

KELLY LANE MIDDLE SCHOOL'S KNIGHTLY NEWS

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KLMS: A RECOGNIZED Middle School

Knights, in just over three weeks it will be time to begin the new school year at 18900 Falcon Pointe Boulevard. We have new additions to our staff, as we will have every classroom buzzing with learning for the first time in the young history of our building. Needing only to hire about 8 staff members over the summer, we're certainly proud of the quality that will be joining us for the 2009-2010 school year.

Another reason to be proud is the newly released Texas Accountability Ratings, which indicate that Kelly Lane is officially a **Recognized campus**. This is a well-deserved honor for our dedicated teaching staff, whose determined attitude certainly transferred to the students. The work of the students and staff truly defined "excellence" and we look to continue that tradition into 2010.

Here are some FYIs as you prep for the upcoming year:

- The **KLMS school supply** list is posted on the front page of our website.
- After studying the **traffic** issue, it's my duty to report our traffic flow will remain the same. Parent pick-up/drop-off will be in the back of the school. School bus pick-up/drop-off will be in the front. Reversing this flow would create far more congestion than imagined.
- School begins on Tuesday, the 25th. Students will only need a notebook and writing utensil for the **first two days** of school, as we won't issue lockers until 1st period on Thursday the

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

27th.

- **Agendas/Planners** will be distributed to students, free of charge, on the afternoon of Wednesday the 26th.
- Although we have schedule pickup dates before school, all 7th/8th graders will report to an "alpha-advisory" class, clearly listed upon entrance, on the **first day of school**. All 6th graders will go to the large gym to be welcomed to school by their teachers, and then escorted to their first class.
- Our **website** is your best source of information on all things Kelly Lane.

We're looking forward to seeing you in a few weeks. Please let me know if there's anything we can do for you.

Best regards,

Devin Padavil

Upcoming News and Announcements for Kelly Lane Families

7th and 8th Grade Football Players: Equipment handout will take place on August 18th from 4 - 6 PM. You must bring your completed physical with you.

New 7th and 8th Graders to Kelly Lane: We have an orientation specially designed for you from 10 - Noon at Kelly Lane on August 13th. Please RSVP to devin.padavil@pflugervilleisd.net if you can make it.

6th Grade Camp: Friday, August 14th at 8:15.

6th Grade Parent Night: A general information night takes place on August 20th from 6:45-7:45 PM. Here, you learn info from your administrators, counselors, and a few staff.

Open House: September 10th from 6 - 8 PM.

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

Welcome 6th Graders & new 7th/8th Grade KNIGHTS!!

6th Grade

It is validating of our work to see how our 8th graders carry themselves as they enter high school. Having students for 8 hours a day for 180+ days allows us to partner with parents, contributing to the character and well-being of each student. This experience begins again each year with the new 6th grade class.

6th Grade Principal Ben O'Connor, Counselor Cristina Garza, and the KLMS teachers have been organizing camp for our new Knights. If you haven't made plans or responded for our August 14th camp yet, please do so. This is a great opportunity to meet new students, meet teachers, and just feel "comfortable" with the building before school starts.

With summer activities dwindling and still a lot of time to go before school starts, sometimes a kid's own imagination is their worst enemy. A lot of anxieties seem to come from the "unknown." Please feel free to visit KLMS during normal business hours if your student is feeling nervous. Just check in at the office and we'll be glad to chat with you (as long as we're not busy planning for an excellent school year) and/or let you walk around the building.

7th/8th Grade

We're looking forward to welcoming our new 7th/8th grade students to Kelly Lane as well. However, we understand that moving to a new school can feel like moving to a new country. Here are some FYIs to help you feel "on top of things."

- Please RSVP for the new **7th/8th grader orientation** on the 13th if you haven't already.
- On the KLMS website, you can find a school **calendar** that lists all the dates for EVERYTHING that takes place in the school year.
- Also on the KLMS site, we have a list of all the **staff**. During the year, teachers post their homework/activities there for a reminder for you and your parents. In case you "forgot" to write it down.
- There are many **clubs/activities** to help you be involved at Kelly Lane. Let us know if there is something you are interested in that we don't have.
- **Email** me (Mr. Padavil) if you need answers to help you be/feel more successful.



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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