

KWMS Panther Pride

May 9th, 2025

Message from the Principal

As we enter the final **two weeks** of the academic year, I want to take a moment to reflect on the journey we've shared and to encourage all of us—students, staff, and families—to finish strong.

This year has been filled with **hard work, growth, and meaningful achievements**, and I am incredibly proud of the dedication and resilience shown by our students and school community. Thank you for your continued support every step of the way.



Let's continue to **lift one another up** and maintain a positive, focused atmosphere as we move through these final days. The way we end the year matters—it sets the stage for continued success and lasting pride. Let's make every moment count.

Important Dates & Reminders:

- The **last day of school for students is Friday, May 23, 2025**, and it will be a **full day of attendance**.
- **Daily attendance and punctuality are essential**, especially as we wrap up the year.

Each school day is a vital opportunity for students to engage in learning, collaborate with peers, and build foundational skills like **critical thinking, creativity, communication, and collaboration**. Missing school means missing out on these experiences that prepare students for long-term success.

For 8th Grade Parents:

We will begin distributing **Recognition Ceremony tickets** to all 8th grade students starting **Wednesday, May 14th** during all lunch periods.

If you prefer to pick up your tickets personally, you are welcome to do so beginning **Tuesday, May 13th** by visiting the main office.

Thank you for helping us finish the year with focus, pride, and a strong sense of community. We appreciate your partnership!

Thank you Everyone!
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!
~ Anatole France**

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR MAY STUDENT'S OF THE MONTH!

Harmony Cynowa
Caden Berry
Christopher Markus
Blake Lloyd
Isabella Gelisan
Bella Patitucci
Aleena Syed-Ahmed
Jayden Mckee
Nico Gapastione
Uyuky Gomez
Mason Deleonardis

EVERY MINUTE MATTER PRESENTS MAY ATTENDANCE MADNESS

Every Minute Matters, the District's attendance campaign, is excited to present May Attendance Madness—a bracket-style challenge running May 5–23, designed to celebrate student commitment. Each week, schools in each network will compete head-to-head, with the most improved attendance (compared to the same week in May 2024) advancing to the next round. The final week of school will determine the 2025 Attendance Champion for each network.

To prepare, check the Every Minute Matters [Attendance Data Trends](#) webpage to see your school's attendance rate for the previous week. Let's work together to finish the year strong—because Every Minute Matters!

AT THE END OF THIS WEEK, KWMS IS STILL IN 3RD PLACE!



REMINDER ABOUT DRESS GUIDELINES

With the warm weather we tend to see quite a few new fashion styles. While they may be in style for going out, they are not always appropriate for school. Please check what your student is wearing before they leave for school. If you question it, it is probably not right for school. Students can choose clothing that makes them feel comfortable and safe, as long as it complies with the following guidelines:

1. Does not depict any violence, hatred, drugs, alcohol, gang affiliation, profanity, phobic language, sexual content or cruelty of any kind
 2. Covers all appropriate areas at all times. Appropriate areas include: stomach, chest and sides (both male and female) and butt/pelvic/upper thigh areas.
 3. Items such as tank tops, sleeveless shirts, any type of shorts, coats, jackets, etc. are all allowed provided they adhere to #2 of this Section. (Low backs are not a problem)
 4. Jewelry is allowed, unless it becomes a safety concern.
 5. Hats, hoods, and other types of head coverings are not allowed unless required for religious or medical purposes.
 6. Footwear must be worn for health reasons (cannot go shoeless). **Due to safety concerns, Flip Flops and Slides are not to be worn in school.**
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FROM THE COACHES CLIPBOARD!

Parents, we would like to say thank you for all the support you have given your student-athlete throughout this school year. We also appreciate your support towards Kenyon Woods athletes. To those students athletes moving on to high school next year we wish the best of luck in school and athletics.



KENYON WOODS

PTO MEETING



MONDAY, MAY 12TH

6:30PM VIA ZOOM

**HOPE YOU CAN JOIN US FOR THE
LAST MEETING OF THE YEAR**



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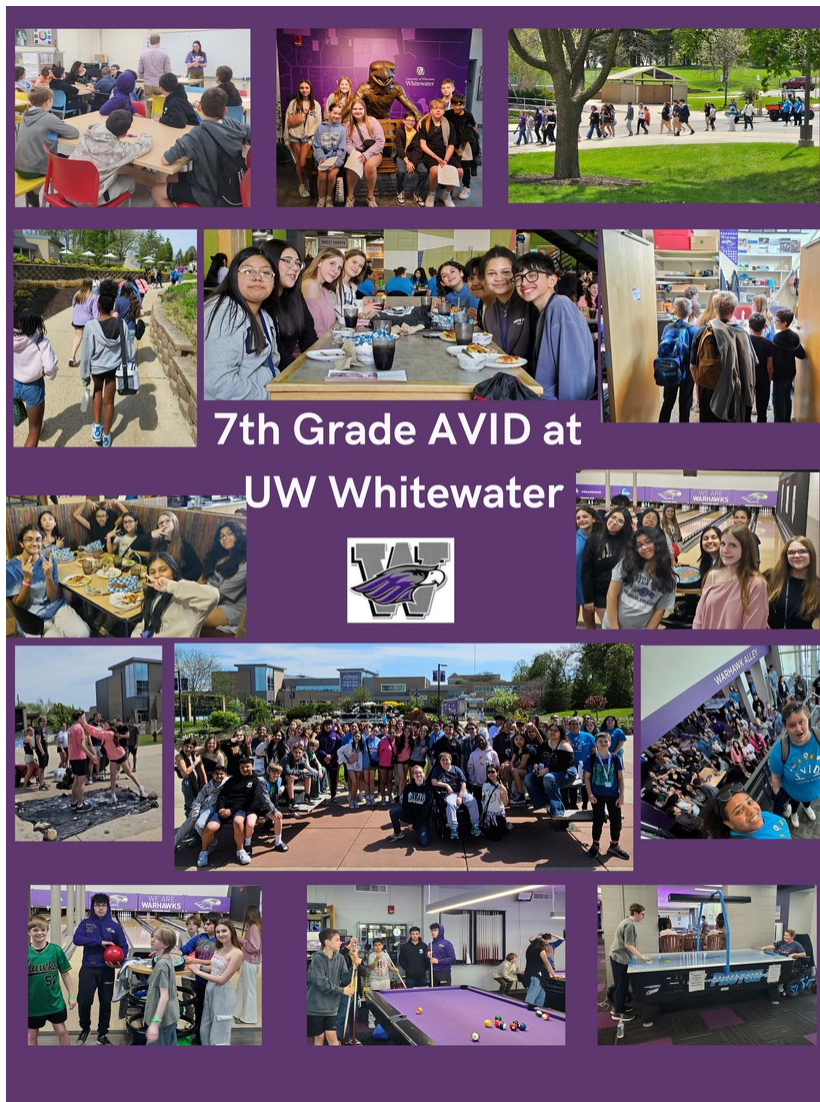
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AVID STUDENTS GO TO COLLEGE

On Wednesday, May 7th, the 7th grade AVID class visited the University of Wisconsin at Whitewater campus. After a rocky start with late buses, we had a great day! Students enjoyed rotations in the science lab, computer and 3-d lab, art museum and Warhawk Alley. After the morning rotation we had an all-you-can-eat lunch in one of the campus cafeterias. The afternoon held a campus walking tour in which we were able to see the athletic center, a dorm room model and the student union. We ended our tour back at Warhawk Alley with some bowling, billiards, ping pong, air hockey and video games.



7th Grade AVID at UW Whitewater



DID YOU MISS ORDERING A YEARBOOK!

We have 56 extra yearbooks available for purchase! If you missed out on getting one, now is your chance. Please bring \$45 cash to the office in an envelope with your first and last name, along with your 1st hour room number. Act fast before they're gone!

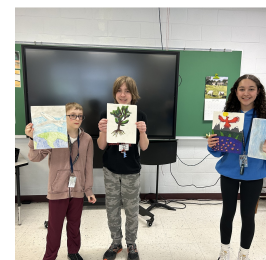
FROM THE CREATIVE MINDS OF OUR PANTHERS

Art 2 students recently completed their 3-D Form unit by creating Clay Figures. They were tasked with creating actual 3-D form and texture using Sculpey clay, something they have done on paper but not in reality. The clay figures were fired in the kiln and then they painted them to enhance the details and textures they created. Here are two nice examples from **Laney Albers** and **Vanessa Flores**:

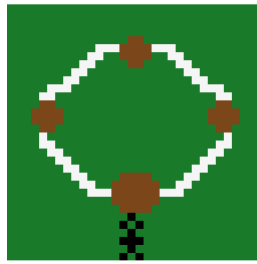
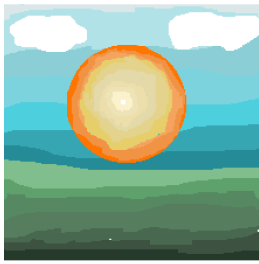


PICTURES OF THE WEEK

Students in Mrs. Elliott's Gifted Social Studies and Mrs. McCann's Gifted/Honors Language Arts classes created and presented a Migration Culture Project which answered the essential question "How and why does culture change in the lives of migrants?" Students used examples comparing and contrasting several different texts read over the course of the school year connecting the skills and content they learned in both classes. Students were able to choose how to present their information in different forms such as puppet shows, art galleries, skits, talk shows, etc.



Students in Introduction to Computers are completing their Animation Summatives. The task: create your own unique animation combining the skills learned during the unit. Students have turned in some amazing animations!



End of the year celebration for at the Kane County Cougars Game



SEHS SUMMER ATHLETIC CAMPS ARE AVAILABLE!

SEHS Summer Athletic Camp Registration is Now Open!

To register for a camp, start by clicking on the registration tab on <https://schools.snap.app/sehs>. If your student was registered for a sport before, or if he/she registered for a summer camp, you need to use the same log-in email and password as before. If this is your first time registering on 8to18, you will need to use an email and create a password. Once you click on "Begin Registration", go to Camps and click "Summer Camps".



SOUTH ELGIN FOOTBALL SUMMER CAMPS

**JUNE &
JULY**



REGISTRATION LINK

<https://manage.snap.app/register/sehs/dashboard/catalog>

STRENGTH CAMP (FRESHMEN-SENIORS)
JUNE 2ND - 20TH (M, T, TH, F)

- 🏈 **PRE-SEASON CAMP (FRESHMEN-SENIORS)**
- 🏈 **PRE-SEASON CAMP 8TH GRADE (CLASS OF 2030)**

June 23, 24, 26, 27, 30

July 1, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 17, 18, 21, 22, 23, 24, 28, 29, 31*

Times/Details on Team SportsYou Calendar App

@ South Elgin High School

Head Football Coach Pat Pistorio

Email- Sehsfootballcoach@gmail.com



U-46 Middle School Experience

- Meet teachers and students from your middle school
- Have fun
- Get to know the building



Open to rising 7th grade students at all U-46 middle schools.



[Click here or scan above to REGISTER!](#)

Dates:

July 29-30 8 am to 12 noon

at Abbott, Canton, Ellis, Eastview, Kenyon Woods, and Tefft Middle Schools

August 4-5 8 am to 12 noon


at Larsen and Hawk Hollow Middle Schools

August 7 1 pm - 5 pm

at Kimball Middle School

South Elgin High School Football Presents

MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL



YOUTH CAMP
1ST-8TH GRADE



JUNE 2ND ,9TH, 16TH, & 23RD | 6:30-8:30 P.M.

South Elgin High School Football Stadium
Register Here
<https://manage.snap.app/register/sehs/dashboard/catalog>

SCHOOL SAFETY MEASURES

As part of our commitment to ensuring a safe learning environment, Kenyon Woods will be conducting random, non-invasive searches throughout the school year in accordance with board policy and law. These searches are a proactive step towards maintaining safety and fostering an environment where learning can thrive without disruptions. They will be carried out by trained school personnel, in a manner that respects the privacy of all students. We assure you that these measures are standard safety procedures and not in response to any specific incident or concern. If a student refuses to participate in the random search, the school administration will follow the necessary steps in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct. Should you have any questions, please contact the school's main office.

LINK TO LUNCH MENU

IMPORTANT DATES

5/22/25 - 8th Grade Recognition - 6 pm @ SEHS

Together
Relationships
Family
Fun
DreamBig
ROAR
Expectations
Accepting
Integrity
Framework
End
Exciting
Road
Collaborating
HakunaMatata
Success
Passion
Support
Community
World

Attendance line: 847-289-6685 Ext: 6654



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