

**TO: Kerkhoven Murdock Sunburg Elementary Parents**  
**FROM: Jeffrey R. Keil, KMS Elementary Principal**  
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Our KMS Elementary staff has been working hard all summer preparing for their students to return to school on September 8. There are several changes and new procedures everyone will need to apply. Each parent has been sent an electronic version of the "KMS Elementary Safe Learning Plan and Learning Models". Enclosed is important information about the upcoming school year.

**Open House "Parent-Student-Teacher Meetings"**

- Meeting dates are Sept. 1 and Sept. 2 from 3:00-7:30 p.m. each evening.
- Parents will receive a text from KMS and then select the "Signup Genius" link and select a 15-minute meeting time.
- During your meeting, teachers will share additional information and answer questions.
- Students should bring their school supplies to their classroom.
- Please wear a face covering to the meeting.
- Your child will receive a KMS face covering to take home.

**Safe Learning Plans and Learning Models** (Learning Models will be determined by KMS administration and Regional Support Team)

- KMS plans have been developed with guidance from MN Dept. of Health and MN Dept. of Education.
- KMS Elementary Safe Learning Plan and Learning Models are attached to this email.
- Learning Model 1 is defined as in-person learning for students. (Taught by KMS classroom teachers)
- Learning Model 2 is defined as hybrid learning with strict social distancing and capacity limits. (Taught by KMS classroom teachers)
- Learning Model 3 defined as distance learning only. (Taught by KMS classroom teachers)

**Alternative Distance Learning Option** (Coordinated by KMS Educator)

- Students will use an online learning curriculum.
- Parents can choose to discontinue the "Alternative Distance Learning Option" and return to the current learning model with classmates and classroom teachers at KMS Elementary School.
- Students will receive Special Education services or therapy from KMS Special Education staff.

**Face Coverings**

- Students will be required to wear a face covering while riding the bus and learning in their classrooms.
- Students will not be required to wear a face covering when outside for physical education and recess.
- Refer to the "Safe Learning Plans" for detailed information about face coverings.

**Student Health**

- Please drop off any updates, medical orders, and supplies to the health office.
- Jana Smith-KMS School Nurse will be at the HS on Tuesday evening and EL. on Wednesday evening.
- Anessa Jeseritz-Health Assistant will be available on Tuesday and Wednesday evening.

**Meal Information**

- Student meal costs: Breakfast \$1.25, Lunch \$2.60, and Milk Break \$25.50 per semester.
- Applications for "Free or Reduced Priced Meals" should be completed online.
- Parents are encouraged to make an online payment for your child's meals and milk break.

**Transportation Services**

- Bus contractors: Riley Bus Services of Murdock 320.875.2491 and Rustad Bus Services of Kerkhoven 320.264.2987.
- Parents should contact the bus companies if there are questions or concerns about bus routes or pickup times.

Please call KMS Elementary School 320.264.5021 if you have any questions.