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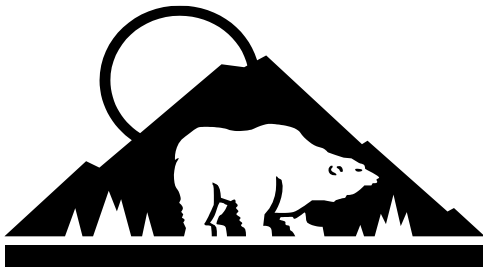
Welcome to the 2014-15 school year at Kings Canyon Middle School. The entire staff of this school is here to help students succeed; we will do everything we can to ensure your success.

Kings Canyon is a Bonner Character Education award-winning school. Therefore, our students are expected to act like ladies and gentlemen and treat others the same. You are expected to act respectfully toward your teachers and all adults. You are expected to study, grow academically and learn good life habits.

This agenda is your first step toward developing responsibility. Use it correctly to keep track of your homework. Make sure your parents see and sign your agenda.

KINGS CANYON MIDDLE SCHOOL MISSION

Kings Canyon Middle School will help students achieve success academically, socially and emotionally so they may become productive members of the community.



FRESNO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT GOALS

1. All students will excel in reading, writing and math
2. All students will engage in arts, activities and athletics
3. All students will demonstrate the character and competencies for workplace success.

4. All students will stay in school on target to graduate.

GRIZZLY PRIDE

The colors of Kings Canyon Middle School are silver, green and black. The school mascot is the Grizzly. Kasey, our life-size grizzly mascot is located in the cafeteria.

HOMEWORK IS MANDATORY!

Homework and class work is to be completed daily. Students who do not complete their homework will remain after school to finish assignments. Students will report to the Student Achievement Center and be supervised by teachers and ASP tutors. They may leave when assignments are completed or at 4:30 PM.



Essential Five Behaviors

1. **When you are in public, act in a polite manner.**
2. **Always obey and respect your teachers and other adults.**
3. **Take care of the school.**
4. **Don't be a bully and don't tolerate bullying by others.**
5. **If you know something bad is going on, tell an adult.**

VISITOR POLICY

Visitors must check in at the main office before entering campus. While on campus, visitors shall wear an I.D. badge provided by the school. Parents are welcome and encouraged to visit classrooms.

Non-Kings Canyon students are not permitted on campus during the school day. Student activities are restricted to Kings Canyon students.

ATTENDANCE

If you are absent, a parent or guardian must call the school. KCMS has a 24hr attendance line 253-6477. If you want to speak to attendance personnel please call after 7:40 AM.

- If you arrive at school after 8:10, you must stop at the Attendance Window to get an Admit Slip.
- If you had an appointment, bring a note from your parent or doctor to the Attendance Window to clear absences.
- Parents who are picking up students for appointments must come into the front office.
- Parents or guardians will be notified by phone/text when a student is absent.

ABSENCES

Excused Illness, injury, death of immediate family member, medical appointments or school business

Unexcused Out of town travel, parent request, truancy – student absent without knowledge of parent

TARDY POLICY

Be on time to all classes. It is rude and disruptive to arrive late to a class. Students are considered tardy if they are not inside the classroom door and/or in their assigned seat when the bell rings. In the event of multiple tardies, the student will be given consequences including referral to an administrator and parent conference.



STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES

A school nurse is available on specified days. The school nurse cannot provide or administer medication other than those prescribed by a doctor or treat injuries or wounds beyond first aid. Students are not to request to see the nurse for common discomforts such as stomach ache or head ache. **Students are not to carry medications, including common medications such as aspirin or inhalers, without first registering the medications with the nurse.**

RESTROOMS

Restrooms should be used during passing periods and not be used during instruction. If it is necessary for a student to leave a classroom during instruction, they must carry this Agenda with them with a teacher signature on the “Hall Pass” page. Return to the classroom immediately following restroom use.

TELEPHONE/ELECTRONIC

Kings Canyon Middle School does not permit cell phone use by students on campus. **Cell phones must be powered off and kept out of site during school hours; students may use them once they exit the gates.** Students who violate this will have their phone confiscated and be required to serve Electronic Detention, 2hr.

Classroom phones may be used with teacher permission. Students may also use office phones at the attendance window during non-instructional time. Kings Canyon Middle School assumes no responsibility for lost, stolen or damaged personal property. Students are

advised to not bring valuable personal items or large sums of money to school. Students should not share school ID or locker combinations with others.

LIBRARY

The Kings Canyon library is updated through the use of local, state and federal funds. Books may be checked out by students for research or pleasure reading. Students are accountable for books checked out in their name.

Computers, printers and Internet access are also available to students in the library.

SCHOOL PROPERTY/TEXT BOOKS

Students are responsible for the care and safekeeping of any school property issued or used by them, including textbooks. Financial repayment to school is required in the event of lost, stolen or damaged school property.

Textbooks must be returned when the student leaves school. Textbooks must be returned in the condition issued. Parents will be billed for the cost of damages.

AGENDA

Agendas are provided to each Kings Canyon student on enrollment at no cost. Take care of your agenda! Replacement cost is \$5.00.

BUSES

Kings Canyon is a neighborhood school. Most students live within a designated proximity; one bus from the Roosevelt area is provided. Times are available from the office.

Students do ride Fresno Unified buses to participate in field trips and sporting events. While on buses, students are responsible for respecting these rules:

- Riders remain seated while the bus is in motion

- Riders shall not extend hands, arms or heads through bus windows
- Riders shall be courteous to the driver, other passengers and pedestrians
- Riders will be held accountable for damage including graffiti

Violations may result in loss of bus privileges.

BICYCLES

Students who ride bicycles to school should wear protective gear. Bicycles are not to be ridden on campus. Bicycles must be parked at the rack north of the office. Bicycles must be locked; the school is not responsible for theft or damage.

Skateboards, roller blades, scooters, razors and other similar items are not permitted at school.

LOITERING

Students not attending sports, detention, intervention or S.A.C. must be off campus by the 2:50 p.m. bell. Students may not loiter within 1500 feet of the campus. Habitual violations will be considered willful defiance of school policy.

ELIGIBILITY AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Student eligibility for athletics and other school sponsored activities is determined by Fresno Unified Board of Education Policy. Students must maintain a 2.0 grade point average to be eligible to participate.

If a student drops below 2.0 on a report card, they will be placed on Academic Probation. While on probation, no class time may be missed to participate in sports, travel or extracurricular activities. Students may continue to participate in these activities only after school.

Probation is not granted to students who have consecutive report cards below a 2.0 grade point average. In these circumstances,

students only become eligible when a report card shows a grade point average at or above 2.0.



PHYSICAL EDUCATION

State education codes require all students to participate in 400 minutes of physical education every 10 days. All students are expected to dress out and participate in PE daily.

PE uniforms are required. The choices for PE clothing are:

- Kings Canyon school PE uniform - \$18.00
- Black, white or gray sweatshirts and/or sweat pants.
- White socks and non-marking tennis shoes are required.

Lockers and locks will be issued by the PE staff. Personal locks are not allowed. Students should not share lockers or combinations. Students are responsible for replacement of lost or damaged locks and personal items.

REQUIRED MATERIALS

Students are required to be prepared and ready for school every day. It is important that students are equipped with the appropriate materials to be successful.



KCMS Survival Kit

- Agenda *given at enrollment
- ID card & Lanyard *given at enrollment
- 2" Binder
- Dividers
- Paper

- Writing Utensils
- Backpack
- P.E. Uniform (purchase at school)

* If lost or damaged students must purchase replacements through the office.

Electronic Databases:

Scholastic Go (Grolier Encyclopedia)

Website: go-middle.grolier.com

Username: fresnoms

Password:

GALE

Website: galesites.com/portal/fresno

Password:

ABC-Clio

Website: databases.abc-clio.com

Username: fresnoused

Password:

ATLAS Student Portal

Overview: ATLAS is Fresno Unified's student information system. The Student portal is the website which provides instant access to your grades, attendance, and assignment scores. If you are experiencing difficulty logging in to <http://mywork.fresnounified.org>, please let your first period teacher know.

Logging in:

GO TO <http://mywork.fresnounified.org>

TYPE in your Shortname and Password EXACTLY as is written

CLICK the Login button

STUDENT BEHAVIOR STANDARDS

All students are expected to adhere to the following standards:

- ✓ Come to school dressed according to the Dress Code
- ✓ Wear ID badges/lanyards
- ✓ Arrive on time with required materials (binder, agenda, paper, pen or pencil)
- ✓ Follow classroom rules
- ✓ Conduct yourself according to the guidelines of *ES*
- ✓ Complete all unfinished homework in the Student Achievement Center
- ✓ No gum on campus

The following behavior is not accepted at Kings Canyon:

- ✓ Cell phone use (Must be powered off and not used on school property)
- ✓ Use of profanity
- ✓ Use of electronic devices, music players or laser pointers during school
- ✓ Tagging, graffiti or vandalizing any school or personal property
- ✓ Loitering on campus after school hour

CONSEQUENCES

The following consequences may occur for students not following school or classroom rules

- Verbal warning
- Conference with student
- Detention
- Parent Contact
- Refer to GLA/SSW/Counselor
- Refer to Vice Principal

DETENTION

Detention may be assigned as a consequence for poor behavior. Detention may be one of the following:

- Teacher Detention Teachers may assign 10-15 minutes detention to a student
- Noon Detention Students will report to the designated detention room. Lunch will be provided. Students will be released prior to the end of the lunch break to use the restroom.
- After School Detention Students will serve one hour in a designated room. Parents will be notified in advance.
- Friday School/Electronic Detention For repeat offenses or electronic use students may be assigned two hours after school. Parents will be notified

SUSPENSION / EXPULSION

Students may be suspended and/or expelled from school for violations of the California Education Code. **Any incidents of serious fighting, theft, possession of weapons or controlled substances may be reported to Fresno Police.** For a complete list of this code contact the office at Kings Canyon Middle School.

SEXUAL HARASSMENT / BULLYING

The Board of Education prohibits unlawful sexual harassment or bullying of any student by an employee, student or other person in the school district. Any student who feels he/she is being harassed or bullied should immediately contact the principal or an administrator.

Kings Canyon actively promotes a safe learning environment free of harassment and bullying.

Kings Canyon Middle School **DRESS CODE**

Any apparel, hair style, cosmetic or jewelry, even if not specifically mentioned below, which creates a health or safety concern, draws undue attention to the student, tends to distract from the educational process, or otherwise disrupts the orderly operation of the school is prohibited. Students must follow dress code whenever on campus or at school events.

1. Head wear, including hats, caps and bandanas are not to be worn during school hours. Sunglasses cannot be worn in classrooms, offices, and other school facilities (unless prescribed by a physician).
2. Shoes must be worn on campus and at school events. Shoes must have *permanent* heel straps or enclosures. Students cannot wear flip flops, or slippers.
3. Sleeveless shirts/vests, tube tops, halter tops, or radically altered clothing shall not be worn. Tank tops are not allowed. Pajamas are not permitted.
4. See-through clothing shall not be worn. Off the shoulder clothing is not allowed. Bra straps and under garments should not be seen.
5. Dresses, skirts, and shorts must be no more than 4" above the knee. Shorts are to be hemmed. Form-fitting clothing must be covered by outer clothing which meets dress code requirements. Leggings and stretchy fabrics are not to be worn as pants.
6. Attire which may be used as a weapon shall not be worn, including but not limited to steel-toed boots, chains, and items with spikes or studs.
7. Sagging or baggy pants that do not fit the waist or are frayed or have rips or mock rips are not acceptable. Clothing must be worn as intended.
8. Body piercing (eyebrows, nose, lips, tongue, navel, etc.) is not acceptable.
9. Hairstyles that draw undue attention detract from the educational environment and are not acceptable. This includes, but is not limited to, unusual designs or razor cuts, colors, Mohawks, tails, lines, etc.
10. Shirts longer than arms' length when hands are at side must be tucked in.
11. Gang apparel and clothing associated (559, bandana covering face), college mascots and logos, professional sports team apparel, military or camouflage attire, etc is not permitted.
12. For safety purposes, any garments that are predominately red are not permitted. This includes shades of red colors. This also includes footwear and accessories such as belts, shoes, shoelaces, backpacks, etc.
13. Articles of clothing, jewelry or personal effects (backpacks, binders, gym bags, etc.) may not depict graffiti or drawings which depict sexually suggestive expressions or actions, profanity, obscenity, drugs, alcohol or tobacco, or which degrades the integrity of individuals or groups.

For the Fresno Unified School District [Dress and Grooming Policies](http://www.fresnounified.org) go to: www.fresnounified.org

ACADEMIC SUPPORT

The goal of Kings Canyon Middle School is to prepare students for success in high school. *There are no shortcuts!* Students must pay attention to teachers, complete assignments and study for tests. Parents must support their students and the school by making sure these tasks are completed.

For students who need help with their academics, Kings Canyon offers the following supports:

Student Achievement Center

Homework is mandatory at Kings Canyon Middle School. Any homework not completed as assigned must be completed after school in the Student Achievement Center. Students will receive folders with incomplete assignments during their last class. They will then report to the cafeteria to finish the work.

PROMOTION

Fresno Unified School District establishes minimum requirements for promotion to the next grade. Kings Canyon does not conduct class promotion ceremonies. Qualifying 8th grade students and parents are invited to an end of the year Award Ceremony (merit, honor, 4.0, attendance, subject mastery).

End of year activities are open to all students except:

- Students on Activities Limited list
- Students on shortened day schedules due to behavior concerns
- Students not meeting minimum academic standards for promotion.

NEED SOMEONE TO TALK TO?

The following people are on campus every day to help students work through the usual problems of school and life:

Counselor: Rafael Aguirre

School Social Worker: Telina Paz

Both persons are located in the main office.

F.A.M.O.U.S

Kings Canyon sponsors an after school program called For All Mature Outstanding United Students (FAMOUS). The program is available to all students from 2:50 PM – 6:00 PM Mondays through Friday. Tutoring is available in all subjects as well as enrichment activities.

ACTIVITIES LIMITED

Students on the Activities Limited list may not participate in school sponsored activities such as dances, reward field trips, etc. Students may be placed on the list for the following reasons:

- Student owes a financial debt to the school and has not taken steps to resolve it
- Student has been suspended from school
- Student has received either 3 “F” grades or 3 “N” citizenship marks on a report card or progress report
- Student has unserved detentions
- Student has accumulated excessive tardies/cuts/unexcused absences – (SARB)

Students will be removed from the Activities Limited list after 20 school days if the problem has not reoccurred.