

KRHS – News and Notes from the Principal’s Desk



August 27, 2021

Greetings, Kingsway family! As the end to summer break is quickly approaching, we are looking forward to “bringing back the normal,” as we start a very exciting 2021-22 school year. Please read below for some important news and information that will assist you in preparing for our September 2nd opening.

New Start Times- As a reminder Kingsway Regional High School will have new start and end times **7:54 - 2:28. Please plan accordingly.**

Late Buses - Will be available @ 415 & 545

Morning Drop –Off – The doors will open at 7:34 am, students must report directly to their first period. **Students no longer will be allowed to remain in the hallway/café/common area until 1st period begins.**

Face Coverings/Masks – **A guideline that will still apply to all faculty, staff, students, and visitors is the wearing of cloth face masks.** It will apply to all of our students and staff throughout the entire duration of the school day. This includes while riding on the school bus. Masks are to adhere to the dress code from the standpoint that any mask that is offensive or causes a disruption to the learning environment will not be permitted. Dress code violations as they pertain to masks would be subject to the discipline code.

Students and staff are required to wear masks properly at all times, inside school, unless doing so would inhibit the student’s health. Students who do not abide by this requirement are subject to discipline as they will be compromising the health of others.

Note: The District will not be providing masks to students and that the purchasing of masks will be the responsibility of parents.



Alternate First Day(s) Schedule (September 2nd& 3rd) – For the first day of school we depart somewhat from our standard “A Day” S.M.A.R.T. schedule. Students attend all eight academic periods on these two days – all four in the AM Wheel and all four in the PM Wheel. (Day Two, September 3rd, will follow the same day schedule.) The Alternate First Day Schedule enables students to meet all of their teachers on day one.

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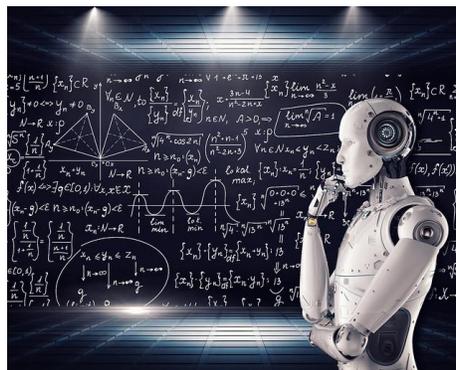
Chromebooks - All new students and previous students who do not already have a Kingsway Chromebook will have a device waiting for them when they come to their first period class this year. All students who were already provided a Kingsway chromebook last year will continue to bring in their chromebook each day fully charged and ready for school. All students will be required to use their Kingsway Chromebook each day while in school. In order to ensure interoperability and reliability we are no longer allowing students to bring in BYOD laptops - they must use their Kingsway provided device.

Google Apps Account Password - All students have a Google Apps Login and Password that has been set by the school district. This information can be found in your PowerSchool Parent Portal under “Student Credentials”. You should have received information in a previous broadcast with login information for this. If you cannot login or are having trouble please email registrar@krsd.us and they can help you out. Your student will need this login and password for many of their functions at Kingsway (ie. Chromebooks, Schoology, Google Apps, 3rd party apps)

On-Going Technology Support - It is our goal to ensure you and your child to have any technology issues/questions answered in a timely manner. If your child requires any support with technology, please do not hesitate to go to www.krsd.org/technology.

Bring Your Own Device - We are **not** permitting students to bring in their personal laptops/computers/IPADS Phones will be permitted with discretion.

PowerSchool/'21-'22 schedule- The parent portal is available. Please log in, view, and print your child's schedule. Your child is expected to bring this printed copy to school. If you cannot print it, your child will be permitted to access via their smartphone during the day **FOR THE FIRST WHEEL ONLY**. Upon arriving for the first day of school, your child is expected to report to Class 1, Bell 1 to begin his or her day.



TESTING STARTS EARLY



MAP Assessments

In an effort to understand the impact of COVID on individual student learning and to provide students, parents, & teachers with important academic feedback, Kingsway Regional School District will be implementing MAP (Measures of Academic Progress) testing beginning during the 2021-2022 school year. Our new 1:1 initiative eases the opportunity for Kingsway to administer MAP assessments in math and ELA as a universal screener for all students with immediate results for educators to use to support learning. MAP is a norm-referenced assessment that measures achievement and growth. It provides teachers with accurate, and actionable evidence to help target instruction for each student or groups of students regardless of how far above or below they are from their grade level. This assessment is not included in a student's course grade, as it is an informative measure implemented to allow teachers to hone in on each student's readiness level. Score reports will be shared with students and families; questions about scores can be directed to your student's guidance counselor.

Fall MAP Administration Dates are as follows:

- **High School: Sept 8-13**

On these dates, all students are required to bring their school-issued chromebook and ensure it is fully charged for MAP testing, which will take place in each student's Math and English classes. More information about MAP Assessments can be accessed on our district website, by clicking here. <https://www.krsd.org/Page/1785>

Start Strong Assessments

The New Jersey Department of Education is requiring a Fall 2021 administration of the Start Strong assessment. These assessments are intentionally brief, designed to maximize instructional time and quickly provide critical data to teachers and school leaders. Additionally, Start Strong assessments provide schools and districts the flexibility to address students' unique needs at the beginning of the school year. Families will receive an Individual Student Report (ISR) for each content in which their student is tested during the Fall 2021 Start Strong Assessment. Kingsway Regional School District will administer the Start Strong Assessments on the following dates:

- Middle School (Math & ELA): October 4
- High School (Math & ELA): October 5,6
- High School (Science): October 7

On these dates, all students are required to bring their school-issued chromebook and ensure it is fully charged for Start Strong testing; more information regarding bell schedules and student testing locations is forthcoming. [Additional resources and parent guides related to Fall 2021 Start Strong can be accessed on our district website, by clicking here.](#)

Item drop off for students - In order to minimize disruptions to the academic environment and promote students' personal responsibility, it is respectfully requested that parents make every effort to avoid dropping off food items during the school day. Instructional time will not be interrupted for routine issues or to ask a student to come pick up forgotten food items. Kingsway Regional High School has implemented the following protocol with regard to items dropped off at school by parents:

Student lunches that are delivered after the start of the school day can be claimed by the student at the start of the S.M.A.R.T. period.

Please make sure the item(s) are in a bag and clearly labeled with the student's name and grade level.

At no time will fast food/pizza/beverages or any other items from restaurants or outside vendors be accepted.

KRHS Back to School Night 2021 – Please mark your calendars. The Kingsway Regional High School Back to School Night virtual program is scheduled for Thursday, September 23, 2021. Additional information will be forthcoming as the program draws nearer.

UNDERCLASSMAN Pictures and ID Photos –Save the Date! Please mark your calendars for Underclassmen pictures and Student ID card photos. On September 9th, 10th, the students will have their pictures taken during PE classes. Order forms will be given to the students when available and there will be an option to order pictures online through our website.

The link to order online is <http://www.lorsstudio.com/undergrads/order/> and the school login code is 22-26KW.

Graduation Date - Friday, June 17th, 2022 at 5:45 pm. (Rain Date Saturday, June 18th, 2021, at 5:45 pm). For more information on the entire school calendar, visit our website. <https://www.krsd.org/Page/1920>



Upcoming High School Events:

UPCOMING HIGH SCHOOL EVENTS:

SEPTEMBER

September 1 – In-Service Day (no school for students)

September 2 – Students Return (full day)

September 6 – School Closed in observance of Labor Day

September 23 – High School Back to School Night (6:30 p.m.)

September 25 – Swedesboro-Woolwich Day/15th Annual Dragon Run

September 27 – In-Service Staff (no school for students)

September 28 – College Information Night (6:30 p.m.)

September 30 – Board of Education Meeting (6:30 p.m.)

OCTOBER

October 2 - SATs

October 5 – Financial Aid Night (6:30 p.m.)

October 11 – In-Service Day (no school for students)

October 13 – PSATs

October 13 – Undergrad pictures – make-ups

October 14 – KHSAC Meeting (5:00 p.m.)

October 14 – Board of Education Meeting (6:30 p.m.)

October 15 – Homecoming Game

October 16 – Homecoming Dance

October 19 – Team Scholastic Parent Night

October 26 – Curriculum & Programming Night (6:30 p.m.)

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