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A WEEKLY NEWS BULLETIN FOR KAPPA III PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS

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PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Dear Parents/Guardians:

I hope you enjoyed your long weekend. It's so hard to believe that we are already into the 2nd week of October. The weather is starting to get a little colder, so please make sure your children are dressed warm. School begins at 8:30am, we ask that your child arrives between 8:20am-8:30am. Students can grab breakfast as they go to their classrooms.

Attendance is important at KAPPA III as it accounts for student engagement. Our expectation is that students are in school or online every day. I cannot stress enough the importance of student engagement in both synchronous & asynchronous learning. Course content is continuous, & it is imperative that students to keep up with their schoolwork.

Today we are hosting our 1st Parent Teacher Association (PTA) Meeting at 3:00pm via **Zoom Link**. During this 1st meeting, members will elect roles for PTA, receive information about our school & discuss how PTA can support our students & families. Our first School Leadership Team (SLT) meeting will be on Thursday, October 15th at 10:00am via **Google Meet**. All elected members will review and develop the educational policies of Kappa III. Our first workshop will be held on October 14th at 4:30pm via **Zoom Link**, Ramapo for Children will conduct a Parent Workshop on "Self-Care for the Caregiver." Next Wednesday, October 21, at 10:00am, we will hold our second PTA meeting to discuss Title 1 funding. It is important that you understand how Title 1 funds are used for KAPPA III.

Reminder, as part of DOE's health & safety initiative they want to begin testing students & staff for COVID-19. They have partnered with NYC Health + Hospitals, the New York City Department of Health & Mental Hygiene, & the NYC Test & Trace Corps to arrange for testing of NYC DOE students & staff for COVID-19 infection. They will test a randomly selected group of staff & students in schools once per month. The number of children & staff to be tested each month will depend on the size of the school population. They are asking all parents to sign the consent form for random testing. Reminder, everyone that enters a DOE facility, must complete a health form. Morning admission will go a lot quicker if students complete the form prior to arriving at the school. We are asking that you assist your child with completing the form every morning. Everyone is required to follow the physical distancing guidelines & mandatory use of face coverings. Please make sure you speak to your child about the importance of social distancing.

As always, I encourage you to please continue to refer to our schools at website: https://kappaiii.echalksites.com/. for additional information. For your convenience, helpful links and resources are posted on this page as well.

I want to thank you for your continued support and wish you & your family good health & a wonderfully smooth start to the school-year. I feel confident that when we all return together, it will be with a greater sense of belonging & a renewed perspective on all of the values that make KAPPA III s special school.

SPECIAL NOTICES

REMINDERS

Cohort A Tuesday, Wednesday, & Every other Monday 8:30am – 2:00pm

Cohort B Thursday, Friday, & Every Other Monday 8:30am – 2:00pm

Cohort D Monday – Friday Remote Learning

Parent Teacher Association Mtg (PTA) Tuesday, October 13, 2020 @ 6:00pm

Ramapo for Children (Self-Care for the Care Giver) Wednesday, October 14, 2020 @ 4:30pm

School Leadership Team Meeting (SLT) Thursday, October 15, 2020 @ 10:00am

KAPPA III WEB SITE Check it out https://kappaiii.echalksites.com/



Please complete the permission slip form in case your child comes to school on the wrong day. The permission slip would allow your child to go back home if he/she comes on the wrong day. Please complete the form and send it back to us via email

Respectfully, Jean Colon, Principal