

KYIV INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

# KOZAK KORNER

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# KIS ADMINISTRATION INFO



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## **UPDATES FROM KIS ADMINISTRATION**

### **Spring Break Calendar Change**

April 30th & May 1st we will not have school, please enjoy the long weekend.

### **Extension on Quarantine**

The Ukrainian government has extended the quarantine until May 11th.

### **2020-21 Invoices and Fees**

As we approach the 2020-21 school year, the KIS Business Office will be sending out invoices to those families who have completed the re-application process, via your family profile on Moodle. You will receive an email notification once the invoice/agreement has been added to your family profile.

### **Re-application for 2020-21 School Year**

If you have not completed the re-application process, we ask that you take a moment to do this. It is very important for KIS to know how many students we will have in each section and places available for new applications

### **Week Without Walls Excursions Canceled**

KIS has decided to cancel all of our Week Without Walls excursions for Middle School and Secondary students. Though this is not a big surprise for everyone, considering the current safety concerns and limitations in travel. KIS is seeking refunds for already purchased flights, hotels, and other expenses. We will be refunding these trips in full. KIS hopes to finalize and process these refunds, as soon as possible.

### **KFN Lunch Service Refunds**

KFN is an independent entity from KIS and processes its own fees and payments. Please see the statement below from KFN regarding refunds for lunch services. We would like to thank KFN for the continued dedication and support of our community.

# INFORMATION FROM KFN



**KYIV INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL**

**KFN CAFETERIA**

Dear Parents,

We sincerely hope you and your families are healthy and safe during these uncertain and difficult times.

We, like many others, have suffered a negative financial impact as a result of the current coronavirus crisis.

The campus closure was, of course, an unforeseeable circumstance that has required us to work on a solution regarding pre-paid year program.

If you wish to receive a refund, we have landed on the following solution for clients who have paid for full yearly lunch programs.

All payments will be credited for the school year 2020-21 based on the following. We will calculate the amount and deduct the months that we were operational for and during which we provided services to you.

The remaining amount will be credited to you (name of your children) or to the debit card which can then be used for any future purchases, at our snack bar or for any lunch program, when we are back up and running again.

Families that are not attending next year will get the money back via transfer from our bank account. Please, contact us to explain the procedure.

We need the following information from you to do this as efficiently as possible:

A copy of your payment and the name of the student.

The program you paid for.

As soon as we know for certain whether the lockdown will end before the end of the school year or not, we will determine the correct amount to credit to your children account.

Please We need you to send this information before the end of school year or end of quarantine which ever comes first .

Please do not hesitate to contact Oxana or me, if you have any questions.

Thank you for your ongoing support and take care!

Best regards,  
Claudia and KFN team



## COMMUNITY NOTICE



# ZOOM ROOM COFFEE CHATS

KIS will be hosting two different chats each week using Zoom. We invite you to join this week's coffee chats to talk about how things are going, ask questions, and hear from others.

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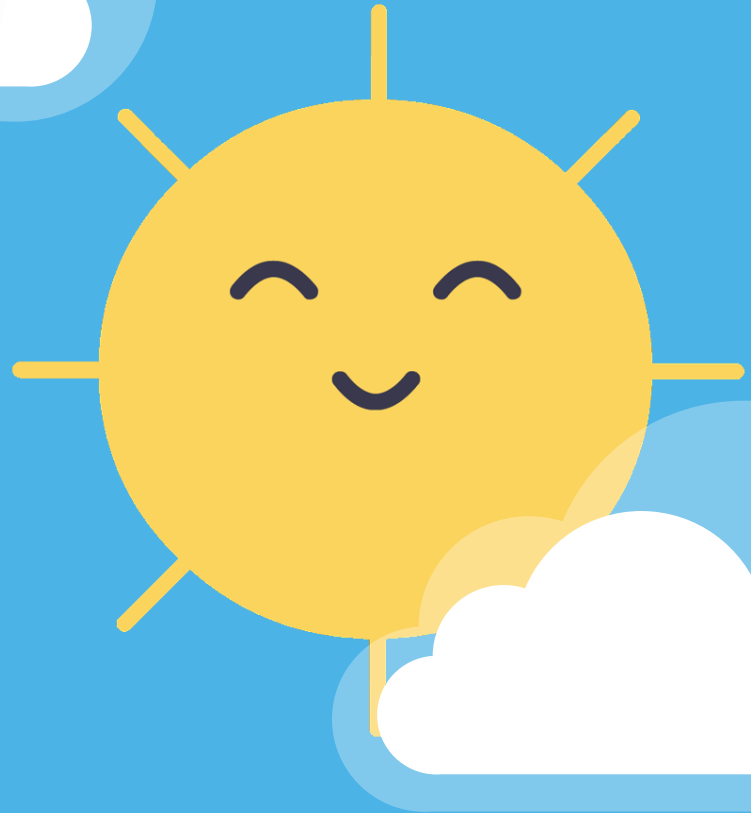
**THIS WEEK IN THE ZOOM ROOM!**



**TOPIC - ELEMENTARY PROGRAM  
CHERI CARPENTER & LINDSEY RECH  
TUESDAY, MAY 5: 9:00-10:00**

**TOPIC - MIDDLE SCHOOL PROGRAM  
JEFF TEMPEL & CHELSEY ZOROMSKI  
THURSDAY, MAY 7: 9:00-10:00**





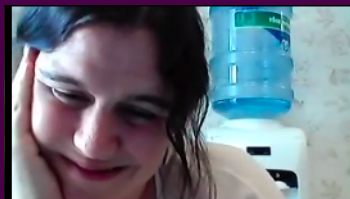
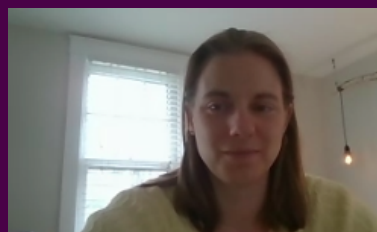
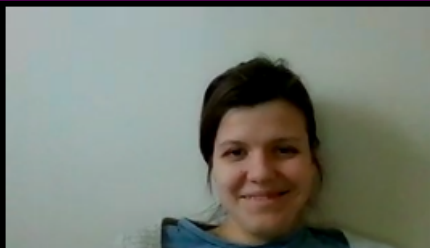
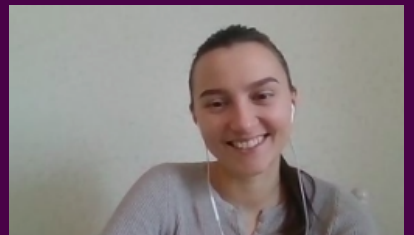
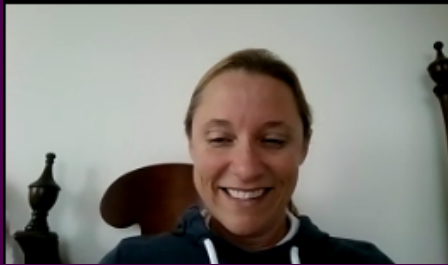
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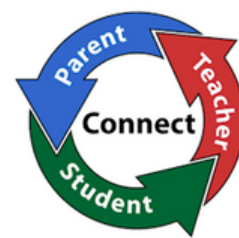
[qsi.org/kyiv/online-activities](https://qsi.org/kyiv/online-activities)



# THE 11 YEAR OLD MS TEACHERS MISS YOU!



# SECONDARY SCHOOL PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES



Parent-Teacher Conferences (PTCs) provide parents, teachers, and students an opportunity to talk about a student's academic progress, attitude towards learning, and social development.

This three-way partnership is essential in creating the conditions required for student success. Usually, our May conferences are student led, Since we are doing distance learning, we will not ask students to lead, but they are expected to participate.

Here are some quick notes about how conferences will be conducted under these special circumstances:

- Conferences will be **May 12, 13, 14, and 15 from 13:00 – 16:00.**
- We will use teachers' Zoom meeting rooms. Those meeting IDs and passwords will be shared with parents once the schedule is finalized.
- Conferences are scheduled to last 30 minutes. If further time for discussion is needed, then an additional appointment should be made for another day.
- Conference sign-ups will be done electronically through Moodle with the parent login  
Registration will open Monday, May 4, and close Friday, May 8. Here are instructions:
  - Click on "Family profile" link,
  - Click on "PTC signups" button in vertical menu,
  - Click on "Registration" button,
  - Click on teacher picture, choose time slot and click on "Book" button next to it,
  - Select student and provide optional comment in the registration form and click on "Save",
  - Repeat steps for rest of the teachers you would like to meet.
- Translators are available, so please, let us know if you require translating services for conferences.

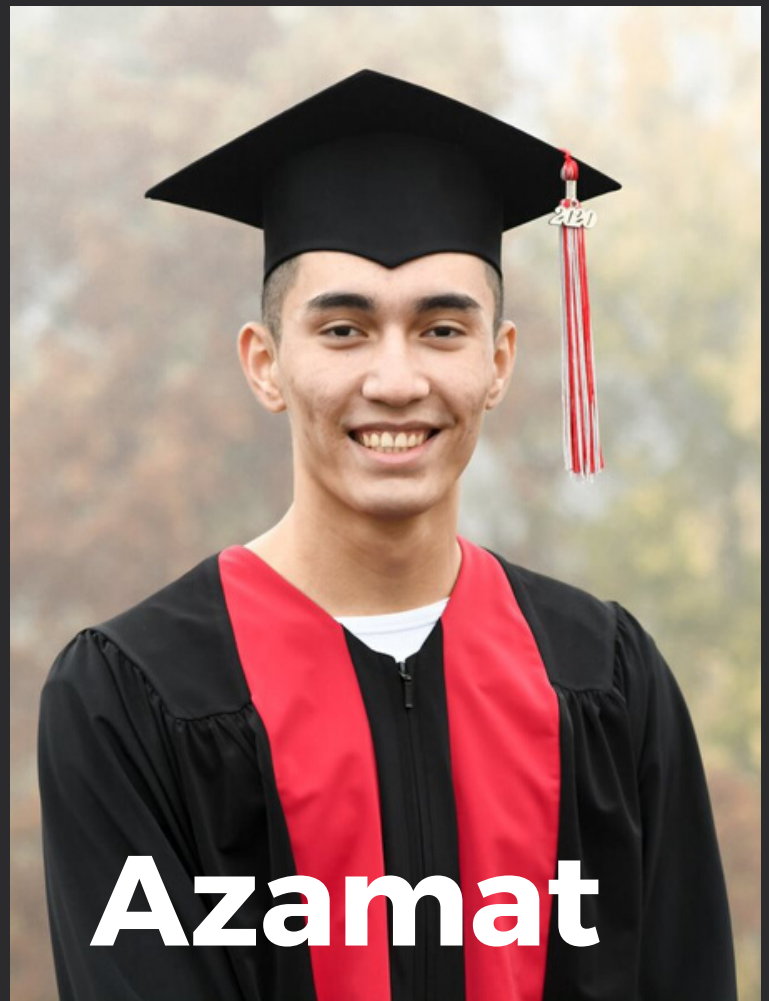


## SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

While at KIS Azamat was a member of Track and Field, CrossFit and the Powerlifting group.

Azamat plans to take a gap year to learn German and prepare for 2021 academic year.

A brief message to the KIS community “I would like to thank all of my teachers including my coaches such as Ms. Hanna and Mr. Stubbs for giving me the opportunity to learn and develop in subjects and sports I was weak at.”



Cathrine was a member of Soccer and Basketball,

Drama, and ESI.

Cathrine will study Psychology in the Netherlands.

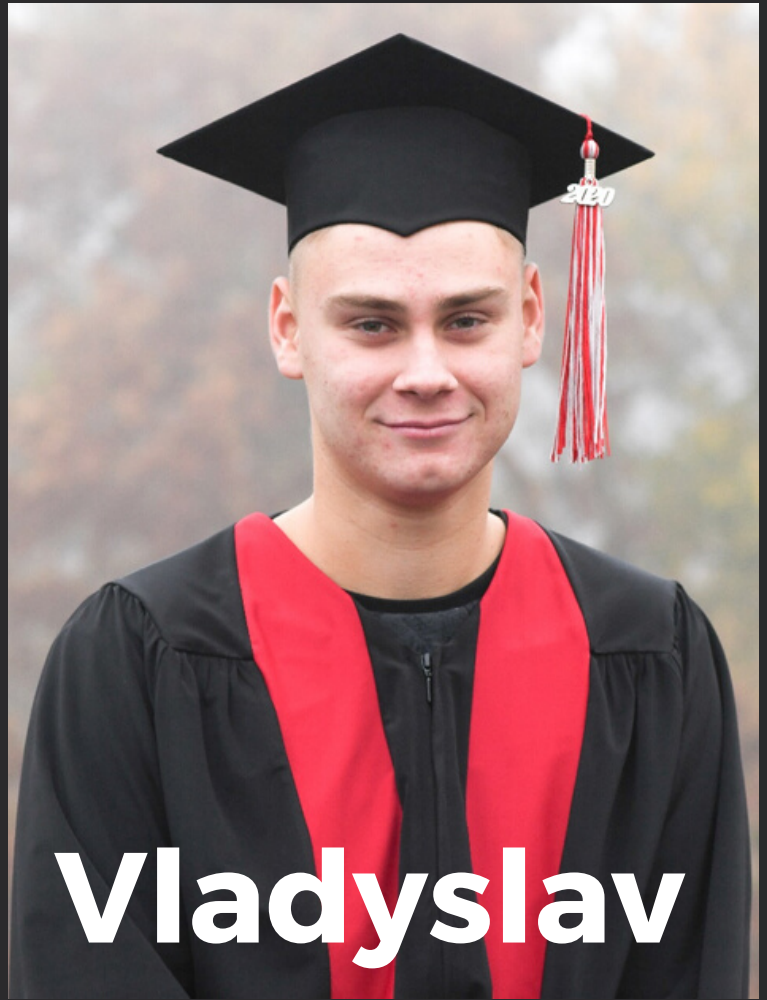
A brief message to the KIS community “I want to thank my family and friends for the support throughout these years. It has been an incredible journey, filled with adventures, accomplishments and growth.”



## SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Throughout high school, Vladyslav was a part of the Basketball and Volleyball teams.

Vladyslav is accepted to the University of Arizona, York University in Toronto, and IE University in Madrid. Next year he will attend IE University and major in Architecture.



# Vladyslav



# Sasha

Sasha was a member of Soccer, CrossFit, Speech and Debate, Model United Nations, ESI, NHS, NAHS, StuCo Journalism, TedX, and the Kyiv Youth Forum.

Sasha plans to study Economics in London, England.

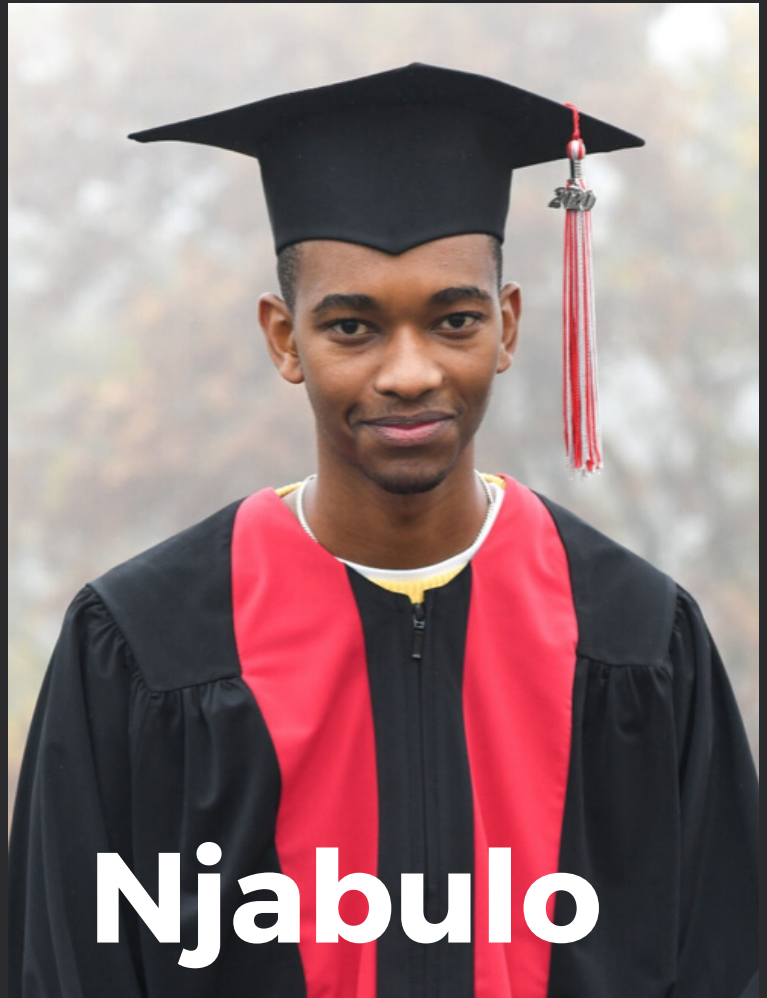
A brief message to the KIS community "I would like to thank everyone who made these years at KIS a warm memory of childhood and a driven preparation for the future."

## SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Njabulo was a member of Chess Club and the Soccer team.

Njabulo is going to take a gap year and then study Business Management in the University of Pretoria.

A brief message to the KIS community “I would like to thank the KIS for supporting me and allowing me to have a good year.”



# Njabulo



# Daniel

Daniel was a member of Soccer team, SecStuCo, Speech and Debate, and Band (honorable mention for Battle of the Bands 2018 and second place 2020).

Daniel plans to attend Charles University in Prague for a year in the Faculty of Social Sciences, however he plans to transfer to an American college as soon as possible, most likely in Los Angeles.

A brief message to the KIS community “LWNVXPWBQKGE4 (Try decoding that :)”

Watch KIS social media and your INBOX for important information about how to purchase this year's yearbook..There is a very LIMITED SUPPLY...

**...IT'S COMING SOON!**

**THE YEARBOOK TEAM PRESENTS**

# **2020**

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# **VISION**

**AVAILABLE STARTING  
APRIL 24TH  
60\$ UNTIL MAY 4TH**





Hi all,

If you're reading this, it means you're part of our awesome KIS Community!!!

On **Monday, May 25**, the Year II IB Film students will celebrate the completion of a LOT of work by presenting the first ever **KIS Online Film Festival**.

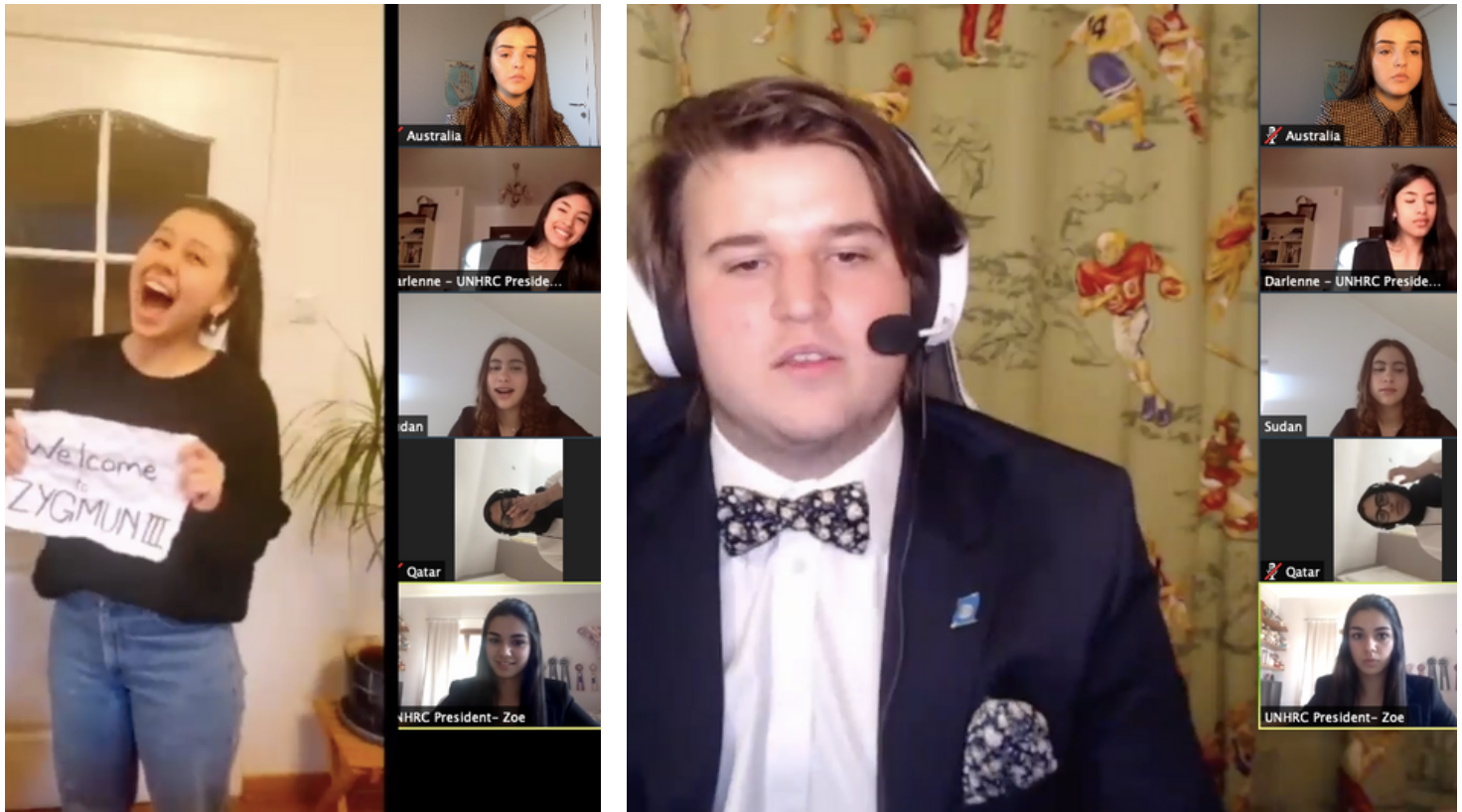
In order to do that, we plan to live stream a video and a Q&A session via the **Kyiv International School Official YouTube Channel**.

In order for the channel to produce a live stream, it **needs to have a minimum number of subscribers**.

Would you please click the link below, and subscribe to our channel?

(You can hit the bell to turn on 'new video' notifications, if you want to!)

**SUBSCRIBE**

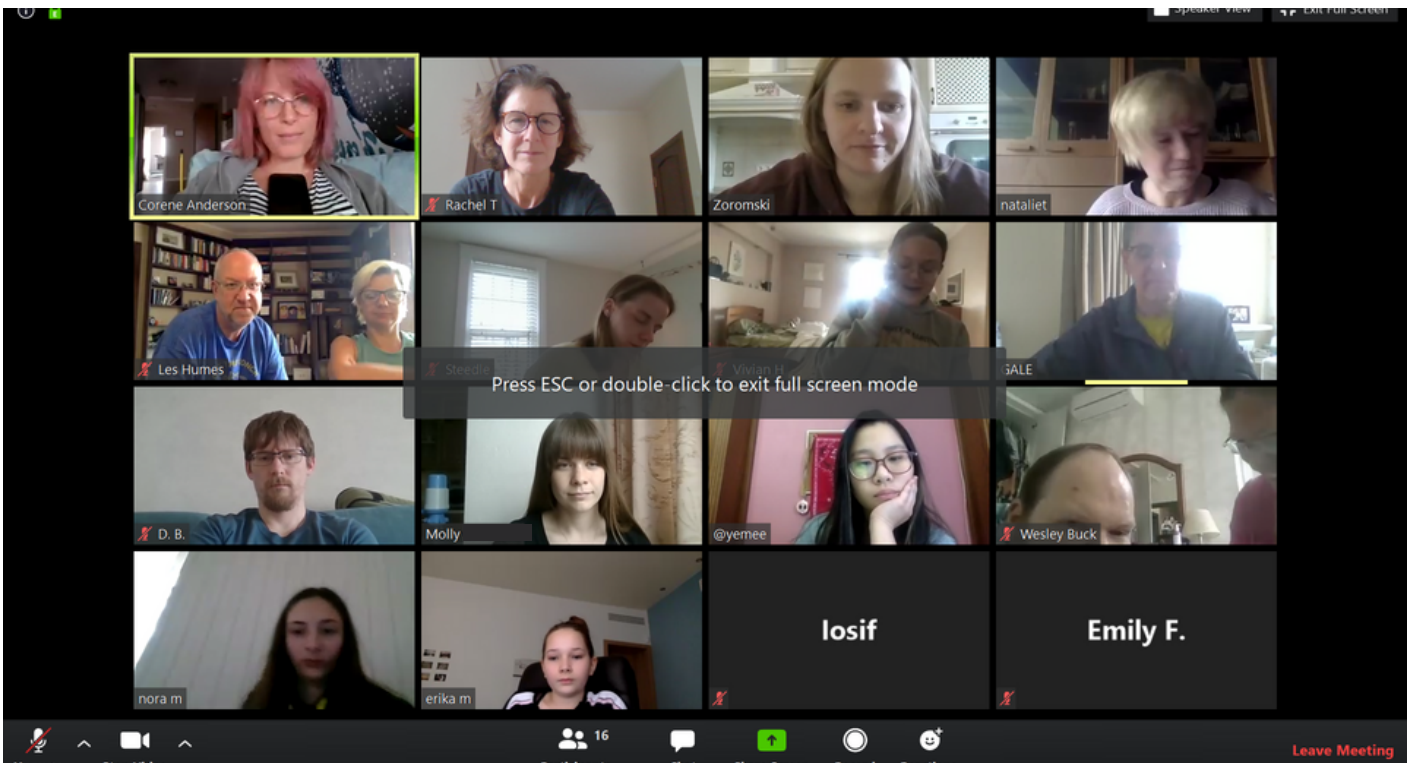


# ZYGMUN2020

## A VIRTUAL MUN CONFERENCE AT AMERICAN SCHOOL WARSAW

Four KIS students participated in the Virtual MUN Conference at American School Warsaw on April 23-24, 2020. This year's theme was "Good Health and Well-Being: Ensuring healthy lives and promoting well-being for all at all ages (Sustainable Development Goal 3)". According to participant Zuzana Wnuk, a Secondary III IB candidate, there were more than 250 delegates participating from their homes around the globe. She enjoyed the intellectual challenge and the possibility to participate in something unique. Secondary IV IB Candidate, Malek Banat, had these words to say about the event: *An impressive improvisation and adaptation to these troubling circumstances. This may very well be the future, even today the G20 countries are all utilizing the virtual format. Although it was far from the actual experience, it was nice to do something MUN-related during the quarantine. The organization behind it was phenomenal - thank you ASW!*

# ATHLETICS AND ACTIVITIES



## MS KNOWLEDGE BOWL

The Middle School Knowledge Bowl Team, led by Ms. Anderson and Mr. and Mrs. Buck continued to meet twice a week to hone their skills and broaden their esoteric knowledge. The season's finale was a fierce competition between teachers and student in a 60 question Kahoot, covering a variety of subjects.

**Congratulations** to the winners: 12-year old Amy Phung and secondary teacher, Mr. Byers!



# SOCIAL MEDIA DISTANCING

## REDUCTION - **KIS TikTok Challenge**



The second week of the SecStuCo Social Media Distancing Reduction campaign started on Monday with the **KIS TikTok contest!** You have until this Wednesday at midnight to make a TikTok video showcasing the positive sides of quarantine. Points for creativity and humor. See the poster below for more details.

Are you ready to lead & work with others?  
Are you willing to listen to your voters and your team?  
Get ready!

# **MS STUCO ELECTION**

## **FOR 2020-21 SCHOOL YEAR**



### **Mandatory!**

**May 4: email Miss Spellman that you are interested (emails AFTER May 4 will not be accepted)**

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**May 5: Meeting in Zoom (by invitation only)**

**May 6: Candidacy paperwork due**

**May 8 : Election video due**

**May 10: Posters due**

**May 12-15: Campaign Week**

**May. 18: Elections from 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM**

**May 19: Election results publicized**

# Living Room's Got Talent

**MAY 3rd  
DEADLINE**

**Up to  
5 min  
video**

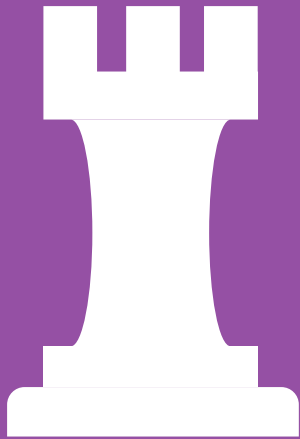
MAY 3rd DEADLINE!! Show off your talents! Middle School and Secondary students will have the opportunity to highlight their talents and win PRIZES in our KIS Living Room's Got Talent competition. Participants will have until May 3rd to upload their video (maximum 5 minutes) to the FlipGrid page they received when they registered! A panel of judges will choose the winners, who will be announced on May 12th

Contact: [rachel-geary@kyiv.qsi.org](mailto:rachel-geary@kyiv.qsi.org)

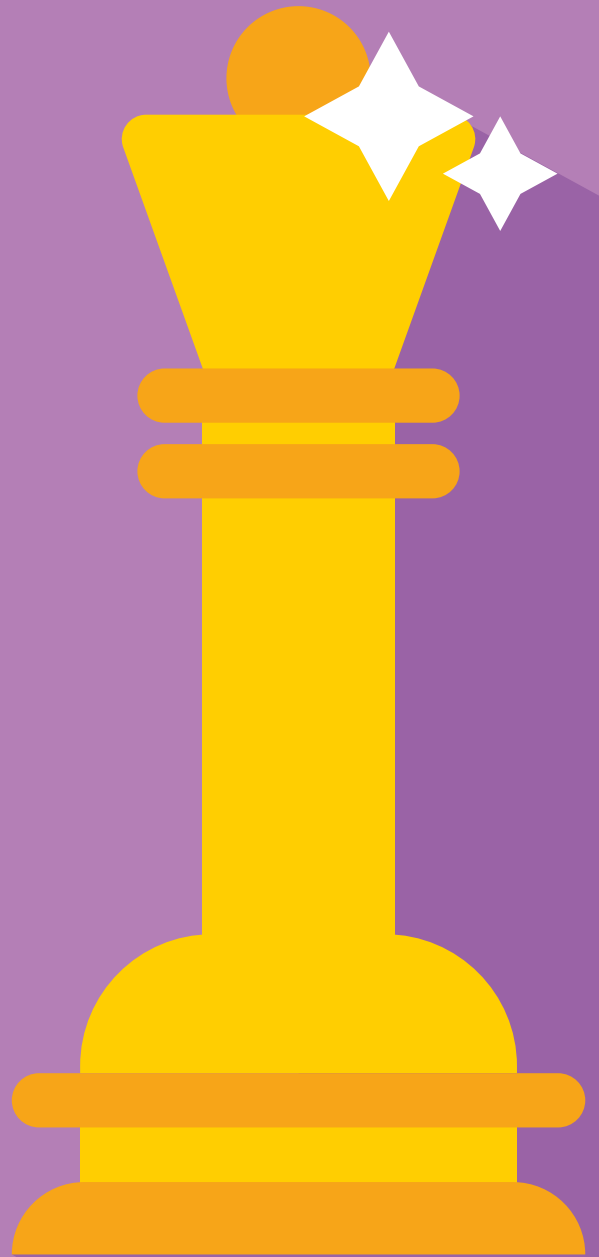
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# **KIS QUARANTINE CHESS CLUB**



**KIS Quarantine  
Chess Club, under  
the leadership of  
Dustin Byers, is  
asking all chess  
enthusiasts to join!**



**If you are interested, please contact:  
[rachel-geary@kis.qsi.org](mailto:rachel-geary@kis.qsi.org)**