

KANSAS CITY
PUBLIC SCHOOLS



District Advisory Committee (DAC) Meeting

November 12, 2025, 6:00pm

Agenda

Welcome and Introductions (3 min)

Shantee' Carey, DAC Executive Board Vice Chair

DAC Delegate Testimonials (up to 3) (10 min)

Presentations

Joshua Jackaway, Tricia McGhee – KCPS Board of Directors Update (5 min)

Parents for KC Kids (3)

Dr. Joe Jarrett – Student Device Fees (7 min)

Jennifer Wolfsie – Enrollment (10 min)

Nicole Collier-White – GO Bond Updates and Engagement Opportunities (15 min)

Nicole Collier-White – Website Feedback (10 min)

Victor Aguilar – Reaffirming Our Commitment to Students (20 min)

Qiana McGee – KCPS Mentoring (7 min)

Adjourn Meeting





Shantee' Carey

DAC Vice Chair

Welcome



DAC Testimonials

(up to 3)

Please keep to 3-5 minutes.

Online participants, please raise your hand and request to be taken off mute, OR share your testimonial into the chat





Joshua Jackaway
Tricia McGee
KCPS Board of Directors

Advocacy Day



ADVOCACY DAY

JANUARY 27, 2026
JEFFERSON CITY, MO

MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD!

JOIN KANSAS CITY PUBLIC
SCHOOLS AS WE TRAVEL TO THE
MISSOURI STATE CAPITOL.

Interested?

Sign up at:

boardservices@kcpublicschools.org





PARENTS FOR KC KIDS



★ ABOUT US ★

We are parent volunteers committed to being a part of a community of caregivers, students, teachers, & allies **organizing together to support KC kids' collective futures.**



Parents for KC Kids began organizing in early 2025 to help pass the KCPS bond. We put in the time—knocking doors, canvassing schools & playgrounds and engaging voters—to **win a historic victory!**

Passing the bond showed what's possible when we join together—and **there's so much more to do.**

As we witness efforts to defund public schools and take away resources from our kids, **it's going to take regular people like us showing up, taking action, and building our collective power to win the future our kids deserve.**

JOIN US



To get connected with parents at your school, learn more about ways to get involved or join our mailing list, **Email us at kcpsparentpower@gmail.com**



PARENTS FOR KC KIDS

UPCOMING EVENTS AND WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

TUES
OCT 21

Public Ed Funding Crisis Townhall
6:00PM-7:30PM, Central Presbyterian
The threats to public funding and what our community can do to defend our schools
SIGN UP: tinyurl.com/Oct21Townhall

SAT
NOV 15

Parent Power Camp
9:00AM-2:00PM, location coming soon
Organizing training for parents, students, and teachers to build power for public ed
SIGN UP: tinyurl.com/parentpowercamp1

TUES
JAN 27

SAVE THE DATE: Public Ed Lobby Day
Jefferson City
Share the stakes and impacts of policy choices with elected leaders at the Capitol
SIGN UP: tinyurl.com/LobbyJan27



kcpsparentpower@gmail.com



Parents for KC Kids



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Parents for KC Kids





Dr Joe Jarrett

Director of Technology

Student Device Fees



Device Fees

Proposed Policy Shift: Starting next school year (26/27) all students would be required to pay a \$20 IT fee for their computers/iPad and charger. (We are evaluating replacement costs for lost devices that do not have a police report).

Rationale:

- Cost of replacing non-returned computers for the last 2 years: Over \$500,000
- Holds all students accountable for their devices
- Surrounding districts are already charging this fee

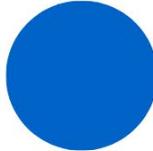
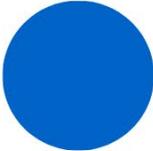


Jennifer Wolfsie

Family Recruitment & Retention
Coordinator

2026-27 Enrollment





Important Dates 2026-27 Enrollment

This Week | Families notified re Priority Enrollment for Signature Schools

Nov 8 | Enrollment Opened, Pre-K & Signature School App Available

Feb 13 | Lottery Deadline for Pre-K & Signature Schools

Feb 23 | Notification of Seat or Waitlist for Pre-K & Signature School

Mar 6 | Seat Acceptance Deadline for Pre-K & Signature School



Opportunity to Learn More

Date	Events
Nov - Mar	Prospective Parent School Tours at Signature Schools
Nov - Mar	Student Shadow Days at AC Prep & Paseo
Jan	Transition Field Trips for Students
Feb – Planning Stages	Moving Up Nights for Parents
Jan 22	KCPS Pre-K to 12th Grade Info Session - see KCPS YouTube
Jan 24	School Saturday
Apr 2	Kindergarten Info Night
Week of Apr 6	Kindergarten Open Houses

Enrollment Page



A District on the Rise

Kansas City Public Schools (KCPS) is transforming education in Kansas City. With **growing enrollment**, **rising graduation rates**, and the **overwhelming passage of our first bond in nearly 60 years**, we're building momentum—and a brighter future for every student.

Join a district committed to **empowering students**, **embracing families**, and **building community**.

Enroll today and be part of the progress!

LOOKING FOR PRE-K?

Kansas City Public Schools has several Preschool options for our youngest learners and their families including Head Start, neighborhood and signature school Pre-K.

[Click here](#) to learn more about them.

WHICH BEST DESCRIBES YOUR FAMILY?

We are a Family that is New to KCPS

ENROLL A NEW STUDENT

We are a KCPS Family with a New Student

ENROLL ANOTHER STUDENT

We are a Family with a KCPS Student Interested in a Signature School

APPLY FOR A SIGNATURE SCHOOL

IMPORTANT DATES

2025-26 SCHOOL YEAR

Currently Enrolling

2026-27 SCHOOL YEAR

Enrollment Now Open

Neighborhood Schools

Enroll Anytime

Signature Schools & Pre-K Programs

Nov 8 - Application Available

Feb 13 - Lottery Deadline

Feb 23 - Seat Notification

Mar 6 - Seat Acceptance

New Student

KCPS FAMILIES WITH A NEW STUDENT



- Both types of schools are **tuition-free** for families living within **KCPS district boundaries**.
- Students **outside the district** may apply to attend for **a tuition fee**.
- Students must be **5 years old by July 31** to enroll in Kindergarten.

To identify your neighborhood school, [click here](#).

Families begin by completing an **online application** for each new student. Once submitted:

- The student is **automatically enrolled** in their designated **neighborhood school** based on their home address.
- Families will also have the opportunity to complete the **School Choice section**, where they can select Pre-K or signature schools and **rank in order of preference**.

At Kansas City Public Schools we're proud to offer **high-quality educational options** for every stage of your child's learning journey. Families can choose between **two types of schools**.

Neighborhood

Assigned by home address
Enroll anytime
Great for community close to home
No admissions criteria

Signature

Apply + lottery required
Application opens in November
Great for specialized learning
Some eligibility requirements

NEED HELP?

Office of Admissions

Hours of Operation
Monday - Friday
8:00 am - 4:30 pm
(816) 418 -7505
admissions@kcpublicschools.org

HOW TO ENROLL

→ **GATHER REQUIRED DOCUMENTS**

→ **HOW TO START**

→ **WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?**

Signature School

CURRENT KCPS STUDENT INTERESTED IN A SIGNATURE SCHOOL



Signature Schools offer **specialized academic programs** for students from Pre-K through 12th grade. These schools focus on areas such as college preparation, foreign language immersion, African-centered education, the Montessori method, and fine and performing arts. Each program has **specific admissions requirements**.

- Signature schools are **tuition-free** for families living within **KCPS district boundaries**.
- Students outside the district may apply to attend for a **tuition fee**.
- Students must be **3 or 4 years old on or before July 31** to qualify for Pre-K.
- Students must be **5 years old on or before July 31** to enroll in Kindergarten.

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HOW TO ENROLL

→ **NEED PARENT PORTAL HELP?**

→ **APPLYING TO A SIGNATURE SCHOOL**

→ **WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?**



Nicole Collier-White

Chief of Communications &
Community Engagement

Bond Update & Engagement



Anticipated Bond Project Phasing

Timeline and phasing of these projects are subject to change based on potential construction delays, planning considerations, and material availability.

GO BOND PHASE I ANTICIPATED START FY 2026

Border Star Montessori
\$5,000,000

Carver @ KCMSA
\$12,100,000

Gladstone Elementary
\$5,000,000

Hale Cook Elementary
\$12,500,000

Melcher @ Carver
\$9,190,000

Phillips Elementary
\$5,000,000

Rogers Elementary
\$5,000,000

GO BOND PHASE II ANTICIPATED START FY 2027

AC Prep @ TBD
\$15,915,000

Central High + CTE Center
\$41,900,000

East High
\$33,764,000

Lincoln Prep
\$28,283,000

Pitcher Elementary
\$5,000,000

New Whittier @ Woodland
\$68,000,000

South Middle
\$45,100,000

**Success Programs
(Anderson, Knotts) @ TBD**
\$13,900,000

Trailwoods Elementary
\$5,000,000

GO BOND PHASE III ANTICIPATED START FY 2028

Banneker Elementary
\$5,000,000

Central Middle
\$5,000,000

Faxon Elementary
\$5,000,000

Foreign Language Academy
\$5,000,000

Garcia Elementary
\$5,040,000

Garfield Elementary
\$7,390,000

Hartman Elementary
\$5,697,000

Holliday Montessori
\$5,000,000

James Elementary
\$6,082,000

Lincoln Middle
\$5,000,000

Northeast High
\$6,286,000

Northeast Middle
\$5,064,000

Paseo
\$7,020,000

Southeast High
\$16,656,000

Wheatley Elementary
\$6,520,000

BOND ENGAGEMENT PLAN: PURPOSE & OBJECTIVES

- ✓ **Honor commitments** made during the bond election related to transparency, oversight and community participation.
- ✓ **Create opportunities for school communities to provide additional feedback** before school improvement projects are finalized
- ✓ **Inform stakeholders** about progress, successes, challenges and changes to ensure continued support
- ✓ **Build community support and partnerships** that will help implement the 10-Year Capital Plan priorities
- ✓ **Build stronger relationships** with stakeholders, including those who are not traditionally engaged with KCPS



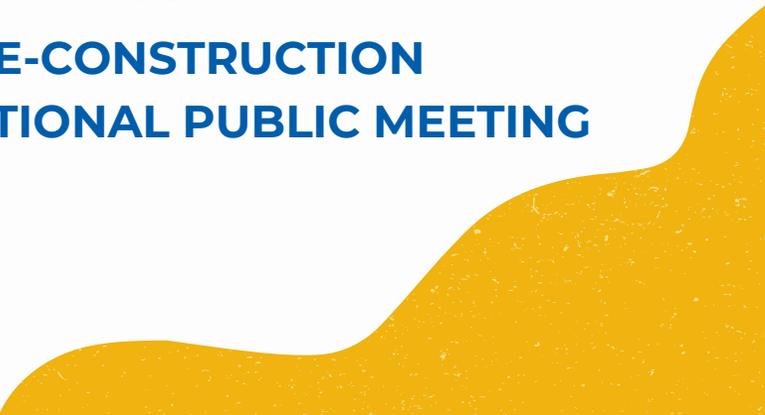
DISTRICTWIDE PROJECTS: KEY ENGAGEMENT STRATEGIES



DESIGN PHASE
PUBLIC MEETING & STAFF ENGAGEMENT
BUDGET PRIORITIZATION SURVEY



PRE-CONSTRUCTION
INFORMATIONAL PUBLIC MEETING



TARGETED PROJECTS: KEY ENGAGEMENT STRATEGIES



**DESIGN ADVISORY TEAM (DAT)
MEETINGS**



**PRE-CONSTRUCTION
INFORMATIONAL PUBLIC MEETING**



**DESIGN PHASE
PUBLIC MEETING & STAFF ENGAGEMENT
BUDGET PRIORITIZATION SURVEY**

What is a Design Advisory Team (DAT)?

Who:

- 10-15 members from the school community, including: School Principal, School Instructional Staff, School Support Staff, Students (for secondary schools), Parents/Guardians, Community Partners, Community Members
- Note: DATs will be established at Targeted Investment sites only

Roles/Responsibilities:

- Meet at major milestones during the design phase to ensure that site-specific program needs are identified and incorporated into each project
- Collaborate with the Project Design Team/Contractor to ensure that the project remains aligned with the district's Educational Specifications, the scope of work defined in the Bond and the project budget
- Participate in community meetings during the design process
- Share progress updates with the community and relay any feedback back to the DAT

How are the DAT members selected?

Application Process:

- Complete the on-line DAT Interest Form: www.kcpsbond.org/get-involved or QR Code



Selection Process:

- Principal will distribute the DAT Interest Form to their staff, families, community and students (high school sites only)
- Principal will review the Interest Form submissions and select members for their school's DAT which are representative of their school community
- KCPS Comms team and KCPS bond project manager will provide assistance to principals to ensure equitable representation

Additional Information:

- Check out the Design Advisory Team (DAT) Overview at: www.kcpsbond.org/get-involved



Nicole Collier-White

Chief of Communications &
Community Engagement

KCPS Website Feedback



Kansas City Public Schools

Your city. Your family. Your school district.





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Website Survey



<https://tinyurl.com/KCPSweb>



Victor Aguilar

Officer of Postsecondary Access and Student Success

Reaffirming Our Commitment
to Students



**POSTSECONDARY
ACCESS &
STUDENT
SUCCESS**

KANSAS CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Policy JFGA: INTERVIEWS WITH OR REMOVAL OF STUDENTS

Status: ADOPTED

Original Adopted Date: 06/06/2023 | **Last Reviewed Date:** 06/06/2023

Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to set rules for entities other than district employees who request to interview students at school. This policy does not apply to the day-to-day conversations between students and district employees. Such conversations will be conducted in accordance with board policy governing communications between students and staff, board policy governing parent and family involvement, and state and federal law.

School Resource Officers (SROs)

An SRO's role in interviewing students or taking students into custody will be addressed in the agreement between the district and the law enforcement agency commissioning the SRO.

Crimes Committed on District Property or at District Activities

If a student is suspected of committing a crime on district property or at a district activity, school officials will contact law enforcement as required by law and board policy. School officials will also contact the student's parent/guardian. District staff will interview the student as part of the misconduct investigation and student discipline process, but law enforcement will not be allowed to interview the student except as described below.

SELECT A SCHOOL

CAREERS | STAFF | CALENDAR

KANSAS CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

ENROLL

BOND

LET'S TALK



KANSAS CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS IS TRENDING UP!
Annual Performance Report (APR 2024)

73.2%
Points Earned

WE ARE KCPS

ABOUT | SCHOOLS | FAMILIES | ENROLL | PARENT PORTAL | NEWS



NEWS + SOCIAL



We are here to help!

English

NEWS + SOCIAL



- KCPS LOVES TO READ
- PARENT UNIVERSITY
- FAMILY SERVICES
- ATTENDANCE AND TARDIES
- CHILD NUTRITION
- DRESS CODE & UNIFORM POLICY
- TRANSPORTATION
- LANGUAGE SERVICES
- STUDENTS IN TRANSITION
- STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT
- COLLEGE ACCESS CORNER
- GRADUATION
- GRADING POLICY

JANUARY 23, 2025

PARA TRADUCCIÓN AL ESPAÑOL DE ESTE MENSAJE

CLIC AQUI

FAMILY PREPAREDNESS PLAN /
PLAN DE PREPARACIÓN PARA
LAS FAMILIAS

Here you will find a list of community resources / Aquí encontrará una lista de recursos para la comunidad

COMMUNITY RESOURCES

NEWS + SOCIAL

Dear KCPS Families and Community:

Recent federal and state actions and signed executive orders have caused concern for many of our stakeholders. One of the actions taken this week rescinded a government protocol that prevented federal agents from conducting immigration enforcement at schools. We understand the fear that multiple groups within our community may have. These are uncertain times for many, but Kansas City Public Schools remains committed to every student and every family we serve.

KCPS's mission is rooted in equity, inclusion, and the belief that every child deserves the opportunity to thrive. This commitment reflects the enduring values that unite us as a community.

Kansas City Public Schools does not collect or require records of citizenship status for student enrollment, and we have never allowed such factors to define the worth or belonging of our students. We are dedicated to creating safe, welcoming and affirming learning environments.

As part of this commitment, we are guided by our district's Policy JFGA, which prioritizes the safety, dignity, and privacy of every child. This policy requires external entities, including law enforcement, to adhere to strict protocols when seeking to engage with our students. Should any interaction of this kind occur, families will be notified immediately. We will request any official to provide identification and valid court orders, warrants and/or subpoenas. We are required to and will, however, comply with the law. Open communication with our families remains a cornerstone of our work, and we encourage you to reach out to our welcome center or central office with any concerns or questions. Together, we will navigate these challenges with transparency and care.

We are here to help!

Family Preparedness Plan

Every family should have a Family Preparedness Plan that can assist in an emergency. You can refer to the templates following this page that can assist with gathering emergency contact information, children's information and medical history.

The Family Preparedness Plan should include the following:

- Regularly update your child's school emergency card. You can request, keep a copy or use the optional form below to organize your information.
- Designate a trusted adult who can care for your child if you cannot. Seek counsel from a legitimate legal organization for information on legal guardianship.
- Review with the designated trusted adult their specific roles and responsibilities.
- Securely store all important vital documents in a location that the child and/or assigned caregiver has access to. (Examples: birth certificate/passports, Social Security card, medical record, insurance card affidavits, ID, etc.)
- Review with designated caregiver/guardian any financial assistance available for the care of your child.
- Write down any medical conditions and/or medications of your child.
- Make a list of emergency contact information that your child can use for assistance.
- Find out about your Immigration options (if applicable). Seek counsel from a legitimate legal organization for legal advice and services.
- Review your preparedness plan with your child and the assigned caregiver/guardian.

Filing of Important Documents

Keep a file of all of these documents or a copy of these documents in a safe place. Tell your children, family members, and emergency caregiver where to find this file in an emergency. Consider keeping an extra copy electronically, for example, storing the above documents in a Google Drive, iCloud, or on your phone for your children or other family relatives to have easy access.

- Passports
- Birth certificates
- Marriage license (if applicable)
- Caregiver's authorization affidavit
- Any restraining orders you may have against anyone (if applicable)
- Immigration documents (work permit, green card, visa, etc.)
- Documents demonstrating your residence in the United States and amount of time you have been physically present in the United States
- Driver's license and/or other identification cards

Community Resources

Resources:	Phone:	Email	Hotline #:	Ages:	Services:	Address:
Immigration:						
Advocates for Immigrant Rights and Reconciliation (AIRR)	(913)229-6183	info@airrk.org		All-Ages	Know Your Rights/Policy	
https://nakasec.org/						
Catholic Charities (KC, MO)	(816) 221-4377	assistance@ccharities.com		All Ages	Adopt. Services/Resources/Classes	4001 Blue Pkwy #250, Kansas City, MO 64130
Della Lamb (KC, MO)	(816) 842-8040	help@dellalamb.org		All Ages	Rent/Utility/Food Pantry/Refugee Services	500 Woodland Ave, Kansas City, MO 64106
https://immigrantsrising.org/					Advocacy	
Legal Aid of Western Missouri (KC, MO)	(816) 474-6750			18+ years	Case Management/Legal Services	4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 300, Kansas City, MO 64130
https://mattierhodes.org/ (various locations)	(816)221-2349			All Ages	case management, community support	
Jewish Vocational Services	(816)471-2808	info@jvskc.org		All Ages	Community integration	4600 Paseo, Kansas City, MO 64110
El Centro	(913)677-0100			All Ages	Rent/Counseling/Advocacy	
United We Dream				All Ages	Advocacy	
Online Detainee Locator system					ICE custody locator	
Mexican Consulate (KC)	(424)309-009	https://citas.sre.gob.mx/		All Ages	Support/passport/emergencies	
https://lulac.org/	(816)581-5683	https://www.lnesc.org/kansas-city-mo		All Ages	Advocacy	148 N Topping Ave. Kansas City, MO
Printable Red Cards					Know your Rights	
Maternity Homes for Mothers & Children:						
Eben Ministries (Belton, MO)	(816) 388-0490	ebenministrieskc@gmail.com		18 years +	Shelter/Counseling/2 year Program	Belton, Missouri
Faith Maternity Care (Fulton, MO)	(573) 642-7414	director@faithmaternity.com		18 years +	Shelter/Aftercare/Classes	1900 Lake Drive, Fulton MO 65251
LIGHT House (KC, MO)	(816) 916-4434	ighthouse@mbch.org		12 -21 years	Shelter/Adopt Agency	3212 Central Street, Kansas City, MO 64111
Nativity House Kansas City (KC, MO)	(913) 281-7722	kellyw@nativityhousekc.org		21 years +	Shelter/Aftercare/Adopt Resour.	721 N 31st St, Kansas City, KS 66102
St. Mary's Home For Mothers (Liberty, MO)	(816) 407-8941	info@stmaryshomeformothers.org		18 years +	Shelter/Programs/Counseling	PO Box 322, Liberty, MO, United States, Missouri
Women's Clinics:						
Birthright of Kansas City (KC, MO)	(816) 444-7090	contact@birthright.org	(800) 550-4900	All Ages	Emergency/Counseling/Clothing	6309 Walnut Street, Kansas City, MO 64113
FosterAdopt Connect (Independence, MO)	(816) 350-0215	information@fosteradopt.org		All Ages	Placement Assistance/Legal Resources	18600 E 37th Terrace S Independence, MO, 64057
Hope Family Care Center (KC, MO)	(816) 861-6500	help@stophumantraffickingmo.com		All Ages	Medical Assist/Counseling	3027 Prospect Avenue, Kansas City, MO
https://www.independencewomensclinic.com/	(816) 478-0220	IWCemail@signaturehealth.net		All Ages	Preg Test/Counseling/Classes	19550 East 39th St. S#300, Independence, MO
Nurse-Family Partnership (KC, MO)	(816) 513-6386	newmoms@nursefamilypartnership.org		All Ages	Personal Nurse for First Time Moms	2400 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64108

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KCPS cares

Resources / Recursos
موارد / Resous /
Rasilimali / وسایل

Know Your Rights App
Conoce tus derechos
Jua Haki Zako
اعرف حقوقك
Konn dwa w yo
خپل حقونه پوه شی



IPHONE



ANDROID

Community Resources

Recursos comunitarios
Rasilimali za jamii
موارد المجتمع
Resous kominotè
تولنیزی سرجینی



Mental Health Resources

Recursos de salud mental
Rasilimali za afya ya akili
موارد الصحة النفسية
Resous sante mental
روانی روغتیایی سرجینی



Know Your Rights Card

Conoce tus derechos
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اعرف حقوقك
Konn dwa w yo
خپل حقونه پوه شی



Family Preparedness Plan

Plan de Preparación Familiar
Mpango wa Maandalizi ya Familia
خطة الاستعداد الأسري
Plan Preparasyon Fanmi
د کورنۍ چمتووالي پلان



FOR MORE INFORMATION: www.kcpublicschools.org/families
FOR QUESTIONS: kcps_cares@kcpublicschools.org

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Employee Assistance Program



I can't do it

Your Resource for Life's Questions

Each of us experiences demands for our time and energy, both on and off the job. In addition to our responsibilities at work, we also seek to fulfill our family responsibilities, meet our financial obligations, enjoy personal interests, and maintain a healthy family and social life. The key to balancing it all is having access to the right tools, resources and support.

Personal Assistance Services (PAS) provides you with a wealth of confidential, professional services that can help you address challenges and strengthen your work and home life.

This is a pre-paid benefit funded completely by your employer and free to you and your dependents. The EAP is confidential - PAS does not disclose information to anyone about your participation unless you give your consent to do so (except as required by law).

Through PAS you have access to:

- Elder care managers
- Child care specialists
- Certified child development and parenting professionals
- Organization and time management specialists
- Retirement coaches
- Career coaches
- Tobacco cessation coaches
- Fitness coaches
- Master's level licensed counselors
- Registered and licensed dietitians
- Certified financial counselors
- Attorneys
- Life coaches
- Health coaches
- Downloadable resources, financial tools, legal forms and more on the PAS website



website: <https://www.paseap.com>

To register, use organization code: **KCPS**



Qiana McGee

Mentoring Coordinator

Mentoring



ARE YOU THE
missing PIECE?



*What will your
impact be?*

ARE YOU THE *missing* PIECE?

*What will your
impact be?*



Lunch Buddies K- 6th Grade

Foster social connection and character development.



Rise Mentor 6th - 10th Grade

Ensure that students are provided with the necessary supports to thrive academically, socially, and emotionally.



Success Mentor 7th - 11th Grade

Help reduce chronic absenteeism and drive individual student achievement.



Career Mentor 11th - 12th Grade

Provide exposure and awareness to college and career pathways after high school.



ARE YOU THE
missing PIECE?



WANT TO SIGN UP?

Email: mentoring@kcpublicschools.org
OR visit www.kcpublicschools.org/mentoring



*What will your
impact be?*





Thank You

Meeting recording and presentation slides will be available next week at:

www.kcpublicschools.org/dac