

KWMS Panther Pride

October 25th, 2024

Message from the Principal

Often, we focus so heavily on academics that we overlook the importance of personal integrity and character. Simple acts like saying "please," "thank you," "you're welcome," and sharing kind words with one another can be just as crucial to success. Too often, we zero in on what's wrong and forget to celebrate what's right. We miss opportunities to recognize the good around us and compliment others for their efforts.



Each of us faces challenges—some big, some small, and some extreme. But who is that person in your life who helps you turn challenges into successes? Is it a teacher, friend, parent, or family member? Maybe it's a thought, belief, or memory? Or perhaps it's *you*. Start each day with a thought of gratitude.

Keeping it simple: spend a moment each day thinking of someone to thank.

- **Thank you** to our incredible staff who work tirelessly to provide students with opportunities to shine.
- **Thank you** to our dedicated parents who invest countless hours supporting our programs and volunteering to make a difference in their children's lives.
- **Thank you** to our students, who are the reason we're all here.
- **Thank you** to everyone who helps others, works hard, and makes the right choices every day.

It's important to share these simple values with our children and students. Take a moment to slow down and help them recognize the power of being a good person, how it impacts those around them, and how it supports their academic success.

Have a wonderful weekend. Every day, I am grateful to be part of the Kenyon Woods Middle School community, working alongside such amazing students, staff, and families.

Thank you Everyone!

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!
~ Anatole France



Halloween Spirit Week

Monday
10/28

PJ day!!!!



Tuesday
10/29

Football day! represent your favorite team!

Wednesday
10/30

Fall colors! Wear fall colors!



Thursday
10/31

Costumes!

No masks or hoods, weapons, face paint, and costumes must be appropriate for school (Follows dress code)

Friday
11/1

Wear kenyon colors or gear!



HALLOWEEN TIDBITS

NO SHARING OF BUSESSES – Due to the number of students we have on each bus, students are only allowed to ride on their designated bus. Please do not send your student in with a note asking to ride home with another student.

COSTUMES – Costumes are allowed at school on Halloween. There are a few requirements though.

- No Masks or hoods that hide your face
- No WEAPONS OF ANY KIND
- No face paint

- Outfits must be school appropriate and meet the dress guidelines for the school.

ESPY AWARDS COME TO KWMS!

Panthers we hosted our first ESPY awards night on Thursday night. It was great seeing all the student athletes receiving recognition from there coaches for all the great things they've achieved during the season. On behalf our administrators we like to thank all the parents for their support during the season. We look forward to another great ESPY award night for upcoming seasons.







PANTHERS IT'S OCTOBER
WHICH IS SOCKTOBER! PLEASE
JOIN US IN COLLECTING NEW
SOCKS TO DONATE TO
STUDENTS AND FAMILIES IN
NEED! IN THE COMMONS NEAR
THE STAGE IS THE DONATION
BOX. ALL OF US WORKING
TOGETHER CAN MAKE A
DIFFERENCE!



Please consider donating! If you
have any questions email
laurenschramm@u-46.org or
wendyboris@u-46.org.



DON'T MISS OUT - ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK NOW!

Do you want to preserve your child's middle school memories? Then you need to get your yearbook ordered now. Yearbook prices are at the lowest in the beginning of sales, so save when you order early.

Online order is set up for Kenyon Woods. Ordering will close March 31st.

Link: <https://www.vipis.com/group/f58a5727/kenyon-woods-middle-school->

DEADLINE FOR MAGNET ACADEMIES EXTENDED

We would like to inform you that the application window for admission to one of U-46's five [Magnet Academies](#) has been extended to 11:59 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 1. We've learned that a high number of students have encountered difficulties submitting their required materials, and we want to allow more time for U-46 staff and the vendor that manages our application platform, Lotterease, to provide assistance.

For support with the application process or if you have any questions, please reach out as soon as possible via one of the following options:

- Email U46@lotterease.com with details of the problem you're encountering. If you leave a phone number, a customer service representative will call you back.
- Call Lotterease at 847-857-6752 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. on weekdays.
- Call Milena Nedeljkovic in U-46's Postsecondary Success Department at 847-888-5000 ext. 5308. Please leave a detailed message and your phone number.
- Contact magnetacademies@u-46.org. This option is particularly good for families who need assistance in a language other than English.

If your 8th grader has already submitted their application, they can revise it until the extended deadline.

We look forward to supporting our families who are interested in applying to the Magnet Academies.

INTERESTED IN WRESTLING?

South Elgin High School Wrestling wants you! Middle schoolers like you are getting ahead of the competition with ISI Wrestling Academy in Elgin - boys and girls of all levels are welcome! Check out the links below to get started.

[ISI Discount For U-46 Students](#)

[ISI 24/25 Season Coaches](#)

[2024/25 IKWF Season Registration ISI Wrestling](#)



FROM THE COACHES CLIPBOARD

Basketball Shooting and Ball Handling Clinic

Seventh and Eighth grade students (girls & boys) have an opportunity to participate in the reinstated Kenyon Woods "Who's Got Next" 3 on 3 Basketball League. The program gives the students an opportunity to participate in a sport, regardless of their athletic ability. This program is not part of the District's Interscholastic sports program. For more information see Mr. Cook

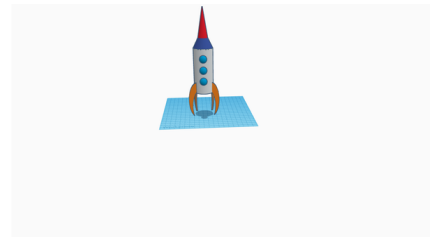
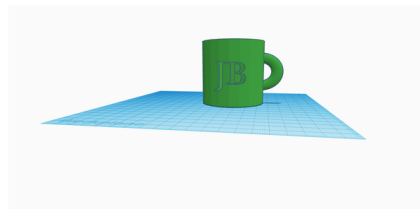
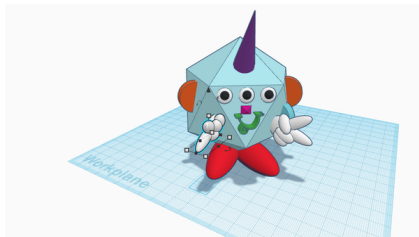
Our first boys basketball home game is Wednesday October 30th. Please come and cheer them to victory . **Theme Kenyon Wood gear and the giveaway will be "Skinny Popcorn".**

PICTURES OF THE WEEK

Speech classes are working on Oral Interpretation presentations this month.



Students in Introduction to Computers have been working hard on their 3D Modeling designs. In the projects below, students inserted shapes, changed dimensions, and aligned shapes to complete the design.



Cooking Camp



Going to Sectionals



FROM THE CREATIVE MINDS OF OUR PANTHERS

Art 1 students finished learning about the Principles of Design and how they are the important *recipe* in art. Students learned about all seven and then chose one to illustrate in a creative way. Here are four creative designs representing *Pattern*, *Movement*, *Emphasis*, and *Balance* created by the imaginations of **Thea Divi**, **Laney Albers**, **Skylar Ruge**, and **Evan Canelo**.



P.E.P TALK - VAPING

School District U-46 will be part of a presentation next month designed to provide parents and guardians with tools to help their teenagers avoid vaping and substance abuse. P.E.P. Talk Parent University, with P.E.P. standing for Prepare, Educate, Event, is being offered at 6 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 18, at the Gail Borden Public Library, 270 N. Grove Ave., Elgin, in the Elgin Room on the second floor. Other organizations collaborating on the event are Coalition for a Safe and Healthy Elgin and

Ecker Center for Behavioral Health. The P.E.P. Talk is free to the public and will include Spanish interpretation. Children ages 4 and under may attend with their parents. Children ages 11 and older can visit the library while their parents attend the presentation, as the material covered is sensitive in nature. For questions, contact U-46 Prevention Education Specialist [Savannah Pierce Walker](#).

Parents! Join us for a...

P.E.P. TALK

PARENT UNIVERSITY

Prepare | Educate | Prevent

Navigating the Vaping Epidemic and Drug Prevention with Your Teen

Savannah Pierce Walker
Prevention Education Specialist, School District U-46

Nicole Wheatley
Project Coordinator, Coalition for a Safe and Healthy Elgin

18 Nov, 2024
6:00-7:00 PM

Gail Borden Public Library
Elgin Room (Upstairs)

Attendees will be entered for giveaways!

This event is free to the public and will include English and Spanish translations. Children ages 4 and under may attend with their parents. Students ages 11+ are welcome to visit the library unattended but are advised to avoid attending with parents due to the sensitive nature of the material.

Presented By:

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.

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.

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.

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

10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17

CHRONIC DANGER

18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25

Marque una "X" o fecha cada vez que falte a la escuela con o sin excusa.

[LINK TO THE LUNCH MENU](#)

10/25 - FallFest - 6 - 8:15 pm
10/28 - Boys Basketball vs Ellis - Away
10/30 - Boys Basketball vs Kimball - Home
11/4 - Boys Basketball vs Larson - Home
11/5 - No School - Election Day
11/6 - Boys Basketball vs Abbott - Away
11/11 - Boys Basketball vs Eastview - Home
11/13 - Boys Basketball vs Tefft - Away
11/13 - AVID Parent night for incoming 7th graders - 6 pm
11/14 - 6th Grade Curriculum Night - 6 pm
11/18 - Boys Basketball vs Canton - Home
11/20 - Boys Basketball ve Eastview - Away
11/27 - 12/1 - Fall Break

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Attendance line: 847-289-6685 Ext: 6654



Lisa is using Smore to create beautiful newsletters