

PANTHER POST

FRIDAY, AUGUST 7TH 2026

Boyer's Buzz

And we're off! The first three days flew by and we couldn't have had a better start. Students transitioned from their summer schedules, back to the school schedule, very well!

This week, students made personal goals for the first nine weeks and school year. They were printed out for them and put in a place that they will see every day! Students also took the Panther Pledge! How You Treat People Matters is a favorite slogan here at KIS. Students will celebrate our pledge and motto by having a fun Field Day Monday afternoon.

Students also did a wonderful job completing our first Fire Drill of the school year and we will be having our first Tornado Drill next Tuesday. Please be advised, we will be having several lockdown drills throughout the semester as student safety is our highest priority.

Every grade level met with administration to go over the expectations of the school year.



IN THE NEWS...

KIS faculty are very excited for this school year, because not only is this the last year in our building before we move to one campus, but because of how well students have done this first week.

I hope that everyone has a great weekend and welcome back!

Motivational Quote

"Work hard, be kind, and amazing things will happen."

- Conan O'brien

Important Dates

1. Aug. 14th - Picture Day (Friday)
2. Sept. 4th - Cookout - 1st Midterm Incentive
3. Sept. 4th Midterm #1
4. Sept. 8th - No Students/Teacher Work Day
5. Sept 14-18th - College Go Week - Dress up Days
6. Sept. 21 - 25th - Homecoming Week - Fictional Places - Dress Up Days
7. Sept. 23rd - Homecoming Parade - 6 PM start from KIS
8. Sept. 25th - Homecoming Game
9. Sept. 29th - Picture Retakes
10. Oct 2nd - 1st 9 Week Incentive
11. Oct 5-9th - Fall Break
12. Nov 11 - Veterans Day Program - 9 AM
13. Nov 13 - Second Midterm Incentive
14. Nov 12th - Midterm #2
15. Nov 25-27th - Thanksgiving Break
16. Dec 19-1/4 - Christmas Break
17. Jan. 5th - Students return for 2nd semester



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EXTRA CURRICULAR SCHEDULES

NJHS - Will Start Soon...

Student Council - Tuesday, 8/18 and Thursday, 8/19 till 4 PM

Jr. High Play - Will Start Soon...

Voice - Every other Friday during RTI, beginning Friday 8/21

Art Club - Will Start Soon...

Homework Help - Tuesday, 8/25 and Thursday, 8/27 till 4:15

Games Club - Will Start Soon...

Yearbook Club - Call out Meeting Friday, 8/14 and first club meeting 8/28

FCA - Friday mornings at 7:15 in the media center - beginning 9/11

Volleyball

8/18 - @ home v. EH
8/19 - @ home v. T.C.
8/26 - @ Hagerstown
8/27 - @ GFC
9/1 - @ home v. Daleville
9/3 - @ Union County
9/8 - @ home v. Northeastern
9/10 - @ home v. BRV
9/14 - @ home v. Morristown
9/15 - @ home v. Shenandoah
9/17 - @ home v. CCL
9/22 - @ Tri
9/28 - @ Ben Rush
10/1 @ Lapel
10/3 - @ County

Football

8/19 - @ home v. Shenandoah
8/26 - @ home v. Hagerstown
9/2 - @ home v. Winchester
9/9 - @ U. County
9/15 - @ U. City
9/24 - @ E.H.
10/1 - @ home v. CCL
10/13 - Tri

Cross Country

8/15 - @ BRV Invitational
8/24 - @ Ben. Rush
9/1 - @ Mohawk Invitational
9/5 - @ U. City Invite
9/14 - @ Shenandoah
9/29 - @ County
9/30 - @ U. County Invite
10/10 - @ TEC



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Message from Guidance

Middle School Parents (Grades 6-8),

Effective Monday, August 10, 2026, class schedules will remain fixed for Semester 1 and cannot be modified. Any schedule changes must wait until Semester 2.

The Student Services Department has communicated this policy throughout the summer, and we are committed to maintaining schedule stability for the remainder of this semester. This approach ensures we can meet enrollment requirements and honor the commitments students and families have made -- particularly for courses like band and choir, which require a full-semester commitment.

If you believe a schedule change is necessary as the semester progresses, please contact Denise Gulley, KIS School Counselor, as soon as possible so we can plan any adjustments for Semester 2. We appreciate your understanding and partnership in supporting student success.

Food Pantry Dates

Knightstown Elementary 2026-2027 Big Idea Events

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JUNE 2027						
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No event in June						

JULY 2027						
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No event in July						

— NOTES —

Event Time

4:00-5:30 pm

What is the Big Idea?

A program that may offer meat, fruits & vegetables, refrigerated & frozen items and/or dry goods. Includes community resources.

Where is the Event?

Main Entrance/Hallway

Who can participate?

All school families & school staff

What does it cost?

The event is FREE.

What to bring?

Bags to take food home.

What info do I need?

Families will be asked to provide the ages of all household members and what school students attend.



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IMPORTANT CHANGES

FOR THE 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR

KNIGHTSTOWN INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

Please take a minute to review these important updates!



THE EXPECTATION:
LEAVE ALL PERSONAL
DEVICES AT HOME.

CELL PHONES & SMART DEVICES

If a student brings a personal device to school, it must:



Be
POWERED OFF



Stay in
their LOCKER



Not be used
during the
school day

DEVICES INCLUDE:

- Cell Phones
- Apple Watches / Smart Watches
- Tablets
- Gaming Devices
- Personal Laptops

CONSEQUENCES

1ST OFFENSE:
Device returned at end of the day

2ND OFFENSE:
Parent must pick up device

3RD OFFENSE:
Detention + parent pickup

4TH OFFENSE:
Suspension



Failure to serve an assigned
consequence = immediate loss
of extracurricular privileges
and suspension.



ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

Missing school means missing learning.

Parents will receive attendance notifications after:

3

ABSENCES
Informational
Letter

5

ABSENCES
Attendance
Review Committee
Meeting

8

ABSENCES
Attendance
Intervention
Meeting

★ REMEMBER:

Every day your child
misses school counts as
an absence under
Indiana law.



BREAKFAST & LUNCH

Beginning this school year, breakfast and lunch
are no longer free for all students.

BREAKFAST

\$1.70

LUNCH

\$2.80



**PLEASE COMPLETE A
FREE & REDUCED MEAL
APPLICATION — EVEN IF
YOU'RE UNSURE YOU QUALIFY!**

- ✓ Free
- ✓ Confidential
- ✓ May lower meal costs
- ✓ Helps support our school



**THANK YOU FOR HELPING US MAKE
2026-2027 A GREAT SCHOOL YEAR!**

Questions? Contact the Knightstown Intermediate School Office





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**Henry County**
Health Department
Prevent. Promote. Protect.

**VACCINE
CLINIC**

GRADES K-12

**STAY
HEALTHY.
STAY
READY!**

**AUGUST 17TH**
4PM – 8PM

AND

**AUGUST 27TH**
4PM – 8PM

**HENRY COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT**
1201 Race St, Suite 208
New Castle, IN 47362

RAFFLES
will be drawn for
SOME AWESOME PRIZES!

**THE GRAND PRIZE IS
A BIKE!**



COME ON OUT AND LET'S GET VACCINATED!



• Please bring your insurance card if available. Vaccines are available to all eligible students.
For questions, call (765) 529-2237.



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Chrome Books

All students have been assigned chrome books and chargers for use throughout the school year. Jr. High Students are to bring their devices, fully charged, every day. Students are responsible for keeping their devices in good working order and in good condition. If a chrome book is damaged, please have the student bring it to the front office so staff can assess what needs to happen for it to be repaired. Please keep track of chargers and put them in a safe place at home for daily use. The elementary students also have chrome books, but they are housed, charged and kept in their homerooms for daily use.



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Dear Parents and Guardians,

As part of our continued commitment to supporting student learning through technology, our school district provides Chromebooks to all students for educational use throughout the school year. These devices are vital learning tools, and we aim to ensure they remain in good working condition and available each day.

To help protect and maintain these devices, we are sending you our **Student Chromebook Repair Guidelines**, which outlines family responsibilities in the event of damage, loss, or misuse.

If a device becomes damaged or stops working, students should bring it to the school's main office for assistance as soon as possible.

Repair Responsibility

Families are responsible for the **cost of parts** required to repair any damage to a student-issued Chromebook. The district does **not** charge for labor.

Damage not consistent with normal wear and tear may result in the family being billed for the full cost of repair or device replacement, depending on the circumstances.

Billing

In the event of damage, parents will be sent notification of the damage and cost of repair outlining the cost of necessary parts. If payment is **not received in a timely manner**, the outstanding balance will be forwarded to a **collection agency** for further action.

We encourage families to communicate with the school or central office if there are any concerns about billing or if payment arrangements are needed.

Attached you will find a **Student Chromebook Repair Cost Guide**, which outlines estimated part costs for common repairs. Actual costs may vary slightly based on parts availability and Chromebook model.

If you have any questions about this policy or need to report a damaged, lost, or stolen device, please contact the school that your child attends by email or phone. This information can be found at the bottom of each school's webpage.

Thank you for your partnership in supporting our students and for helping us maintain this important educational resource.

Ktown Girl Scouts

Knightstown Girl Scouts will be having a Kick-off meeting on Monday, August 10, 2026 from 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm in the Knightstown Elementary School Cafeteria.

All girls, Kindergarten through 12th grade are invited.

We will be painting rocks for the Community Rock Garden, playing games, singing songs and having a snack.

Join us to see what Girl Scouts are all about.

Any questions, reach out to Betsy Wilkerson at 765-571-0483.