



February

NEWSLETTER

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DON'T MISS THIS!

February 14 - Valentines Day

February 19 - Presidents Day
(No School)

February 21 - Kick-off Assembly

February 26 - Idiom Day

February 27 - Read My Shirt Day

February 28 - Book Character Day

February 29 - Out of this World Day
Literacy Night 6-7:30

March 1 - Read Under the Stars Day

March 8 - In-Service Day
(No School)

April 1-5 Spring Break

IMPORTANT INFO

SCHOOL HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday
8:45am- 3:25pm

Wednesdays are Early Release at 1:55

LUNCH TIMES

Kinder-2nd grade- 11:40 to 12:10
3rd-5th grade- 12:10 to 12:40



A Message From Our Principals

Dear Blue Jay Families,

As you settle in to the new calendar year, we want to thank you for your ongoing support and engagement with your child and with our school. We appreciate the leadership of our PTO board, the engagement of our volunteers, and the support of families who do so much to promote the success of their children.

At this time of year, we always have two focus areas as an administrative team:

1. We are focused on making sure that student engagement, respect, accountability, and effort continue. We know that for whatever reason, it is easy for students to become less focused on these areas or to test the boundaries at this time of the school year. We want to hold high standards for everyone and scaffold the supports needed for those who need them. We strongly believe that we should expect students to make mistakes and learn from their mistakes. We believe that not every lesson comes from a book and that sometimes we have the opportunity to teach life lessons. We view every discipline situation as a learning opportunity. Please provide your children with reminders of our 3Rs and ask them to double down on their efforts in these areas.
2. We also spend a lot of time looking ahead to the upcoming school year. We are beginning to learn about our projected staffing allocations and develop plans accordingly for next school year. On that topic, we would like to provide a reminder for parents that we do not take requests when placing students in classrooms. Kids are placed through a thorough process involving grade level teachers, specialists, counselors, and administrators. The placements represent balanced classes, kid separations, and clusters for highly capable and multilingual learners. Because of the process, we do not accept any requests. If you have a specific concern about any of this, we invite you to come to the office for a "placement concern form". After filling this out, we ask you to schedule an appointment with an administrator to review and discuss it. Those concerns may be a part of the decision-making placement process. They are designed for those extreme cases of needs for separation or other social/emotional considerations that parents would like to convey about their child's needs. Placements won't take place until May. We are just trying to share information now that pertains to those spring time questions.

We appreciate the opportunity to work with your Blue Jay. It is an honor to be a part of their academic and social learning journey. Thank you for your partnership and support.

Dr. Connolly and Mrs. Dahl

FEBRUARY

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1	2	3
4	5	6	 7 1:55 dismissal	8	9	10
11	12	13	 14 1:55 dismissal <i>Happy Valentine's Day</i>	15	16	17
18	19 No School  ★ HAPPY ★ PRESIDENTS DAY	20	21  22 1:55 dismissal	22	23	24
25	26 Idiom Day	27 Read my shirt	28 Book character  29 1:55 dismissal	29 Out of this world day Literacy Night 6:00-7:30		



Literacy Week Spirit Days

Feb 26th–March 1st

Monday
Idiom Day

Tuesday
Read My Shirt Day

Wednesday
Book Character Day

Thursday
Out of this World Day

Friday
Read Under the Stars (PJ) Day

Butler Acres Elementary

Improving Tomorrow by Learning Today

Dr. Mark Connolly, Principal • Sarah Dahl, Assistant Principal



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Dear Parent/Guardian:

Kelso School District is pleased to announce that we will begin using the Raptor Visitor Management System at Butler Acres to strengthen our program of campus safety for students and faculty. Part of keeping students and faculty safe is knowing who is in our buildings at all times, and the Raptor system will allow us to do that. The Raptor system will better allow us to screen visitors, contractors, and volunteers in our schools and provide us with a safer environment for our students and staff.

Upon entering a district building, visitors will be asked to present an ID such as a Driver's License, which can either be scanned or manually entered into the system. If a parent or guardian for any reason does not have a US government-issued ID, the school staff member can use any form of identification and manually enter the person's name into the Raptor system. The Raptor system will check to ensure that registered sexual offenders are not entering our school campuses without our knowledge. The Raptor system checks the visitor's name and date of birth for comparison with a national database of registered sex offenders. The registered sex offender database is the only official database checked by the Raptor system. No other data from the ID is gathered or recorded and the information is not shared with any outside agency. Once entry is approved, Raptor will issue a badge that identifies the visitor, the date, and the purpose of his/her visit. A visitor's badge will not be necessary for those who visit our schools simply to drop off an item in the office or pick up paperwork.

The safety of our students is our highest priority and the Raptor visitor management system allows us to quickly identify those that may present a danger to our students. Thank you in advance for your understanding and your support in enhancing the school safety protocols in our district.

Sincerely,

Butler Acres Office

KSD SAFE SCHOOLS EMERGENCY INFORMATION



LOCKDOWN

DEFINITE THREAT OF VIOLENCE OR HARM

- **CLOSE/LOCK** external entrances
- **CLOSE/LOCK** classroom doors - stay out of sight
- **HEAD COUNT** & collect students
- **BARRICADE** / defend / run
- **MONITOR** communications



SECURE & TEACH

POTENTIAL THREAT OF HARM

- **CLOSE/LOCK** classroom doors
- **HEAD COUNT** & collect students
- **CONTINUE TEACHING** as usual
- **MONITOR** communications
- **PREPARE** to upgrade response
- **WAIT** for "all clear"



SHELTER IN PLACE

HAZARDOUS OUTDOOR ATMOSPHERE

- **SHELTER** in a safe area
- **ISOLATE** your environment
- **SHUT OFF** HVAC / air systems
- **HEAD COUNT** & collect students
- **MONITOR** communications
- **PREPARE** to evacuate
- **WAIT** for "all clear"



EVACUATE

FIRE / INTERNAL THREAT

- **EXIT** building to nearest rally point
- If **RALLY POINT** is unsafe, go to a safe area
- **HEAD COUNT** & collect students
- **PREPARE** to reunify

KEY REMINDERS

- **NO PROPPED OPEN DOORS**
- **MAINTAIN ADULT VISIBILITY**
- **SEE or HEAR SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING**

EMERGENCY CONTACTS

911

SUICIDE HOTLINE	1.800.273.8255
COWLITZ CO. CRISIS LINE	360.425.6064
KELSO POLICE	360.423.1270
SHERIFF	360.577.3092
SEXUAL ASSAULT HOTLINE	1.800.656.4673
CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICE	360.501.2600
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	1.800.799.7233 or text LOVEIS to 22522
POISON CONTROL	1.800.222.1222
DRUG/ALCOHOL HOTLINE	1.800.662.4357



PLAN FOR INCLEMENT WEATHER

2022-2023 Kelso School District

Snow, ice, and wind can impact our ability to conduct school activities as planned. Depending on the road conditions, any one of the following may happen:

- 1) **Buses are on snow routes.**
All schools and activities continue, but some routes are altered. Snow route details are on our Transportation web page.
- 2) **School is delayed two hours.**
Buses pick up students two hours later than normal; no breakfast or AM preschool.
- 3) **School is canceled for the day.**
All schools, activities, and athletics are canceled for the day.
- 4) **School is dismissed early.**
All activities and athletics are canceled.

HOW WE DECIDE

Before deciding to close schools, district officials consult county road crews and our own employees who are out driving the roads in the early hours of the morning.

Our district covers a large region with steep terrain in places. While roads may be passable in town, conditions may be different just a few miles away. Before we close schools we seek answers to the questions below:

- Can we ensure that buses can navigate streets safely?
- Will students be safe waiting for buses, driving, or walking to school?
- What are the predicted weather conditions later in the school day so we can also ensure students a safe return home?
- Will conditions be substantially improved if we start school late?
- Will we have heat and lights in our schools?

HOW WE INFORM YOU

We attempt to provide you with as much prior notice of school closures as possible. We make every effort to announce changes by 6 AM and we use a variety of methods to get the information to parents and staff.

KSD App

Download the Kelso School District app and enable notifications for the district and/or specific schools.

Text & Email

We'll use the cell phone number and email you have listed in Skyward. Please make sure your contact information is correct.

Flash Alert

Subscribe to FlashAlert to receive weather-related schedule changes by email and/or text. Push notification is available with the FlashAlert app. To subscribe, look under the "How do I" tab on our website: kelso.wednet.edu.

Radio/Television

Portland TV stations will carry basic information about school closures. For more detailed information, especially about changes in bus routes, please listen to local radio stations.

Social Media

Follow us on Facebook and Twitter @KelsoSchools for updates on school closures and bus routes.

For a recorded message of changes in bus routes and/or school closures, call: (360) 501-1990.

Remember:

No news is good news! We only make announcements when there are changes in normal routine.



Kelso School District Info Line: 501-1990

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SNOW ROUTES

Kelso Schools Transportation Department

2023-2024 -- AM SNOW ROUTES

*Only stops affected by snow routes are listed below, stop areas not listed will be serviced as usual
AM buses arrive at pickup location approximately 10 minutes before scheduled leave time

ROUTE	AREA	BUS PICKS UP HERE	REGULARLY SCHED LEAVE TIME		2 HOUR DELAY LEAVE TIME	
			HS/MS	ELEMENTARY	HS/MS	ELEMENTARY
1	Ostrander Rd	Ostrander & N. Pacific @ park-n-ride	7:10	8:20	9:00	10:05
3	Holcomb Acres Rd	Holcomb Loop Rd	7:05	8:20	9:05	10:10
4	Headquarters Rd	N. Pacific & Headquarters	7:00	8:10	8:50	10:00
6	River View, Mtn. View	South & Beulah	~~~~	8:05	~~~~	10:05
8	Hazel Dell Rd	Hazel Dell Rd @ Leckler Creek Rd	~~~~	8:20	~~~~	10:20
9	Hazel Dell Rd	Hazel Dell Rd @ Leckler Creek Rd	7:00	~~~~	9:15	~~~~
10	Scenic View, Mcmillan	Beacon Hill & Scenic View	~~~~	7:55	~~~~	9:55
14	Hausler, Highland Park/Vista	South Kelso Drive @ Hausler Rd.	7:20	8:10	9:20	10:10
	Alma	S. Kelso Dr. @ Alma	7:22	8:12	9:22	10:12
	Alma, Grim, Banyon	S. Kelso Dr. @ Russell	7:24	8:14	9:24	10:14
15	Mt. Brynion-All stops <u>ABOVE Hageman</u> :					
	Mt. Brynion above Hageman	Mt. Brynion & Hageman	7:15	8:15	9:15	10:15
	Johnson Ln	Mt. Brynion & Johnson Ln	7:18	8:18	9:18	10:18
	Williams-Finney	Mt. Brynion & Williams-Finney	7:20	8:20	9:20	10:20
	Minor Road & Theresa Way	Mt. Brynion & Minor Rd.	7:22	8:22	9:22	10:22
16	Carroll Rd	S. Kelso Dr. @ Carroll Rd.	7:20	8:05	9:20	10:05
17	P.G. Sweet Rd	Allen St. @ P.G. Sweet Rd	7:10	8:05	9:10	10:05
	Harris St	Allen St. @ Harris St	7:15	8:10	9:15	10:10
	Allen St. & Corduroy	Allen St. @ Corduroy	7:20	8:15	9:20	10:20
	Beschel Hts. & Sunrise	Butler Acres Elementary School	7:25	~~~~	9:25	~~~~

Kelso Schools Transportation Department

2023-2024 -- PM SNOW ROUTES

*Only stops affected by snow routes are listed below, stop areas not listed will be serviced as usual
AM buses arrive at pickup location approximately 10 minutes before scheduled leave time

ROUTE	AREA	BUS DROPS OFF HERE	BUS DROP OFF TIME		WED EARLY RELEASE DROP OFF TIME	
			HS/MS	ELEMENTARY	HS/MS	ELEMENTARY
1	Ostrander Rd, Rollingwood, Ballpark	Ostrander & N. Pacific @ park-n-ride	3:00	4:00	1:30	2:15
3	Holcomb Acres Rd	Holcomb Loop Rd	3:05	3:45	1:35	2:10
4	Headquarters Rd	N. Pacific & Headquarters	3:15	4:10	1:50	2:35
6	River View, Mtn. View	South & Beulah	~~~~	3:50	~~~~	2:30
8	Hazel Dell Rd	Hazel Dell Rd @ Leckler Creek Rd	~~~~		~~~~	
9	Hazel Dell Rd	Hazel Dell Rd @ Leckler Creek Rd	3:10	3:55	1:40	2:25
10	Scenic View, Mcmillan	Beacon Hill & Scenic View	~~~~	3:45	~~~~	2:15
14	Hausler, Highland Park/Vista	South Kelso Drive @ Hausler Rd.	2:50	3:45	1:20	2:15
	Alma, Grim, Banyon	S. Kelso Dr. @ Alma	2:55	3:50	1:25	2:20
	Alma	S. Kelso Dr. @ Russell	3:00	3:55	1:30	2:25
15	Mt. Brynion-All stops <u>ABOVE Hageman</u> :					
	Mt. Brynion above Hageman	Mt. Brynion & Hageman	2:55	3:40	1:25	2:05
	Johnson Ln	Mt. Brynion & Johnson Ln	2:57	3:42	1:27	2:07
	Williams-Finney	Mt. Brynion & Williams-Finney	2:59	3:44	1:29	2:09
	Minor Road & Theresa Way	Mt. Brynion & Minor Rd.	3:01	3:46	1:31	2:11
16	Carroll Rd	S. Kelso Dr. @ Carroll Rd.	2:50	3:50	1:20	2:25
17	P.G. Sweet Rd	Allen St. @ P.G. Sweet Rd	3:00	3:45	1:30	2:15
	Harris St	Allen St. @ Harris St	3:02	3:47	1:32	2:17
	Allen St. & Corduroy	Allen St. @ Corduroy	3:04	3:49	1:34	2:19
	Beschel Hts. & Sunrise	Butler Acres Elementary School	3:08	~~~~	1:38	~~~~

BLUE JAY REMINDERS



Spirit Days

College Wear Wednesdays

Every WEDNESDAY, wear blue and gold, college or career wear to remind ourselves of our limitless futures.



Blue Jay Fridays



Every FRIDAY, wear Butler Acres, Coweeman or Kelso High School gear or blue or yellow shirts.
GO KELSO!!!

Butler Acres Before School Policy

For the safety of our students, please refrain from arriving before
8:30 AM as there will be no supervision.

No Explorers Club

Feb. 8, 26-28

School Break

Spring Break
April 1-5

Lunch Times

TK - 10:55am

Kinder - 11:20am

1st - 11:30am

2nd - 11:40am

3rd - 12:00pm

4th - 12:05pm

5th - 12:10pm

FRIENDLY REMINDER: **NO DELIVERIES ACCEPTED**

Please remember we DO NOT accept ANY deliveries of flowers, balloons, and/or other gifts which come to the school. Please celebrate with these items at home.

Thank you for your cooperation!



Nurse's Corner

Mrs. Tasha says "Remember to wash your hands and cover your cough, especially during flu and cold season!"





STRONG SCHOOLS STRONGER COMMUNITY

STAFFING FUNDED BY LEVY DOLLARS

2024-25 percentages after COVID related ESSER funding ends.

100%

SCHOOL
SAFETY
& SECURITY



100%

SPORTS &
ACTIVITIES



100%

FAMILY &
COMMUNITY
RESOURCE
CENTER



48%

COUNSELING
& NURSING
SUPPORTS



12%

TEACHERS
& INSTRU-
CTIONAL SUP-
PORT STAFF



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YOU make a difference!

Register to vote at:
voter.votewa.gov/WhereToVote.aspx

Learn more at WeAreKelso.org

VOTE
Feb. 13





STRONG SCHOOLS STRONGER COMMUNITY

Top 10 Renewal Levy FAQs

In November 2023, Kelso School District asked our community through a ThoughtExchange what questions they had about the **RENEWAL educational program and operations levy** that will be on the **February 13, 2024**, ballot. There were 10 frequently asked questions. [Click here for the answers \(bit.ly/levyFAQ\)](https://bit.ly/levyFAQ).

1 What will the levy pay for?

2 What won't the levy pay for?

3 What is the monthly increase in the levy for me and my family in terms of benefits for kids and staff?

4 If this is a renewal/replacement levy, why does the amount increase?

5 What is the levy amount, estimated levy rate, and collection years for the 2024 levy?

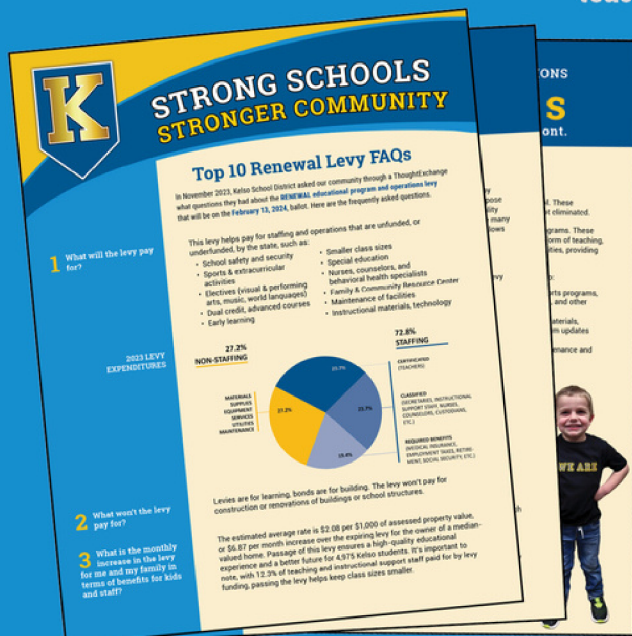
6 What are the highest priorities for the district and schools if the levy passes?

7 If the levy doesn't pass, what will happen to the following staffing funded by levy dollars: school safety and security, sports and activities, Family & Community Resource Center, counseling and nursing supports, teachers and instructional staff?

8 How does levy funding affect class sizes?

9 What steps are taken to ensure fiscal responsibility?

10 When will the next bond be proposed?



YOU make a difference!

Register to vote at: voter.votewa.gov

Learn more at WeAreKelso.org

Look for your ballot in the mail in late January, and please vote!



KELSO SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 458

2023-2024

Student School Calendar

AUGUST 2023

Su	M	T	W	Th	F	Sa
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SEPTEMBER 2023

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OCTOBER 2023

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NOVEMBER 2023

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DECEMBER 2023

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JANUARY 2024

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STUDENT FIRST AND LAST DAYS OF SCHOOL

August 30 First Day
June 12 14 Last Day

GRADUATION

June 8

STUDENT NON-ATTENDANCE DAYS

September 4 Labor Day
October 6 In-Service Day
November 10 Veterans Day Observed
November 20-22 Elementary School Conferences
(No School for Elementary Students ONLY)
November 23-24 Thanksgiving Break
November 27 Trimester Break
Dec. 21 – Jan. 2 Winter Break
January 15 MLK Day
January 26 Semester Break
February 19 Presidents' Day
March 8 In-Service Day
March 11 Trimester Break
April 1 – 5 Spring Break
May 27 Memorial Day

EARLY DISMISSAL DAYS

Elementary 1:55 pm, Secondary 1:00 pm
November 22 Secondary Students Only
December 20
March 29
Last Day of School
Elementary 11:10 am, Secondary 10:05 am

TERM-END DAYS

Trimesters (Elementary and High School)
November 22 Trimester 1
March 7 Trimester 2
June 12 Trimester 3
Semesters (Middle School)
January 25 Semester 1
June 12 Semester 2

SCHOOL HOURS

Elementary Schools (All but Rose Valley)
Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 8:45 am – 3:25 pm
Wednesdays 8:45 am – 1:55 pm
2023/2024 Rose Valley
Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 9:00 am – 3:40 pm
Wednesdays 9:00 am – 2:10 pm
Secondary Schools
Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 7:50 am – 2:30 pm
Wednesdays 7:50 am – 1:00 pm

MAKE-UP DAYS

November 27
January 26 - SCHOOL IN SESSION
March 11 - SCHOOL IN SESSION
End of School Year

FEBRUARY 2024

Su	M	T	W	Th	F	Sa
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MARCH 2024

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APRIL 2024

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MAY 2024

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JUNE 2024

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JULY 2024

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28	29	30	31			



MAKE-UP DAYS

DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER, SCHOOLS
WERE CLOSED JAN 10, 16, 17, 18

SCHEDULED MAKE-UP DAYS ARE BELOW

ALL SCHOOLS

EXCEPT WALLACE

WALLACE

JAN 26



JUNE 3

MAR 11



JUNE 17

JUNE 13



JUNE 24

JUNE 14



JUNE 25

IN THE EVENT OF FUTURE CLOSURES DUE TO WEATHER, ADDITIONAL MAKE-UP DAYS WILL BE COMMUNICATED



Lunch Menu

			Lunch Entree Mozzarella Pizza Sticks Vegetables Fruit and Vegetable Variety Tomato Soup Milk Milk Choice Misc. Condiments	Lunch Entree Pizza Ripper Variety <i>And</i> Caesar Side Salad Vegetables Fruit and Vegetable Variety Milk Milk Choice Misc. Condiments
Lunch Entree Popcorn Chicken <i>And</i> Garlic Cheese Toast Whole Kernal Corn Vegetables Fruit and Vegetable Variety Milk Milk Choice Misc. Condiments	Lunch Entree Chicken Teriyaki <i>And</i> Chow Mein Noodles Vegetables Fruit and Vegetable Variety Grains Milk Milk Choice Misc. Condiments	Lunch Entree Cheesburger <i>And</i> Cut Green Beans Vegetables Fruit and Vegetable Variety Milk Milk Choice Misc. Condiments	Lunch Entree Chicken n' Waffles <i>With</i> Syrup Vegetables Fruit and Vegetable Variety Milk Milk Choice Misc. Condiments	Lunch Entree Homemade Cheese Pizza <i>And</i> Green Salad Vegetables Fruit and Vegetable Variety Milk Milk Choice Misc. Condiments
Lunch Entree Chicken Corn Dog <i>And</i> Cut Green Beans Vegetables Fruit and Vegetable Variety Milk Milk Choice Misc. Condiments	Lunch Entree Orange Chicken <i>With</i> Long Grain Brown Rice Vegetables Fruit and Vegetable Variety Milk Milk Choice Misc. Condiments	Lunch Entree Chicken Burger Sandwich <i>With</i> Valentines Day Cookie Vegetables Fruit and Vegetable Variety Milk Milk Choice Misc. Condiments	Lunch Entree Pizza Quesadilla <i>With</i> Black Beans, Vegetables Fruit and Vegetable Variety Milk Milk Choice Misc. Salsa Sour Cream Packet Condiments	Lunch Entree Homemade Cheese Pizza <i>And</i> Green Salad Vegetables Fruit and Vegetable Variety Milk Milk Choice Misc. Condiments
President's Day	Lunch Entree Pancakes <i>With</i> Breakfast Sausage Patty Syrup Vegetables Fruit and Vegetable Variety Milk Milk Choice Misc. Condiments	Lunch Entree Pepperoni and Cheese Calzone <i>With</i> Baked Cinnamon Apples Vegetables Fruit and Vegetable Variety Milk Milk Choice Misc. Condiments	Lunch Entree All Beef Hot Dog <i>And</i> Tater Tots Vegetables Fruit and Vegetable Variety Milk Milk Choice Misc. Condiments	Lunch Entree Pizza Ripper Variety <i>And</i> Caesar Side Salad Vegetables Fruit and Vegetable Variety Milk Milk Choice Misc. Condiments
Lunch Entree Egg & Cheese Bagel Sandwich Vegetables Fruit and Vegetable Variety Milk Milk Choice Misc. Condiments	Lunch Entree Drumstick <i>With</i> Whole Grain Soft Pretzel Cheese Dipping Sauce Vegetables Fruit and Vegetable Variety Milk Milk Choice Misc. Condiments	Lunch Entree Bean & Cheese Burrito <i>With</i> Taco Tots Vegetables Fruit and Vegetable Variety Milk Milk Choice Misc. Condiments	Lunch Entree Macaroni & Cheese <i>And</i> Kalama Sourdough Roll 2oz WW Vegetables Fruit and Vegetable Variety Milk Milk Choice Misc. Condiments	



Dear Parents or Guardians of Students in Grades 4 through 12 in Kelso:

The Kelso School Board has adopted the State “Guidelines for Sexual Health Information and Disease Prevention.” The Policy, #2125, states the curriculum will include “Factual information regarding contraception and disease prevention” and “instruction in abstinence education”. Students in grades 4 through 12 are scheduled to receive this information in their PE, science, health, social studies, or biology class during the coming school year.

The AIDS Omnibus Act (RCW 28A.230.070) requires parents preview the Human Growth & Development and/or HIV/STD Prevention Curriculum before excusing their child from the instruction. Students who are excused from the instruction will be given other lessons during that time.

Because student understanding of Human Growth & Development and HIV/STD Prevention is important, we want to inform each parent about how we teach these topics. A complete list of Parent Night preview sessions follows. Teachers and administrators will be available to answer school-specific questions, so you do need to attend your school’s session as listed.

Grades	School(s)	Curriculum	Date & Time	Viewing Location
4-5	Barnes Carrolls Rose Valley Wallace	Grade 4 - Human Growth & Development Grade 5 - HIV/STD Prevention	October 24, 2023 6:00-7:00 PM	Barnes Elementary
4-5	Butler Acres Lexington	Grade 4 - Human Growth & Development Grade 5 - HIV/STD Prevention	March 5, 2024 6:00-7:00 PM	Lexington Elementary
4-5	KVA	Grade 4 - Human Growth & Development Grade 5 - HIV/STD Prevention	March 5, 2024 6:00-7:00 PM	Kelso Virtual Academy
6-8	Coweeman	HIV/STD Prevention	October 5, 2023 6:00-7:00 PM	Coweeman MS
6-8	Huntington	HIV/STD Prevention	October 3, 2023 6:00-7:00 PM	Huntington MS
9-12	Kelso HS	HIV/STD Prevention	October 17, 2023 6:00-7:00 PM	Kelso HS

We have developed a balanced program that stresses interpersonal relationships, communication skills, and decision making to give students tools to make decisions about these issues in their lives.

Remember—although your attendance is *OPTIONAL*, it is *REQUIRED* if you wish to excuse your child from this instruction. If you cannot attend your school meeting, or have questions, please contact your child’s teacher.

Sincerely,

Kim Yore

Director of Teaching and Learning



KELSO SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Developmental Preschool Screening

Do you reside in the Kelso School District and have a child 3-5 years of age? Do you or your health care provider have a concern that your child may have a developmental delay? If so, call us for an appointment.

- Your child will be screened in hearing, vision, speech/language, social/emotional, life skills, concepts and motor skills.
- Results are confidential.
- Screening services are provided FREE!
- Birth to 3 screenings also available – please let us know if you are interested when you call to set up your screening.
- Appointment required.

Date: March 6, 2024

Location: Kelso School District Office

For screening information and appointment, please call (360) 501-1672

Kelso School District is committed to addressing the unique needs of students with disabilities ages birth through 21 residing within the boundaries of the Kelso School District. This includes children with disabilities enrolled in private, including religious, schools, as well as children who are homeless. Disabilities can be in any one of several areas that ultimately affect a child's learning, such as the ability to think, to express oneself, to see or hear clearly, to get around, or understand instructions given. If you have a child who you think might have a disability requiring special education instruction or significant accommodations at school, or if you know of such a child, please feel free to call the Kelso School District, at (360) 501-1909. If your family is living in a temporary situation, you may contact the district where you are currently staying for a screening.





IMPORTANT INFORMATION



Butler Acres Contacts



Office

Phone: 360-501-1600

Email: brittney.rister@kelsosd.org

Health Room

Phone: 360-501-1602

Email: natasha.harkleroad@kelsosd.org

Attendance

Phone 360-501-1633

Email: lisa.payne@kelsosd.org

Transportation

Phone: 360-501-1350

Email: ksdtransportation@kelsosd.org

Food Services

Phone: 360-501-1807



School Hours



Breakfast: 8:15 - 8:40

(Do not drop off students before 8:15)

School Starts: 8:45

Lunches & Recesses: 11:40 - 1:10

School Ends: 3:25

(Early dismissal every Wednesday at 1:55)

Skyward Family Access

Go to www.kelso.wednet.edu and click on
"Skyward/Family Access Info" under
the Families tab.

- Food Services
- Report Cards
- Contact Information
- Parent/Teacher Conference Scheduling
- Attendance



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School Menus

Our school menus are also available online:

<https://www.myschoolmenus.com/organizations/789>

After School Plans

All students should have a "usual" way home. If there are any changes to this plan (going home with a friend, riding a bus, walking to practice, etc.) please send a note or call the office before 2:00 PM (before 12:00 PM on Wednesdays) and we will send a note informing your student of the change.



Late to School

If your student will be late to school and will be eating a school lunch, please call the office by 9:30 AM to get one ordered.

When your student arrives late to school, an adult is required to walk them to the office and sign them in!

Please do not drop students off after school starts without following this important safety procedure!!

Updating Contact Information

If there are any changes to address, phone number, work phone, cell phone, or emergency contacts for your student, please contact the office to update the information. It is extremely important that we have the ability to contact parents/guardians for all students in our care.