

Spring 2019

Welcome to Kennedy Junior High. The information below is to give families a broad overview of our school and to address frequently asked questions.

What is a Middle School?

Kennedy uses a middle school model for organization even though 'junior high' is in our official name. A middle school model allows for placing students on grade level teams with common Math, English Language Arts (ELA), Science and Social Science teachers. Such organization allows for coordination of supports and targeted opportunities for social-emotional learning.

School Schedule

	Time
1	8:00-8:50
2	8:54-9:35
3	9:39-10:20
4	10:24-11:05
5	*11:09-11:50
6	*11:54-12:35
7	*12:39-1:20
8	1:24-2:05
9	2:09-2:50

- 5th, 6th and 7th period are designated as lunch periods.
- Four minute passing periods take place between each class.

Transportation

- The majority of our students are bused, as we have attendees from all elementary schools due to the three specialized programs we host. Most buses drop off students between 7:25-7:40 a.m. and pick up between 3:00-3:15 p.m.
- Bike racks are available at the front of the building.
- Drop offs or pick-ups of students take place in front of the building in the specified lane. We do experience heavy traffic regularly from 7:45-8:00 a.m. and from 2:40-3:10 p.m.

Class Scheduling

"Core" Classes	"Encore" Classes	Others
Math Language Arts Science Social Science	Physical Education Art Family and Consumer Science (FACS) General Music Project Lead the Way (PLTW)	Lunch Supervised Study

- Each student’s schedule contains all core classes, daily physical education, a rotation of the four exploratory classes, supervised study, and lunch.
- Unless there is a designated learning need, students are assigned to classes randomly by computer.
- Specialized assignments in 5th grade (PI, Multi-Needs, Structured Learning, PI+) will continue in 6th grade.
- Each student is provided a Chromebook. Canvas is used to provide assignments and calendars while Infinite Campus allows students to check their grades.

Sample 6th Grade Schedule

	Term T1 (08/17/16- 11/08/16)	Term T2 (11/09/16- 02/21/17)	Term T3 (02/22/17- 05/25/17)
01	CJ6110-3 Language Arts Horan, Matthew Rm: 144 Team: Alps	CJ6110-3 Language Arts Horan, Matthew Rm: 144 Team: Alps	CJ6110-3 Language Arts Horan, Matthew Rm: 144 Team: Alps
02	Daily PE		
03	PJ6010-7 Physical Education Hirst, Rebecca Rm: Gym	PJ6010-7 Physical Education Hirst, Rebecca Rm: Gym	PJ6010-7 Physical Education Hirst, Rebecca Rm: Gym
04	EMPTY	EMPTY	EMPTY
05	9J6010-1 Lunch Wainwright, Matthew J Team: Alps	9J6010-1 Lunch Wainwright, Matthew J Team: Alps	9J6010-1 Lunch Wainwright, Matthew J Team: Alps
06	TJ6010-1 Social Studies Horan, Matthew Rm: 135 Team: Alps	TJ6010-1 Social Studies Horan, Matthew Rm: 135 Team: Alps	TJ6010-1 Social Studies Horan, Matthew Rm: 135 Team: Alps
07	SJ6010-2 Science Atiq, Jihan Rm: 122 Team: Alps	SJ6010-2 Science Atiq, Jihan Rm: 122 Team: Alps	SJ6010-2 Science Atiq, Jihan Rm: 122 Team: Alps
08	MJ6010-3 Mathematics Sacher, Robert E Rm: 143 Team: Alps	MJ6010-3 Mathematics Sacher, Robert E Rm: 143 Team: Alps	MJ6010-3 Mathematics Sacher, Robert E Rm: 143 Team: Alps
09	9J6210-3 Supervised Study Atiq, Jihan Rm: 122 Team: Alps	9J6210-3 Supervised Study Atiq, Jihan Rm: 122 Team: Alps	9J6210-3 Supervised Study Atiq, Jihan Rm: 122 Team: Alps
	Term Q1 (08/17/16- 10/17/16)	Term Q2 (10/18/16- 12/22/16)	Term Q3 (01/09/17- 03/13/17)
04	AJ6010-9 Art Rozell, Alison D Rm: 151	FJ6010-9 FACS Peterson, Lori J Rm: 149	NJ6010-9 Music Wukitsch, Lisa S Rm: 147
			Term Q4 (03/14/17- 05/18/17)
			JJ6010-9 PLTW GTT Klick, Michael R Rm: 145

- English Language Arts (ELA) is taught as a block of two, forty minute periods.
- Physical Education occurs daily.
- All 6th grade students are assigned the same lunch period.
- Exploratory classes occur in a rotation throughout the year in which students have a quarter each of Art, Family and Consumer Science (FACS), General Music, and Project Lead the Way (PLTW).
- For supervised study, students are assigned to a classroom and teacher from their team. This period is used for homework completion, seeking extra help from a teacher, targeted intervention support, make-up work, etc.
- Performance music large groups rehearse 1-2 days per week during supervised study.

Physical Education

- Students wear a designated uniform and are provided ample time to change at the beginning and end of the period. In addition to a hall locker, students will be assigned a PE locker.
- 12 activity rotations take place over 30 weeks of the school year.
- Students use the Fitness Center at least one day per week.
- All students also have one six-week rotation of health taught in the classroom.

Performance Music

- Large group rehearsal occurs during supervised study two days per week. Students meet for sectional lessons through pull out time during the school day; their sectional meeting rotates so that they do not miss the same academic course more than once per month.
- Concerts take place three times per year.

Extra-Curricular Activities

- Though students cannot participate in intra-scholastic athletics until 7th grade, there are a wide variety of sports and activities offered before and after school in intramurals and clubs.

Activities	Clubs	Intramurals
<i>Eagle Eye Newspaper</i> <i>Eagle Talons Literary Magazine</i> <i>Mathcounts*</i> <i>Musical*</i> <i>Science Olympiad*</i> <i>Speech & Drama</i> <i>Student Council</i> <i>Yearbook</i> <i>Jazz Band*</i> <i>Jazz Ensemble*</i> <i>*Tryout Required</i>	<i>Arts and Crafts Club</i> <i>Chess Club</i> <i>Council for Exceptional Children Peers</i> <i>Gay Straight Alliance</i> <i>Kennedy Charity Caterers</i> <i>KClub</i> <i>LC Student Assistants</i> <i>Lunch & Read Bunch</i> <i>Newcomers Club</i> <i>SUCCESS</i>	<i>Archery</i> <i>Arts/Crafts</i> <i>Basketball</i> <i>Bowling</i> <i>Bigger Stronger Quicker Fitness</i> <i>Dance</i> <i>Dodgeball</i> <i>Drawing</i> <i>Fishing</i> <i>Flag Football</i> <i>Floor Hockey</i> <i>Four Square</i> <i>Golf</i> <i>Guitar Club</i> <i>Indoor Racquet</i> <i>Kickball</i> <i>Lacrosse</i> <i>Rock Climbing</i> <i>Skiing</i> <i>Soccer</i> <i>Ultimate Frisbee</i> <i>Volleyball</i> <i>Whiffle Ball</i> <i>Wii</i> <i>Wrestling</i> <i>Yoga</i>

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