

# KWMS Panther Pride

August 23, 2024

## Message from the Principal

With the first two weeks of school behind us, we're off to a fantastic start! As I visit classrooms, it's exciting to see the engaging activities our students and teachers are involved in. The energy throughout the building is truly contagious. I want to thank our dedicated teachers for their hard work in teaching our students, our amazing students for coming to school ready to learn and ROAR, and our supportive parents for your ongoing involvement. Together, we are making Kenyon Woods a wonderful place to be.



To our parents, we warmly welcome you to our building and encourage you to get involved. Joining the PTO is a great opportunity to contribute. We were fortunate to have quite a few dedicated parents attend our first PTO meeting this week, but we are always looking for more help. Our next meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 9th. Please feel free to jump on our Zoom and get involved. **Lastly, don't miss our Back 2 School Curriculum Night next Thursday, August 29th.** It's a great chance to meet your student's teachers and see the amazing things happening in their classrooms.

We look forward to seeing many of you next week. Have a wonderful weekend and stay cool!

Thank You

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**

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## PICTURES OF THE WEEK



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## PANTHER ATHLETICS

Our athletics tryouts and informational meetings are taking place this week for the fall sports program. We are very excited about your daughter/son being part of the program this year. This year we will be holding a parent/student athlete meeting. Please do your best to attend this meeting. The date and time are listed below. If you have any questions or concerns please let me know.

Jim Cook, Assistant Athletics Director

[jimcook@u-46.org](mailto:jimcook@u-46.org)

**Student Athlete and Parents Meeting Fall Sports**

· Wednesday August 28th 5:00pm Gym

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# NOW HIRING: AVID TUTORs

*Join us in working  
with middle and high  
school students*



## PART TIME WORK DURING SCHOOL HOURS

\$15.10/ hr | Paid Training

Apply Online at [U-46/careers](https://u-46.org/careers)

### WHAT YOU'LL DO:

- facilitate student-led tutorial groups
- coach and encourage students in problem-solving



QUESTIONS? EMAIL DISTRICT DIRECTOR [ELIZABETHMCKINNEY@U-46.ORG](mailto:ELIZABETHMCKINNEY@U-46.ORG)



## BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

If you are interested in joining Boy's Cross Country this year please pick up an informational packet in the commons during lunch periods this week or next week!

We will be practicing Tuesday-Wednesday-Thursday after school starting Tuesday, September 3rd. Practice runs from 3:30-4:45pm, please ensure that your ride is here on time or you can take the Activity Bus that leaves promptly at 5pm. Please return permission

slip, concussion form and fee to Coach Zimmerman (E197) or Coach Guzman or bring to first practice on 9/3.

**SOUTH ELGIN HIGH SCHOOL**

# StormFest

**MEET OUR ACTIVITIES, CLUBS & SPORTS  
SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 15**

**12 PM - 5 PM | SOUTH ELGIN - PANTON MILL PARK**

**FUN FOR ALL AGES, CONCESSIONS & ADULT  
BEVERAGES FROM BLUE RAPTOR TAP HOUSE**



**MORE INFO:**

**[SECRETARY@SEHSBOOSTERS.COM](mailto:SECRETARY@SEHSBOOSTERS.COM)**



*Do you like hanging  
out in a library?*

*Snacks*

*Do you want  
to talk about  
the books you  
are reading?*

# BOOK CLUB

**When:** Thursday's after  
school from 3:30pm to  
5pm starting September  
5th (you can join anytime  
all year long)

**Location:** Library



*Do you want to  
know what books  
your peers like to  
read?*

*Choose your  
own books  
to read!*

*Raffles*

*Do you  
want a  
quiet  
place to  
read?*

*Games*

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**CORRECTION!!! - PICTURE DAY IS FRIDAY - AUGUST 28TH**

# VIEW & ORDER PHOTOS FROM PICTURE DAY!

You'll receive an email when your images are ready to view online. Or, you can search for your gallery at [vipis.com](http://vipis.com) shortly after photos are taken.

If you need further assistance, contact us at [support@vipis.com](mailto:support@vipis.com)



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## A MESSAGE FROM THE CAFETERIA

We are very excited here in the cafeteria for the start of a new school year! All breakfast and lunches are free again this year! Please encourage your students to take advantage of this wonderful program. You can access the monthly menus from the menu link in the Principal's weekly newsletter.



We also sell Ala Carte items for a cost. This would include items such as chips, cookies, bottled water, extra milk, fruit, vegetable servings. Eventually, it is our goal to reopen the snack bar which would include a larger selection, such as ice cream, flavored drinks and more! To add money to your student's account, please visit [MYSCHOOLBUCKS.COM](http://MYSCHOOLBUCKS.COM)

If you have any questions, or need help, feel free to contact Jane Russo, Cafeteria Manager ext 2227.

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# WANT TO BEE A LEADER?

**Join  
Student Council!**



**Pick up an  
application  
from the stage  
in the commons!**

**Applications  
due 8/29**

**First meeting  
9/11**

## MY STOP SCHOOL BUS TRACKING APP

Versatrans My Stop™ helps parents and guardians of U-46 students who ride the bus track the location of their child's bus. The app is updated automatically with GPS information about the current location of the bus, which will especially be helpful when there are weather or traffic delays. However, the information on My Stop does not guarantee or supersede scheduled times, as computers and GPS signals may have glitches or delays. Please have your child ready and waiting at their bus stop prior to the scheduled time listed in Infinite Campus. Bus substitutions may not always be reflected.

The app is free and is available from your favorite app store for both Android and Apple devices. Search for 'Versatrans MyStop' in your app store - there are several with similar names, so make sure you download the right one.

### Download Instructions

Here are step-by-step instructions on how to download the app to your smartphone, sign in, and navigate the app:

[Downloading and Using My Stop App \(English\)](#)

[Downloading and Using My Stop App Video \(English\)](#)



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## EVERY MINUTE MATTERS

Daily attendance is a huge key to a successful school year! It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to call the attendance office within 24 hours of any absence and verify the reason for the absence.

Please call 847-289-6685 x6654 to report an absence.

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[LINK TO THE LUNCH MENU](#)

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## KWMS SPIRITWEAR

Don't miss out on the **Kenyon Woods** spirit wear back-to-school sale! We've dropped all-new designs across hundreds of garment styles. Plus, you'll get home delivery in days!

We are offering a **limited-time savings of 30% sitewide!** All orders over \$75 will receive free shipping and orders under \$75 ship for just \$5! [Shop Now!](#)



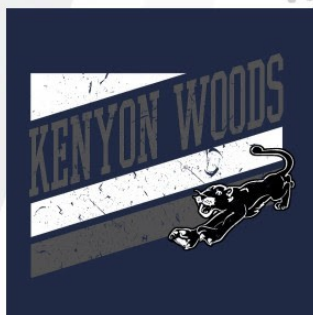
# KENYON WOODS

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## BACK-TO-SCHOOL SALE

### FEATURING NEW DESIGNS!



**AUGUST 13TH - SEPTEMBER 17TH**  
**ORDER AT: 1STPLACE.SALE/33326**

**30% OFF**  
**SITEWIDE!**  
FREE SHIPPING & HANDLING  
ON ORDERS OVER \$75

## IMPORTANT DATES

- 8/29/24- Back to School Night - 5:45 pm - 7:30 pm
- 8/28/24 - Picture Day
- 8/28/24 - Fall Sports Parent and Athlete Mtg - 5:00 pm
- 9/2/24 - No School - Labor Day
- 9/3/24 - Boys Soccer vs Ellis - Home
- 9/3/24 - Girls Volleyball vs Ellis - Away
- 9/4/24 - Boys Soccer vs Kimball - Away
- 9/4/24 - Girls Volleyball vs Kimball - Home
- 9/9/24 - Boys Soccer vs Larsen - Away
- 9/9/24 - Girls Volleyball vs Larsen - Home
- 9/11/24 - Boys Soccer vs Abbott - Home
- 9/11/24 - Girls Volleyball vs Abbott - Away
- 9/14/24 - Boys Soccer vs Eastview - Away
- 9/14/24 - Girls Volleyball vs Eastview - Home
- 9/18/24 - Boys Soccer vs Tefft - Home
- 9/18/24 - Girls Volleyball vs Tefft - Away
- 9/23/24 - Boys Soccer vs Canton - Away
- 9/23/24 - Girls Volleyball vs Canton - Home
- 9/25/24 - EXPLORE Parent Night - NOW Arena 6 -7:30 pm



9/26/24 - EXPLORE 2023 - Fieldtrip for all 8th Graders  
9/27/24 - 7th Grade Dance - 6 - 8 pm  
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

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



### Kenyon Woods Middle School

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**Lisa Olsem**

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