



## Principal's Corner

Dear Families,

Our current priorities at KSPA are:

- Safety
- Learning
- Building the future of KSPA

### **Safety**

As I mentioned in the last newsletter, safety is our #1 priority at KSPA. Due to the increased adult presence in the hallways, at the bathrooms and at recess, we have had a significant reduction in unsafe incidents and vaping over the last 2 weeks. We are extremely grateful for the support of our teachers, staff, Regional KIPP CO team members and families in supporting our school to be a safe place to learn!

### **Staff Transition: Ms. Glassignon, 8th Grade Math**

Amanda Glassignon, 8th grade Math Teacher, and Advisor has transitioned out of their role at KSPA effective immediately. While we work to fill her teaching position, we will continue to ensure that your student receives high-quality instruction. Ms. Arcaro, our Teacher at Large, will be working with students in Math class and in Advisory. Thank you for your understanding during this personnel transition and please know that I am committed to not allowing this situation to impact your child's education. If you have any questions or concerns about this transition, please do not hesitate to contact me directly. We will continue to provide your student with the excellent education they deserve, and I look forward to working with you and your student to make sure this transition is smooth.

### **7th and 8th Grade National History Competition.**

A handful of our 7th and 8th graders are competing on Saturday, March 4th at the National History Day Competition at Crown Point Academy! We are so excited for our students and want the community to come out and support them! Students who will be competing will receive information from their Social Studies teachers. If you are able to come and cheer them on, [here is the link with more information](#). Go Huskies!

**Follow us on social media!** [KSPA Facebook](#), [KSPA Instagram](#)

Best,  
Mrs. Raybon  
araybon@kippcolorado.org  
720-460-1938



Hello from our Family Engagement Team!

Volunteer Opportunities: if you would like to volunteer at KSPA, we would appreciate your assistance. We have opportunities with hallway and yard supervision, as well as with crosswalks. Please call or email Mr Ordaz.  
720-465-7449  
dordaz@kippcolorado.org.

Cafecito and Collaborative School Council Meeting on Wednesday March 8th @ 6:00 P.M. Please join us as we discuss news and issues at KSPA. Please reach out to us for any questions on community events.

## Intent to Return

Is your student returning to KIPP for the 2023-2024 school year?

Please tell us about your plans for next year. We are planning for next year, and your Intent to Return information is greatly appreciated.

You can tell us about your plans in 2 ways:

- Paper forms are available at our front office, or
- Click on the QR code for the online form

Thank you for your help!



# GRADE LEVEL NEWS

## 5TH GRADE

Hello 5th grade families. We had so much fun at Balarat on 02/14 & 15. We will send out photos in our next 5th grade newsletter. Please continue to review your student's agenda and reading. It is important that your student remembers to bring their Chromebooks, a water bottle, and a jacket on these cold days. Cellphones are to be kept in backpacks and not used during the school day. We will be focusing on dress code this week. Please make sure your student wear a KIPP shirt or sweatshirt. Thank you, Mrs Santoro.

## 6TH GRADE

Hi 6th grade families! We had a great time at Lava Island on Friday. We will send photos in the next 6th grade newsletter. This coming week we will be sending home grade reports & reflections that students will complete in advisory on Monday; please look over this and talk about it with your student and then sign the bottom of the reflection. Your student should bring the reflection back signed to their advisor by WEDNESDAY! If you have questions regarding the grade reflection, please reach out to your students advisor. As always, please ensure your student is coming to school in the proper uniform everyday, along with their chromebook, charger, JRB, water bottle, pencil and signed agenda. Thank you, Ms Bryce.

## 7TH GRADE

Hello 7th Grade Families! We are excited about our upcoming field trip to Denver Museum of Nature and Science on Friday, March 3rd. Permission slips are due by Wednesday, March 1st. We appreciate your support with your student having their agenda, Chromebook, charger, and Just Right Book. Please help your student by signing their agenda each school day. As always if you have any questions please reach out to your student's advisor. Thank you, Mrs Thomasson.

## 8TH GRADE

Hello 8th grade families! Please look out for your students' grade reflections to go home next week. Students have the opportunity to attend optional tutoring sessions to complete make up work and get extra help on Tuesday mornings from 8:05-8:45 and on Wednesday afternoons from 4:15-5:00pm in Room 113. Permission slips for the 03/17 field trip will be going home on Monday 03/13, and are due back by Wednesday 03/15. Please reach out to your students' advisor if you have any questions about these opportunities for students to reflect on and improve their grades. Thank you, Ms Boatwright.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Upcoming Dates

- 03/02: KSPA Art Gallery, 5pm, Cafeteria
- 03/03: 7th grade field trip to Denver Museum of Nature and Science
- 03/03: Girls in Science Night, Denver Museum of Nature and Science
- 03/04: National History Day Competition and Crown Point Academy
- 03/17: 8th grade field trip to Skate City
- April 11th - 21st: CMAS testing

## Upcoming Science Fun!

If you'd like to participate in the DPS Science Fair in April, please ask your teacher for an application!

## School Breakfast

We are working with our DPS partners to ensure that there are enough breakfast bags for all students that want a breakfast. We appreciate your patience.

## Free COVID Testing

We are pleased to once-again partner with Mako Medical to provide free COVID Testing for students and staff. Mako Medical will be on campus from 2:00pm - 4:00pm every Wednesday.

Mako requires families to register using the following link:

<https://schools.coquihealth.com/registration/612a879c-e8b8-4734-bb36-8bca4ff52575/dependant>

The test is quick and results are ready the same day. We also have paper copies of the registration form in the front office.

## Traffic & Arrival Guidelines

Please follow all traffic safety laws when dropping off your student during arrival and dismissal times.

- Drop off is no earlier than 9:05 a.m.
- Please do not drop-off or pick up your children on Tejon Street. This makes for a potentially hazardous situation as children are trying to cross the street, and clogs traffic on Tejon.

# Instruction

## Save the Date(s)

### **Climbing the Mountain to... CMAS!**

- **WHEN-** Below you will find important dates to put on your calendar as we move closer to state testing!
  - March-- CMAS Crescendo Begins
  - March 10th-- Infrastructure Trial in Advisories
  - April 11th-13th-- ELA Testing
  - April 18th-19th-- Math Testing
  - April 20th-21st-- Science Testing (5th & 8th)



**Climbing the  
Mountain to  
College, Career,  
and BEYOND!**



# CLUBS & ATHLETICS

## Clubs!

Here is a list of updated clubs and the day/time they meet. For further questions, please contact Ms. Besnyl at (720)-344-8647. Students can pick up a permission slip for the teacher who is the Club Lead or from room 116.

### Club Information

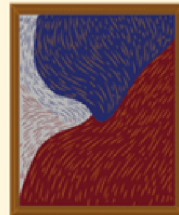
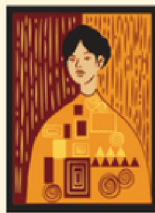
Club	Lead	Dates	Times	Room #
Art	Ms. Kelly	Tuesdays	8:00-9:00am	115
Associated Student Body	Ms. Besnyl	Tuesdays	8:30-9:00am	116
Baile Latinidad	Ms. De Leon	Every Other Friday	7:45-8:45am	119
Climbing	Mrs. Santoro	Every other Tuesday	8:15-9:00am	Cafeteria
Destination Imagination	Mx. Donley	Tuesdays	4:15-5:00pm	203
Empowerment	Ms. Bryce Ms. Mikac	Mondays	8:00-9:00am	205
Music Appreciation	Mr. LaMunyon	Fridays	8:10-8:50am	118
Native American Dance	Ms. Kelsey	Wednesdays	4:30-5:30pm	119A
Newspaper	Ms. Moreira	Fridays	8:15-9:00am	105
Robotics	Mx. Cee	Fridays	8:00-8:45am	116
Science Fair	Science Teachers	Tuesdays	8:00-9:00am	203
Shah Mat (Chess)	Mr. Weston	Every other Tuesday	4:30-5:30pm	Cafeteria
Social Justice in the Community	Mr. Ball Coach Niki	Thursdays	4:30-5:30pm	111
Yearbook	Ms. Gonzalez	Fridays	8:15-9:00am	105

Permission slips are with each Club Lead or in room 116

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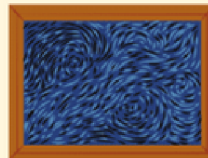
## KSPA ART GALLERY

*Come walk through a mini museum of artwork completed by students. Family and friends are welcome to attend!*



### Categories:

- Photography
- Paintings
- Pen/Pencil
- Digital
- Anime
- Abstract
- Nature
- Handmade



Prizes for top 3 winners of each category!

**Thursday March 2nd**  
**5:00-6:30pm**  
**In the cafeteria**

**20 Ganas for each art work submitted!**

**Submit your artwork to your advisory teacher or Ms. Besnyl**

**\$50 Giftcard will be raffled for all students who submitted art work!**

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## Athletics

### Winter Sports Update

#### Boys Basketball

Wed, 03/01 (Away) vs Denver

4:00pm (Combined A & B Team)

Fri, 03/03 (away) vs DSST College View

5:30pm (A Team)

Coming Soon - Flag Football Signups!

**GO HUSKIES!**

## Boys & Girls Club

Boys and Girls Club of Metro Denver (BGC) offers a before-school care program at KSPA starting starting at 7:30am, Monday - Friday. BGC has a long history of providing fun and enriching program to school-age children. BGC will provide athletics/fun-time, as well as art activities. For more information, please reach out to BGC at [julies@bgcmd.org](mailto:julies@bgcmd.org).

All Participants must register at <https://www.bgcmd.org/clubs/>



# CLUBS & ATHLETICS

COACHES: MR. KRONERT & MS. BESNYL

# COED FLAG FOOTBALL

TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS  
4:30-6:00PM

1ST PRACTICE: TUESDAY 3/7