

# **Kelloggsville Middle School**

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and will not count against a perfect attendance award.

#### **News From the Principal**

Every student at Kelloggsville Middle School has a 25 minute class entitled PRIDE. PRIDE is an acronym for Prepared, Respectful, Involved, Dependable, and Empathetic. In this class, teachers and students work together to discuss things like homework, school culture, climate, how to be successful in school and in life, and how to be kind, empathetic, and compassionate. This is a time for teachers to get to know a small group of students on a more personal level, which offers the opportunity to build a family-like environment. The curriculum we use to support the "Whole Child" are Second Step (Social-Emotional Learning), be nice (Emotional wellness), Xello (college and career awareness), and Math Accelerator (Math based diagnostic system to support mathematical growth).

## **News From the Assistant Principal**

In order to increase academic focus and decrease distractions, all cell phones and airpods need to be secured in a student's locker from 7:40 a.m. to 2:40 p.m. In the event a student needs to contact a parent, they may use the student phone in the main office. In addition, there is no educational purpose for other electronics to be in school. Please leave these at home. KMS will not be responsible for lost or stolen items.

In order for your child to receive perfect attendance for the year, we will require a doctor's slip to excuse them from any missed time at school. This includes partial days and missed class periods. A "V" will then show up in your child's attendance meaning this absence has been verified

#### **News From the Attendance Coordinator**

We are sure that like us, you as parents realize the importance of attendance and punctuality. At KMS, we have been working hard to try to raise attendance levels. There is much evidence to show that good attendance plays a vital role in helping your child to achieve their potential. Teachers teach every day but missing school is missing out. School teaches more than subject matter, it also teaches life skills. The most common reason for losing employment is not a lack of job skills; it is for poor attendance and punctuality.

A Parent/Guardian excusing an absence does not eliminate the absence, per the State of Michigan. If your student has an appointment please bring in a Doctors note. Please help us and your child by ensuring their attendance remains above 95%, allowing them to achieve their potential. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us 616-532-1575.

## **PTC Fundraiser**

Please consider buying a box of donuts to support our PTC until October 31<sup>st</sup>. https://www.groupraise.com/offercampaigns/48134-ptc-krispy-kreme-digital-dozens

#### **Counselor News**

KMS will once again be participating in the national Spelling Bee program. Students will sign up to participate. If you have questions about the bee, please contact Laura Kuperus in the counseling office.



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# **Important Dates in October**

- Homecoming Football game 7pm October 18
- End of 1st marking period October 18
- November 21 7th Grade Vision screening
- November 27-29 No school/Thanksgiving break
- MS Choir concert @6pm in HS December 12 Auditorium