

18909 Kingsview Road Germantown, Maryland 20874 Main Office: 240-740-7130 Counseling Office: 240-740-7140 FAX: 301-601-4610 <u>http://montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/kingsviewms</u> August 1, 2022

Dear Kingsview Families:

Welcome to the 2022-2023 school year! I hope you are enjoying the summer reconnecting with family and friends. I also hope you are looking forward to the start of a new year. This year marks the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of teaching and learning at Kingsview Middle School. It has been an exciting summer thus far. I have worked with my incredible administrative and leadership teams to hire great staff who are committed to providing students with quality instruction every day. I look forward to collaborating with students, parents, and staff to continue our legacy of excellence and build on our achievement in the upcoming year.

SCHOOL SCHEDULE – Classes will begin at 8:15 a.m. and end at 3:00 p.m. Students should arrive between 7:50 a.m. and 8:05 a.m. Please note that students are not able to enter the school each morning until 7:50 a.m. Staff members are not available before 7:50 a.m. to supervise students. Students should be picked up by 3:15 p.m.

**ARRIVAL/DISMISSAL** - If you drive your child to school, please leave early as the drop-off area can become very congested. It is also very important that you follow all the directions of the crossing guards on both Hopkins Road and the parent drop-off. Crossing Guards are an extension of the Montgomery County Police Department and failure to adhere their direction may result in fines. Please be aware of the **"Right Turn Only"** sign as you leave the parent drop-off loop. In addition, please remember that some of our students cross Clopper Road and Father Hurley Boulevard when walking to school. Therefore, it is extremely important that you obey the speed limit along Clopper Road and Father Hurley Boulevard and look both ways when making any turns. Please be aware of the traffic sign **"No Turn on Red"** at the corner of Clopper Road and Kingsview Road.

**FIRST DAY** – We are very excited to welcome all of our students on Monday, August 29<sup>th</sup>. All students can choose to <u>wear a mask</u> to enter the building. All students will report directly to their homerooms by 8:15 a.m. in order to receive their schedules and other important information. Posters containing homeroom lists will be displayed around the school, and the information will be available in the Back-to-School Resource Bank on the Kingsview website. Please keep in mind that students will need to carry anything they bring throughout the entire day, as they will not receive their lockers until later in the week. Therefore, students only need to bring their MCPS issued Chromebook, pens, pencils, and a folder with loose-leaf paper or a spiral notebook in a small backpack. Be advised, all 6<sup>th</sup> grade students and students new to MCPS will receive their Chromebook during the first week of school.

**BUS ROUTES** – Bus routes and schedules will be available in the Back-to-School Resource Bank on our website. If your child will be using bus transportation to travel to and/or from school, please remember that there will likely be some delays and adjustments at the beginning of the school year. Since bus ridership is often at its highest levels during the first few weeks of school, some buses may need to make additional runs to accommodate students at the beginning of the school year. Thank you in advance for your patience and understanding.

**IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS** – Maryland has immunization requirements for all students entering 7<sup>th</sup> grade or new 8<sup>th</sup> grade students entering MCPS. All students entering Grades 7 and 8 must have received the tetanus, diphtheria, and a cellular pertussis (Tdap) vaccination and meningococcal (MCV) vaccination before the first day of school. **Students not in compliance with the new requirements will be excluded from attending school.** Please see the attached letter with more information.

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**SUMMER INFORMATION** – In an effort to save paper, we will not be sending a summer mailing. All items below will be available on the Kingsview website at <u>http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/kingsviewms</u>.

- 1. Severe Allergen Information
- 2. Immunization Requirements for Incoming 7th Graders and 8th graders NEW to MCPS
- 3. Upcoming Events
- 4. <u>Recommended Personal School Supplies</u>
- 5. Course-related Fees Information
- 6. Bell Schedules\*
- 7. PE Uniform Information \*
- 8. Cafeteria Information \*
- 9. MCPS School Calendar \*
- 10. Transportation Letter and Bus Routes \*

# \*Information is forthcoming - over the next several weeks you will be receiving LOTS of information regarding the opening of school. Please check your email on a regular basis.

I am happy to announce the members of our administrative team! For this year, Mr. David Douglass will be the 6th grade administrator; Mr. Matthew Freiman will be the 7<sup>th</sup> grade administrator; and Ms. Sohee Cho will be the 8th grade administrator. Mr. Douglass, Ms. Cho, Mr. Freiman, and I look forward to working together to serve you in the upcoming year!

Please be advised that all visitors who wish to enter the building during school hours must bring a photo ID and are strongly encouraged to wear a mask. All visitors who need to access other areas of the building for meetings will need to scan their driver's license into our visitor system to obtain a visitor's badge. If a driver's license is not available, the information on any government-issued ID will need to be manually entered into our visitor system to obtain a badge. In addition, all parents who wish to volunteer at school or PTSA events must take the Child Abuse & Neglect Training. Please visit the MCPS website for more information: https://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/childabuseandneglect/#Volunteer

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our main office at 240-740-7130 or our counseling office at 240-740-7140. I hope you enjoy the rest of the summer!

Remember at Kingsview Middle School, we DR<sup>2</sup>EAM BIG!

Respectfully,

Dyan L. Harrison

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Dear Kingsview Families:

Food allergies have become common among students nationally and within our school system. For the upcoming school year, one or more students at our school have a severe food allergy to peanuts and/or tree nuts that could result in a life-threatening reaction called anaphylaxis. As such, the Kingsview Middle School Instructional Leadership Team (ILT) is committed to minimizing these risks by promoting healthy practices and implementing school policies to ensure a safe school environment for all students and especially for those susceptible to these allergens.

In order to strengthen the healthy habits of all of our students while being mindful of the risks of cross-contamination, we are encouraging students to wash their hands before and after eating. We are also reminding them not to share food with their classmates. We ask for your support in reinforcing these habits at home.

In addition, we urge you to send food items <u>that do not contain any peanuts or tree nuts</u> such as walnuts, cashews, pecans, pine nuts, almonds, hazelnuts, and pistachios. Some online resources and nut-safe food lists include: <u>www.foodallergy.org</u>, <u>www.peanutfreelife.com/safe-food-list/</u> and <u>www.snacksafely.com/snacklist.pdf</u>.

If you would like to provide food for a classroom celebration, please provide only food items that are store-bought, labeled, and contained in a sealed package. Food products with labels indicating that the product contains any peanut or tree nut ingredients or stating that the food product was manufactured in a facility that also processes peanuts or tree nuts are not permitted for classroom celebrations. Additionally, students are NOT permitted to bring any food items for distribution in the cafeteria during lunches, including, but not limited to, pizza, candy, cupcakes, cookies, and doughnuts. This decision was made in collaboration with ILT.

We strive to enable all students to fully participate in activities while maintaining a safe learning environment. Thank you for your understanding and assistance in making this a safe and healthy school year for all our students.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or any of the Kingsview administrators at 240-740-7130.

Sincerely,

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Dear Kingsview Families:

The 2022-2023 school year vaccination requirements for children entering kindergarten and Grades 1, 7, and 8 are the following:

- All students entering kindergarten and Grade 1 must have had two (2) varicella vaccinations before the first day of school.
- All students entering Grades 7 and 8 must have received the tetanus, diphtheria, and acellular pertussis (Tdap) vaccination and meningococcal (MCV) vaccination before the first day of school.

These requirements are in addition to the existing school vaccination requirements. You should work with your child's doctor to get his/her vaccination record or the vaccinations that are missing. If you are unable to get an appointment with your child's doctor, you may call your local health department. Please see the information below.

You must provide proof of vaccination or proof of a doctor's appointment by the first day of school, Monday, August 29, 2022. The appointment should be within 20 days of the first day of school (September 23). In addition to the required vaccines, please talk to your child's doctor about other vaccines, such as flu, Human Papillomavirus (HPV), and Hepatitis A that your child may need.

If you have questions about vaccines that are required for school, please call your child's doctor or the school nurse at 240-740-7132 on or after August 24, 2022.

Sincerely, Dyan L. Harrison

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CLINIC SITES GERMANTOWN HEALTH CENTER 12900 Middlebrook Rd - 2nd Floor Germantown, MD 20874 PHONE – (240) 777- 3380 Wednesdays and Thursday - By Appointment Only

> SILVER SPRING HEALTH CENTER 8630 Fenton Street – 10th Floor Silver Spring, MD 20910 PHONE – (240) 777- 3160 Wednesdays - By Appointment Only

CLINIC SITES DENNIS AVE. HEALTH CENTER 2000 Dennis Ave. Silver Spring, MD 20902 PHONE - (240) 777-1050 Tuesdays - By Appointment Only

SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES CENTER 4910 Macon Road Rockville, MD 20852 PHONE – (301) 468- 4529 M, W, F: 8:30-11:30 am - By Appointment Only

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## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Please mark your calendars for the following upcoming events:

Kingsview Close-Up - This is an opportunity to meet the Kingsview MS administrative team.

- Tuesday, August 16, 2022, 6:30 pm- 7:30 pm at the Manchester Farm Community Center for the Dr. Ronald E. McNair Elementary School community.
- Wednesday, August 17, 2022, 6:30 pm 7:30 pm at the Woodcliffe Clubhouse for the Spark M. Matsunaga Elementary School community.
- Thursday, August 18, 2022, 6:30 pm 7:30 pm at a location to be determined for the Great Seneca Creek Elementary School community.

Northwest Cluster Back-to-School Fair will on Saturday, August 20, 2022, from 10:00 am -1:00 pm at Northwest High School.

Our annual New Student Orientation will be Thursday, August 25<sup>th</sup> from 8:15 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Incoming 6<sup>th</sup> grade students, as well as 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students new to the Kingsview MS building, are encouraged to participate to learn about the school and to ensure a smooth transition on the first day. This is NOT a drop-in event. All students who participate will be expected to remain in school for the entire orientation. MCPS busses will be running on a modified half-day schedule. This is only available for those students who are eligible to ride the MCPS bus on a regular basis. Parents can drop off their child no earlier than 8:00 a.m. and pick up their child no later than 12:15 p.m.

We are also offering a **New Parent Orientation** for incoming 6<sup>th</sup> grade parents, as well as 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade parents new to the Kingsview MS building on **Thursday, August 26<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m.** The orientation will provide a basic overview about what to expect in middle school.

**The FIRST day of school** will be Monday, August 29, 2022. Students should be dropped off no earlier than 7:50 a.m. and no later than 8:05 a.m. Students should be picked up by 3:15 p.m. Staff members are not available before 7:50 a.m. and after 3:15 p.m. to supervise students.

#### Our annual Back-to-School Night will be held on Thursday, September 8th

5:30 - 6:15 p.m.After-School Activities Fair in the cafeteria (for all grades)5:30 - 6:15 p.m.Health Education Information Fair in the gym (for 7th - 8th grade)6:30 - 8:30 p.m.Classroom Visits (for all grades)

A virtual option will also be available for parents who are unable to attend Back-to-School Night in person. Additional details will be provided later this month.

\*Dates are subject to change



### Kingsview Middle School Recommended Personal Supplies 2022-2023



<u>Grade 6</u>	Grade 7	Grade 8
2-inch binder	2-inch binder	2-inch binder
Loose-leaf notebook paper	Loose-leaf notebook paper	Loose-leaf notebook paper
Dividers	Dividers	Dividers
1 composition book	2 composition books (Science &	2 spiral notebooks (single-subject)
Pens (colored)	English)	1 composition book (History)
Pencils	Pens (black, blue, red, purple, green)	Pens (black or blue)
Colored pencils	Pencils	Pencils
Highlighters	Colored pencils	Colored pencils
Pencil pouch (zipped)	Highlighters	Highlighters
Ear buds for Chromebook	Pencil pouch (zipped)	Pencil pouch (zipped)
Mouse for Chromebook (optional)	Ruler, protractor, and compass	Ear buds for Chromebook
Face Masks (optional)	(for home use)	Mouse for Chromebook (optional)
Reusable water bottle	Ear buds for Chromebook	Face Masks (optional)
	Mouse for Chromebook (optional)	Reusable water bottle
2 spiral notebooks (Spanish only)	Face Masks (optional)	
<sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> inch binder (French)	Reusable water bottle	2 spiral notebooks (Spanish only)
1 spiral notebook (French)		<sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> inch binder (French)
Pocket folder (French)	2 spiral notebooks (Spanish only)	1 spiral notebook (French)
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\*\*\*All supplies should be restocked at the end of each quarter or as needed. \*\*\* Additional Items for Math Courses

- Ruler, protractor, and compass for Honors Geometry (for home use)
- Basic function calculator for all math courses (except Algebra and Geometry)
- TI-84 Graphing calculator for Algebra or Geometry. Loan calculators are available, with parent permission and agreement to the \$130 fee for lost or damaged calculators.

Need help gathering any of the recommended personal school supplies? We can help! Please contact a KVMS counselor at 240-740-7140.

Grade 6 - Janet Moore - Janet\_Moore@mcpsmd.org Grade 7 - Kelli Shelhorse - Kelli\_L\_Shelhorse@mcpsmd.org Grade 8 - Katie Mendelson - Kathryn\_M\_Mendelson@mcpsmd.org Resource Counselor - Heather Cohen - Heather\_M\_Cohen@mcpsmd.org Registrar/Secretary - Cathy Hocker - Catharine\_M\_Hocker@mcpsmd.org





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Course-related fees are not charged for textbooks, supplementary readers (such as anthologies, atlases, or workbooks), most materials of instruction, audiovisual aids, stationery items not commonly found in the home and required for the student to demonstrate mastery of course objectives, or building or office materials needed to operate schools.

The approved course-related fees primarily fit into three categories as follows:

- Items consumed by the student as a part of the course (example: recipe ingredients).
- Component parts of a product that will become student property (example: sculpting clay, model airplane kit).
- Materials of instruction or items of personal use that become the property of the student for reasons of personal hygiene or industry standards (example: tap shoes).

Students are expected to bring individual organizational tools and personal supplies (such as notebooks, pencils, and paper) from home. In addition, there are student fees which are not course-related but local school decisions made by the principal in collaboration with the school and parent leadership. These may include class fees, special team activities, etc. There also may be fees related to field trips, but these will be shared each time there is a trip and not in advance as a course fee.

In circumstances when a course is selected with a fee or a fee is attached to a field trip, we are committed to providing all students, regardless of their economic circumstances, with full access to all courses, instructional materials or field trips required for the instructional program. A student, his/her parent or guardian, or any student advocate may request an adjustment to the any fee associated with a course or field trip. Please contact the teacher, the counselor, or the administrator who will work with you to meet your needs. You and your child will have options that include a schedule of payments, a reduced fee, or a complete waiver.

If you have any questions regarding the course-related or field trip fees being charged at our school for the 2022–2023 school year, please contact Mrs. Elisabeth Gross, school financial assistant, at 240-740-7139 or via email at Elisabeth\_Gross@mcpsmd.org.

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