immunization documents to the school. Please remember that religious exemption forms for immunizations must be notarized and brought to the school. All forms are due prior to the first day of school. Keeping our students at Kenai Middle School healthy is a priority for our staff.

Bus Information

Apple Bus has the following rules concerning students who ride the bus: Students who are at a bus stop in the morning are allowed on the bus. If a student rode a bus to school in the morning, they are allowed to ride that bus home in the afternoon. Any student that was not on the bus in the morning and wishes to ride the bus home will need to have a note or phone call from their parent or guardian requesting that they ride the bus. Please include the bus number, bus stop street name, and a contact name and phone number.

Parent contact is required for students that would like to ride a different bus in the afternoon, students that need to be let off at a different bus stop, or students that want to go home with a friend.

Contact Us

Phone: 907-283-1700

Web: <https://kpbsd.org/schools/kenai-middle/>
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KENAI MIDDLE SCHOOL -KOSSACKS-



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Welcome to Kenai Middle School, home of the Kossacks. Middle school is one of the most exciting and challenging times of life. We consider it a privilege to be part of this experience with you. Kenai Middle School is committed to providing a safe environment where quality education takes place.

Vaughn Dosko - Principal



At Kenai Middle School, establishing relationships is the foundation for everything that we do. This is an excellent school in a very supportive community. We look forward to sharing this journey with you.

Dan Beck - Assistant Principal



Kenai Middle School is focused on creating a safe and cheerful environment where learning is fun! Engaging students through activity and discovery can instill a love for learning that lasts a lifetime.

POWERSCHOOL



PowerSchool is the best way to remain informed and get up-to-the minute updates on your KMS students. Kenai Middle School uses PowerSchool to manage student information and parent communication.

If you would like help setting up a PowerSchool account, contact the KMS office.

VOLUNTEERS



Kenai Middle School has many volunteer opportunities during the school year for our parents and guardians! We greatly appreciate the support of the many volunteers who help our KMS students and school community. Please consider applying to become a volunteer for Kenai Middle School. Each year, every school volunteer must complete the online volunteer application and agree to a background check. Please go to the KPBSD webpage <http://www.kpbsd.k12.ak.us/> and click on the volunteer tab!

SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

FREE/REDUCED LUNCH - Households with limited income are encouraged to submit a KPBSD Student Programs Application (even if income is over the Income Eligibility Guidelines), because certain Federal programs base funding on the total number of students applying for benefits. Parents are encouraged to submit an application (one application per household) for their household BEFORE school starts. Applications can be submitted throughout the year.

Free/Reduced Lunch Applications can be found at the KMS office.

6th Grade breakfast is \$2.00 and lunch \$3.00. 7th & 8th Grade breakfast is \$2.00 and lunch \$3.50. For students who qualify for reduced meals, breakfast is free and lunch is \$0.40.

AFTER SCHOOL TUTORING

After School Tutoring will be offered during second and third quarters from 2:35 to 4:00 p.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays for a limited number of students who may require remedial attention or need help with their current classes. This program is in addition to the regular school day and will focus on lessons assigned to students in their core classrooms.

ELECTIVE CLASSES

Advanced PE - This class allows students to further develop weight room skills, knowledge of fitness, and positive attitudes about physical activity.

ART, INTRO - Students will use a wide variety of mediums (paint, markers, crayons, ink, clay . . .) and methods (painting, drawing, printmaking, sculpting . . .) to create art.

BAND - There are three levels of band at KMS: beginning, intermediate, and concert. A limited number of school instruments will be available for rent.

CHOIR - Choir focuses on vocal warm-ups, 4-part singing, and performance preparation. Each quarter the choir performs a concert, with an additional performance in April at the Middle School Mass Choir Festival.

DIGITAL STORYTELLING - Students will use phones, computers, and cameras in conjunction with online video editing programs to create videos.

DRAMA - This course serves as an introduction to acting and stage production. The class is geared to present a performance each quarter, with a goal of involving each student on stage and/or backstage.

HOME EC - Sewing and food preparation will be the main topics with additional studies in child development, family living and personal finance.

JOURNALISM - This course is an introduction to the various elements and styles involved in newspaper writing. Students will write news columns, sports columns, features, editorials, and review sections of the newspaper.

SHOP - There are three different courses: Woods, Metals, and Small Engines. Each uses a variety of hand tools and power tools.

PROJECT ADVENTURE - There are two outdoor education classes. Learn about outdoor photography and activities, or participate in Alaska State Hunters Education.

ROBOTICS - This class is an introduction to Computer Science. It is a hands-on, computer programming course that allows students to build real working apps, games, and websites.

STEM EXPLORATIONS - Learn basics of engineering to solve real-world problems. You'll be drawing, building, and creating with 3D modeling.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP - Leadership trains members of the 8th grade class to act as team leaders, motivators, and role models.

WORLD LANGUAGES - This class is designed to introduce students to Spanish, French, American Sign Language, and Dena'ina Athabaskan.

YEARBOOK - Students will produce a digital and print yearbook by taking pictures of students, staff activities, and school events.

SPORTS

Competitive sports are \$60. There is no fee for 6th grade intramural sports. All athletes must have a sports packet on file to participate.

7th & 8th Grade Sports

EVENT	BEGINNING DATE	ENDING DATE
X-Country Running	August	October
Soccer	August	October
Basketball	October	December
Volleyball	January	February
Wrestling	January	February
X-Country Skiing	January	February
Track & Field	April	May

6th Grade Sports

EVENT	BEGINNING DATE	ENDING DATE
X-Country Running	August	October
Soccer	August	October
Wrestling	January	February
X-Country Skiing	January	February
Volleyball (Intramural)	March	March
Basketball (Intramural)	March	March
Track	April	May

CLUBS



Shortly after we return from winter break, Kenai Middle School hosts Clubs. Clubs are a great way to break up the long winter. Once each week, on Wednesdays, we have a club schedule and the last period of the day students have the opportunity to participate in a club of their choosing. Club options are posted around the school.

MINI-COURSES



Near the end of the school year, KMS offers Mini-Courses! Mini-Courses are one or two day activities hosted by KMS staff. A detailed list of mini-courses is provided in May. The tradition of mini-courses is unique to KMS. Students and staff always look forward to ending the school year with these fun field trips and activities. Every student chooses activities that interest them. Don't worry, there are always free or economical options to accommodate every student.