

# KWMS Panther Pride

September 27th, 2024

## Message from the Principal

In the coming week, you will receive an envelope with two important documents: your child's IAR report card and a reminder about the importance of daily attendance for their success in school.

### IAR Report Card:

The enclosed report reflects your child's performance on the Illinois Assessment of Readiness (IAR) from Spring 2023. The IAR is like an educational GPS, providing insight into how your student is progressing in relation to the Illinois Learning Standards. It helps identify what your student needs to master to be prepared for the next grade level and, ultimately, for success in high school, college, and future careers.

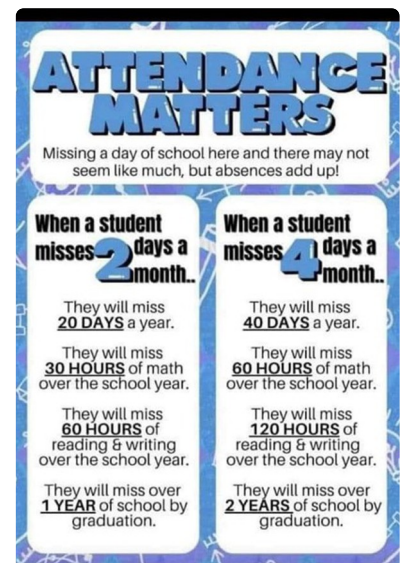
### Every Minute Matters:

Parents, you play a key role in supporting your child's education by making regular school attendance a priority. Establishing strong attendance habits starts early, and as a parent, you can ensure your child develops this essential routine. Students who attend school regularly not only benefit from classroom learning but also remain engaged and on track for graduation. Each day of missed school represents lost opportunities to learn, ask questions, and participate in class activities. This semester, our goal is to achieve a 95% attendance rate for the first quarter, and we're currently at 94.5%. Let's work together to ensure that our students are in school, on time, and ready to learn. Together, we can make a positive impact!

Lisa Olsem ~ Principal

**WE ARE KENYON WOODS AND WE DREAM BIG**

**To accomplish great things, we must not only act, but also DREAM; not only plan, but also BELIEVE!**





Best of luck to our amazing cross country teams as they gear up to compete in the district meet this weekend! You've trained hard, shown incredible dedication, and now it's time to put it all on the course. May the wind be at your back, your stride be strong, and your determination guide you to success. We're all rooting for you —go out there and make us proud Panthers!

# FALL Fest

OCTOBER 25TH 6-8:15 PM



**HAY RIDES, RAFFLES,  
GAMES AND PRIZES,  
MUSIC, FOOD &  
MORE**

**PRE-SALE TICKETS**  
\$5 for 6  
\$20 for 35  
**TICKETS ARE NEEDED  
FOR GAMES AND  
RAFFLES**

## MAGNET ACADEMY APPLICATION WINDOW IS NOW OPEN

In School District U-46, current 8th grade students are encouraged to consider applying to attend high school at one of the District's specialized academies. Each of the District's five

comprehensive high schools houses one [Magnet Academy](#) that offers unique, focused programming.

[The application window is now open](#) and closes on Monday, Oct. 25. This window is the only time students can apply for Magnet Academy admission.

To help with the decision-making process, each academy will be hosting an open house for students and their parents one evening during the month of October. In addition, there will be a general info session for families who cannot make a session at a specific school.

All open house events will be held from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. on the following dates:

- **Wednesday, Oct. 2** - General session at the U-46 Welcome Center, 1019 E. Chicago St., Elgin.
- **Tuesday, Oct. 8** - International Baccalaureate/Gifted and Talented Academy at Elgin High School, 1200 Maroon Drive, Elgin.
- **Wednesday, Oct. 9** - Visual and Performing Arts Academy at Larkin High School, 1475 Larkin Ave., Elgin,
- **Tuesday, Oct. 15** - Science, Engineering and High Technology Academy at Bartlett High School, 701 Schick Road, Bartlett.
- **Wednesday, Oct. 16** - Beacon Academy at South Elgin High School, 740 E. Main St., South Elgin.
- **Thursday, Oct. 17** - LEAD Academy at Streamwood High School, 701 W. Schaumburg Road, Streamwood.

More information on the open houses, as well as the application process, will be sent directly to 8th grade families. It can also be found at [u-46.org/magnetacademies](http://u-46.org/magnetacademies).

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***NO COOK NIGHT AT PORTILLO'S***

You're invited to a  
**Portillo's**  
FUNDRAISER



*Eat Portillo's and give back.*



*Come join us!*



*Keep 20% of the Proceeds*

Join us at Portillo's for a fundraiser to support:

**Kenyon Woods Middle School PT0**

When:

**September 30, 2024**

**5:00 PM - 8:00 PM**

at the Portillo's located at:

**1020 S. Randall Rd.**

**Elgin, IL**

20% of sales will benefit your organization. Order online or in app for pickup using code **PORTILLOS33** before checkout in the "Coupon Code" field, or show this flyer or a digital version to cashier when ordering at the restaurant. Valid on drive thru, pickup, kiosk, and in restaurant orders.

**Portillo's**  
FOR GOOD

[portillos.com/community](https://portillos.com/community)

For online/app orders to qualify for the fundraiser, orders must be placed for pickup only, from the participating restaurant, on the fundraiser date and during the listed fundraiser hours. Gift card purchases, delivery orders, and orders placed on the third party websites are excluded from the fundraiser. Online ordering subject to availability. \$200 minimum fundraising sales required for the organization to receive donation. Cannot be combined with other offer codes.

**WE'RE HIRING! APPLY AT [PORTILLOS.COM/CAREERS](https://portillos.com/careers)**

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***Your Retake Day / Make Up Day is scheduled for 10/2/24  
DURING ALL LUNCH PERIODS***

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# FREE

## Children's Orthopedic Clinic

*Does your child:*

- Complain of leg, knee, shoulder, elbow or wrist pain?
- Complain about back pain? •Curvature of the spine.

**Wednesday, October 16, 2024 - 2:00-4:00 PM**

*(By Appointment Only)*

*Scott Ferry, Physician*

*Held at:*

**OrthoIllinois**

**1550 N. Randall Road**

**Elgin, IL**



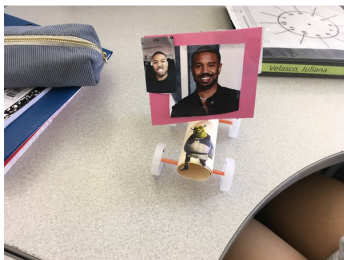
**Please Call 1-800-272-0074**

**Between 9 and 4 M-F to register for clinic.**

Sponsored by:  
Illinois Elks Children's Care Corporation &  
Elgin Elks Lodge 737

## PICTURES OF THE WEEK

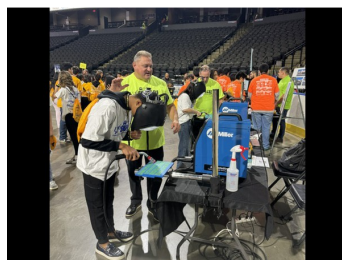
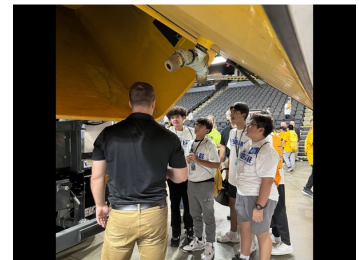
### WIND POWERED CAR CHALLENGE IN DESIGN & ENGINEERING



## COOKING IN FACS



## EXPLORE 2024



## PANTHERS EXPLORE STARVED ROCK STATE PARK





## SPORTS PICTURES ARE NOW AVAILABLE TO ORDER

Team and individual portraits from your picture day are now available to view and order online. To order photos from your picture day:

1. Go to: <https://www.vipis.com/group/f58a5727/kenyon-woods-middle-school->
2. Select "View now" on the green Sports Team & Individual tile
3. Enter your information in the search fields
4. Select the school year (July 1st to June 30th) during which your photos were taken and click "search"
5. Follow the instructions to select your package or products and choose your background for your individual photos if applicable
6. You will receive a confirmation email

If you can't find your team, it may have been photographed at a later date. You will receive another email when new images are posted, or you can check back in a few days.

If you have any questions, please contact us at [support@vipis.com](mailto:support@vipis.com) We're happy to help!

## NOTES FROM THE COACHES CLIPBOARD!

Monday September 30th is our last home girls volleyball game. **Parent Night Theme Wear Neon and Giveaway "Glo Sticks"**. Please come and cheer on the girls teams to a victory.

Wednesday Oct 2nd is Boys Soccer's last home game. **Theme "Spirit Day" Giveaway Sunglasses**. Come out and cheer on the guys to another victory.

## ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



## 7th Grade Boys Soccer - Miko Moore

### FROM THE CREATIVE MINDS OF OUR PANTHERS

Art 1 Students completed their 3-D Linear Design projects last week. They learned about Op Art and creating an illusion of space using only lines, which tied into the Elements of Art. They also were introduced to calligraphy pens to create their artwork, which presented more of a challenge. Here are two examples from **Lia Loewenstein** and **Hayden Myers**.







# EVERY MINUTE MATTERS CADA MINUTO IMPORTA

SHOWING UP TO SCHOOL EVERY DAY IS  
CRITICAL FOR CHILDREN'S WELL-BEING,  
ENGAGEMENT AND LEARNING.

ASISTIR A LA ESCUELA TODOS LOS DÍAS ES  
FUNDAMENTAL PARA EL BIENESTAR, LA  
PARTICIPACIÓN Y EL APRENDIZAJE DE LOS NIÑOS.

A whole year has 365 days.  
A school year has only 176 days.  
That leaves 189 days to spend on family time, visits,  
holidays, shopping, and other appointments.

Todo un año tiene 365 días.  
Un año escolar tiene sólo 176 días.  
Eso deja 189 días para dedicar tiempo en familia,  
visitas, vacaciones, compras y otras citas.

0 - 9 days absent / días ausente  
100% - 95% Attendance / Asistencia

## VERY GOOD MUY BIEN



Best chances of success.  
Gets your child off to a good start.

Las mejores posibilidades de éxito.  
Hace que su hijo(a) tenga un buen comienzo.

10 to 17 days absent / días ausente  
94% - 90% Attendance / Asistencia

## WORRYING PREOCUPANTE



Less chances for school success. Makes it harder  
for your child to make progress.

Menos posibilidades de éxito escolar. Hace que a  
su hijo(a) le resulte más difícil progresar.

18+ days absent / días ausente  
89% Attendance or less / Asistencia o menos

## SERIOUS CONCERN PREOCUPACION SERIA



Your child will find it very difficult to make  
progress. May result in court action and likely  
route to dropping out.

A su hijo(a) se le hará muy difícil progresar.  
Puede resultar en una acción judicial y una  
ruta probable para abandonar los estudios.

Mark with an "X" or date each time you miss school excused or unexcused.

| ON TRACK |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|----------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1        | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
|          |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |

| WARNING |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |  |
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| 10      | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |  |
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| CHRONIC DANGER |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |  |
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| 18             | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 |  |
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Marque una "X" o fecha cada vez que falte a la escuela con o sin excusa.



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## CONFIRM YOUR YEARBOOK PICTURES NOW BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE!

View and select your School Portrait for use in the Yearbook and/or Class Picture before Retake Day!\*

- \*The final deadline is two weeks after retake day; if you do not select an image VIP will choose the pose to use in the Yearbook and/or Class Picture for you.
- To view your student's school portrait look for an email sent to you by "Visual Image Photography", or go to [vipis.com](https://vipis.com) (student ID number may be required)
- Retake pictures will be taken on **10/2/24**.
- Retake photos will be added to your online image gallery approximately 7-10 days after photo day
- If you have any questions, please email [support@vipis.com](mailto:support@vipis.com)

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[LINK TO THE LUNCH MENU](#)

## IMPORTANT DATES

9/28/24 - Boys Cross Country Meet @ BHS  
9/30/24 - Boys Soccer vs Tefft - Away  
9/30/24 - Girls Volleyball vs Tefft - Home  
10/2/24 - Picture Re-take Day  
10/2/24 - Boys Soccer vs Canton - Home  
10/2/24 - Girls Volleyball vs Canton - Away  
10/7/24 - Boy's Soccer Championship Games - 6 pm @ Streamwood HS  
10/7/24 - Girl's Volleyball Championship Games - 6 pm @ Elgin HS  
10/10 - 10/11 - Parent/Teacher Conferences  
10/11 - No School - Institute Day  
10/14 - No School  
10/23 - Parent/Student Winter Sports Meeting - 5:00 pm  
10/23 - AVID Parent Night - 6 pm  
10/24 - ESPY Award Night for Fall Sports  
10/25 - FallFest

[Link to all 2024/25 KWMS Panther Newsletters](#)



### Kenyon Woods Middle School

**Website:** <https://www.u-46.org/KenyonWoods>

**Location:** 1515 Raymond Street, South Elgin, IL, USA

**Phone:** 847-289-6685

**Fax:** 847-488-1430

**Attendance line:** 847-289-6685 Ext: 6654



**Lisa Olsem**

Lisa is using Smore to create beautiful newsletters