

KELLY LANE MIDDLE SCHOOL'S KNIGHTLY NEWS

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Open House Week Updates

As we approach Open House (September 10th), it looks as if changes are tapering off as we settle into the rhythm of the school year. The three day Labor Day weekend seemed to be perfectly timed after a successful, but fast-paced, first two weeks of school. Our counselors, Sherri Vigil and Cristina Garza, have been working with me on a daily basis to balance the class sizes and again as we've gained additional faculty members.

Joining the KLMS staff are teachers Kyle Huff, Jolea Goclan, and Kateisha Esau. Each come from PISD elementary schools and brings unique perspectives and strengths to Kelly Lane. We're glad to have each of these new staff members serving our Knights. If you are a parent that had a child change schedules in the first couple of weeks, I'd like to express my appreciation for your patience. While we know that the uncertainty of a schedule change slightly raises anxiety, we also know that a lower class size can benefit some of our learners.

As you may know, some kids live in neighborhoods without transportation services this year. A few parents have asked me if there is any way we could help with carpooling. If you live on a street that lost bus service and would be willing to help carpool, email me your neighborhood and I'd be glad to connect you to other willing parents.

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Upcoming News and Announcements for Kelly Lane Families

Volleyball: September 9th vs. Park Crest. 8th Grade Home, 7th Away. 5:30 Start.

Open House: September 10th from 6:30 - 8 PM. See Page 2 for details.

BOOK FAIR!!: Visit Kelly Lane's FIRST Book Fair from 9/10-9/15. Open during each school day, as well as during Open House and the PTO Meeting.

Picture Day: Dress nice for September 11th.

Devin Padavil, Campus Principal
Sarah Coleman, Administrative Associate

Curtis Seiferman, 8th Grade Principal
Rose Marques, 7th Grade Principal
Ben O'Connor, 6th Grade Principal

Sherri Vigil, 7th Grade Counselor, 8th Grade A-L
Cristina Garza, 6th Grade Counselor, 8th Grade M-Z

about Open House. We hope you can join us and meet the men and women that do a stellar job ensuring learning for our students on a daily basis. Additionally, you'll see some basic information about PTO on Open House Night, with our first PTO meeting scheduled for next Monday, the 14th, at 7:00.

We have an incredible PTO, led by Ms. Cathie Tuggle, which provides resources and input to support the quality learning and service at KLMS. We have parents like Debbie Belt and Sharon Schonauer that help provide breakfast to staff members a few times a year, as well as parents that help in the front office or classrooms whenever they are able. Regardless of how you can help, we gladly invite your involvement at Kelly Lane.

We're looking forward to a quality 4-day week!

Best regards,

Devin Padavil

First PTO Meeting: All are welcome on September 14th at 7:00 in the Kelly Lane Library. Hope to see you there!

Interested in Science Olympiad? September 15th @ 7:00 in the KLMS Library.

Staff Development: September 21st. No School.

Catapult Bell Schedule: Begins September 22nd. We'll use a "normal" schedule until then.

Kelly Lane Open House “Q & A”

Last year, we held a truly “open” Open House, with parents able to go to classrooms without a set schedule. When we asked for feedback after that day, the majority indicated they preferred a schedule that allowed them to see their child’s day in sequence. To help you know what to expect this year, here’s some information in Q & A format.

When does Open House start? How long does it last?

Open House starts at 6:30 and is schedule to end at 8:15. Classes are allotted 9 minutes each, with 15 minutes given to “extended time” classes. You’ll have a 4 minute passing period, just like our students.

Should I bring anything? Can I bring my kids?

Some bring paper to take notes, but many of our teachers provide handouts. Although kids are always welcome, Open House is usually a night for parents and seating in classrooms is limited.

What do I do when I get there?

Please report to your child’s 1st period teacher. Each teacher will tell you how long their session lasts and

when the next one begins.

How will I know which classrooms to go to?

On Tuesday, your child will be filling out two notecards with their own individual schedule and room numbers written out. One notecard is coming home to you on Tuesday night. In case they “forget,” we’ll keep one on hand near the front office for you.

Will I get a chance to speak to each teacher about my child’s learning needs?

Open House is a good night to learn about each teacher’s classroom, but it’s challenging to find the time for a personal conversation. Teachers will have sign in sheets to request a conference and you may email your request to them as well.

What else happens at Open House?

We will sell KLMS t-shirts and we’ll also have our 1st Book Fair open. Cash/checks accepted for both. Our campus registrar will be posted in 6th Grade Hallway Computer Lab to help you sign up for the online grade book if you haven’t already.



Kelly Lane’s teachers are committed to serving our students best! Stay connected and let us know if we can do anything to provide excellence in learning for our students or your child.

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