

King Philip Middle School

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Dear King Philip Middle School Students/Parents/Guardians:

We hope that everyone in your family is having a great summer! Our school year begins on Tuesday, September 5th and we are very excited about seeing students on that day. Bus routes will be published in the Sun Chronicle as well as on our school website. It has been helpful to our students to come to school on the first day knowing their bus number and designated bus stop. Our doors will be open at 7:30 a.m. and we will officially begin at 7:35 a.m. Our school day will end at 2:15 p.m.

On this first day of school, homeroom time is extended so that students have time to meet their homeroom teacher, find their locker, and get to know their class schedule. We have enclosed schedules for seventh graders which includes a homeroom assignment. If your child is an eighth grade student you can view their teachers through IPARENT (IPARENT window will be open beginning on August 14th). We are also enclosing a biographical information sheet for seventh graders which should be signed and returned to homeroom teachers within the first few days of school. Parents of seventh graders can sign up for the IPARENT system using the Student ID from the biographical information sheet.

Our school website includes updated information on school policies such as our dress code and our cell phone/electronic devices policy. The dress code and cell phone policy can be found in our Handbook which will be posted online for the duration of the year. We continue to request that students try to avoid bringing nut products into the school building and on buses due to an increase in students with severe nut allergies.

Your child's Grade 7 student immunization records need to be received by our health office per the MA State Law requirement prior to entering Grade 7 on Tuesday, September 5th. If you do not wish to provide the immunization record, please have: your physician certify in writing that your child's health would be endangered by such vaccinations or a note written by you stating that such a vaccination or vaccinations conflict with your religious beliefs. The TDAP and the 2nd Chicken Pox booster (Varivax) are the two vaccines necessary to enter Grade 7 at the middle school, as well as all previous immunizations from prior school years. Immunization updates are available through your pediatrician. Updated Immunization forms may be faxed to our health office at 508-298-0203 by you or by your child's pediatrician. If we do not have an immunization record on file, it may place us in a position where we may need to exclude your child until the appropriate documentation is provided.

Included with this letter also is some additional transportation and homeroom information. School supply information is also available on our website. Please also be aware that the cost of school lunch is \$3.00. Free and reduced lunch applications are available on our website. Go to www.kingphilip.org and select the Middle School. The applications can be found under the Parents/Students tab. Students wishing to prepay online for lunches can go to myschoolbucks.com.

We look forward to the opening of school and working with you. Have a great rest of the summer!

Sincerely,

Dr. Susan Gilson, Principal