



Kingsview Middle School

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Dear Kingsview Families,

Welcome to the 2024-2025 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. 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.

I am happy to announce the members of our administrative team! This school year, Mr. Matthew Freiman will be the 6th grade administrator; Ms. Sohee Cho will be the 7th grade administrator; and Ms. Michelle Sobers will join me as the 8th grade student support coordinator. Mr. Freiman, Ms. Cho, Ms. Sobers, and I look forward to working together to serve you 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 our students on Monday, August 26th.** We are excited to have a typical experience as masks are not required to enter the building. However, students can choose to wear a mask 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 may 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 6th 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 in mid-August. 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.

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IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS – Maryland has immunization requirements for all students entering 7th grade or new 8th 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.

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 <http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/kingsviewms>.

1. Food Allergies Information
2. Immunization Requirements for Incoming 7th Graders and 8th graders NEW to MCPS
3. Class and Field Trip Fees Information
4. Recommended School Supplies
5. PE Uniform Information
6. Upcoming Events
7. MCPS School Calendar
8. Bell Schedules
9. **Cafeteria Information ***
10. **Transportation Letter and Bus Routes ***

Information is forthcoming in mid-August. Please check your email on a regular basis.

ParentVUE is the parent portal to MCPS's Synergy Student Information System that is available in the MCPS supported languages on the web or mobile device. It is a secure way to access information about attendance, classes, grades, report cards, online school enrollment, athletic registration, Synergy mail, a link to the *MyMCPSClassroom* digital learning platform, and much more. **Parents new to *ParentVUE* will receive an activation letter with instructions in August via the U.S. Mail. Parents are required to update emergency contact information for their child by Friday, September 13.** Please review our ParentVue Guide to get more specific tips on how to use this wonderful tool. **Translated ParentVue Quick Guides:** [English](#), [Spanish](#), [French](#), [Chinese](#), [Vietnamese](#), [Korean](#), [Amharic](#).

We are excited to share that MCPS is transitioning to the use of *Remind* to engage with its school communities! If you're not already familiar with *Remind*, it's a communication tool that makes it easy to stay involved with your child's learning. *Remind* is free to use, and you'll be able to receive and send translated messages on any device - even a simple text message from your mobile phone! We encourage you to watch the [Getting Started with Remind Video](#) and review our Parent *Remind* Quick Guide to get more specific tips on how to use *Remind*. **Translated Remind Quick Guides:** [English](#), [Spanish](#), [French](#), [Chinese](#), [Vietnamese](#), [Portuguese](#), [Korean](#), [Amharic](#)

Please be advised that all visitors who wish to enter the building during school hours must bring a government-issued photo ID. 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 online Child Abuse & Neglect Training. Parents can access the online training via their [ParentVUE](#) account. Please visit the MCPS website for more information: <https://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/childabuseandneglect/#Volunteer>. If you have forgotten your username and password, please contact Mr. Jason Godfroy, media specialist, at Jason_C_Godfroy@mcpsmd.org **after Monday, August 12th**.

Please visit our website for periodic updates: <https://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/kingsviewms/> 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 DR²EAM BIG!

Respectfully,



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