

KYIV INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

KOZAK KORNER

Friday, August 21, 2020

Newsletter Issue #3



AUGUST 2020

Monday 24: **Ukrainian Independence Day**

Tue 25 - Wed 26: All Staff Inservice

Wednesday 26: Virtual Open House

Thursday 27: **First Day of School**

Saturday 29: SAT Exams



VIRTUAL OPEN HOUSE & MEET YOUR TEACHERS



Wednesday, August 26th, 1:00-3:00 PM

Kyiv International School is inviting all families to join us in a virtual open house when staff and families can meet with teachers or talk with administration.

Preschool & Elementary

Parents will receive an email from their child's homeroom teacher with an introduction and Zoom ID & Password for the virtual meeting.

Middle School & Secondary

Parents will receive an email with the Zoom ID & Password for all Middle School or Secondary teachers. Zoom rooms will be open for parents or students to join in and meet their teachers, based on their schedule for this school year.

KYIV INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL
#KOZAKNATION

WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL

THURSDAY, AUGUST 27

PLEASE READ THE IMPORTANT INFORMATION IN THIS ISSUE OF THE KOZAK KORNER REGARDING OUR NEW HEALTH & SAFETY SCHOOL PROCEDURES.



Friday, August 21, 2020

Dear KIS Families,

I want to thank the many parents who attended our Coffee Chat, on Wednesday.

We will plan to host another one on
**Thursday, September 3rd, at
10:00AM.**

This was a good opportunity to discuss
a number of questions.

KIS has shared a [video](#) which
you can watch with your children to
get a better idea of the school day.

This next week, we are starting school.

You should have received an email from the Divisional Director of Instruction, this past week. If you are not getting the KIS Informer emails, please contact the school as soon as possible, so we can confirm your correct contact information.

Thank you, for completing the participation survey! This has been very helpful while trying to develop our class and cohort lists.

Please look through this newsletter carefully, as it provides a lot of information concerning this next week and the first days of school.

Also, it is important to note that Thursday and Friday are both full days of school (8:10-3:35).

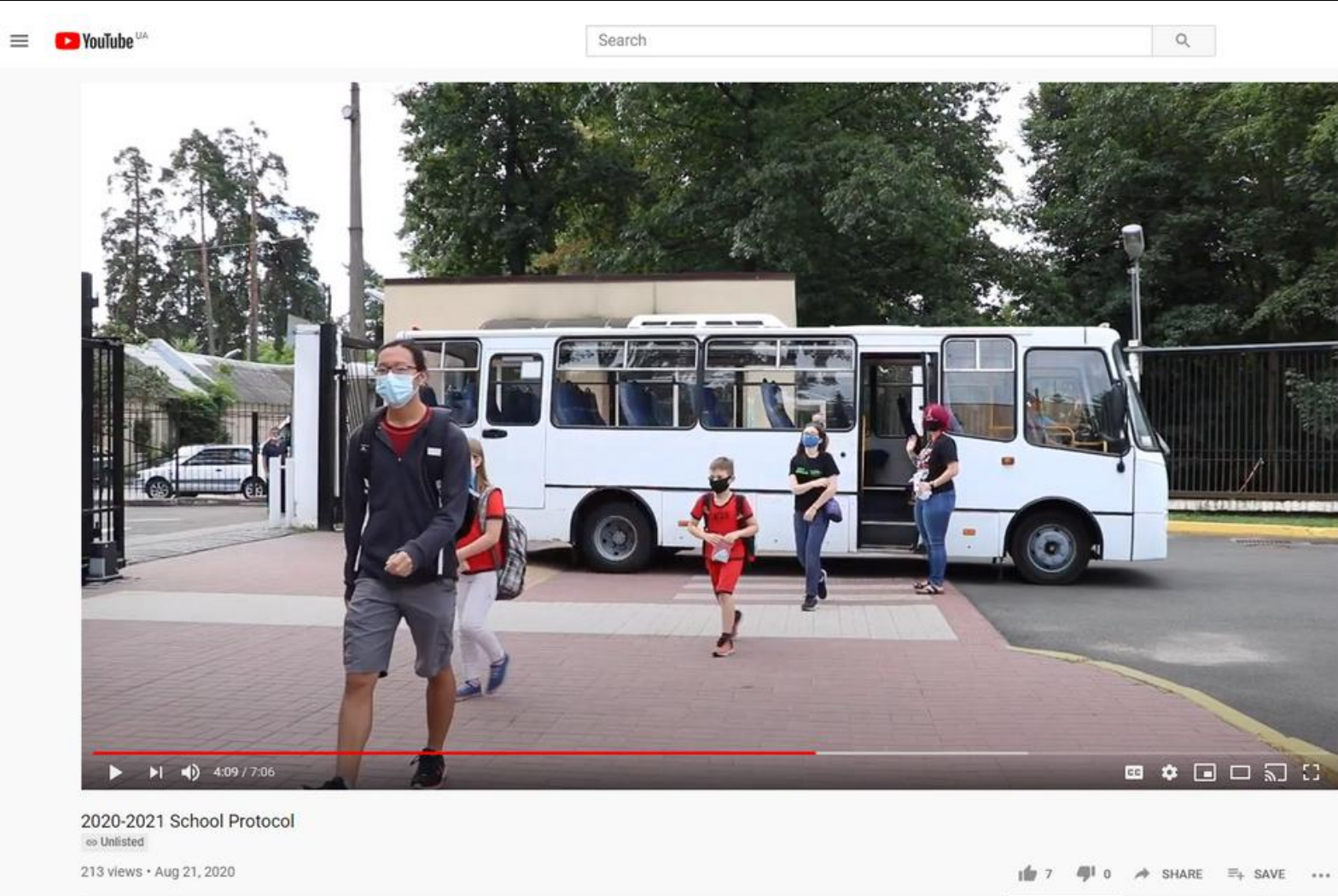
Virtual Open House

We hope you will join us for our Virtual Open House, on Wednesday afternoon. This is mainly an opportunity to meet your children's teachers and discuss a little about the school year. You will receive an email with Zoom ID's and an easy password.

Parents Needing to Access the School

This next week, Tuesday – Friday (August 25-28), KIS will have tented stations just outside the campus for any parents wanting to come and take care of any school business, including the financial office, transportation, car access stickers, adult ID's, and KFN (lunches).





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COVID-19 Procedures and Policies

We have already shared a number of resources with everyone. These resources can all be found on the school's website and will be updated when needed. Any important updates will be shared with the community. We know that things may change and we will adjust as we go. One of the most common questions asked is what KIS will do if there is a suspected or confirmed COVID case.

For more information on this, please I will send this specific information out as a KIS Informer,

I also wanted to share the [link](#) to these procedures.

We look forward to seeing you all soon and having students back with us on Thursday!!!

Sincerely,



Luke Woodruff

Director

Kyiv International School

KIS Parking, Traffic, Drop Off, and Pick Up Guidelines

Unfortunately, this year Kyiv International School campus will be generally closed to all parents and visitors. We will be accommodating parents and visitors who have appointments for any school business.

Green Zone - Parent and visitor parking only - open at all times.

Morning Drop Off — (7:50 - 8:30)

- Students will not be able to be dropped off before 7:50
- 5yo- S4 Students will need to be dropped off outside the guard check.
- Cars will be permitted to drive through the campus for traffic flow purposes.
- Parents wishing to drop off high school students in the back may drive through campus, but must drop off students outside the back gate. Students should go straight to their classroom.

Yellow Zone – Inside Parking Lot

Afternoon Pick Up — (3:00-4:00)

- Parents and caregivers will be able to park in the yellow zone to pick up students, but are not permitted to enter the campus.
- Please, wait outside or in your car until your child finds you.
- KIS staff will be outside to help locate parents/caregivers.
- Once you have picked up your child, you must leave the campus.



Wear a mask at all times while on campus for pick up.



Spread out and keep socially distant from other parents and caregivers.



Please, do not stay on the campus grounds or let children use the playground.

Red Zone - Staff and school bus parking only



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CONVENTIONS:

-  Building
-  Parents / Visitors Parking
-  Pick Up / Drop Off Area
-  School Buses Area
-  Guard Check/Temp Check
-  Entrance / Exit
-  Fence
-  Parents / Visitors Route
-  Buses Route



**KYIV INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL
PICK UP / DROP OFF SCHEME**

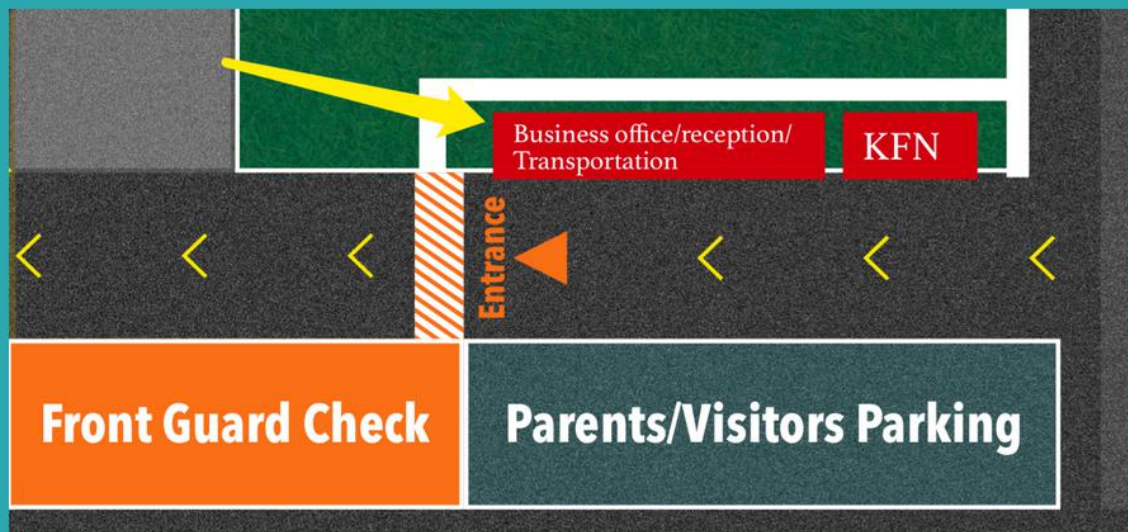
Campus Security & ID's

Kyiv International School strives to provide your children with a safe and positive educational environment at all times. Our facilities are meant to be for students, staff, and parents to build school community and promote student and community activities. This year will be a little different.

How and When to Organize Your Car Access Sticker and Adult ID?

KIS will have tent stations just outside campus on to help assist families with car stickers, adult ID's, lunch, transportation, and the business office

TUESDAY, AUG 24th - FRIDAY, AUG 28th



Car Access Stickers

For cars to access the territory, you must have a new parking sticker (yellow) for the 2020-2021 school year. These stickers are available at reception. You will notice there is a special car sticker for preschool parents who will need to park on campus to drop their children off at a side door for a temperature check and entry.



Adult ID's

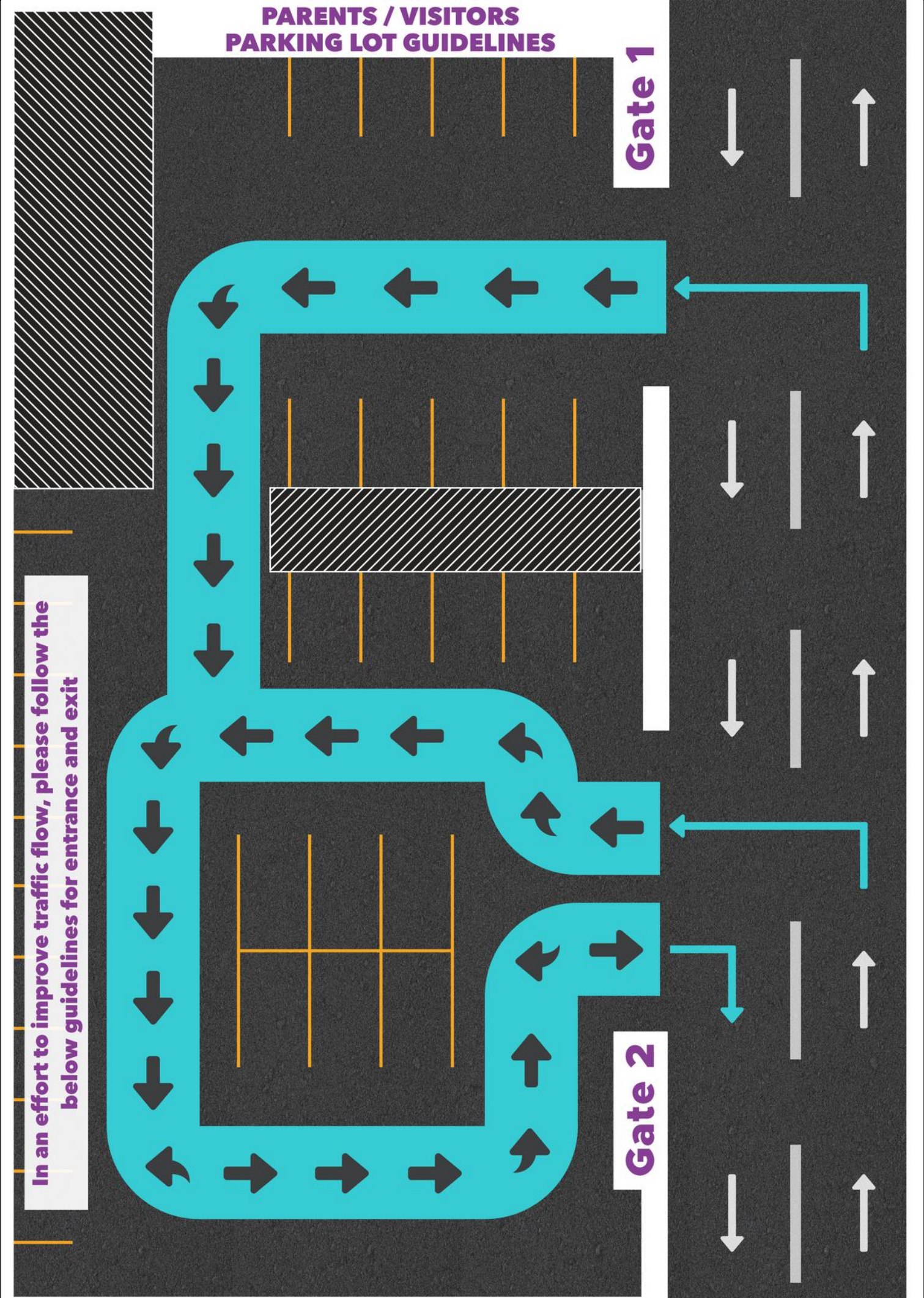
All adults planning to be on campus must have an ID. If you do not have one already, please arrange to register for one from reception, and wear it at all times while at the school.

Closed Campus

Kyiv International School is a closed campus. Once on campus, students are not permitted to leave the campus without parental permission and office approval before 3:35pm. Parents are asked to contact the divisional office managers if their child plans to leave school early.

Picking Up Students in the Middle of the Day

Parents and caregivers should go to the front or back gate to notify the school that they are picking up any student(s) and wait off campus.



How to use a mask?

Source: World Health Organization



Before Putting on a Mask:

Clean hands with **alcohol-based hand rub** or **soap and water**.



While Wearing a Mask:

1. **Cover your mouth and nose.** Make sure there are no gaps between your face and the mask.
2. **Avoid touching the mask.** If you do, clean your hands with alcohol-based hand rub or soap and water.
3. Replace the mask with a new one as soon as it is damp. **Do not re-use single-use masks.**



To dispose of the mask:

1. Remove the mask from behind using the strings. **Do not touch the front of mask.**
2. Discard the mask **immediately** in a closed bin.
3. **Clean hands** with **alcohol-based hand rub** or **soap and water**.

SUCCESS ORIENTATIONS AND COVID-19

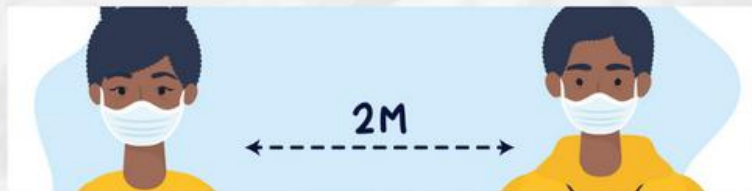
ALTERNATIVES TO HANDSHAKES, HUGS, HIGH FIVES AND HONGI



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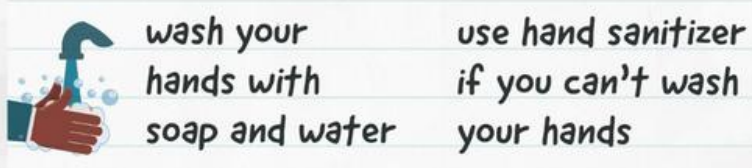
CONCERN FOR OTHERS



GROUP INTERACTION



TRUSTWORTHINESS



RESPONSIBILITY



INDEPENDENT ENDEAVOR



AESTHETIC APPRECIATION

KYIV INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

Bring Your Own Device

Upper Elementary (8yo+), Middle School & Secondary Students

More and more students are bringing their computers, tablets, and other devices to school to use as a learning resource to complete school assignments, research topics, and keep track of homework and school events. **All KIS Upper Elementary (8yo +) Middle School and Secondary students will need to have their own personal device to use as a resource at school.** It is also possible that KIS may need to temporarily move to online learning. In such circumstances, it is important that students are equip to transition quickly to continue with the school's Virtual Learning Environment.

BYOD Resources:

- **Microsoft 365 – School Email Account, Teams, Microsoft Office, etc.**

Student will have a school email account and cloud storage via Microsoft 365, which will allow teachers and students to share and edit documents. There are also a number of apps and programs related to the Microsoft 365 platform.

- **Digital Version of Textbooks**

Online textbooks and resources will be available for students to use. Paper textbooks will still be used and available, but not mandatory.

- **Online Programs and Resources**

There are a number of online resources and programs that a teacher may use

Possible Devices:

- Laptops – Macbooks, Chromebooks, or any other type of laptop.
- 2 in 1's – Can double as a tablet and computer (Microsoft Surface)
- Must be able to print from device.
- Must have a keyboard in order to do word processing.
- Minimum of one USB port.



Device specifications

1) Wireless connectivity – Devices must support 2.4GHz and 5GHz dual band, 802.11 a, b, g and n wireless so that they can connect to the school WiFi.

2) Battery life - Devices must last at least 3-5 hours without charge so that it can last through multiple classes throughout the school day.

3) Memory and RAM - Devices must have a minimum 16 GB of free (available) storage and 8 GB RAM so that students have enough space to save their work and have a device that is fast to work with.

4) Operating system - Devices should have the current version of any operating system (Eg. MacOS13, iOS13, Windows 10) so the device can access the latest software/apps and updates. If this is not possible, a previous version of any operating system should be installed on devices (Eg. iOS11, Windows 8) but proper use of all applications is not guaranteed.

5) Hardware features - Devices must have a camera and microphone to allow students to participate in 21st century learning. Students may also find a mouse and stylus helpful.

IB Results 2020



99%

of the exams assessed earned IB credit (*IB World Average 77%*)



36.0

average points earned by diploma students

Highest KIS Score 43 (*out of 45*)
(*IB World Average 29.9*)



5.67

average points earned
(*IB World Average 4.67*)



87.5%

of diploma students earned marks of 5 or higher in all exams

Congratulations to our IB Graduates on their excellent results during the 2019-2020 school year.



Randi Assenova

IB Coordinator

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Fall Athletics and Activities

After-School Activities for Middle School and Secondary students will begin September 14th.

We encourage ALL our Middle and Secondary students to get involved and try something new this fall! Registration for the FALL 2020 after school sports and activities will open on August 31st and close on September 7th.

Registration is through **PARENTS' Moodle** and students must be registered by their parents.

Details of practice times and information about the fall season will be available on August 27th and 28th at Student Orientation and will be posted in the Kozak Korner.



Middle School Sports and Activities:

Cross Country
Football
Robotics

Secondary Sports and Activities

Cross Country
Football
Drama

#kozaknation



Rachel Geary

Athletics Director/Activities Coordinator

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KIS Cares

We are happy that these children in Western Ukraine are showing their Kozak Pride wearing donated, vintage Kozak gear.

Thank you to Dan Burke for facilitating the donations!

#kozakpride

Dear parents!

Please see attached links for the **Meal Plan Subscription Form** and **Contract for KIS Students** for the 2020-2021 school year.

If you want to use Cafeteria Monthly Program please print the subscription form, fill in and return it to us by email **admin@kfncatering.school** or directly to the school Cafeteria ASAP.

The Cafeteria and Snack bar opens on August, 27 and we need to know your child's plan by then.

If you have the prepayment from the last year, your child will be automatically enrolled for the same meal plan starting from the 27th of August, 2020. If you want to change something, please contact us (**oxana@kfncatering.school**) and we can help you make those changes.

Please note, due to COVID-19 protocols, we are moving to only "no cash" payments in the school. We will be changing to only use a KFN Debit Card for daily use in Cafeteria, SnackBar and CoffeeShop.

To add money to a KFN Debit Card you may use bank transfer or the Cash Terminal located at the school Cafeteria. Bank transfer is highly recommended.

KFN bank details:

ТОВ «КФН і Ко ЛТД», Code 39939089
Bank account UA4732 0649 0000 0260 0405
2642 266 MFO 320649

KFN Information Desk (outside the front of the school)

We are available for you Mon.-Fr. from 9:00 -15:00.
Our staff will be glad to help you with any Cafeteria questions.

Also all the information you will find at **<http://kfncatering.school/conditions/>**

There was a question concerning masks.

KFN will continue to work closely with KIS regarding protocols used for masks, students seating, and other lunch service arrangements. We will have many signs up reminding students and school staff of safe lunchroom procedures.

Our best regards for a healthy, tasty, and good school year to come.

Yours sincerely,
KIS Cafeteria Team

KFN COVID-19 RULES

The following simple precautions may prevent infection:

- 1) **Before entering the Cafeteria, please wash and disinfect your hands well.**
- 2) **Please, keep distance 1.5m according to the floor marking.**
- 3) **No more than 4 people can sit at one table.**
- 4) **You can remove the mask and open the lunch box after taking your place at the table.**
- 5) **It is forbidden to share your food with friends.**
- 6) **No cash payment allowed in Cafeteria! Please, don't forget always have your debit card with you.**
- 7) **When you finish your lunch it is mandatory to put a clean mask on. The used one, please, dispose in a special container.**
- 8) **Please return used disposable lunch boxes, cups and cutlery for recycling.**



Kozak Connect is how our campus community stays engaged and informed with the latest news and events happening at Kyiv International School.

The Kozak Connect platform includes the Kozak Korner school newsletter; KIS Informer emails; and our social media accounts on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and YouTube.

During the 2020-2021 school year, Kyiv International School will use Telegram as a way to directly communicate with students and parents. Visit [telegram.me/KozakConnectBot](https://t.me/KozakConnectBot) to subscribe to curated broadcasts.

The Facebook Messenger, Telegram, Viber and WhatsApp channels we have used in the past will be phased out.

To follow us on social media - click on the icons below.



Kyiv International School is committed to EU General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR). All broadcasts are peer to peer, private and secure. At no time is your personal information visible or shared with other subscribers/third party vendors.

Welcome back,
Welcome new
families!



The **KIS Moms & Dads Facebook group** is a forum for parents to connect and support the teachers and students at Kyiv International School. Our goal is to share information and tips, update the community on events and programs, and showcase the achievements of students, teachers, parents, and other community members.





Museums



On Screen and Stage



Galleries



Science and Technology

OPEN AIR
MUSEUMS

Open Air Museums



Farms and Animals



Experiences



Indoor Amusement Parks



Secret Kyiv



Parks and Playgrounds



Festivals



Resorts



INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S CLUB OF KYIV



Read about our community and join us at:

WWW.IWCK.ORG

Social (distancing) activities

IWCK is very much a social community!

We are your first social circle when moving to Kyiv and we'll be your go to place for advice on the city, activities and laughter during your time here.

We meet monthly and our many groups meet every week (on- and off-line wherever possible). Whatever your interests and needs we have a group for you or we let you create one.

Monday morning coffee

Moms and babies

Language groups (Russian/Ukrainian, Japanese, German, French)

Pysanka, Ceramics, Painting, Crêpe paper flowers

Walking, Yoga, Active sports

Food and cooking

Mahjong

Museum and art gallery tours

Charity projects

We are an official NGO supporting local organizations who help children, women, elderly and disabled Ukrainians-in-need. All members work together to raise funds and select and monitor our projects. Members are encouraged to participate in hands-on charity activities such as our food delivery program and our traditional Bazaar.

In 2019 we raised more than 3,5 million UAH. Will you help us this year?

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First Day of Each Term
First Day of School - August 27
 Term 1: 27 Aug - 18 Dec
 Term 2: 11 Jan - 2 Apr
 Term 3: 5 Apr - 22 June
Last Day of School - June 22

First day of Quintile
 Quintile 1: 27 Aug - 22 Oct
 Quintile 2: 23 Oct - 15 Dec
 Quintile 3: 16 Dec - 3 Mar
 Quintile 4: 4 Mar - 23 Apr
 Quintile 5: 3 May - 22 June

School Holidays
24 Aug - Independence Day
12-16 Oct - Fall Break
21 Dec - 8 Jan - Winter Break
22-26 Feb - February Break
8 Mar - Int'l. Women's Day
26-30 Apr - Easter/Labor Day
10 May - Victory Day