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Kanopolis Middle School December 2021 Newsletter



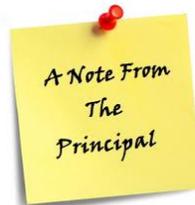
**Christmas Break December 20-January 3rd
Teacher In-service January 3
School Resumes January 4th 2022.**



Nurse News

6th grade Hands Only CPR / Stop the Bleed/
Mock 911 calls December TBD.

Coming in January – 6th grade Human Sexuality classes. Consent forms to be sent home December 6th and must be returned no later than December 15th. These will also be posted on the District Website under Health Documents.



Welcome to December! I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving filled with food, family, and friends! The bustling holiday season is upon us. We are hoping to keep the students on task as much as possible in the next three weeks. It is a challenging feat indeed! The minds of children (and adults) tend to wander to all that the holiday season has to offer and we have been blessed with unusually warm weather for this time of year.

Another piece to the winter arrival is the chance for snow days. As much as the kids, teachers, and principal pray for them, Mother Nature is in the driving seat. If the forecast calls for bad weather, please be sure to tune into the local radio and TV stations along with the school webpage and USD 327 social media sites so that you will be aware of any delays, early closings, or cancellations that may be made. Notices are issued as early as possible by the Superintendent after consultation with the highway department and transportation director. This is one of the trickiest decisions that our Superintendent has to make. It is difficult to make the call that is the safest for our students

and staff while trying not to cancel school unnecessarily. Please know that the decision is made with safety as the primary concern.

With the winter weather, comes the cold and flu season. Please be sure to remind your kiddos to practice good handwashing and to not share water bottles, etc. If your child is sick, please have them stay home until they are symptom free for 24 hours. We want to try hard to keep illness to a minimum!

I want to wish you and your family a very happy holiday season!

Gift of Time

Give the gift of your time this holiday season. Parents can continue to be an active participant and help with their children's education by maintaining a good routine of checking for homework and folders daily and staying on top of missing assignments. A strong education is one where the students, teachers, and parents all work together toward the common goal of educating our children.

Arrival Time

Parents & Guardians, please do not drop children off at school earlier than 7:25. The doors do not open nor is there staff on hand to supervise before this time.

Schedule

The last day of school prior to Christmas Break will be Friday, December 17th. Christmas Break will last from December 18th through January 3rd. Classes will resume on Tuesday, January 4th.

Important Dates

December 7th 5th/6th Grade Band and Music Concert in the EJSHS PAC at 6pm.

December 13th Board of Education meeting at the District Offices at 7pm.

December 15th USD 327 Site Council in the EJSHS Library at 11:30am.

6th grade volunteerism project for Social Studies is due on December 17th. Six grade students are to have logged at least one hour of volunteer work for others not family. Not to be paid and must be approved by parents and Mr. Bolton.



Wow this month has gone quickly! Students and staff completed and posted their "My Veteran" slips to honor a family member or friend for Veteran's Day. Slips were posted in the lunchroom, with each branch of the military honored. Students traveled to Ellsworth for a Veteran's Day Program. Next year, we hope to have veterans and military personnel come to KMS and eat with students for Veteran's Day.

It has been a pleasure to work with the KMS Student Leadership Group the past couple of weeks. They are an amazing group and have some great ideas about things to do at KMS and for the community. The day before Thanksgiving they sponsored a movie for all students to watch, "Amazing Mr. Fox". They have some exciting plans for December, so stay tuned!

I like to let parents/guardians know that I visit with students randomly during lunch times. I call it Lunch Bunch. It is not "counseling", but a time for kids to be kids and just talk about things that are important to them. Sometimes, kids will ask to join a group and bring their friends, sometimes, I will invite different students or have a one-on-one visit. I want the students to know me and feel comfortable talking with me, in case something serious does come up later on.

Hope you were able to enjoy some relaxing time and connect with your family over Thanksgiving! -Mrs. Claassen