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THE DRAGON'S TALE

FLAME FLASHBACKS

TAKE YOUNG DRAGONS TO WORK DAY 2026

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Young Dragons roared down the middle school halls on Thursday, April 23 for this year's Take Your Child to Work Day event. Staff members' children had the opportunity to to see school life from the opposite side of the desk. Middle school administrators, faculty, and staff planned a schedule of activities to reflect the fun of the middle school day.

For periods 1 and 2, children prepped and participated in classroom activities. Period 3, visitors went scavenging for hidden items in the media center with Mrs. Lacovara. Period 4, they had the choice of planting a flower pot or designing a paper plate dragon. During periods 5 and 6, they could play board games, and during periods 7 and 8, everyone could head outside for Kona Water Ice and wiffle ball. Period 10 was filled with Lego-building. Period 11, children created a symphony of harmoonies by singing with the choir. The day ended with Future Teachers of America leading a craft lesson and beading during period 12.

Middle schoolers embraced the visitors by inviting them into their classroom communities and encouraging them to participate fully in the experiences. We hope that this inspires a next generation of teachers in their future careers to continue Kingsway's commitment to excellence.



















FIERY FEATURES

STREETLIGHTS & SKYSCRAPERS: SEMI-FORMAL IN NYC

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Now they're in New York – the 8th graders of KRMS, that is. On Friday, March 20th, the middle school hosted its annual 8th grade semiformal. At 7:00 pm, fresh from the full carpool lane, students entered the building to be greeted by eye-catching decor and engaging events. The fun continued until 9:30 pm, though it certainly felt like it ended too soon.

Students could dance along to popular songs in the West Gym or make requests of the DJ. In the East Gym, there was a spread of different foods including Chick-Fil-A nuggets, pretzel bites, brownies, and different types of cookies. Students could relax at one of the many tables or benches if they were hungry or needed a break from dancing.





One of the most popular activities was the karaoke in the cafeteria. Dragons could sing individually or with a group in front of an ever-growing audience of their peers. Fan favorite song selections included "Party in the USA" by Miley Cyrus, "Baby" by Justin Bieber, and "California Girls" by Katy Perry.





"Street lights, big dreams, [halls] looking pretty," the semi-formal and its fabulous NYC-theming is credited to dedicated student council members and teachers who spent hours before the dance creating balloon decor, taxi backdrops, posters of handcrafted skyscrapers, and Broadway playbills. There's no place in the world that can compare to NYC via KRMS.





FIERY FEATURES

SPIKES IN THE SPOTLIGHT: 2026 VOLLEYBALL RECAP

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After about two weeks of setting, bumping, and spiking,on Friday, April 10th, Dragons competed on the volleyball court for the title of CHAMPION. Teams competed against competitors from their gym class periods, and the top teams went on to finish the bracket challenge in front of their entire grade. The three teams per grade with the best record as well as the team exhibiting the best sportsmanship, according to the Phys. Ed teachers, went on to participate in exciting games in front of a live audience.

During 11th period, 7th graders watched their top three teams play. During 12th period, 8th graders played similarly intense matches. According to The Gingers player, Shekinah Averette (8), "there was a lot of diving, a lot of spiking, and jump blocking." Amir Henry (7), a 7th spectator, tells, "There was a lot of support for the different teams and a lot of confidence and sportsmanship."

The first place team from each grade took on the teachers. Unfortunately, the 8th graders lost to the faculty, but 7th graders ended victoriously with an exciting win. We wonder: will 7th graders be able to maintain their reign as school champs when they play their 8th grade teachers next year?

























SCORCHING SPOTLIGHTS

TOMORROW'S TEACHERS MAKING A DIFFERENCE ONE LESSON AT A TIME

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The Future Teachers is an amazing club; not only is it fun, but it also teaches many valuable skills. While the club previously focused on helping out teachers, members now take on a more active role in the teaching process. The club usually meets once or twice a month to create lesson plans and organize crafts to do with the STEP students. For example, the Future Teachers often join them on trips to Shoprite to help find ingredients for the Cupid Cafe. After helping the students shop, the club is invited to attend the cafe the very next day.

Future Teachers also coordinated lessons for children who came to work with their parents on Take Your Child to Work Day. This club helps students learn valuable lessons whether they want to become a teacher or not; it builds communication skills and teaches members how to work effectively with many different members of the Dragon community. It also helps build maturity and patience. Overall, it is a great club to be in and gives you the chance to make a real difference for the future.











