

Good evening Tigers this is Mr. W, principal of Kiser Middle School with a special welcome to the 2021-2022 school year!

I hope my correspondence finds each of our students and families enjoying the last few weeks of summer. It is hard to believe as the calendar turns to August that it is almost time for us to welcome our student's back to school! I wanted to take this opportunity to welcome everyone, especially our new and rising 6th grade students to the 2021-2022 school year, and begin to provide important information for the start of the school year.

First, I know that we have all endured many challenges and obstacles over the course of the last year and half, and I look forward to taking some small steps to help all of our students begin to return to a more normal school year. However, I understand that as the Delta variant continues to challenge our collective efforts at returning to school as we once knew it, there will be some health and safety protocols that will remain in order to keep our community healthy and safe. I will share some of those protocols over the next couple of weeks.

The first day of school for students is Monday, August 23rd.

Student schedules and welcome letters will be mailed on Thursday, August 12th for all students who completed a SchoolMint registration before August 5th. Students who registered between August 5th and the 12th will pick up their schedule at Open House.

Students will go back to rotating to all four core classes and having two encore classes a day; however, we have tried to schedule students in small cohorts as much as possible to minimize the number of total interactions as possible.

Kiser is planning to have an in-person Open House Night on Tuesday, August 17th; however, we are working to revise the structure so we can limit the number of people trying to enter the building at one time. More information will be shared soon about this back-to-school event.

Kiser has adopted a regular dress code so students will no longer be expected to wear SMOD. Please review the attached dress code that will be utilized for the upcoming school year.

I want to take a moment and recognize and thank Mrs. Clark for her years of service and dedication to the students at Kiser and Guilford County Schools. She has spent the last six years at Kiser Middle as an assistant principal, and over 30 years serving in education in Guilford County Schools and as of July 31st she is officially retired! I appreciate all that she has done over the years! As we say goodbye and wish Mrs. Clark well on her retirement, I want to also introduce our new assistant principal, Ms. Brittany Robertson. Ms. Robertson is joining us from Western Middle School where she has recently successfully completed an administrative internship and MTSS specialist. We are excited about Mrs. Clark enjoying her retirement and excited about Ms. Robertson joining our team here at Kiser.

Students who are interested in playing football this upcoming year should plan to bring summer workouts on August 2nd and August 3rd from 6:30-8pm on the lower field behind the school. Students who attend should turn in or bring a completed physical form, concussion form, and their own water. Please see the attached physical and concussion form.

Students who ordered a yearbook last year should stop by the front office between 10am-2pm Monday through Thursday for pick up.

Be sure to click on the link here to request bus transportation for the upcoming school year, [please complete this form](#).

Rising 7th grade students will need to make sure they have submitted documentation for the required 7th grade immunizations. . [Click here for more details](#)

Again, I am excited about this upcoming school year. I look forward to seeing our families and students soon. We will continue to post and send important information to help all our students successfully start the 2021-2022 school year.

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