

August 28th Weekly Message

Good evening Tigers this is Mr. W, principal of Kiser Middle School, with important updates for the upcoming week.

The first day of school is Monday, August 28th.

It was wonderful to see so many of our students and families on Wednesday evening at Open House. Also, it was great to begin to meet our incoming 6th grade students as well. I am excited about the start of our school year and appreciate the support in making sure we start the school year as safely and responsibly as possible. Please be sure to read and listen carefully so we can have a wonderful first day of school!!

The school day begins at 8:20am and students will be dismissed at 3:15pm.

Morning Arrival:

- Car riders should be dropped off in a single file line along the sidewalk and awning at the back of the building which is down the drive across from the tennis courts.
- Students will begin to unload at 7:50am when school staff are ready for student check-in. Please do not drop off students in other locations other than along the sidewalk.
- Students will report to the courtyard door, will enter and pass through the body scanner daily and beginning the 2nd day of school should be ready to present/scan their GCS OneCard which will be provided on the first day of school.
- All Students should report directly to their homeroom classroom unless they need to go to the cafeteria to get breakfast or drop off an instrument.
- All students should be checked in and seated in their homeroom classes by 8:20am when the instructional day will begin.
- Students who arrive after 8:20am should be dropped off at the front so they can check-in before reporting to class.

Afternoon Dismissal:

- Car rider parents will line up along the sidewalk in a single file line beginning at the number one spot. School staff will collect names of car riders beginning around 3:10pm, and students will begin to get released for dismissal at 3:15pm. Also, all car rider students will receive a name tag for you to keep in your vehicle for the remainder of the year to help the staff enter names into our TEAMS dismissal chat to release car riders.
- Bus riders will be called through the TEAMS call and through an all call by bus number. Bus riders will exit the building by the cafeteria/gym exit which is along the main hallway. It is important that bus riders move as quickly as possible to their assigned bus.
- Students who will be walkers will be called when we call for the remaining car riders to be dismissed around 3:30pm. Students participating in athletic teams and extracurricular activities will also be dismissed at that time as well.
- Please do not pick up students in any other location than the designated car rider line.

Please review with your student how they will be dismissed from school so we can ensure all our students get to their correct afternoon dismissal location.

All students will have a copy of their schedule in their homeroom class on the first day.

Students interested in middle school athletics should be sure to reference the message sent last week with details about tryout dates and required forms to complete.

To help us know how to best communicate and serve your family throughout the year, we are asking that families complete the Family Survey by clicking on the link. The survey should only be completed once for each student, and families will also have an opportunity to complete the survey at Open House as well. We will be using the information provided in the survey to update our email distribution list for those who like to receive the weekly announcements through an email as well. <https://forms.office.com/r/bqpkhpFtgi>

Kiser has been added to the schools that are a part of the Community Eligibility Program (CEP) and will be serving universal free breakfast and lunch to all our students. Instead of completing the Free/Reduced Lunch forms, the district is asking for families to complete the income verification form to continue to receive additional food benefits. The link to the form is here [income verification form](#).

Rising 7th grade parents, please be sure to submit your student's immunization information. All rising 7th grade students are required to provide Tdap and MCV immunization information by the 30th day of the 2023-2024 school year.

The Kiser PTA is looking forward to another great year of supporting our students and staff. Please take some time and click on the link to find our more information about volunteering with our PTA. Click here <https://forms.gle/2NHhpUUEfY9zPgs86>

Also, the PTA is looking for donations to help provide snacks for teachers on Wednesday, August 23rd. Please click here for more information on how to donate: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0848a9ad28a75-kiser4#/>

Save the Dates and Events:

- Monday, August 28th – First Day of the 2023/2024 School Year & Cheerleading Tryouts 3:30-5:30
- Tuesday, August 29th – Fall Sports Tryouts (Football, Cheerleading, Cross Country Meeting, Boys Soccer) 3:30-5:30pm
- Wednesday, August 30th – Fall Sports Tryouts (Football, Cheerleading, Boys Soccer, Girls Volleyball) 3:30-5:30pm

Thank you, have a great evening!!

Quick Links

- Kiser PTA Website: [Kiser PTA](#)
- Athletic Forms Link [Sports Forms / Forms- Physical, Concussion, Fees and more \(gcsnc.com\)](#)
- Bus Transportation Request Link [Transportation / Requesting Transportation \(gcsnc.com\)](#)
- Volunteer Registration Link: [GCS Volunteer Registration Login \(gcsvolunteers.com\)](#)
- Free/Reduced Lunch Form [LunchApplication.com](#)
- K12 Payment Center Link: [Online School Payments for K-12 | K12 PaymentCenter](#)

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