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DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE





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LUKE WOODRUFF

Dear KIS Community,

I would like to thank all of you for taking the time to complete the survey concerning the school calendar and spring break. The feedback you provided was very valuable. We are still uncertain of the timeline for the campus to reopen, so we have made a plan with the calendar that takes the remaining of the school year into consideration. We will plan to stay with these calendar dates, even if we return back to campus.

Though we have made these changes, this **does not** mean that we do not anticipate returning to school for the remainder of the year, but rather the need to make a few adjustments.

Important Calendar Changes

Spring Break April 27-29 (Monday-Wednesday) – KIS will have school days April 30 & May 1 – Catch Your Breath Days (No School)

Victory Day May 11 – No School

Additional Catch Your Breath Days June 1 & 2– Catch Your Breath Days (No School)

Parent-Teacher Conferences (Zoom Edition) May 12-15, KIS will be using the afternoons on these days to set up conferences with interested parents.

Last Day of School will still be June 19th.

The school took a number of scenarios into consideration. In the end, we hope that these adjustments will be beneficial for our entire community.

Sincerely,

Luke Woodruff, Director

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ADJUSTED CALENDAR

Kyiv International School - Adjusted 2019-20 April-June Calendar

April 2020						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Th	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

May 2020						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Th	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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June 2020						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Th	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

Catch Your Breath Days (Holidays)

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. https://zoom.us/j/305272176

THIS WEEK IN THE ZOOM ROOM!



JEFF TEMPEL & CHELSEY ZOROMSKI TUESDAY, APRIL 14TH - 9:00-10:00

SCOTT LEGAN / RANDI ASSENOVA / SHANNA TEMPEL THURSDAY, APRIL 16TH - 9:00-10:00

STUDENT (AND COMMUNITY) LIFE



Welcome to the **KIS Maker Challenge** - where members of the Kyiv International School community take on a variety of open-ended projects/problems. All that is required to participate is a dose of creativity, several cups of critical thinking and as much as imagination as you can spare. New challenges weekly. There is no deadline for completion. Just check out a challenge, work it out the best you can, and then post a video response of your final project.

Step into this choose your own FlipGrid adventure as a brave & intrepid member of the **Kyiv International School community** navigating a zombie outbreak.



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KOZAK STORY TIME

Kozak Story Time is a place to listen to stories read by our teachers/staff and a place for members of the Kyiv International School community (students, parents, grandparents, or your cat) to read and share their favorite stories. **Join us today**!

flipgrid.com/kozakstorytime

KOZAK TALKS flipgrid.com/kozaktalks

Each week we host guest speakers from our campus community (as well as the fields of education, arts, entertainment, sports, journalism, politics and business) to talk about current topics and answer your moderated questions.

Join us on Monday, April 13 for a chance to talk to resident **KIS Drone/Technology expert Mr. Bill Rech**.

There is sitll time to submit questions to **BBC Reporter Jonah Fisher**.

STUDENT LIFE

KOZAK45

Kozak 45 #online Session I of Kozak 45 #online will start the week of Monday, March 30. Activities will be offered daily during the school week for students ages 5 to 10. Activities will be taught via the free to use FlipGrid and **Zoom** online communication softwares.

Kyiv International School ELEMENTARY ACTIVITIES

Flipgrid DI

How it Works

Several times each week, instructors will post videos to Flip Grid introducing skills for students to practice Several times each week, instructors will post videos to subject introducing skins to students to practice on their own at home. Then once a week on **Zoom** - students will meet during a group video conference call with the instructors to show off what they have learned. Activities are free and open to all elementary students ages 5 to 10. Signup is not required and there is no limit on how many students can participate.



ACTIVITIES OFFERED DAILY

DIRECTED DRAWING

flipgrid.com/kozak45directeddraw

GYMNASTICS

flipgrid.com/kozak45gymnastics567 flipgrid.com/kozak45gymnastics891

HIP HOP DANCING

flipgrid.com/kozak45hiphopdancing

KARATE

flipgrid.com/kozak45karate

PARKOUR

flipgrid.com/kozak45parkour567 flipgrid.com/kozak45parkour8910

ZUMBA KIDS

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4D ONLINE-LEARNING!

These are some of my students working during some of the online sessions. The last day of school, March 11th. I gave my students a little potting pot and 3 seeds to take home. During one of our first sessions, they planted the seeds following instructions from me through the screen.This is the result for some of them. Working online has taken some work to adjust to for the children, parents and teachers. It is so different, but we will continue to get better and better for sure.



Preschool

TRAINS AND AIRPLANES

Welcome to the 2 year old class! Our topic for this week was "Trains and Airplanes ". We learned about how people move from place to place using various forms of transportation. 2P students have invented means of transportation to travel over land and air.During the week we were very busy and tried different activities: airplane collage, sponge painted train, origami paper airplane etc.We also listened to the book "Clickety Clack" by Rob and Amy Spence and made yummy banana airplane snack. It's been 4 weeks since I last saw my students and it's feels like much longer. I miss my students!!!



ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



Though students from 8P class miss school, they found a way to celebrate virtual birthdays, stay positive, work hard, and be cooperative. Illia and Dayna celebrated their virtual birthdays last week. It was a big surprise to the birthday children and their classmates to start a video (Zoom) lesson with the "Happy Birthday" video clips. Each video clip included the best wishes from their classmates and teachers, the most wonderful pictures from different school activities and events, and the melodic happy birthday songs. Also, the children's favorite video game characters or even animals wished them to have the best birthday ever. The 8P students believe that "Bad times come and go, but the good memories last forever."

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

This Is What Online Swimming Looks Like



Secondary School





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CHELSEY ZOROMSKI

Hello,

Over the weekend, College Board released updates about AP testing this year. All of the information can be **found on their website here.** They will release more information on April 10.

Below, are some important details. Please contact our AP Coordinator, Chelsey Zoromski, if you have questions at **chelsey-zoromski@kyiv.qsi.org**.

Exam Length, Structure, and Format

- The exams will only include topics and skills most AP teachers and students have already covered in class by early March. College Board knows that some students have lost more class time than others, and they want to be fair to all students.
- Like many college-level exams, this year's AP Exams will be open book/open note. <u>Get tips for</u> taking open book/open note exams.
- Most exams will have one or two free-response questions, and each question is timed separately. Students will need to write and submit their responses within the allotted time for each question.
- For most subjects, the exams will be 45 minutes long, and include an additional 5 minutes for uploading. Students will need to access the online testing system 30 minutes early to get set up.
- Students will be able to take exams on any device they have access to—computer, tablet, or smartphone. They will be able to either type and upload their responses or write responses by hand and submit a photo via their cell phone.
- Students taking AP world language and culture exams will complete two spoken tasks consistent with free-response questions three and four on the current AP Exam; written responses will not be required. AP will provide more details in the coming weeks to help students prepare.

Courses with Portfolio Submissions

The following courses will use portfolio submissions and will not have a separate online exam. All deadlines for these submissions have been extended to May 26, 2020, 11:59 p.m. ET:

- 2-D Art and Design
- 3-D Art and Design
- Drawing
- Computer Science Principles (note: this portfolio submission is best done on a laptop)
- Research
- Seminar

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CHELSEY ZOROMSKI

Exam Timing and Tasks

- Exams will be given from May 11 through May 22.
 - Find the schedule here
 - Some KIS students will be taking their exams in the evening because of the time difference.
- Each subject's exam will be taken on the same day at the same time, worldwide.
- Make-up test dates will be available for each subject from June 1 through June 5.
- Students can take the exam at home or in school, if schools reopen.

Note that most AP students that AP surveyed nationwide said they prefer to test earlier, while the content is still fresh.

Taking the Exam

In late April, College Board will provide AP students and educators with information on how to access the testing system on test day, and video demonstrations so that students can familiarize themselves with the system.

Exam Scoring and Earning Credit and Placement

<u>Get information</u> about exam scoring, the score release timeline, and why College Board believes that most colleges will award credit and/or placement as they have in the past.

Exam Security

Learn how they'll make sure that 2020 exams are secure and fair to all students.

Exam Review

Students wishing to review material can use the videos released by AP. The videos are taught by certified teachers and designed to help students review important material, ideas, or skills. The videos are found <u>here, on the YouTube Channel for AP.</u>

Chelsey Zoromski Middle School Counselor AP Coordinator

SECONDARY SCHOOL

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 2020! SECONDARY IV STUDENTS HAVE BEGUN TO RECEIVE ACCEPTANCES FROM UNIVERSITIES, AND WE ARE SO VERY PROUD OF OUR KOZAKS! WHERE MIGHT OUR STUDENTS GO? HERE ARE A FEW OF THE UNIVERSITIES THAT HOPE OUR STUDENTS CHOOSE THEM:



ATHLETICS AND ACTIVITIES

Middle School and Secondary students are keeping fit and staying healthy by joining a variety of after school activities: Track and Field, Volleyball and Kozak 300. The coaches meet students in Zoom and lead them through a sequence of warm ups, exercises and videos designed to build strength stamina and skills. If you want to participate please email Ms. Geary and she will add you to the Team!



