

Hello Kingswood Families!

What a great week it's been to be a Knight!

By now I'm sure you've heard the news! As the data continues to trend downward the first day of in-person learning for all students is right around the corner and we couldn't be more excited! All of our K-4 students will be welcomed back to campus for in-person learning starting on Monday September 14th and our 5th-8th graders will be back on campus on Monday September 21st. Look for information this week to come out about our updated safety measures and our parent pick-up and drop-off procedures. Our teachers will also be taking some time this week to work on their lesson plans and classrooms as we ready ourselves for the first days with students in the building. Please be sure to check in with your teacher(s) for this week's schedule and expectations for learning. If you have any questions or concerns this week please contact us directly and know we're here to help. If we don't know the answer right away we'll find it and work with you.

A few friendly reminders for you include:

- **NEW** Curbside Lunch Service - Monday through Friday from 11:30 - 12:30pm.
 - The USDA has approved the extension of our Summer Meal Service through December 31 or until the Federal funding for this program is depleted. Beginning immediately, ***all children 18 and younger can receive free breakfast and lunch at any Dysart school.*** Breakfast and lunch meal service is available Monday-Friday through drive-thru curbside pickup, or in the school cafeterias for those attending Learning Labs or in-person classes.
 - To view curbside meal service times, please visit [Dysart.org/meals](https://dysart.org/meals). Menus and nutritional information can be found at [Dysart.Nutrislice.com](https://dysart.nutrislice.com). Please note menus are subject to change based on demand and availability.
 - Parents may pick up the meals. Children do not need to be present, and they do not need to be enrolled in a Dysart school to participate.
 - A la carte items and snacks will be available for purchase in the cafeteria when in-person students return. [SchoolCafe.com](https://schoolcafe.com) can be used to monitor purchases and make deposits to meal accounts for these items.
- **NEW** Chromebooks - The intent will remain for all of our students to have a Chromebook checked out to them. Students will be expected to transport their device to and from school on a daily basis. Please start thinking about a system to charge devices overnight so they're fully charged when school starts each morning.
- Please visit www.dysart.org/BacktoSchool for the most up-to-date information on safety practices and answers to many of your questions. We know how unique our students are and we know there will be unique situations that occur for our families, please reach out to us so we can work to problem solve together.

- If you have any specific questions, comments or concerns please feel free to contact us directly. Reach us by phone at 623-876-7600 or email at kingswood@dysart.org and we'll work to find you your answer.
- If you need to come to the office to complete enrollment or for any other business, please be aware we are practicing social distancing and are asking you to wear a mask.
 - AZ Department of Health Services is offering five washable, reusable cloth face masks for anyone in a vulnerable population, students, parents on behalf of students, school staff members, or those who may not be able to purchase a mask. One order can be placed per household [here](#).

We have so many great things happening every day here at Kingswood, the most current information is always on our website. We will continue to communicate through multiple methods, please be sure to always stay in contact with Kingswood through our [website](#), emails, [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#) or these autodialer messages. #KingswoodStrong

Week of September 7th Events

Monday: September 7th

- No School - Labor Day

Tuesday: September 8th

- Special 1pm Dismissal Schedule
 - Kingswood will follow our typical Monday Early Release Schedule for learning. This will allow for teachers and staff to participate in training starting at 1pm.
 - **NOTE:** Learning Lab will still be available during regular hours.
- Special Area Classes
 - Special Area Teachers will be available on our Monday Help Desk Zoom meeting (also found in Schoology) for any students who need help figuring out missing work. Here is the help link: [Monday Specials Help](#)
- Meal Service @ 11:30 - 12:30pm - Front Curb

Wednesday: September 9th

- Meal Service @ 11:30 - 12:30pm - Front Curb
- DUSD Governing Board Meeting @ 6pm - District Office Main Board Room

Thursday: September 10th

- In-Person Learning Schedule
 - Teachers will take attendance starting at 8:15am and discuss student learning expectations for the day.
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Saturday: September 12th

- Hearing & Vision Screenings @ 8 - 12pm - Dysart High School & Shadow Ridge High School
 - Free hearing and vision screenings are available for students new to Dysart this year, or for those with an IEP. Screenings will take place on Saturday, September 12 from 8 am to 12pm screenings will be offered at Dysart High School and Shadow Ridge High School.

Preview of Upcoming Events - Mark your calendars!

- 9/14 - In-Person Learning begins for K-4th grade students
- 9/21 - In-Person Learning begins for 5-8th grade students.
- 9/23 - KGWES PTSA Sonic Dine Out Night @ 5-8pm - Sonic at 15471 W. Bell Road, Surprise, AZ, 85374
 - Eat and give back to KINGSWOOD PTSA.
 - 40% of the sales benefit Kingswood PTSA
 - Must show flyer to carhop to be eligible for fundraiser.

- 9/23 - DUSD Governing Board Meeting @ 6pm - District Office Main Board Room
- 9/29 - KGWES Monthly Site Council Meeting @ 3:30pm - Virtual
- 9/29 - KGWES PTSA Meeting @ 5:30pm - Virtual
- Week of 10/5 - PTSA Book Fair
- Week of 10/5 - Parent-Teacher Conferences
- 10/7- Fall Picture Day
- 10/8 - Half Day of School(Parent-Teacher Conferences) @ 11:15am
- 10/9 - Half Day of School(Parent-Teacher Conferences) @ 11:15am
- Week of 10/12 - No School - Fall Break

IT support for Parents, Students and Staff

- IT Support Hotline 623-876-7170
- IT support email ITSupport@dysart.org

Internet in your Home Options

Below are some opportunities to get access to the Internet in your home. Please take advantage of these opportunities if you need them.

- Cox Communications:
 - Cox Hotspot Network is open to the public. Please see this [link](#) for Hotspots in your area.
 - Cox is offering one free month to [Connect2Compete](#) (C2C) eligible students. C2C does not have a contract nor installation charge.
- CommCast:
 - [Commcast offering free internet](#) to those who qualify during Covid19 pandemic
- CenturyLink:
 - [CenturyLink](#) - Will waive late fees and will not terminate a residential or small business customer service for the next 60 days due to financial circumstances associated with COVID-19.

Donations Needed for the Health Office - We will accept these once the schools reopen.

Our Health Office is in need of donations, we are specifically looking for new or gently used clothes for students for all kinds of reasons. Specifically, we're in need of new underwear and socks and new or gently used bottoms for students in grades PreK through 3rd grade. Accidents happen all the time and we want to be sure we're prepared to get students changed and ready to return to class to be learners.

Do you shop on Amazon?

If you do, follow the link below and help the Kingswood PTSA earn money while you shop. It is the same great amazon that you are used to, just with the added bonus of generating funds for Kingswood PTSA. Let the shopping begin!

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/86-0966408>

Parent Portal

If you have not already signed up for Parent Portal, please do so as soon as possible. You will have easy access to your child's grades and other important information and will be able to pay any fees due for elemiddle sports, field trips, etc.

Please click on the link below to enter the Parent Portal:

[Dysart Parent Portal](#)

If you do not have an account already set up, please click on 'create account'.

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and Instagram
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Have a Great Week!