

BACK TO SCHOOL GUIDE—AUGUST 2020



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WELCOME HOME!

Dear KCS families,

We are excited to welcome our students back for the 2020-2021 school year!

Our back to school guide and campus reopening plan outlines the policies for a safe return to school. The document has been created utilizing the latest information available and the focus has been on the health and well-being of our school community. This plan has been designed to be flexible enough to allow modifications should new information be received, or government mandates change. Our commitment to our students, the mission of our school, and the belief that strong relationships are paramount, will continue to be an unchangeable priority.

The COVID-19 virus has stretched us all to the limit, however we learned how strong our community is. While there were many challenges we also found silver linings along the way. What we learned is that through Christ we can weather anything and come out stronger and more connected than ever. We will continue follow God’s lead, build on our strengths, and work together to meet the needs of our students and families.

Welcome Home Knights!

In His Service.



Alex Gispert & Teresa Torralbas



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Head of School



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UPDATED RE-OPENING PLAN

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR SCHOOL NURSE

Dear KCS Parents,

It is with great joy that I welcome you back to school this fall. As a parent, I know that deciding on which learning platform best fits your family this school year was difficult and I support you on your individual decision.

As your school nurse and friend, I encourage you to reflect on the changes ahead and to remember to remain calm and reassuring. We are the role models for our children and they will be watching our actions even more than our words. Philippians 4:6-7 states, "Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." Let's remember to encourage one another in those anxious moments and come alongside our teachers as they prepare for a wonderful school year.

We have spent many hours working on our reopening plan and are excited to share our updates with you. I am always here to answer any questions or concerns you may have. Below are a few videos I have found particularly helpful when it comes to handwashing and facial coverings. Please feel free to view them with your children before school starts.

[Handwashing video](#)

[Masked Heroes Video](#)

[How to Wear Facial Covering Safely Video](#)

God Bless,
Nurse Hathaway



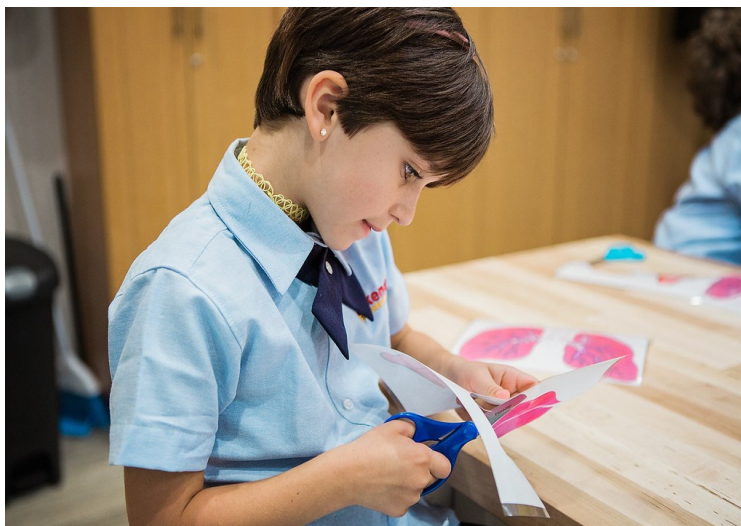
Mrs. Robyn Hathaway
School Nurse

MISSION MINDED

Protecting the health, safety and well-being of every student and staff member of the Kendall Christian community is our highest priority. Although we had to abruptly transition to an online platform in March, we are no longer in reaction mode to a sudden crisis. Over these past months we have been diligently following the latest health guidelines and have been developing and refining our reopening plan for fall. We have consulted with health experts, updated our staff training and are preparing our campus for our post COVID-19 *new normal*.

Our highest priority remains the same during these unusual circumstances - meeting the needs of the individual student by offering a wide variety of learning platforms, methodologies, and materials. Our teachers are experienced, qualified and dedicated to helping your child identify and develop their unique talents and strengths. We will continue to create a school where all students are encouraged to learn academics, life skills and be equipped with Biblical truths to lead and serve in their church, community, country, and the world. We are confident our students will be prepared to face the challenges of the future, strive for excellence, and serve others for the glory of God.

Everything herein is subject to change. The plan and our operational procedures will be reviewed and updated as needed.



RETURN TO SCHOOL OPTIONS

OPTION 1 ON-CAMPUS LEARNING

This scenario provides on-campus learning 5 days a week

OPTION 2 HYBRID LEARNING

For students who must be away from campus for periods of time during the school year. This scenario provides parents with the flexibility of online instruction and the ability to return to on-campus instruction.

OPTION 3 ONLINE CAMPUS *(Full Year Distance Learning)*

The online campus provides a fully virtual education model for those families who do not wish to return to on-campus instruction during the 2020-2021 school year. Visit our website at www.kendallchristian.com/online for detailed information.

Return to school selection forms are due by August 7th.

To access the form, please click on the link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/kcsbacktoschool> or scan the QR code:



ON-CAMPUS LEARNING - OPTION 1

What we are currently planning for On-Campus Learning:

- Arrival and dismissal times will be staggered with extended pick-up and drop-off times *(See Page 20)*
- Daily screening of symptoms and temperature checks will be performed each morning
- Elementary students will report directly to their class *(See Page 21)*
- Preschool students may be dropped off at the classroom door by a parent *(See Page 21)*
- All classes will remain in cohorts and not mix with other classes
- Playground and outdoor recess times will not include mixing students from other classes
- Our classrooms will provide socially distanced seating and plenty of outdoor learning spaces
- Students will be taught outdoors as much as possible
- There will be no assemblies or large group activities, unless with proper social distancing and preferably outdoors
- Chapel services will be held on a virtual format for all students
- Regular hand washing and sanitizing will be scheduled throughout the day
- Lunch will be available for students to enjoy in one of our many outdoor seating areas
- Face coverings will be required in specific spaces and times *(See Page 13)*
- All afterschool athletics and clubs will be postponed until further notice *(See Page 29)*
- Virtual field trips will be favored, while local field trips are subject to social distancing guidelines
- Any travel outside of the local area is limited to essential travel with notification provided to the administration



HYBRID LEARNING - OPTION 2

(Temporary Online Learning)

Our hybrid learning option is for students with health related concerns who may need to be away from campus for periods of time during the school year. Should any of these situations arise, we will transition the student to remote learning immediately. We are working alongside our teachers to offer a hybrid model that will blend synchronous and asynchronous academic opportunities for students who are temporarily learning from home.

The Hybrid learning is available on a month-to-month basis. Students who start the year on the hybrid model can choose to return to full-time on-campus instruction on the available campus re-entry dates below.

Campus re-entry dates:

Tuesday, September 8th

Monday, October 5th

Monday, November 2nd

Monday, November 30th

Monday, January 4th

Monday, February 1st

Monday, March 1st

Monday, April 5th

Monday, May 3rd



ONLINE CAMPUS - OPTION 3

Our online campus was designed to closely resemble our existing on-site campus. The online students will have access to their lead teacher and elective teachers on a daily basis with a low teacher-to-student ratio. Parents will have ongoing support from the classroom teachers and direct communication with our school administrators. Students will enjoy live class sessions in group settings, meet KCS classmates from around the country, and develop friendships with other like-minded students. This is a great option for those families who do not wish to return to campus for the 2020-2021 school year.



For detailed information about our online campus, please visit our website at www.kendallchristian.com/online

To begin the registration process:

Contact us or visit our online enrollment page to begin the registration process. Our Director of Admissions, Mrs. Cindy Arnaiz would love to answer any questions you may have and can be reached at carnaiz@kendallchristian.com or by calling our school office at (305) 271-3723.

CAMPUS UPGRADES & ENHANCED TECHNOLOGY

Over \$50,000 has been invested for campus-wide health and safety upgrades and technology enhancements. These investments will help provide our students and faculty with a state of the art environment that is equipped with the technology necessary for effective hybrid and in person learning.



Microsoft Surface Pro computers for use by both our staff and students.



Swivel is an innovative camera technology that is currently used in over 40,000 schools worldwide. Swivel follows the teacher for automated lecture capture and will greatly enhance our hybrid learning environment for both students and teachers.



Several Newline Trutouch Interactive Boards have been purchased for many preschool classrooms. This technology will greatly assist our teachers by enhancing the hybrid synchronous learning model with better student/teacher interaction.



Handwashing stations have been installed throughout the campus. We've also invested in outdoor furniture to create six outdoor learning spaces.



Touchless hand sanitizing dispensers have been placed in each classroom and throughout the campus.

ADDITIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY MEASURES

While it is impossible to eliminate all risks, best efforts to keep our faculty and students safe are happening. With safety as our highest priority, Kendall Christian School has invested in the following:

- **Staffing** — Additional custodial staff has been hired to clean and sanitize high touch areas throughout the day.
- **Additional Sinks and Sanitizer Dispensers** — Handwashing stations have been placed throughout the campus to allow for regularly scheduled handwashing throughout the day. In addition, touchless hand sanitizing dispensers have been placed in each classroom and throughout the campus.
- **Furniture** — We have purchased additional classroom and outdoor furniture in order to create appropriate spacing and unidirectional seating. Many picnic tables have been added to create more areas for outdoor instruction and lunch.
- **Technology** — Classrooms are being outfitted to include audio and video equipment that will allow students in remote environments the ability to synchronously participate in classes being held in person. Also, Interactive boards have been added to all Pre-K3 classrooms, and 25 additional surface pro computers have been purchased for student and staff use.
- **UV Air Sanitation Systems** — Our campus is being retrofitted with the latest Photohydroionization technology (PHI). The PHI cell in combination with enhanced UV light produces safe hydrogen peroxides to purify the air.
- **Enhanced Cleaning** — We will be initiating a nightly schedule to sanitize all areas utilizing EPA approved disinfectant products against COVID-19.
- **Personal Protection Equipment (PPE)** - KCS has invested in Personal Protective Equipment to be used at the discretion of the classroom teacher. These items include gloves, masks, face shields, and acrylic dividers.

FACE COVERINGS

Face coverings will be required by all faculty, staff, elementary students and as feasible by preschool students when they are unable to maintain social distancing while on campus (i.e. during drop-off and pick-up, while walking through hallways, during bathroom breaks, etc.). Faculty and staff will be required to wear face masks/face coverings throughout the school day. While education will be provided to students on proper face mask use, families are expected to reinforce these guidelines at home and are encouraged to begin educating their children prior to the start of school. More information on proper face mask use can be found on the [CDC web-site](#).

Face coverings are part of the school uniform and will be available for purchase through our [Knights Vault](#). **Parent provided face coverings are permitted, however, we request that they be multiple layers and a solid color; other than those sold through our school.**



TEAM ASSIGNMENTS:

Students entering Kindergarten—5th grade who are not presently part of a team will be assigned one during the first week of school. All preschool students are a part of Team Bears.

Visit our [Knights Vault](#) to purchase masks and other school store items.

UPDATED HEALTH PROCEDURES

Return-to-school Screenings:

In an effort to minimize illness, we ask that all families check on the health of each student daily beginning 14 days prior to the start of school. If any fever and/or symptoms are present during the 14-day period, please have your child evaluated by their pediatrician for medical clearance and submit that clearance note to the school nurse. All clearance notes will be required upon initial drop-off on the first day of school.

*** Potential COVID-19 Symptoms:**

Fever	Fatigue
Cough	Headache
Shortness of Breath	Muscle/Body aches
Nasal Congestion	Poor appetite
Diarrhea	Loss of smell/taste
Nausea and/or vomiting	

Other: rash, red eyes, cracked/swollen lips, red/swollen tongue, swelling of hands/feet, stomach pain.

Signed Acknowledgement of Risk:

Kendall Christian School will require a signed formal acknowledgement form that you are aware of the risks inherent in each plan and that you accept the risk. While KCS will make its best efforts to prevent COVID-19 infection, we cannot completely mitigate the risk for anyone attending Kendall Christian. You have the option to choose online learning. The Acknowledgement of Risk form is included in the [return to school selection form](#).

Daily Health Screenings:

During the new drop-off procedures, all students will have a temperature and symptom screening performed prior to each student exiting their car. Any student presenting with a temperature of 100 degrees Fahrenheit or higher will not be permitted on campus. Please refer to our **Protocol for COVID and Other Illnesses** page for more specific guidelines on our protocols.

Travel Guidelines:

Due to the continued spread of COVID-19 in our community and world-wide, travel (both domestic and international) is still recommended to be restricted to “essential travel” only. Anyone returning from international travel must self-isolate at home for 14 days from the date of arrival, and will not be permitted on campus. If a household member returns from international travel and is unable to isolate from a student, the student will also be asked to self-isolate until the 14-day period ends. For the most up-to-date travel guidelines and restrictions, please visit the [CDC](#) or [FDOH](#) websites.

Immunizations and Health Forms:

Physicians are continuing to encourage families to keep their child/children’s scheduled well visit appointments. For this reason, all immunizations are required to be up to date in order for a student to attend school.

If an outbreak of a vaccine preventable communicable disease occurs, any child who is not fully immunized (whether for medical or religious exemption) for that particular disease will be required to stay home until it is deemed safe to return by the Department of Health.

Asthma Care and Nebulizer Treatments:

Due to the risk of Aerosolized Transmissible Diseases (ATD) with COVID-19, any previously ordered nebulizer treatment will need to be converted to an inhaler with a spacer attachment. If a student requires nebulizer treatments during the day, they should stay home until symptoms have resolved and there is no longer a need for said treatment.

PROTOCOL FOR COVID & OTHER ILLNESSES

The following guidelines will be implemented for all staff, faculty and students.

If you had a fever but no other symptoms related to COVID-19, you can return to campus only after:

- Three (3) days with no fever (without the use of fever-reducing medication) **AND either**:
 - You provide a written clearance from a physician
 - OR** two subsequent negative COVID test results in a row, at least 24 hours apart

If you think or know that you had COVID-19 and had symptoms, you can return to campus only after:

- Three (3) days with no fever (without the use of fever-reducing medication) **AND either**:
 - Respiratory symptoms have improved (e.g. cough, shortness of breath) **and**
 - 10 days since symptoms first appeared **and** you provide a written clearance from a physician
 - OR** two subsequent negative COVID test results in a row, at least 24 hours apart

If you tested positive for COVID-19, had no symptoms, and continue to have no symptoms, you can return to campus only after:

- You have notified the school **AND either**
 - 10 days have passed since the positive test **and** you provide a written clearance from a physician
 - OR** two subsequent negative COVID test results in a row, at least 24 hours apart

If you have been in close contact with someone with COVID-19, you can return to campus only after:

- 14 days

Close contact is defined as follows:

- You are within six (6) feet of someone who has COVID-19 for at least 15 minutes starting from 48 hours before illness onset until the time the person is isolated with no other interventions. (e.g. face coverings)
- You live with someone who has COVID-19.
- You had direct physical contact with someone who has COVID-19 (touching, hugging, or kissing).
- You shared eating or drinking utensils with someone who has COVID-19.
- Someone who has COVID-19 sneezed or coughed on you.

****Once community incidences of new cases decrease we will change the exclusion timeframe from 72 to 24 hours, provided no temporary school closures take place during this time.****

(In accordance with guidance from the Miami-Dade County Health Dept., CDC and FL Dept. of Health)

AFTERSCHOOL CARE SAFETY MEASURES

Students enrolled in aftercare will remain in cohort groups during afterschool care. Each group will have a separately designated outdoor recess time and area. Our aftercare staff will receive proper training regarding our health and safety measures. Detailed information regarding the afterschool care pick-up procedures will be announced the week before school starts. Afterschool care is available until 6:00 PM. **Students must be pre-enrolled to participate in aftercare.**

Please contact the finance office for enrollment information.



SCHOOL CLOSURE TUITION CREDIT

In the event of a government mandated pandemic related school closure, we have revised our 2020-2021 school year financial information to reflect a tuition credit for each day of distance learning in the event our campus is closed. Daily credits during the school year would be applied to your future monthly statement for days we cannot meet on-campus.

TUITION RATES & DAILY CREDITS FOR NON-CAMPUS DAYS

Grade Levels	Annual Tuition Rates <i>July 2020 - May 2021</i>	Regular Monthly Tuition <i>Based on the 11-month payment plan</i>	Daily Credit Amount <i>Applicable to non-campus days only.</i>
K2	\$7,300	\$663.64	\$30.00
K3	\$7,300	\$663.64	\$27.00
K4	\$6,400 <i>(with VPK Voucher)</i>	\$581.82	\$19.00
K5 - 2 nd Grade	\$7,900	\$718.19	\$13.00
3 rd - 5 th Grade	\$8,300	\$754.55	\$13.00

Please note:

- The above credits cannot be combined with any tuition related discounts (i.e. financial assistance, scholarships, etc.)
- Families who have prepaid their tuition in full will receive a credit for any online learning days due to a government mandated pandemic related school closure.

If you have any specific questions, please email Ms. Georgina Lopez at glopez@kendallchristian.com

CONTACT US

We believe your child’s health and safety is of the utmost importance and that is why we are committed to meeting the needs of your family. We want to encourage you to contact our administration if you have any questions or concerns.

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BACK TO SCHOOL GUIDE



IMPORTANT DATES & SCHOOL HOURS

FRIDAY, AUGUST 7TH

Return to school selection forms are due by August 7th.

To access the form, please click here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/kcsbacktoschool>

AUGUST 18—20TH

Teacher Meet and Greet

We have scheduled individualized teacher meet and greet sessions and classroom tours from August 19th—21st by appointment only. You will be directly contacted by your child's teacher with more information.

MONDAY, AUGUST 24TH

First Day of School

Early Dismissal on the first day

First Day Dismissal Times:

K2	10:00 AM
K3 & K4	10:30 AM
Kinder & 1st	11:00 AM
2nd—5th	11:30 AM

**Aftercare is available on the first day of school for all students at no additional cost. Pre-registration is required.*

START TIMES:

8:00 AM	Elementary
8:30 AM	Preschool

BEFORE CARE HOURS:

7:00 AM—7:45 AM

DISMISSAL:

3:00 PM	All Grades
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AFTER CARE HOURS:

Dismissal—6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY DISMISSAL:

2:30 PM	All Grades
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STAGGERED DROP-OFF AND PICK-UP TIMES

Our staggered arrival and dismissal times include a 45 minute window. Parents will have the opportunity to select their preferred drop-off and pick-up time.

Our back to school selection form will allow families the opportunity to select their preferred drop-off and pick-up time.

DROP-OFF TIMES:

(All classroom doors open at 7:45 AM)

OPTION A	7:45 AM
OPTION B	8:00 AM
OPTION C	8:15 AM (N/A for Elementary)

PICK-UP TIMES:

(Every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday)

OPTION A	3:00 PM
OPTION B	3:15 PM
OPTION C	3:30 PM

(Wednesday Dismissal)

OPTION A	2:30 PM
OPTION B	2:45 PM
OPTION C	3:00 PM

DAILY DROP-OFF & PICK-UP

Preschool—Kindergarten

Drop-off procedures:

After much discussion, we have decided that the safest option for our preschool and kindergarten students is to allow one parent to walk them to their classroom door. The drop-off times are between 7:45 AM and 8:15 AM. Families will be able to select their preferred drop-off time (7:45 AM, 8:00 AM, or 8:15 AM). Please note, the 8:15 AM drop-off time would only be applicable for preschool. Parents must wear a mask when on campus and must maintain their social distance from others while on campus with only a few parents at a time allowed in the hallway. Parents are not allowed to enter the classroom and we kindly ask that you please drop-off as quickly as possible. Teachers will be in their classroom receiving students during the drop-off times.

Pick-up procedures:

The pick-up procedures will closely resemble the morning drop-off procedures. For the time being, only one parent will be allowed to enter the building to pick-up or drop-off. The pick-up times are listed above. Students on campus after 3:45 PM will be checked into our afterschool care program. Parents must wear a mask when on campus and must maintain their social distance from others while on campus with only a few parents at a time allowed in the hallway. Students will remain in their classroom during the pick-up times.

1st—5th Grade

Drop-off procedures:

For the safety of our school community, at present, elementary school parents (1st-5th Grade) will not be permitted to walk their child to their classroom. Parents can choose to drop-off at any of our carline drop-off areas or you may park and walk your child to our security and health check entry point. We will continually reevaluate this procedure as the pandemic circumstances change for the better. Teachers will be in their classroom receiving students during the drop-off times.

Pick-up procedures:

For the safety of our school community, at present, elementary school parents (1st—5th Grade) will not be permitted to pick-up their child from the classroom. Parents can choose to pick-up using our carline option or designated outdoor pick-up area. Students on campus after 3:45 PM will be checked into our afterschool care program. We will continually reevaluate this procedure as the pandemic circumstances change for the better. Students will remain in their classroom during the pick-up times.

Carline Drop-Off Areas

Students in 1st—5th grade can be received at the front main entrance between 7:00 AM—8:00 AM.
Students in Preschool and Kindergarten can be received on the north side carline entrance between 7:45—8:45 AM.

BACK TO SCHOOL INFORMATION

SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

The school office is open daily from 7:45 AM to 3:30 PM. Due to the limited space in our office and current social distancing requirements, please call to make an appointment if you need to meet with someone from the administration.

LATE ARRIVALS AND EARLY PICK-UP

Students arriving late need to check-in through the school office. They will have their temperature checked, and a school employee will accompany them to their classroom.

If you need to pick-up your child early from school, please call the front office when you are in the parking lot. We will call your child from class and you can meet them outside the main office.

PARKING

Parents may park in designated parking areas only and must have a decal. PLEASE, DO NOT PARK ON THE GRASS OR IN THE DRIVE-THROUGH AREAS. PARKING ALONG 112TH STREET, AND PARKING IN A HANDICAPPED SPACE WITHOUT A HANDICAPPED DECAL IS NOT PERMITTED. Vehicles which obstruct traffic, or create a unsafe traffic flow are subject to being towed.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

For a complete list of school supplies by grade level, visit the KCS website. For families that have purchased their school supply pack through the school, your child's supplies will be delivered directly to their classroom before school starts.

CLASS LIST/STUDENT PLACEMENT

Student placement into classes is based upon several factors. Students are placed based upon teacher recommendations, personal abilities, boy/girl ratios, educational, and emotional needs. We use a set criteria as a priority in placement. All inquiries should be directed to the administration and never the teacher. If parents have social or academic input concerning their child, it must be submitted in writing. By policy, parents MAY NOT request a specific teacher. Public discussion of placement among parents or staff is deemed inappropriate and divisive. Your concerns are important to us, so please contact a school administrator so we can properly address your concerns. Class placement is confidential until families receive an email from their child's teacher the week before school starts.

CHAPEL SERVICES

For the time being, all in person chapel services have been suspended. Our on-campus and online students will have the opportunity to participate in virtual chapel services every Thursday morning for our elementary students, and on Friday mornings for all our pre-school students.

DRESS CODE POLICY

At Kendall Christian School we believe that cleanliness, personal appearance, and modest dress are very important in setting the pattern of school and social conduct. All uniforms should be modest, clean, well-fitting, and in good repair. We believe there is a close relationship between student dress and student behavior. Our standardized dress code is established to remind parents and children that KCS students are to present themselves in a well-dressed manner at all times.

I. Where to Purchase Uniforms

Our school has a contract with AA/Dennis Uniforms to provide uniforms for our students. They are located at 8820 SW 131 St., Miami, Florida. You can reach them at (305) 254-0000. Dennis Uniforms has a copy of our student dress code for easy shopping. Uniforms must be purchased from AA/Dennis Uniforms ONLY (with the exception of school t-shirt sales). Visit the AA/Dennis Uniforms website at www.dennisuniform.com.

II. HAIR AND JEWELRY

- Boys' and girls' hair must not be long enough to obstruct vision in any way, and boys' hair must be off the collar.
- All hair styles must be neat.
- Modest jewelry, earrings and rings are permitted. Please do not wear any heirloom pieces or expensive jewelry to school.
- Certain hair styles are not permitted. Example: no mohawks, razor patterns, colored hair, etc.

III. CLOTHING REGULATIONS:

- Clothing should not be oversized or undersized.
- Shorts, skorts and skirts. Not shorter than **4 inches** from the back of the knee, not longer than **1 inch** below the knee.
- **Shoes and Socks:** Sneakers are preferred, no sling-back or clog-type shoes, no Heelys, no open-toe shoes (i.e. sandals or crocs), no heels, and no light up shoes. Socks must be worn, either white or coordinating colors.
- Belts are required for boys and girls if shirts are tucked in.
- Shirts may be un-tucked if they are properly fitted. No oversized shirts may be worn un-tucked.
- Visors or baseball caps may be worn outside only for protection from the sun during recess or physical education.
- KCS T-shirts, purchased from PTF, will be allowed on designated days.
- Jeans or school uniform shorts may be worn only on Fridays with a KCS T-shirt.

Changes in these guidelines are at the discretion of the Kendall Christian School administration.



IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Kendall Christian School Main Number	305-271-3723
After Hours Line & Emergency Line	786-493-9570
Kendall Presbyterian Church	305-271-5262
Front Desk	Ext. 229
Admissions Office	Ext. 231
Finance Office	Ext. 251
Health Office	Ext. 230
Media Center	Ext. 241
Knights Café	Ext. 240
Office Manager/Human Resources	Ext. 223

Please be advised that our school offices are closed daily at 3:30 PM

In the event of an emergency, if you need to reach our aftercare staff between 3:30 PM and 6:00 PM, please call our **Emergency Phone Line at (786) 493-9570**

This same number can be used to reach us in the event of a power outage or if our main phone lines are down. Please save this number on your cell phone as **KCS Emergency Line**.

STAY CONNECTED

KCS has established many ways to keep the lines of communication open for our families.

The KCS website, www.kendallchristian.com, is a helpful resource.

FACTS/RenWeb – Communication for academic grades and attendance

Teacher and Staff E-mails

Remind App

Conferences – Formal and informal (as needed)

Social Media – Instagram, Facebook, Twitter



All KCS faculty and staff can be reached by their school email address. The emails have been set up to help facilitate communication between parents and teachers regarding their child’s progress in the classroom. **Please direct any questions or concerns regarding school policies or procedures to the office staff.** To reach a faculty/staff member use their first initial, last name, followed by @kendallchristian.com. (For example: agispert@kendallchristian.com). If you have any questions or trouble reaching any of the faculty or staff by email please contact the office.

GET INVOLVED

It is no secret that children enjoy optimal academic success when parents and teachers cooperate in their educational endeavor. Kendall Christian School believes strongly in the home-school partnership. We look forward to this coming school year and ask you to be involved with us in your child's schooling in the following manner:

Prayer

Pray for your child(ren) and for the faculty and staff at Kendall Christian School.

Communication

We encourage you to stay in regular communication with your children's teachers. Notes, e-mails, and telephone messages all provide avenues of communication.

Participation

There will be frequent opportunities for parents to participate in school activities. We will often be soliciting your help in assisting with special projects or events, in chaperoning students on field trips, and in supporting us in fund-raising activities.

Please feel free to make suggestions or share ideas with teachers and the administration on ways we can improve our school. Email the school administration at admin@kendallchristian.com.

Please stay involved in your children's school life. We also want to encourage parents to be regular in your church attendance. It is important for children to see their parents setting the example in this area of life. If you do not have a church home, we invite you to visit Kendall Presbyterian Church.



SUPPLEMENTAL PROGRAMS

KNIGHTS OF HONOR PROGRAM
 1st – 5th Grade

*"For I know the plans that I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for calamity to give you a future and a hope."
 Jeremiah 29:11*



Kendall Christian School's Honors Program has been created to train Godly leaders.

Goals:

- Recognize student excellence and enrich minds
- Create enthusiasm for learning
- Develop character
- Promote Christian leadership skills
- Provide opportunities for service



About the Program

The students will be removed from special area classes for small group instruction for up to two sessions per week. The program will focus on academics, critical thinking skills, and themed activities related to:

- STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, & Mathematics)
- Public Speaking
- Geography
- Government
- Debate
- Community Service
- Field Trips (Domestic & International Travel)

End-of-Year Trip

This field trip takes Honor students beyond the classroom for a first-person, hands-on experience of everything they have learned throughout the year. The trip is family-oriented and is a beautiful experience with memories that last a lifetime. Previous trips have included Kennedy Space Center, New York City and Chicago and Barcelona, Spain.

Due to the current pandemic and uncertainty in travel restrictions, this year's end-of-year field trip is yet to be determined. More information will be available soon.



SUPPLEMENTAL PROGRAMS

Elementary Guitar (1st—5th grade)

KCS currently offers a fine arts program that provides students with the opportunity to explore various forms of performing arts. Students in 1st – 5th grade have the option of exploring other forms of music in lieu of their traditional music class. These classes are offered during the school day twice a week. The alternative option is guitar. This course is available at a nominal fee. Students enrolled in this class receive an academic grade for their work and participation. The students are expected to complete assignments and study for tests and quizzes related to the subject matter.



Enrichment / Resource Program (K4—5th grade)

Our Enrichment/Resource Program provides students with individualized or small group instruction in an effort to support their academic achievement and success.

The KCS Enrichment / Resource Program offers:

- Creative alternatives to learning
- Multi-sensory approach for learning styles
- Strategies to become more independent learners
- Quarterly Assessments and Evaluations
- Quarterly Parent Conferences
- Individual attention or small group instruction for optimal support

SPEECH, LANGUAGE & OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY



Dear Parents of Kendall Christian School,

I am the clinical director of our team at Kendall Christian which treats every child with a whole body holistic therapy team approach. As an interdisciplinary team, our therapists work together and collaborate ideas to benefit the child. During the school year, we will be providing an array of therapy services including, speech, language, and occupational therapies.

We recognize that obtaining a positive rapport and connection with your child is crucial and essential for growth in their goals but also in generalizing their goals in a natural environment. As a team, we are committed to help your child reach their full potential. If interested in a screening or if you currently have an evaluation and would like to receive our services at school, **please contact us via email at: therapy@kendallchristian.com**

We look forward to meeting you and answer any questions you may have. Thank you in advance and we look forward to working as a team to benefit your child as a whole!

God Bless,

Lorelle Vascos-Pages,
Program Director
MS. CCC-SLP; C-SIPT, CIMI
Email: therapy@kendallchristian.com



ATHLETICS AND AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS

***Due to the rise in COVID-19 cases, we are postponing all our after-school clubs and athletic offerings until further notice.**

Our after-school program provides a variety of athletics and activities including ballet, ceramics, dance, flag football, improv, soccer, STEAM, yearbook club, and more.

For more information regarding our afterschool program, please contact Mrs. Francesca Gonzalez by email at: fgonzalez@kendallchristian.com or by calling our office at (305) 271-3723.



PARENT TEACHER FELLOWSHIP

On behalf of the KCS Parent Teacher Fellowship (PTF) organization, it is our pleasure to welcome you to our school family! PTF has been an important part of our school for over 27 years, fostering the goals of:

- Fellowship between families and faculty
- Serving the needs of our community
- Raising funds for school programs and improvements
- Supporting teachers, staff, parents and—most importantly—students

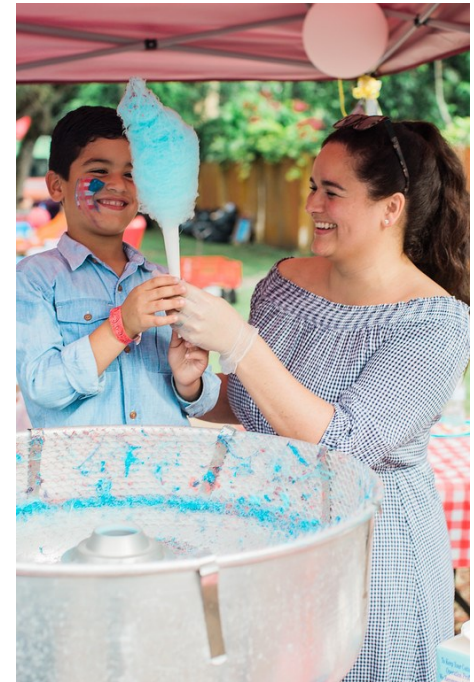
We are looking forward to a great year filled with fantastic events, community building activities, and of course, supporting our students and teachers so they can continue to attain excellence in education.

YOU are an important part of our community!

We have been blessed with a creative and forward-thinking administration who allows us to enthusiastically raise funds for the best programs, resources and events to maximize the education and overall experience of every child in our school. We would love for you to participate however best serves your interests and talents. Here are a few programs we sponsor and/or support: Spring Festival, Scholastic Book Fairs, Gingerbread Shoppe, Fun Run, Teacher Appreciation, and Field Day. If you have new ideas, please speak to any of our PTF officers so we can discuss the best way to incorporate your feedback.

How can you get involved?

How can you make this the best year for your family and for KCS? Join PTF! Every parent has the opportunity to make a huge impact just by participating, whether it be in planning, fund-raising or volunteering.



When you join the PTF you are not obligated to attend all meetings nor volunteer any minimum number of hours. We encourage everyone to participate using their own unique talents and abilities.

The best way to get connected and be “in the know” is to join and participate. You’ll quickly meet and build rapport with other parents and teachers while sharing ideas, and experiences. By volunteering you put your skills, hobbies, and interests to valuable use! This will be a year of amazing growth in the KCS PTF and we want you to be part of it. Ultimately it’s our goal that you see PTF as a means to being an active part of your child’s school community. This is a team effort and, as they say, “it takes a village.”

Contact us at: ptf@kendallchristian.com

KNIGHTS CAFE

***Due to COVID-19, many enhanced safety measures are in place for lunch distribution. All lunches will be delivered to your child’s classroom or served outdoors to allow for physical distancing. In addition, breakfast sales have been temporarily postponed. These measures will be frequently reviewed and updated as needed.**

KCS offers hot lunch five days a week. The monthly menu is sent out by email. Our school lunch program is available for all students. Enrollment forms are available through our finance office with annual, semi annual or monthly lunch payment options.

If you choose to send your child’s lunch, please provide him/her with a suitable lunch box, preferably one with insulation. **The faculty is unable to heat or refrigerate lunches for students.** Please, do not send candy to school in the lunchbox. Children are encouraged to bring a snack to school and a late afternoon snack for students enrolled in our aftercare program.

Students who are missing or have forgotten their lunch will not go hungry. The office will attempt to reach you. However, if we are unable to contact you, your child will receive the hot lunch served that day. Your account will be billed \$10.00.

NUT AWARE POLICY

For the safety and health of our students Kendall Christian School is a nut aware school. Lunches and snacks containing nut products are not permitted.



SCHOOL CALENDAR



2020-2021

August 2020						
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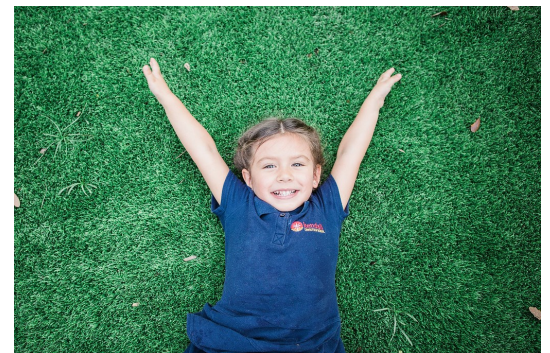
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- Start of Grading Period
- Early Dismissal
- Teacher Planning Day
- Legal Holiday
- Recess

School Hours

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri
Elementary 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Preschool 8:30 AM – 3:00 PM
 Wednesday Dismissal
All Grades 2:30 PM



CAMPUS MAP

FOREST AREA

K3—K4
Playground

KENDALL CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Rev. 07/28/20



SW 112TH STREET

NEW EXPANSION—VILLAGE PINES CAMPUS



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VILLAGE PINES CAMPUS

GROWING MINDS. GROWING IN CHRIST



Enrollment Now Open

NEW PRESCHOOL LOCATION

Located at:

VILLAGE PINES SCHOOL

15000 SW 92nd Avenue,
Miami, FL 33176



Main Campus

Kendall Christian School
8485 SW 112 Street Miami, FL 33156
Grades Pre-K2 – 5th Grade

Contact us:

Mrs. Cindy Arnaiz, Admissions Director
Email: carnaiz@kendallchristian.com
Phone: (305) 271-3723

www.kendallchristian.com

Village Pines School Inc.

15000 SW 92nd Avenue
Miami, FL 33176
Grades: Pre-K2 & Pre-K3 (Ages 2-3)



CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Kendall Christian School has officially launched its **Growing Forward Capital Campaign**. The purpose of this endeavor is to prepare every student to impact the world for Jesus Christ. We want to build up and equip this next generation of student leaders in preschool—eighth grade.

For more information, please contact our Head of School, Mr. Alex Gispert at agispert@kendallchristian.com or by phone at 305-271-3723.

**EXPANDING OUR POSSIBILITIES
BUILDING OUR FUTURE**

KEY FEATURES

- ✓ 8,000 additional square feet
- ✓ new middle program program for grades 6-8
- ✓ more resources and options for our Spanish Immersion Program
- ✓ state-of-the-art middle school science lab
- ✓ new elementary school playground
- ✓ more classroom spaces including music and foreign language classrooms
- ✓ church facilities for children's and youth ministries of Kendall Presbyterian Church

Your support will allow us to enhance our current programs and expand our mission to *motivate, prepare* and *equip* the next generation of Christian men and women to serve and lead in their churches, communities and around the world!



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Motivate | *Prepare* | *Equip*
to think | to learn | to serve

