

Welcome Back Kennett High School Students!

On **Monday, August 31st, at 7:40 am**, we will be opening the doors to Kennett High School for the start of the 2026-2027 school year, and we are more excited than ever!

The 2026–2027 school year at KHS is shaping up to be our best yet. Our teachers, counselors, principals, and support staff are all excited to welcome you back! We are fully committed to your success and focused on providing an engaging, enriching, and rewarding educational experience. Your teachers have been working hard to design rigorous and relevant lessons that will help you grow as a learner and develop into a critical thinker ready to tackle real-world challenges.

As we work together to ensure a high-quality education, we expect you to give your best effort in the classroom every day. We also encourage you to get involved—whether by joining one of our many extracurricular activities or starting a club based on your interests.

Most importantly, we are dedicated to creating a supportive, inspiring, and inclusive learning environment for every student. This is a shared responsibility. Our staff is here to support you, and we ask that you treat one another with respect, kindness, and empathy to help maintain a positive school community. We're proud to have the best students in Chester County—not only because of your academic achievements, but because of the way you lead and support each other both in and out of the classroom. The reputation of Kennett High School students is strong and positive, a reflection of our close-knit and connected community.

Enclosed with this letter, you'll find important information to help you prepare for the school year. Please review it carefully so you're ready for a successful first day on Monday, August 31st. Also, mark your calendars for our KHS Back to School Night on Wednesday, August 26th, from 6:00 to 7:30 PM.

We are going to make this an amazing year together, and I cannot wait to see all of you on the first day of school!

Sincerely with Kennett PRIDE,

Elisha Ozer, Ed.D.
Principal, Kennett High School

Schedule, School Counselor and Principal Information

The Kennett High School Counselors have been diligently working to finalize all student schedules for the 2026-2027 school year to ensure that course requests have been honored as accurately as possible. Please be reminded that all 9th and 10th grade students are expected to have a full schedule without study halls or open periods. While we make every effort to avoid scheduling study halls for students in these grades, there may be exceptional circumstances that result in a 9th or 10th grade student having a study hall. Additionally, all students need to maintain a schedule with enough courses in order to achieve the required number of credits each year. In order to do so, their counselor may have had to schedule them for electives that they did not originally request. Additionally, the following elective offerings will not be running this school year: *AP European History, Introduction to Cosmology, Human Growth and Development II, and Nutrition Health & Wellness.*

Your schedule for the 2026-2027 school year will be available to review in Skyward the week of August 10th. Changes to student schedules at this time will only be initiated as a result of errors, scheduling conflicts or previous course failures. With that said, please review your schedule to ensure that it contains all required courses for which you were recommended. Your final schedule will be provided to you in your period 1 class on the 1st day of school. Please be advised, there will be an add/drop period for course changes this school year for both the Fall and Spring semesters. Starting at the beginning of the school year, you will have until **September 14th** to make requested changes to your schedule for the Fall semester. Please contact your school counselor with any course change requests.

Please note that:

- Every student will have an Academic Intervention & Enrichment (AIE) Period. AIE will be listed on student schedules as AIE 30 (9th graders) or AIE 29 (10th graders), etc., designated by the student's graduation year. This period will occur every day from 9:08-9:37 am. The AIE period is designed for students to receive any support they may need, extension activities if applicable, build relationships with each other and staff, and to help students with the workload of a high school student.
- If you see an error in your schedule (missing/incorrect required course or a class you have already passed), contact your School Counselor for your schedule to be corrected.
 - Study Hall(s) may not have been added to your schedule yet but will be added prior to the start of the school year (Study Hall(s) will replace open periods when appropriate).
- Every attempt has been made to schedule the elective or alternate courses you requested. This is not always possible due to schedule constraints and restrictions.
- Requests for courses that meet at specific times or with specific teachers will not be honored.
- Most students' schedules should have the following courses: **English, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, Electives, Health/Physical Education (9th and 10th grade), and Personal Finance (9th grade).**
- Students enrolled in TCHS programs will have schedules with their required core courses at KHS and their technical program at TCHS.
- Remember to complete your summer reading assignments for all English courses and any AP courses in which you are enrolled, which can be found on the [KHS website under Summer Assignments 2026](#).
- Junior and Senior Option will only appear on your schedule if you have submitted your completed Junior/Senior Option Form and the form has been verified. If you have not submitted

your form, please do so ASAP. The forms are available on the KHS Counseling Schoology page under Course Selection and Scheduling folder.

Each student is assigned to a specific School Counselor and Building Principal. Please see the table below to identify who is responsible for assisting you this school year, and **please be aware the alphabet distribution has changed slightly from last year.** If you need any assistance, please contact your School Counselor and/or your Building Principal.

School Counselor	Student Assignments
Ms. Logan Buchanan lbuchanan@kcsd.org	Last name beginning with A-G
Mrs. Margaret Snyder msnyder@kcsd.org	Last name beginning with H-P
Mrs. Michelle Sojo Carro msojocarro@kcsd.org	Last name beginning with Q-Z
Mrs. Sylvia Cintora scintora@kcsd.org	Current and Former ELD
Ms. Sara Cannillo scannillo@kcsd.org	504 Coordinator and Testing Coordinator

School Administrator	Student Assignments
Mr. Duane Kotz, Assistant Principal dkotz@kcsd.org	Student last names A-G
Mrs. Chanel August, Assistant Principal caugust@kcsd.org	Student last names H-P
Mr. Jeff Thomas, Assistant Principal jthomas@kcsd.org	Student last names Q-Z
Mr. Sean Harvey, Athletic Director sharvey@kcsd.org	
Dr. Elisha Ozer, Principal eozer@kcsd.org	

Bell Schedule

The KHS bell schedule for the 2026-27 school year will be the same as last year's bell schedule.

- On Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays, students will attend all 8 periods and AIE.
 - The above will be referenced as either the “Monday, Tuesday, Friday Schedule” or the “ALL Period Day Schedule”.
- On Wednesdays, students will attend only the ODD periods and AIE (periods 1, AIE, 3, 5 & 7).
 - The above will be referenced as either the “Wednesday Schedule” or the “ODD Period Day Schedule”.
- On Thursdays, students will attend only the EVEN periods and AIE (periods 2, AIE, 4, 6 & 8).
 - The above will be referenced as either the “Thursday Schedule” or the “EVEN Period Day Schedule”.
- The schedule will *mostly* be consistent all year and follow the same day schedule each week.
 - For example, if there is a snow day (no school) on a Tuesday, when school resumes on Wednesday the schedule will be the normal “Wednesday/ODD Period Day Schedule”.
- There may be times when the “normal daily schedule” will need to be changed. If/whenever a day schedule change occurs, it will be publicized and communicated on Schoology and via Skylert/School Messenger communications.
 - For example, during Keystone Exams, an altered schedule will be used; or during Midterm/Final Exams, a Wednesday (ODD Period Day) may change to an ALL Period Day Schedule (Monday, Tuesday, Friday) or a Friday (ALL Period Day) may change to an EVEN Day Schedule (Thursday Day).

Lunches

A student potentially may have 3 different lunch periods, depending upon their 5th and 6th period classes and the different days of the week. **This year students will have their lunch period displayed on their Skyward schedule.**

- Lunch will appear as a class on a student's Skyward schedule, so students will know when to attend their respective lunch, just as they do for any other class/period.
- The Lunch period will be displayed on student schedules as:
 - L1 = Lunch 1 = student has the 1st lunch
 - L2 = Lunch 2 = student has the 2nd lunch
 - L3 = Lunch 3 = student has the 3rd lunch

The bell schedule:

Monday, Tuesday & Friday --- ALL Period Day			
Time	Period		Minutes
7:40-8:20	1		40 min
8:24-9:04	2		40 min
9:08-9:37	AIE		29 min
9:41-10:21	3		40 min
10:25-11:05	4 <i>TCHS Leaves at 11:05</i>		40 min
11:09-1:07	Lunch 1: 11:09-11:39 (30 min)	5-2: 11:09-11:49 (40 min)	5-3: 11:09-11:49 (40 min)
	5-1: 11:43-12:23 (40 min)	Lunch 2: 11:53-12:23 (30 min)	6-3: 11:53-12:33 (40 min)
	6-1: 12:27-1:07 (40 min)	6-2: 12:27-1:07 (40 min)	Lunch 3: 12:37-1:07 (30 min)
1:11-1:51	7		40 min
1:55-2:35	8		40 min

Wednesday --- ODD Period Day			
Time	Period		Minutes
7:40-9:04	1		84 min
9:08-9:37	AIE		29 min
9:41-11:05	3 <i>TCHS Leaves at 11:05</i>		84 min
11:09-1:07	Lunch 1: 11:09-11:39 (30 min)	5-2: 11:09-11:51 (42 min)	5-3: 11:09-12:33 (84 min)
	5-1: 11:43-1:07 (84 min)	Lunch 2: 11:53-12:23 (30 min)	6-3: 11:53-12:33 (84 min)
		5-2: 12:25-1:07 (42 min)	Lunch 3: 12:37-1:07 (30 min)
1:11-2:35	7		84 min

Thursday --- EVEN Period Day			
Time	Period		Minutes
7:40-9:04	2		84 min
9:08-9:37	AIE		29 min
9:41-11:05	4 <i>TCHS Leaves at 11:05</i>		84 min
11:09-1:07	Lunch 1: 11:09-11:39 (30 min)	6-2: 11:09-11:51 (42 min)	6-3: 11:09-12:33 (84 min)
	6-1: 11:43-1:07 (84 min)	Lunch 2: 11:53-12:23 (30 min)	6-3: 11:09-12:33 (84 min)
		6-2: 12:25-1:07 (42 min)	Lunch 3: 12:37-1:07 (30 min)
1:11-2:35	8		84 min

Dual Enrollment

Please click this [link](#) to read about our awesome KHS Dual Enrollment opportunities.

Technology Support

Technology Support Resources can be found at the Technology tab on the website under Departments or at this [link](#). Incoming Freshman and new students will receive their district issued chromebook in AIE during the first week of school.

KHS Attendance Information

Late Policy

Punctuality fosters a sense of calmness and a value of time, which leads to increased well-being and academic success. Students who report to their first period class, or arrive at school after 7:40 am, will be considered late, unless the family communicates **(with a hand written note upon arrival)** an excused reason for the lateness. Students that are late, will serve a restorative session; during which time, the coach or facilitator will hold a discussion as to how this behavior impacts learning, the community, and employable soft skills.

If your child is late, a communication will be sent to notify you of their behavior as a discipline referral. This practice typically commences in the 3rd week of the school year to give students and families time to acclimate; this procedure will commence on Monday, September 14, 2026.

Attendance

Please see this [link](#) regarding important attendance information.

KHS student drop off and pick up locations

Parents are to use one of the locations pictured below when dropping off students before school and when picking up students after school. Please do not drive up to the front steps of the main building during student arrival or dismissal. This area must remain clear in order for our buses to safely drop off students at our main entrance and to allow for students to safely board their buses at the end of the school day.

Main entrance drop off/pick up in the Lower Lot



South Wing drop off/pick up

When using the South Wing entrance, please follow the arrows and proceed around to the back parking lot. Students may only enter the South Wing through the doors next to the Wrestling Room and the Auxiliary Gym. *****Reminder:** There is **NO** student entrance at the end of the South Wing hallway. All students must be dropped off behind the building.



Off-Campus Parking

The “Junior Parking Lot” can be used for Off-Campus parking this year. This is the parking lot across the street from the District Office off East South Street. The Borough Building parking lot (across the street from the tennis courts) is **NOT** available for parking this year. Please see the graphic below.



Student Handbook

Please refer to our [Kennett High School website](https://www.kenneth.kcsd.org/khs) for the KHS student handbook. This handbook will be available on our website by August 16th, 2026.

Exterior Doors Alarmed

Audible alarms will be armed on many exterior doors of our school (more doors are now armed effective this school year). The doors that are armed have visible signage. These alarms are designed to provide an additional layer of security by alerting staff to any unauthorized access or attempted breaches outside of our regular school arrival and departure hours.

The purpose of these alarms is to:

Deter Unauthorized Access/Use: The presence of audible alarms will serve as a deterrent to individuals attempting to gain unauthorized access to the school premises or open secured doors during the school day.

Prompt Response: In the event of an unauthorized entry or attempted breach, the audible alarms will immediately alert staff members, enabling them to respond swiftly and appropriately.

Enhance Overall Security: By installing these alarms, we have strengthened our overall security in an effort to ensure the well-being of our students, staff, and visitors.

Message about Students Vaping

The impact of vaping/smoking is not only on the person smoking but on others that inhale the second-hand smoke/carcinogens that fill the washroom and hallways. Please know our KHS staff is working collaboratively to ensure the safety of our students.

Listed below are some of our proactive measures that we take as a school to prevent vaping in our building:

- In-house School Resource Officer who walks the hallways and bathrooms throughout the day.
- Teachers enter all bathrooms during class exchange and during their prep periods.
- Principals walk the hallways and enter the bathrooms throughout the day.
- Discussions with students and informing the entire student body about the measures we are taking as a school and also the consequences.

Listed below are the consequences that will be given to students who use or are in possession of a vapor device or paraphernalia that contains a controlled substance:

- Up to 10-day suspension
- Rights and Responsibilities hearing with the Assistant Superintendent
- Criminal charges filed by the Kennett Square Police Department

Please know that we are prepared to support the students and families when these issues arise. We ask that you please speak with the children in your household and let them know the risks of using vapor devices and to please not bring them into our school. If you recognize the need for additional support, please contact your student's school counselor.

Upcoming KHS Events

August 26th: Back to School Night -- 6:00-7:30pm

August 31st: First Student Day

September 2nd & September 3rd: School Pictures during Social Studies Classes

September 7th: No School -- District Closed -- Labor Day

September 21st: No School -- Teacher In-Service Day

Week of September 28th: Homecoming Week