



Kensington Parkwood Elementary School

Home of the SOARing Eagles

That's a wrap! Welcome to Marking Period 2 KP.

MAP Information and Highlights

We have had a number of inquiries about Fall MAP assessments. The following document provides you with valuable information regarding the various MAP assessments and how they are utilized at KP and across MCPS. If you have specific questions about your child's scores, please reach out to your child's teacher.

[Fall MAP Information 20-21](#)

K Materials Pick up for Marking Period 2

We have a number of kindergarten materials that have not been picked up. Please stop by the school to grab these important materials for learning in marking period 2. Our teachers have also prepared writing journals for students to reinforce paper and pencil tasks during our virtual learning. All of these are ready for you in the front office.

Hispanic Heritage Spotlight

We celebrated Hispanic Heritage month from September to October, highlighting the contributions and accomplishments of the Hispanic culture. Our PTA Diversity and Inclusion Committee prepared the below spotlight for you to enjoy. Thank you to those who participated and we celebrate you.

[Hispanic Heritage Highlights](#)

Reminder: Changes to Wednesday Schedule

*There are changes to the Wednesday schedule that will launch on **Wednesday, November 11th**, at the start of the second marking period. These changes were approved by the Board of Education at their October 27th meeting. These changes were based on feedback from the larger MCPS community of staff, and families around screen time, instructional blocks, and teacher planning. The goal of this schedule revision is to increase opportunities to reduce screen time, have students receive special education or related services, work on their own or in small groups, and complete assignments. **Please look for an email from your child's teacher the week of November 9th with specifics of what to expect beginning on Wednesday, November 11th.***

These revisions are summarized below:



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- *The revisions to the elementary schedule only affect the Wednesday morning instructional block that occurs between 9:00-11:30 am. Wednesday afternoons are unchanged.*
- *All students will continue to log in each Wednesday at 9 am, at which time they will meet with their teacher for a 30-minute class meeting.*
- *There will be two learning blocks on Wednesday mornings. No new instruction will be taught. The lunch and wellness break will be unchanged.*
- *Block #1 follows the class meeting and is from 9:30-10:30. Students will work either on their own, with their teacher in small groups, or receive support during the first block.*
- *Block #2 is from 10:30-11:30 am. During the second block, students will engage in work that is either self-guided or will include support from paraeducators and related service providers.*
- *Schedules for Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, as well as Wednesday afternoons, will remain unchanged.*

Calendar Reminders:

- November 9th - No School for students-Professional Day for teachers
- November 17th - Report cards will be available *online in Synergy*.
 - Report cards will be mailed only if you have **NOT** activated your account in ParentVUE. If you need assistance with activating your ParentVUEaccount please contact Mrs. Friedman or Ms. Allen at the school. Report cards will be mailed on November 18, 2020 from Central Office.
- November 23rd- Early Release Parent Conferences
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- November 25th- Early Release Thanksgiving Break