KYIV INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

Sunday, August 30, 2020 Newsletter Issue #4

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Calendar of Events



SEPTEMBER 2020

Thursday 3: Zoom Coffee Chat Meeting
Thursday 10: Zoom Coffee Chat Meeting
Saturday 12: CEESA Virtual Conference
Monday 14: MAP Testing Begins
Monday 14: After School Sports and Activities Begin
Thursday 17: Zoom Coffee Chat Meeting

Red/Black and A/B Group Schedule for Middle School and Secondary School

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Dear KIS,

It was so amazing to have students back on campus. Thursday marked 168 days since students were at KIS for class. Students are settling into their new schedules and learning the new school movements. Middle School and Secondary students worked through their full schedule orientation on Thursday for Group A and Friday with Group B.

Drop off and Pick up are getting smoother each day. As families become more familiar with the new routines and procedures, this will continue to speed up.

Keeping KIS Informed

I want to thank families who have informed the school of any health issues and kept their children home. Keeping us informed is extremely important. You can inform the KIS team by either

- 1. Emailing health@kyiv.qsi.org (this email goes to KIS COVID Response Team)
- 2. Emailing Divisional Director of Instruction/Director

COVID Response Team

Our COVID Response Team consists of the following people:

Luke Woodruff (School-wide) Alexander Postolovsky (School-wide) Rachel Geary (School-wide) Anna Yurkevych (School Nurse) Yana Chopovska-Mudrak (School-Wide) Cheri Carpenter (Elementary) Pamm Ohlinger (Elementary) Carla Grossman (Middle School) Chelsey Zoromski (Middle School) Scott Legan (Secondary) Lindsey Rech (Secondary)

The COVID Response Team will meet on a regular basis to discuss the school's COVID related guidelines and procedures, school routines, and safety protocols. They will also meet to discuss any suspected or confirmed cases and community communication.

You will see on the next page a flowchart of the COVID Reporting Procedures. This document may get adjusted as information may change or evolve, but gives everyone in the community an idea of what to expect.

As always, thank you for all the support and patience, as we have opened for a new school year. We don't know what the following weeks will bring, but we sure do love having students back for face-to-face education.

Sincerely,



Luke Woodruff Director Kyiv International School

Kyiv International School



KYIV INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL COVID REPORTING PROCEDURES FLOWCHART

Reporting to the School

Please report any COVID-19 health concerns to the school immediately. Either contact administration or send an email to the COVID Response Team at health@kyiv.gsi.org

Notifications From The School

KIS feels that it is important to be as transparent as possible with families concerning suspected and confirmed cases. However, we also feel it is important to keep specifics confidential. Parents will be notified that a student within their child's class/cohort has tested positive. The school will also remind/notify parents concerning the step-by-step procedures to follow. KIS administration, teachers, and the Health Officer will keep in contact with parents throughout the entire process.

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Household member

First level contacts in the

for 14 days. If symptoms

household must self-isolate

begin to show among other family members, the 14-

days should be extended.

These 14 days normally include 10 days of

symptoms and 3 days following the last fever.



necessary classes and inform all first level contacts.

All first level contacts must self-isolate for 14 days.

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

Health and Safety

<u>qsi.org/kyiv/health-safety</u>



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Parents and caregivers will be able to park in the yellow zone to pick up students. They are not permitted to enter the campus. We ask you to 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.

Red Zone: Staff and school bus parking only

Middle School and Secondary Students can be picked up by driving through towards the back and picking them up from the field.

If they would like to meet a parent or driver at the front, they will need to walk to the front gate and exit from there.

Middle school should take outdoor routes to the right side and Secondary along the left.

Parents should not be parking and getting out near the field.

Preschool Parking will be along the left side of the campus near the preschool area. Parents may park and drop off students at the preschool entrance.

Elementary parents and

caregivers may park outside campus and the front parking area. They can wait on the left side of the sidewalk in the playground area to meet their child.

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

Pusiness office/reception/ REFN Front Guard Check Marchaelee Parents/Visitors Parking

TUESDAY, AUG 31st - TUESDAY, SEP 1st

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.

Health and Safety

<u>qsi.org/kyiv/health-safety</u>





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 <u>Telegram</u> as a way to directly communicate with students and parents. Visit <u>telegram.me/KozakConnectBot</u> to subscribe to currated 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.



Kozak Connect is at **Kyiv International School - QSI**. <u>August 26 at 2:52 PM</u>

Elementary Virtual Open House at Kyiv International School.



OTHER POSTS



Kozak Connect is at **Kyiv International School - QSI**. <u>August 27 at 7:54 AM</u> Students arriving for the first day of school!



















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Today our staff took the time to show appreciation to the school's administration for their hard work and commitment in preparation for what is sure to be a healthy and wonderful school year. We are so so excited to see students on campus tomorrow! <u>3 days ago</u>





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Secondary Orientation Days at Kyiv International School. #kozaknation #academicrigor #masterylearning #healthyandsafety <u>Today</u>







Kyiv International School @Kyiv_QSI ·Aug 26

We are excited to start welcoming students back to campus tomorrow as part of our Blended Learning schedule. **#kozakpride #qsi**



Kyiv International School @Kyiv_QSI ·Aug 27

Kyiv International School is committed to the health and safety of our entire campus community. Learn more at <u>https://www.qsi.org/kyiv/health-safety</u>



This academic school year, Kyiv International School will be hosting SAT exams on the following dates:

August 29th, 2020 October 3rd, 2020 December 5th, 2020 March 13th, 2021 May 8th, 2021



How do I register for the SAT? https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/register

What codes do I need?

KIS Test Center Code: 60134. KIS School Code (CEEB): 732960

What should I bring?

- Mask
- · Pencils
- · Eraser
- · ID (Student ID or Passport)
- · Admissions Ticket
- · Water & Snack
- \cdot An approved Calculator
- \cdot Watch with no alarm
- · Extra Batteries

What should I NOT Bring:

- · Electronic devices of any kind
- Highlighters, colored pens/pencils
- · Mechanical pencils
- · Dictionaries
- · Study materials
- \cdot Drinks other than water

*If you bring a prohibited item you are subject to be dismissed from the exam and your score will be canceled with no refund.

What should I expect on testing day:

- · To answer medical questions
- \cdot Only test takers allowed on campus
- \cdot My ID and admissions ticket checked
- \cdot Smaller testing rooms that have tester takers spaced appropriately
- · Required to wear a mask.
- Only access to the Secondary Building.
- · All other buildings are off limits.

 \cdot NO AC. Windows will be open for proper ventilation.

*Please arrive to the exam by 8:00am. Check-in will begin at 7:30am and stop at 8:00am. Late comers will not be admitted.

* Please plan to walk through security with a mask on.

*Temperatures will be checked upon arrival.

*A medical survey will be taken and must be signed by the test taker.

*Check-in will take place outside once you have passed through security.

*Test takers will then be directed around the main building, walking only outside, towards the Secondary Building.

*Testing will take place in Secondary Building due to the schools regulations during the pandemic. *DO NOT attend testing if you are sick, are supposed to be on quarantine, or have come in contact with someone who has Covid-19.KIS is not responsible for the risk you take entering our testing center.

If you have further questions about SAT or need help registering please contact me or visit the College Board website.



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.



Student Life



The **Middle and Secondary School Student Life program** offers a wide variety of opportunities over the course of the school year. The focus of the program is to promote student engagement on campus; nurture leadership skills, increase teamwork and positive group dynamics; and develop the individual and team skills needed for student athletes to be successful at the Secondary School level.

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 though **<u>PARENTS' Moodle</u>** and students must be registered by their parents.

Details of practice times and information about the fall season will be available to all registered students through Microsoft Teams.

Middle School Sports and Activities: Cross Country Football

Robotics

Secondary Sports and Activities Cross Country Football Drama

It is very important that you do not miss the registration window! Registration will close on SEPTEMBER 7th. After this date students cannot be added to our after-school programs.



Rachel Geary Athletics Director/Activities Coordinator rachel-geary@kyiv.qsi.org



Feeling Informed A message of health

PROBLEM: There is so much information being blasted at us through social media and on television. It's difficult to make sense of it all. Let's Create the right information that people can trust. **DESIGN CHALLENGE:** Design a campaign that communicates an important health message about keeping safe from Covid-19. Your message might be about washing hands, or keeping a safe distance from others.

Challenge Ends September 23

Submissions/Information : bill-rech@kyiv.qsi.org



The site is already accessible online! We are still working on some technical issues, such as uploading more photos but some orders can already be placed!



FOLLOW THIS LINK TO GO ON THE SITE: .

https://www.kisptoshop.com/



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.



CAMPUS COMMUNITY

<u>kyivwithkids.com</u>



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, Crèpe 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?

School Calendar

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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