KIPP COLUMBUS

KIPP COLUMBUS FAMILY UPDATE - APRIL 29, 2022

Key Dates and Hours

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Updated 2021-2022 School Year Calendar

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April

- **30:** KIPP Columbus annual pancake breakfast (at KCEM) from 9 AM - 11 AM

Spring State and AP Testing Schedule

May

- **2:** KIPP Columbus High Algebra 1, US History, AP Government & Politics
- **3:** Grades 3-8 Math (part 1); KIPP Columbus High AP Environmental Science
- **4:** Grades 3-8 Math (part 2); KIPP Columbus High AP English Literature & Composition, AP Computer Science A, Algebra 1 makeups
- **5:** Grades 3-5 math makeups; KIPP Columbus High AP Seminar
- **6:** Grades 3-5 math makeups; KIPP Columbus High AP US History
- **9:** KIPP Columbus High AP Calculus AB, AP Computer Science Principles
- **10:** KIPP Columbus High AP Language & Composition

Hours

The school day is from 8:50a -3:30p (Monday - Thursday) and 8:50a - 1:00p (Fridays ONLY). Doors open and arrival will begin at 8:30a with students being tardy after 8:50a. **Please do not drop your child off prior to 8:30a on Agler Road or in the car rider line (*as there is no one present to safely supervise them*)**. Dismissal begins at 3:30p (Monday - Thursday) and 1:00p on Fridays.

Arrival:	8:30a - 8:50a
Dismissal:	3:30p (Monday - Thursday); 1:00p (Friday)
School Day:	8:50a - 3:30p (Monday - Thursday); 8:50a - 1:00p (Friday)

General Updates and Reminders

<REMINDER> Summer Program Registration Now OPEN

It's time and registrations are filling up FAST! We have a great summer lineup of programs happening on campus! We will be hosting hundreds of students across grade levels this summer with a wide array of camps and enrichment experiences! Pick your passion and sign up today for any of the following camp experiences:

- Boys and Girls Club
- Seeds of Caring
- After School All Stars
- Young Geniuses led by the Columbus Urban League

- TechCorps Robotics
- TechCorps Programming
- Football Camp sponsored by the Lindy Infante Foundation
- Community Youth Camp sponsored by the Columbus Sports Commission
- PAST Foundation's Junior Ranger Camp
- Kitchen 101 Cooking Camp

Camps will be happening between June 13th - 24th and July 11th - 22nd! Camp program times vary by program so check each one out and sign up for one camp per week. Registrations will shift to a waiting list once each program fills up so sign up SOON!

Registration is live **NOW** through the link below:
https://kippsummer2022.softr.app/

Join us Saturday for the KIPP Columbus Annual Pancake Breakfast - Saturday, April 30th
We are back with our annual Pancake Breakfast THIS Saturday from 9 AM to 11 AM at KCEM. Come by for some FREE food and connecting with other KIPPsters and families! We will have a few different serving options for the first time on Saturday, too.

- **Pancake Flipper:** The famous pancake flipper will be back and tossing pancakes all morning. If you're feeling adventurous, step right up and try to catch a few pancakes.

- **Grab and Go:** We will have a station set up inside the Big Gym at KCEM with additional seating for families. You can go through and grab a boxed breakfast with fresh pancakes from our incredible AVI Food Service team.

- **Drive Through:** We will also have a drive through option if you're in a hurry on Saturday. You can drive up to the KCEM Big Gym (look for the white tent outside the gym. Teammates will be on hand to serve you meals right at your car for meals on the go. *Please follow all traffic flow signage if you're looking for the drive through option on Saturday.*

NOTE: We anticipate a *large* crowd on Saturday so please be patient and follow all parking instructions from our security team.

Reading Skills at Home Webinar
Want to help your child learn to read but don't know where to start? Then this webinar is for you! Join the KIPP Schools team for part one of our "Supporting Early Reading Skills at Home" webinar series to learn how you can engage your preschool-aged child in fun, educational activities that will give your child a strong foundation in reading. You can register through the link HERE. In this webinar we will:

- Define phonological awareness and unpack why it's important
- Explore more than 10 activities you can do with your child to enhance their phonological awareness skills including listening for environmental sounds, rhyming, and more!

The ACE Educational Savings Account Program
The ACE Educational Savings Account program provides qualifying families with a $500 credit that can be used to pay for a variety of enrichment activities that will accelerate learning for students impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. These funds can be used for:

- Before- or after-school educational programs;
- Day camps, including camps for academics, music and arts;
- Tuition for learning extension centers;
- Tuition for learning pods;
- The purchase of curriculum and material for home-school families;
- Educational, learning or study skills services;
- Field trips to historical landmarks, museums, science centers and theaters – including admission, exhibit and program fees;
- Language classes;
- Musical instrument lessons;
- Tutoring.

Beginning April 11, 2022, the Ohio Department of Education will accept requests from families and determine program eligibility. Merit International, Inc. will provide eligible families with their savings accounts and a marketplace to purchase allowable services and materials.

https://education.ohio.gov/getattachment/Topics/Other-Resources/Scholarships/ACE/Ohio-ACE-Parent-and-Guardian-Income-Verification/Ace-User-Manual.pdf.aspx?lang=en-US

KIPP Columbus Athletics Update
KIPP Columbus Athletics is looking to fill the following coaching vacancies for the 2022-2023 athletic season:

Fall Sports
- Varsity Volleyball
- Middle School Volleyball
- Varsity Cheerleading
- Middle School Girls Soccer
- Middle School Boys Soccer

Winter Sports
- Varsity Girls Basketball
- Varsity Cheerleading

If you are interested in any of the coaching roles listed above for the 2022-2023 school year, please fill out the form in this link to indicate your interest and our Athletic and Wellness Coordinator, Jerell Lewis (jlewis@kippcolumbus.org) will be in touch with next steps.

Go Jaguars!!

Upcoming Dates:
April 29th (KCH Track and Field @ BIshop Hartley Track Meet)
May 3rd (KCM Track and Field @ Columbus School For Girls)

KIPP Columbus Emergency Response Fund
The KIPP Columbus Emergency Response Fund is available to address critical needs (housing, food insecurity, transportation needs, etc.) of our KIPPsters and their families at this time and going forward. The needs in our community are significant, and this is one additional step to meeting those needs. If you are in need of some additional support at this time, please do not hesitate to reach out to our team here, and we will do all we can to connect you with resources.

Also, if you (or others you know) might be interested in contributing to this fund, please do so HERE.

Jewish Family Services - Rental & Utility Support
Jewish Family Services (JFS) is an organization in Columbus that seeks to help all families, regardless of religious affiliation. JFS is now accepting applications for rental and utility support! You can find the link to begin your application on their homepage, HERE.

Essential Items & Wishlist
The KIPP Columbus student services team will be providing essential items to families on a first come, first serve, as needed basis. This includes items such as coats, personal hygiene items, and other essentials. If you (or others you know) might be interested in contributing to these efforts, please view our Amazon wishlist HERE. Thank you for your continued support!

COTA Discounted Fares
Columbus Transit Authority is offering fares discounted by 50% to families who qualify based on income! To learn more, and to apply, check out the flier HERE.

Engage Ohio Program
KIPP Columbus will be partnering with Engage Ohio, a statewide program funded by the Department of Education, offered to assist schools and families with school engagement. Engage Ohio will be providing intensive outreach, engagement, and enhanced support for eligible students in grades K–12. The goal of the program is to increase student attendance and GPA! Learn more about the program and eligibility requirements HERE.

Nationwide Children's Hospital (NCH) Partnership Updates
Vision and Hearing Screening Notification
The Ohio Department of Health (ODH) stresses the importance of hearing and vision screening and sets the requirements for which grades must be routinely screened. We value this at KIPP and we screen all students in kindergarten, first, third, fifth, seventh, ninth, and eleventh grade, as required by state law. You will be notified in writing if your child does not pass either of the screenings. If you do not wish for your student to participate, please notify the nurse in writing by emailing NCH@kippcolumbus.org by the morning of 3.7.22.

BOOST Job Readiness Training and Coaching

Nationwide Children's Hospital is providing free job readiness training and coaching for residents living in the following zip codes: 43205, 43206, 43207, 43211, 43224. They can help you get a job and grow your career. They have new classes available each month. Training is available in two locations including the Linden Community Center (1350 Briarwood Ave) and the Residences at the Career Gateway Training Center (747 E Whittier Street). To get started, email Kenneth Hunt at Boost@NationwideChildrens.org.

SPARK Ohio, Kindergarten Preparation Program

SPARK Ohio is a free, family-focused program designed to assist parents in becoming their child's first teacher and to prepare children for kindergarten. SPARK Parent Partners meet with the child and their Learning Advocate (parent or other family member) in their home or a place of their choosing such as a library or church. At each visit, the child receives a new book, lesson activity and educational supplies. SPARK through Nationwide Children's Hospital serves families in the 43205, 43206, 43207, 43211, and 43224 zip codes.

For more information please click HERE, or call SPARK at (614) 355-0714 or email HERE.

KIPP Columbus Nationwide Children's Hospital Clinic

Did you know that there is a Nationwide Children's Hospital Clinic on KIPP's campus? This is in addition to the services provided by our school nursing team. This school-based health center is very similar to a traditional doctor's office, but is conveniently located on our campus and is accessible to not only KIPPsters but also to any children in the community. To learn more about the services provided, please click HERE. To request an appointment please call 614-355-2590. The clinic is open Monday, Tuesday, Friday from 7a-2p.

Late Bus Information

If you have questions or concerns about your child's route on a specific day, please call the Columbus CIty Schools (CCS) transportation hotline for support: 614-365-5074.

COVID-19 Reminders

COVID-19 Quarantine & Vaccination Updates

As you have likely seen, the CDC has shifted guidance from 10 day to 5 day quarantine/isolation periods. The Ohio Department of Health has put together this guide on when you should quarantine and for how long. Additionally, KIPP Columbus has updated our family quarantine FAQ to reflect this information.

As a reminder, if your child(ren) test positive for COVID-19, please call our 24/7 COVID hotline at 614-966-0425 or email covid@kippcolumbus.org directly as soon as possible.

Any student (ages 12 - 17), who has been fully vaccinated 6+ months ago is eligible to receive a booster. Vaccines and boosters are widely available throughout Central Ohio and you can find a location by clicking HERE.
To learn more about the vaccine please click here for resources from the Centers for Disease Control. Additionally click here for an FAQ, here for a fact sheet, and here for information regarding potential side effects.

Health & Safety Protocols and Key COVID-19 Information:

For the safety of our students, staff, and community please ensure you are reporting all COVID positive cases and meaningful exposure cases to the school so that we can properly assist your child and family. That includes any exposure with members of your family or community. Please call our 24/7 COVID hotline at 614-966-0425 or email covid@kippcolumbus.org directly.

KIPP Columbus continues to follow all guidance from Columbus Public Health, including recently updated quarantine guidance. To read more, please visit our **KIPP Columbus Family Quarantine FAQ.** Have any questions or ideas? Click here to share!
Please note we will be continuing to follow our current health & safety protocols until further notice. We will communicate any changes or shifts as soon as possible. Thank you for your continued partnership!

- Automatic hand sanitizer dispensers in all classrooms and common areas
- Nationwide Children's Hospital Nurses on site
- Masks Available
- Social distancing of 3 feet where practical (or more)
- School supplies provided for all students
- Amplified HVAC systems
- Air filters in all classrooms
- Health kits in all classrooms
- Discontinued use of water fountains
- Restricted campus access
- Additional cleaning and disinfection protocols

COVID Dashboard
As a reminder, KIPP Columbus continues to update the COVID-19 dashboard every Friday. To see the dashboard please visit www.kippcolumbus.org/coronavirus.

Our Mission

Together with families and communities, we create joyful, academically excellent schools that prepare students with the skills and confidence to pursue the paths they choose - college, career, and beyond - so they can lead fulfilling lives and create a more just world.