

## The First day of school is Monday, August 21, 2017

On the first day, sixth graders are to report to the gym. They will pick-up a new copy of their schedule and wait in the bleachers. The Krimmel cheerleaders will welcome the students and Mr. Harper will introduce each sixth grade teacher. The teachers will walk their students to class.

Seventh and Eighth Grade students will pick-up their schedules in the cafeteria and will be dismissed by the bell.

### 1<sup>st</sup> Day/Week Transportation

Students planning to ride the bus should be prepared to meet their bus at the nearest corner of their street by 8:15 am. After school, buses may be running a little late and students will probably be late arriving home from school. After the first week, the transportation department will have everything working smoothly. You can access bus information at <http://www.kleinisd.net> (Under the Parents Column click on “Bus Routes”).

### Traffic Tips for a successful year:

- Please follow the traffic tips below as we start the year. We will review and analyze the traffic issues after school starts to determine if we need to make a change. **Please follow the directions painted on the parking lot and signs to help ensure a safe parking lot for everyone. (Cell phone use in cars while on campus is prohibited)**
- **Front Entrance:** Parents may enter the school parking lot at the front entrance by the traffic light and the Krimmel marquee. **The other front entrance is for KISD transportation only. ( Buses and district vehicles)**
- **Student Drop-Off and Pick-Up:** Car Riders will be asked to exit the front of the building and be picked up under the covered walkway by the main office. Students will only be allowed to exit or enter cars by the front door. **Students may not be dropped off or picked up in the parking lot. Students are not allowed to be picked up in the back or on the side of the building. We know that the traffic can create problems and delays, but the safety of our students is the most important factor in this decision. Having all students dropped off and picked up in one location lets us supervise and manage the traffic better. Thanks for your help and support.**
- **Student Pick-up:** Both lanes will be utilized for carpools. Please do not cross over lanes, as this may jeopardize student safety. **Please follow the directions of the administrators and teachers on duty to ensure the safety of your children.**
- **Bike Riders:** Students should lock their bikes at the bike rack located behind the cafeteria and report to the cafeteria. After school, bike riders should exit the building by the cafeteria and walk to the bike rack.
- **Walkers:** Students walking from nearby subdivisions should enter the cafeteria when they arrive on campus. After school, students should exit the building in the back and use the sidewalks that lead to their subdivisions.
- **Early Arrivers:** Students arriving before 8:45 am will need to go the cafeteria for our Homework Study program unless they have a pass for tutoring. Sixth graders will be dismissed to the gym at 8:45 am.



## Opening Day/Week Procedures:

The first day of school can be a little overwhelming for all students. Coming to a new school is exciting. At Krimmel, we work hard to help make our “Knights” feel right at home on the first day. Each subject area teacher will be assigned specific procedures to cover with all students. Throughout the week, teachers will continue to review procedures in our “Krimmel Camp” to help make students feel comfortable and aware of all procedures.

## Opening Day Packet:

**This packet will contain many important papers for you to look at, sign and return with your student. In the days to follow additional campus and specific classroom information will be sent home.**

## Dress Code:

All students will be required to follow the KISD Intermediate School Handbook information regarding Dress Code for Intermediate School students. School Officials will make every effort to help the students correct dress code violations so they can stay at school before parents are called.

Here are some general reminders concerning Dress Code:

- Shorts and skirts must be mid-thigh in length. The style does not matter, but the length does.
- Pants must be secured at the waist. Excessively baggy pants are not permitted. Undergarments must not be visible.
- No holes or tears above mid-thigh are acceptable unless worn over leggings or tights.
- Any attire that is distracting or disturbing will not be permitted on school property.
- **Yoga style or stretchy style pants are allowed, but must be covered by a shirt, blouse, sweater that extends to the mid thigh.**
- Girls’ shirts and blouses must cover their stomach. Bare midriffs are not allowed. Tank tops, low cut, or see-through type blouses are not allowed. Summer styled tops that show a girls bra, bra straps or camisole are not permitted.
- T-shirts with inappropriate messages are not allowed. This includes popular styles and brands.
- **Hair must be clean and well groomed. Any hair style that is distracting or disturbing will not be permitted on school property. Facial hair must be neatly groomed and styled in a way that is not distracting and may not reach a length greater than 1.2 inch.**

## Breakfast and Lunch Information:

Breakfast will be \$1.35 and lunches will be \$2.25 for the hot lunch meal (Klein Line and Pizza / Sub line only). Ala Carte items will vary in price.

Students buying their breakfast or lunch will be required to use their Personal Identification Number (PIN) each time they purchase an item. The PIN number will be given to them the first day of school.

**It is important for students to keep their PIN number private. Please help them understand that they should not share their PIN number with other students.**



Students and parents may go to the Klein ISD web page and find out a variety of information regarding cafeteria rules and guidelines.

These include some of the following:

- Lunch Menu
- Pay Pal system (Prepay system for parents to put money into their child's lunch account)
- How to control/block certain items that you do not want your child to purchase

Students may buy or bring their lunch to school. **During the 1<sup>st</sup> week, many students choose to bring their lunch until they learn the lunchroom procedures.**

Students purchasing a lunch have three (3) options.

- Klein Line: A variety of entrees each day.
- Pizza/Sub Line: A variety of pizzas, sub-sandwiches, and fresh vegetables each day.
- Snack Bar: A pre-packaged entre special of the day and variety of Ala Carte items.

**Students will not be able to use cash in the lunch lines. Students must use the Net Cash Machine to deposit their money into their lunch account. Students may deposit checks in the lunch line to be credited into their account.**

The Net Cash Machine is located in the back of the cafeteria and is available for students to use before school and during lunch.

### **Tablet PC information for parents and students:**

At Krimmel, every student will be assigned a Tablet PC (issued in September) to use both at school and at home. This "Digital Tool" will assist students in keeping all their class information throughout the year. With the Tablet PC, students will be able to keep track of all their assignments, be able to complete and turn in their assignments on time.

**Parents: Please make sure to work with your child throughout the year with their Tablet PC's. Check to make sure they are keeping up with their homework, assignments, studying for tests and planning for projects. Please help ensure that your student is only using the Tablet PC for appropriate school work.**

- The Tablet PC will be an important part of your child's school day. Students will be required to carry them to every class. All of the teachers will focus on using the Tablet PC in their classes. Many of the assignments will be digitally downloaded to their tablet during the day. It is your child's responsibility to keep their tablet charged and ready to use every day.
- Students will be required to use an approved backpack (see attached letter) to carry their Tablet. Students may purchase their own backpacks to use at Krimmel, as long as it conforms to the backpack guidelines approved.
- Students will be given an additional Tablet Protection Case to put inside their backpack. The Tablet PC will fit inside this protective case.



### Thoughts from Mr. Harper...

As the first day of school gets closer, I encourage you to think about a couple of things to help prepare your student for the school year.....

- First, sit down with your child and set some goals for the year. What kind of grades do they want to make? How successful do they want to be in their classes, clubs or organizations? Be realistic, but set high expectations. Goal setting is an important technique to ensure success.
- Second, take some time now to help your child get organized for the year. What strategies are they going to use to make sure they keep up with their work? How will they keep all of their subject information organized? Planning now will help your child stay organized for the entire year.
- Students will continue taking the STAAR test developed by the Texas Education Agency. The STAAR test is a more rigorous test that requires students to apply their knowledge, to read critically and use their problem solving skills. In order for students to be successful, we need your help. Encourage your children to read more. The reading requirement will be more stringent than ever before. Have them read a variety of short passages from many different sources (magazines, newspapers and other non-fiction sources). When asking your child questions, ask them for a detailed explanation of their answer. Do not just settle for the first answer.

**I look forward to seeing you on Monday, August 21<sup>st</sup>. I hope you enjoy the rest of your summer.**

Sincerely,

Prentiss Harper,  
Principal, Krimmel Intermediate

