

# Kentwood Public Schools

## EAST KENTWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear EK Students & Families:

Happy New School Year! We hope that everyone had a wonderful, safe summer, filled with rest and relaxation. As you read in Superintendent Polston's communication, we plan for all students to return to in-person learning for the 2021-22 school year. Simply put, we intend to have a more normal school year where students can learn directly from our EKHS staff, in classrooms, with their peers.

[Letter from Superintendent Polston](#)  
[COVID FAQ](#)

Some exceptions to learning in-person will be made for students with underlying health conditions. Here are a few points to consider regarding remote learning:

- Remote learning will be delivered through our KIVA program and will be 100% through Edgenuity online. This means all lessons and support will come from the KIVA program.
- If you apply for remote learning and are approved for KIVA, you may not switch to in-person learning until the next semester (Jan 2022).
- Those interested in KIVA must apply here: [Kentwood International Virtual Academy](#)

We look forward to seeing you back in person and ready to learn on **August 23!** Before then, here are a few important events that will help you prepare to start the year.

## Registration

### **REGISTER NOW through August 10th:**

For your convenience, ALL new and returning student registration is **ONLINE** using ParentVue login information. To expedite your orientation process, please complete your online registration prior to entering the building for orientation.

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

*Note: If you are a new or existing parent **without a ParentVUE account**, you must first create a ParentVUE account in order to register.*

If you have any questions regarding registration, please contact us:

Freshman Campus - (616) 871-1053

EKHS - (616) 426-4442

## Student Orientation

*Online registration must be completed before the orientation process. If not completed ahead of time, you will need to do so at a computer kiosk at the building. (See registration information above)*

### **August 10, 11, and 12:** (in person at EKFC/EKHS campuses)

Students will have the opportunity to complete the following:

- Receive Class Schedule
- School Pictures/I.D. photos
- Chromebook Distribution
- Textbooks
- Driving/Parking Permits
- Locker Assignments
- Bus Assignments

Freshman Campus Orientation		
Tuesday, August 10	12:00 - 7:00	Freshman
Wednesday, August 11	8:30 - 2:00	New to District Freshman
Thursday, August 12	12:00 - 5:00	Freshman
Monday, August 16	8:30 - 12:00	Make up

E.K.H.S. (10 - 12) Building Orientation		
Tuesday, August 10	8:30 - 2:00	New to District
	12:00 - 6:00	Returning Seniors
Wednesday, August 11	12:00 - 6:00	Returning Juniors
Thursday, August 12	12:00 - 6:00	Returning Sophomores
Monday, August 16	11:00 - 3:00	ELL & Foreign Exchange students by appointment
Tuesday, August 17	8:30 - 12:00	Make up

## Open House

Students and families are encouraged to attend in order to meet their teachers and familiarize themselves with the building.

East Kentwood High School & Freshman Campus:  
Wednesday, August 18, 2021, 5:30 - 7:30

## First Day of School

**SCHOOL BEGINS on Monday, August 23, 2021**

Bus pickup and dropoff times will be assigned at Orientation. Please check your email for information regarding your bus route and pick-up/drop off times. If you have questions, please email [transportation.office@kentwoodps.org](mailto:transportation.office@kentwoodps.org).

School begins promptly at 7:30 AM. On a typical day, the following bell schedule will apply. Alternate schedules will be communicated by instructional staff.

Period	Bell Schedule
1 <sup>st</sup>	7:30 - 8:28 (58)
2 <sup>nd</sup>	8:36 - 9:34 (58)
3 <sup>rd</sup>	9:42 - 10:40 (58)
4 <sup>th</sup>	10:48 - 12:16 (58) + 30 min lunches
A lunch	Lunch 10:40 – 11:10 (30) Class 11:18 – 12:16 (58)
B lunch	Class 10:48 - 11:13 (25) Lunch 11:13 - 11:43 (30) Class 11:43 - 12:16 (33)
C lunch	Class 10:48 – 11:46 (58) Lunch 11:46 – 12:16 (30)
5 <sup>th</sup>	12:24 - 1:22 (58)
6 <sup>th</sup>	1:30 – 2:31 (61)

\*Please note that we will run an altered schedule during the 1st week of school. School will begin at 7:30 and end at 2:31.