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# FACE TO FACE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

**Parents we need your support and help during the last three months of school.** We started on a GREAT note and we would like to end on a GREAT note.

Please assist us with the following:

- 1. Discuss this letter with your child that outlines the expectation of student behavior at King Middle School
- 2. Make sure that your child follows the dress code every day.
- 3. Talk to your child about what they are learning.
- 4. Talk to your child about doing his or her best.
- 5. Talk to your child about the consequences of negative and/or positive behavior.

<u>We believe that our students are the best.</u> We always want them to conduct themselves in the best manner. Here are the following guidelines and expectations for our students. All students are expected to LOOK, ACT and SPEAK as if they are ready to engage in the learning process at King Middle School.

#### LOOK- All students will wear clothing that is appropriate for a KMS student.

# We are suspending our uniform policy for the rest of the school year. However, uniforms will be required for the 2021-22 school year. Below you will find the dress code expectations for the rest of the 2020-21 school year.

- Face masks must always be worn, except when eating, the mask must cover the mouth and <u>nose.</u>
- No rips, holes, or cuts in clothing.
- Clothing must cover undergarments. Undergarments should not be visible.
- Pants and shorts must be worn above the hips. They should be secured with a belt.
- The student's torso, including the midriff area, must be always covered.
- Shoes must be always worn. No flip-flops, slides, or slippers. Prefer closed toes shoes to promote safety. Sandals may be worn if they have back straps.
- Leggings are allowed only when worn under a top/dress that is longer than mid-thigh.
- Tops must cover the shoulder (no off-the-shoulder sweaters or sweatshirts, spaghetti straps, or tank tops). Boys may not wear tank tops or sleeveless shirts.
- Students may wear shorts, skorts, or skirts if they are longer than mid-thigh. We define "mid-thigh" as being halfway between the bottom of the buttock and the knee. We recognize that very

short shorts/skirts are popular however they <u>are not</u> appropriate for a school setting and students will be asked to change, or cover-up should they violate the stated length minimums.

- Female students should refrain from wearing any t-shirt, blouse, or top that reveals undergarments.
- Hats, headbands, head scarfs of any kind, and sweatshirt hoods worn over the head are not acceptable during school hours. Subsequent violations may require the students to relinquish the item and a parent or guardian to come into the school to retrieve the hat, headbands, head scarfs, or sweatshirt.
- Apparel that advertises, promotes, or displays illegal substances, (alcohol, drugs, tobacco products, etc.), illegal activities, or alcohol establishments, profanity, sexual innuendos, or double meanings are not acceptable.

## ACT- All students will maintain a high standard of conduct.

- Students will treat all members of the King Middle School community with respect and dignity. Refrain from horse playing, hitting, and fighting.
- Cell phones are to be kept in the off position and in the student's possession. School staff is not responsible for lost or stolen cell phones. Students will have to turn in cell phones during testing. Cell phones will be returned to students immediately after testing each day.
- Students will be on time to class with required materials for learning.
- Students will follow the guidelines for bringing healthy snacks to school. All snacks must be in small packages and healthy. Unhealthy snacks will be confiscated.
- Students will obtain the necessary documented permission (hall pass) to be in the hallway at any time during the school day. <u>NO EXCEPTIONS.</u>

### SPEAK- All students will use respectful language and tone of voice throughout the building.

- Students will not use profane or vulgar language of any kind.
- Students will always use an appropriate tone of voice at KMS.

# Students who fail to demonstrate a high standard of conduct will be subject to consequences including but not limited to the following: loss of privileges, parent phone call, teacher detention, administrative detention, parent conference, ISS, or OSS.

Know that we are working with you to make your child's school experience positive and successful.

As always thank you for your support.

Paul Brown Principal