KIMBALL MIDDLE SCHOOL TIGER TIMES - PARENT NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2020

Our vision for the students at Kimball Middle School is that they will develop academic, behavioral, and social skills that will enable them to engage and own their learning and growth with a focus on future personal success in school and life.

Greetings from Mrs. Coleman!

Good Afternoon Parents and Students.

Below are just a few bits of information to ensure we all have the same understanding.

- 1. Middle School Meet (MSM): MSM is a new opportunity that we have in middle school to connect with students and share information that will help them social emotionally and to share information to prepare students for high school. Middle School Meet up is where a small group of middle school students are grouped with a Kimball Staff Member each Wednesday, 3:00-3:30 via Zoom. Attendance is required and taken for each Middle School Meet up.
- 2. Tardies: If a student arrives to a Zoom more than 10 minutes late, a tardy will be noted in HERO. The tardy will be uploaded to Infinite Campus (Parent Portal). If a student leaves a Zoom session early, it is noted in Zoom and a conversation will be had between the student and teacher. If the practice continues then parents will be contacted.
- Absences: If a student is not present for live sessions, then they
 are marked absent by the teacher. Please contact Cathy Schmitz,
 Attendance Secretary, to notify us, in advance, of your child's
 absence (cathyschmitz@u-46.org or 847-888-5290).
 - a. We have staff members who may be contacting you via phone or text message in regards to your child's attendance. The purpose of this contact is to support you and your child with school participation during remote learning. Thank you for answering any unknown calls or text messages during school hours.
- **4.** Parent Conferences: Parent Conferences will be held virtually October 22nd, 5-8 p.m. and October 23rd, 9-11 a.m. Teachers will share, October 19th, a method for parents to sign up for parent conference times.

Mrs. Coleman Principal





Contact Us:

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MTSS CORNER

(Multi-Tiered System of Supports)

Hello ROAR Families!

This month, we are recognizing students with HERO points digitally for being **R**espectful (the R under our ROAR school expectations)! Every student that receives at least one point in the month of September will be placed in a raffle for a FREE prize. Students have from now until September 24th to receive points from their classes!

Winners will be announced on Friday, September 25th and will receive their prize in the mail.

Reminders:

- Every day, students have the opportunity to receive a total of 8 points from their classroom teachers (1 per class each day).
- Students can check their HERO points online by creating an account.
- Parents, you can also create an account to check your child's HERO activity!
 - o More information: English | Spanish
- Download the HERO K12 app to see information on your device (the app is blue for parents and students; red for staff)

Any questions? See Ms. Santosdiaz at christinesantosdiaz@u-46.org or Ms. Cecilia Werhwein (Bilingual Liaison) at ceciliawerhwein@u-46.org

Go Tigers! MTSS ROAR Team





At school and home...

WE ROAR!

Respect. Organization. Achieve Success. Responsibility.

ROAR POSTER CONTEST

Congratulations to the following students who won our digital competition! They will be receiving a Target gift card in the mail.

Xavier Deleon

Ayelen Fuentes

Martin Fuentes Jr.

Valery Martinez Izaguirre

Check out their posters on our school website! More opportunities to receive FREE prizes will be sent to students' emails throughout the year.

ROAR STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Thank you to our students who have been modeling ROAR in their classrooms! Every month, teachers will be nominating their students who have demonstrated ROAR.

Nominees will receive a certificate and prize in the mail. Stay tuned for our feature of Tiger Star Students!

HERO SCHOOL STORE... VIRTUALLY!

This year, your child can redeem their HERO points in our virtual school store! Opening at the end of Quarter One.

More information about school store items will be sent to students and families soon.

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Greetings from Mr. Cadengol

Good Evening Families of Kimball Middle School!

I just wanted to say hello and give some important information to keep you and our students safe during distant learning. Please Self-monitor and check your temperature when possible. Properly wear a face mask/covering whenever you are around others even if they are 6ft. apart in the same room. Maintain a safe social distance of at least six feet between you and others. Wash your hands frequently and thoroughly..

Please support us with encouraging our students to participate during live classes/session so their learning experience can be enhanced.. Attendance on a daily basis is very important!

Also, I wanted to share that some of our students are sharing their password to access classes with other students and they in turn disrupt the classes. Please make sure to talk to your students about this practice and tell them that it is not acceptable and not fair to the students and teacher in those classes being disrupted.

Please make sure to reach out to us if there is anything we can do to make distant learning a great learning and educating experience.

Mr. Cadengo Assistant Principal

DIFFERENT SHADES OF KMS: MEET OUR ENTIRE STAFF!

<u>Click here</u> to get to know our staff's educational background, ancestry, and hobbies (pictures included!).



SCHOOL UPDATES

Across the Building!

YEARBOOK... CHECK IT OFF YOUR LIST!

It feels good to get things done. Get ahead of the game and order a book full of awesome memories for your student. Order today for \$25.00.

Click here to order today!

LIMITED TIME OFFER

Get four free icons (valued at \$14.00) when you upgrade the cover by adding a name, crest or monogram for \$6.00. Offer ends Friday, September 25, 2020.

MIDDLE SCHOOL MEET-UP (MSM)



- MSM is on <u>WEDNESDAYS from 3:00-3:30pm</u> for all middle school students. Our teachers take attendance during this time.
- Students will attend a LIVE class every Wednesday with their MSM teacher. They can access their Zoom link and any information on their canvas pages and through teacher emails.
- Below you will find some examples of the lessons given each week during the middle school meet up time:

<u>Lesson 1 (9/2) - Introductions</u> <u>Lesson 2 (9/9) - School Challenges</u> <u>Lesson 3 (9/16) - Respect (ROAR)</u> <u>Lesson 4 (9/23) - Magnet Academy</u> <u>Lesson 5 (9/30) - Values</u>

More lessons coming soon!

U-46 MAGNET ACADEMY

The school district's high school magnet academy admission process will be opening on October 1, 2020! All 8th grade students can apply. What is Magnet Academy? Click the following presentations that will be shared during Middle School Meet-Up on Wednesday, September 23rd for more information:

<u>Presentation in English</u> | <u>Presentation in Spanish</u> <u>Link to U-46 High School Magnet Academy Website</u>

Information about the academies, including materials from the virtual open houses, can be found here. Applications are due November 6, 2020. Questions can be directed to our School Counselor, Mr. Mayers! samuelmayerswhite@u-46.org or calendly.com/mrmayers



FREE KIMBALL MEAL SERVICE IS AVAILABLE THROUGH OCTOBER 23RD!

We are continuing to offer free breakfast and lunch to all children 18 and under packaged to take home. No paperwork is required and children do not need to be present - just visit our school!

> Monday-Friday 7:00-10:30 a.m. Kimball MS

ANY PHOTOS YOU
WOULD LIKE
CONSIDERED IN
THE YEARBOOK?

Send to Mrs. Rosenberg!

Email: kristenrosenberg @u-46.org

SCHOOL UPDATES

Resources for You!

COVID-19 HEALTH AND WELLNESS REMINDER!

PREVENT THE SPREAD















Visit Our School Website for Our Latest **Announcements** and Updates!

https://www.u-46.org/Kimball

STUDENT COUNCIL OPPORTUNITY! **Attention All Kimball Students,**

It is that time of year when we start looking for students to represent our school through Student Council! We are looking for students who are academically and socially responsible and wanting to be active in a group or club. Although Student Council will look different than most years, we still want student input on decisions that are made for our school. If you are interested in joining Student Council this year, please fill out the attached Google Form (here). See Mrs. Engstrom with questions! sarahenastrom@u-46.org.

COMMUNITY RESOURCES:

Meal Distribution:

U-46 buses are distributing meals around the community! More locations were added this week! Click for the info:

Flyer in English | Flyer in Español

Elgin's 2020 Hope for the Holidays:

The holidays are just around the corner..here are some ways to make sure you and your family have the best holiday possible! Click Here

DIGITAL AFTER-SCHOOL TUTORING AVAILABLE!

ECC Talent Search is providing after-school tutoring for all students starting Monday, September 28th!

This will be available after school from 3:30-4:45 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

Click link to register!

Webinars for remote learning

support can be found on our district website.

