

# KELLY LANE MIDDLE SCHOOL'S KNIGHTLY NEWS

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## The End of The 1<sup>st</sup> Six Weeks

Already, we are at the conclusion of the six weeks, with the last day being this Friday. It has certainly been a six weeks the presented some unexpected changes and extra effort on the part of the KLMS staff. I'm happy to report that our campus is operating very well. Our student culture seems positive and our teachers are focusing on engaging kids in learning every single day.

If your child was absent from school due to illness and never made the assignment up, please know that they will likely receive an "incomplete" for missing grades in TxGradebook. Our teachers will submit an "M" for missing, but this will calculate as a grade of "zero," seriously changing the overall grade of your child. Students will have 10 calendar days from the end of the six weeks to turn in any work to remedy the incomplete. By the time you receive report cards (next Thursday) this countdown is down to 6 days. Please know that our teachers are communicating missing work with each student and that you may contact our teachers through phone or email to follow up on missing work.

Being slightly shorthanded due to illness, the Knight Football teams fought valiantly against the Pumas of Park Crest last week. Although the 7<sup>th</sup> grade teams were "rained out," our 8<sup>th</sup> grade B team rallied for a 14-12 victory and our A team ended in a scoreless tie in an intense game on the HHS turn. Cross Country also

## Upcoming News and Announcements for Kelly Lane Families

**Tuesday Football:** DMS @ 5:30 (7<sup>th</sup> Home/8<sup>th</sup> Away)

**Wednesday Cross Country Meet:** 5:30 @ KLMS

**Thursday Volleyball:** PMS @ 5:00 (8<sup>th</sup> Home, 7<sup>th</sup> Away)

**Free/Reduced Lunch:** Last year's free/reduced lunch application expires 10.08. Please pick up a form from the KLMS office if you think you apply for reduced rates.

**9.22.09 Free Immunizations:** For newborns through 18 years of age. No appointment necessary. From 5-7PM @

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Sarah Coleman, Administrative Associate

Curtis Seiferman, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Principal  
Rose Marques, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Principal  
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Sherri Vigil, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Counselor, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade A-L  
Cristina Garza, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Counselor, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade M-Z

took 2<sup>nd</sup> for the boys and 1<sup>st</sup> for the girls at their meet last week. Congrats to both sports! Volleyball takes the court again this week after a "bye week."

The end of the day tutorials, clubs, and incentives program that we call "Catapult" will begin tomorrow. A powerpoint explaining this program, along with the modified bell schedule is posted on the KLMS website. We expect a few modifications in the assigned rooms for the first few weeks, but fully expect Catapult to be as successful as it was last year. Our level of success will be due to the commitment of our students combined with the organization of our staff.

It truly appears as if the wave of flu/illness is beginning to subside. As always, please let us know if there is anything we can do to serve our students.

Best regards,

Devin Padavil

Dessau Middle School. Please bring your child's immunization record.

**College Day:** October 6<sup>th</sup> for all of PISD. Staff / students encouraged to wear college gear. Another "college day" for KLMS will be in the spring.

**Field Trip!** Coach and KLMS Art Teacher Josh Sooter will be sponsoring a trip to Rome/Paris this summer. Informational meetings are @ 5:30 on Wed/Thurs.

**National Walk to School Day:** October 7th

## Kelly Lane's Goals/ Mission Conversation

Our students enjoy coming to Kelly Lane, as evidenced through their feedback and performance. A big part of that attitude is the fact that our adults choose to serve our middle school students and serve them well. It shows through our overall work in classrooms and interactions with students in the halls.

We take pride in the fact that we are a "Recognized" middle school. It is a testament to the dedication of the adults in the building to reach this challenging accountability goal. With the "percentage passing each test" going up this year (75% to 80%), our efforts will need to be just as focused and strategic.

However, the state accountability system is not the sole variable that drives our work with students. Each day, KLMS staff strive to do our absolute best for kids and cultivate a culture where adults and students are treated well. To further define this work, our teachers engaged in a process to tweak/define a mission statement for the campus. Here are the working mission statements for each

respective grade level:

**6<sup>th</sup> Grade Working Mission:** To increase student independence and accountability within the middle school structure.

**7<sup>th</sup> Grade Working Mission:** To create a safe enjoyable environment where students want to learn and reach their full potential both academically and socially.

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Working Mission:** We are striving to arm students with skills and relevant knowledge to be successful in high school and beyond, while connecting with them on a personal level.

Each mission statement is different, yet tailored to the needs of our students. They are unique in the fact that they also speak to the specialized work of our teaching staff in each grade level. We look forward to continuing this conversation and sharing with you the work that defines the attitude of excellence at Kelly Lane.



*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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