

5th Grade Orientation

Welcome to Middle School!

KIS Mission Statement

The mission of Killingly Intermediate School is to facilitate educational excellence in a nurturing, safe and professional atmosphere, inspiring students to maximize their potential abilities in preparation for high school, and as future productive citizens. As a professional learning community, dedicated to helping each and every child learn, we the staff, students, parents and community value.....

- Ways of thinking: creativity, critical thinking, problem solving, decision making and learning
- Ways of working: communication, collaboration and parent and community partnerships
- Tools for working: technology, literacy, numeracy and written and verbal communication
- Skills for living in the world: citizenship, career, and personal and social responsibility

This Orientation Includes an Overview of:

- Communications
- Grading and Reporting
- Attendance
- PTO
- After School Programs including Killingly Childcare

KIS Communications are Digital

- Student Handbook – Hard copies available upon request
- Friday Folders – Hard copies available upon request
 - Monthly Calendar, Flyers, newsletters, lunch menus, permission slips, etc...
 - Please be sure we have an accurate email on file
 - Archived “Friday Folders” are on our website
- KIS Website with folders and links to just about everything!
- KIS Twitter Account
 - Follow KIS @KISCougars

Grading and Reporting

KIS has transitioned to Proficiency-Based Learning or PBL

- We communicate Habits of Work and progress toward content standards separately
- Every course is aligned to grade level content standards
- “Summative Assessments” are aligned to the most important content standards in every course at every grade levels
- Students are given multiple opportunities to demonstrate understanding
- Progress Reports communicate our students’ Habits of Work and how well they understand the standards throughout the year
 - New standards are introduced throughout the year
- End of Year Report Cards communicate overall Habits of Work how well students have mastered grade level content standards

Attendance

- Students are more likely to succeed if they attend school consistently.
- It's difficult for the teacher and the class to build skills and progress if students are frequently absent.
- If your child must be absent:
 - Please call our attendance line to notify the school.
 - Send in a signed note with your child including the date and reason for their absence.

Student Drop off and Pick Up

- Parent drop-off is located in front of building
 - Staff are out front in the AM and PM to help direct traffic.
- Students may be dropped off at KIS beginning at 7 AM
- Homeroom is from 7:15-7:25
 - Students who arrive after the first period bell must report to the main office for a late pass.

Middle School is SO MUCH FUN!

- Band and Chorus
- Cross-Country and Track
- Ski Club
- Drama Club
- Enrichment Programs
- Lockers with Combination Locks

PTO and Killingly Childcare

- PTO
 - Opportunities to support on different levels!
- Killingly Childcare
 - Laurie LeClerc – Director
 - After School Program
 - Registration Forms available on the district website