



Eagle Insider

We will provide a nurturing learning environment and educate ALL students to be lifelong learners.

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This school year we have begun an important initiative at Kent City Community Schools – the implementation of a Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS). This proactive approach is aimed at ensuring the success and well-being of each and every student. We will accomplish this by providing district-wide instruction for students across both academics and behavioral domains, as well as targeted interventions and tailoring support to student’s individual needs.

Why MTSS?

1. Student Success:

By addressing student needs in the areas of academics and behavior as soon as possible, our staff can create an environment where each student has the opportunity to thrive academically and personally.

2. Personalized Support:

By understanding the specific needs of each student, we can tailor interventions to ensure that they receive the assistance necessary for their individual growth and success.

3. Collaboration and Communication:

MTSS promotes collaboration among educators, parents, and support staff. Your input and involvement are essential in this process. By working together, we can ensure that the strategies implemented are aligned with the needs and strengths of your child.

4. Continuous Improvement:

MTSS is a dynamic and flexible framework that allows us to continually assess and refine our practices based on student outcomes. This commitment to continuous improvement ensures that we are responsive to the evolving needs of our students.

We want to emphasize to you that the introduction of MTSS is a positive step towards fostering an environment where every child can reach their full potential.

Sincerely,
Bill Crane
Superintendent

Eric Vantreese
Director of Student Services

Susan Brummel
District Improvement Facilitator

It is a GREAT day to be an Eagle!

Student Showcase Technology Talents

Every year, MACUL (Michigan Association for Computer Users in Learning) hosts a student technology showcase at the capitol in Lansing to allow lawmakers, business leaders and other citizens to see first-hand how technology is used in classrooms. Teams of K-12 students from around the state demonstrate how technology supports their learning and this year, KCE represented 2 of those teams!

Mrs. Freeland's 4th grade team shared animated models of their water wheels that were created using the Flipbook application in a digital program called Roadmaps, which is from the Center for Digital Curriculum at the University of Michigan. In the unit, students learn how machines transfer energy, how generators work, and the importance of renewable energy such as solar, wind, biofuels, and geothermal energy. Their final project is to draw a design for a machine that uses renewable energy for their community.

Mrs. Andreas brought a team of third-grade students who also presented animated models created using the Flipbook app. In this unit, students learn about forces such as friction and gravity as well as how we can move objects using non-contact forces. In the Flipbook app, students can animate their toys to show movement and record themselves describing what was happening in their models.

While at the showcase, our teams were able to divide and concur. Students would take turns presenting their models to adults and other students and walking around to learn from the other teams at the showcase. Our Kent City Eagles did a great job sharing their learning and technology as well as satisfying their curiosity by checking out other exhibits. We are so proud of them!



5th Grade Gives Back

On the last full day before winter break, the 5th graders of Kent City took a pause to participate in a service project for 3 nonprofits in our area. The students rotated through the four different classrooms while working together to provide a useful item for each. In Mr. Powers' class, students decorated small envelopes which were filled with powdered laundry soap. These packets will go to the Women's Resource Center. In Ms. O'Connell's class, students repurposed old t-shirts into dog pull toys to donate to the Humane Society. In Mrs. Snyder's class, the veterans were the focus as the students decorated placemats with inspirational words and winter pictures. Every meal is served on a placemat at the GR Veterans Home, so these will brighten a veteran's day. Finally, in Mrs. Goldner's class, the students had the opportunity to make a simple beaded ornament to take home and gift to someone in their family. The students thoroughly enjoyed the break in our everyday routine and the opportunity to give back this holiday season.





KENT CITY ELEMENTARY

Preschool and Kindergarten Round-Up

Now Enrolling for 2024-2025

4-Year-Old Preschool
Thursday, March 7 at 6pm
<https://preschool.kentisd.org/Apply>
 (Registration Opens March 1st)



Kindergarten & Young 5's
Thursday, March 14 at 6pm
<https://www.kentcityschools.org/district/enrollment/>

Come see why KCE is the place to be!

Learn more about our Preschool and Kindergarten programs and receive details regarding the enrollment process.



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Completion of the Pre-Registration form for incoming Kindergarten is encouraged before attending round-up.

*Please note that the Round-Up events will be for **PARENTS ONLY**. Thank you.*



KCE Students Get Fired Up for Ceramics

In art class, all students learn the 3 hand-building techniques and use these techniques in their different clay projects. Students practice making a pinch pot which is like a cup shape, a coil which is like a worm shape, and a slab which is rolling out the clay flat like a pancake. We practice putting these shapes together to make a teacup and saucer and discuss the importance of scoring and slipping our clay pieces together which binds the clay like glue. Students in 2nd grade take these skills and create an animal of their choice, problem-solving along the way to decide which hand-building techniques are best used for creating their animals. Once clay pieces are bone dry we fire the clay animals in our new Kiln for a bisque firing, which hardens the clay and makes it suitable for glazing. Students complete their projects by painting on the glazes of their choice. The clay pieces are then fired again in the Kiln for the final glaze of colors to fully develop.



GRCC President's & Dean's Lists

The following Kent City High School students earned recognition for their dual enrollment courses through Grand Rapids Community College:

- **President's List (4.00 GPA)** - Samuel Martini, Ethan VanderLugt, Gracie Houtman, Ann Marie Smalley, Caden Hartzell, Heather Poling, Cory Pecynski, Baleigh Smith, Brookelyn Rogers.
- **Dean's List (3.500 - 3.999 GPA)** - Lilliana LaPointe, Isabella Max, Sylvia Freeland, Madelyn Geers, Leto Pendleton, Anggie Sanchez-Avila, Jaren Vogel, Cristina Garza, Irelyn Sullivan, Nikolis Mejia, Kaitlyn Swift, Logan Goguen, Jady Robeck, Mason Crane, Kendall Veltkamp, Denyle Bonter

WOOD TV Student of the Month

During January, WOOD TV 8 came to Kent City High School to interview Anggie Sanchez-Avila for a segment that they call the "Student of the Week". The segment aired on a Friday morning and can be found on the WOOD TV 8 website. Congratulations, Anggie!

CSAA Activities - KCHS Chess

Kent City competes in the Central States Activities Association (CSAA) for athletics, but the conference has more to offer students than sports. KCHS students have competed in Forensics, Quiz Bowl, Talent and Art Revue, All-Conference Honors Band, and Language Arts since the Eagles joined the CSAA. New for 2024, we are excited to have students on our first ever Chess team. The team began competitions in February under the direction of Coach Todd Hendricks.



KCMS Scripp National Spelling Bee

Kent City Middle School registered this year for the Scripps National Spelling Bee and will be sending two participants to the Kent County Spelling Bee. Students in grades 6th through 8th grade participated in classroom spelling bees in their English Language Arts class during the month of January and a school spelling bee was held on January 29th that included the top spellers of each class. Official word lists and spelling bee rules were used for the competition where forty two middle school students started on stage and spelled words through 10 rounds. Round 6 saw just three spellers remaining, which ended with only one. However, official rules state that a championship word must be spelled correctly by the one remaining contestant to be crowned champion. Sixth grader Easton Loonsfoot found himself in that position, but did not correctly spell the championship word. So, all three spellers came back to the stage to go again. Easton Loonsfoot and Gage McVicker advanced to go head to head in round nine where Easton once again prevailed. For the final round, Easton spelled the championship word, congregation, to be named the Kent City Middle School spelling bee champion. Easton Loonsfoot and runner-up Gage McVicker will advance to represent Kent City Middle School at the Kent County Spelling Bee.

KCHS Job Shadow Trip to the Courthouse

Several Kent City HS students were able to participate in a job shadow at the Grand Rapids United States District Court and the Department of Justice in December. Brent Clark, Kent City Class of 2000, helped organize the event for our students. Brent currently serves as the Senior Intelligence Specialist for the United States Attorney's Office and the Federal Bureau of Investigation in our area which covers 49 counties. After going through security checks at the courthouse, students were able to witness an actual sentencing in Judge Beckerings courtroom. At the end of the sentencing, students were able to speak with Judge Beckering, who is a United States District Judge appointed to her position by the President of the United States. Other individuals that spoke to our students included: a Probation Officer, Administrative Specialist to the Clerk of Court and Chief Deputy Clerk, Supervisory Special Agent for the Drug Enforcement Administration, Deputy United States Marshal and a Special Agent for the United States Secret Service. Our students left with a very good understanding of how the federal court system works and many of the federal law enforcement careers related to our court system. Once again, thank you Brent Clark for making this opportunity possible.



Building-Wide MTSS/PBIS

Kent City High School and Kent City Middle School are half-way through a year-long roll-out of both a building-wide MTSS (Multi-tiered system of supports) and PBIS (Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports). This effort has included the formation of building leadership teams, staff training, and the development of expectations for student behavior in multiple settings around the building and on district provided transportation. The goal of these efforts is ultimately to have a positive impact on student achievement by improving the culture and climate throughout the school building.

The overarching theme of these efforts is “It’s a GREAT Day to be an Eagle” with each letter in the word GREAT standing for part of the overall behavior expectations. The expectations for different locations and events around the school are then described using the same GREAT acronym. In addition to posters that are displayed around the buildings, students contributed to the effort by creating videos at the beginning of the school year to demonstrate both the expected behaviors and behaviors that do not meet the expectations.

Additionally, teachers have developed classroom behavior expectations that fit the overall GREAT theme that they presented at the beginning of the school year and continue to review and reinforce with students as needed. Teachers have also been working to acknowledge appropriate behaviors and will begin to give out tickets to students when they meet the expectations. Students will be able to spend these tickets at a school store to purchase school supplies, food and drinks, and apparel. KCMS/KCHS families can contribute to this effort by asking your student(s) about the GREAT acronym, about the expectations around the building, and about ways that they have been acknowledged for expected behaviors. Additionally, have conversations with your student(s) about why displaying expected behaviors in school is important to you as a parent.



6th Grade	7th Grade	8th Grade
<p>Aadland, Melissa Anderson, Gabriel Bopp, Jackson Brooks, Larissa Buikema, Molly Bussing, River Christensen, Logan DeVos, Rueger Elsner, Kelsey Gallegos-Yanez, Leslie Garvey, Lucas Gutierrez-Harris, MiLeyah Hejduk, Avery Jensen, Caden Jones, Landon Kline, Brianna Kuehner, Rusti Lintern, Kenadi Loonsfoot, Easton Lozano, Alyanah McChessney, Anthony McVicker, Gage Mikula, Mark Morgan, Cole Mourer, Lucas Neeley, Levi Nevarez, Dayana Niemi, Audra Olson-Jourden, Ella Pelletier, Brennan Pennock, Isabella Piper, Issaac Rivera-Gil, Ana Roa Mendez, Brayan Rodriguez, Giuliana Shafer, Isabella Slauter, Jackson Smith, Brianna Smith, Nora Smith, Scarlett Snoap, Chloe Ann Sokoloski, Bristol Teesdale, Troy Thom, Delainey Thompson, Henry Turnquist, Adam Tyers, Luke VanderLind, Wade Velte, Braelynn Westphal, Logan White, Darrin Wiles, Caden Willis, Estelle</p>	<p>Anderson, Megan Beeman, Cohen Bloom, Brayden Bolanos-Colin, Fatima Braspenninx, Thrasher Browe, Bradley Brown, Kinley Corrigan, Cash Cox, David DeBoer, Aubrey Curtis, Kyli Elsner, Emmett Farr, Aiden Ford, Robert Freeland, Myles Gerard, Natalie Goines, Eben Gomez, Angelina Gonzalez, Maverick Hand, Nova Hansen, Emmitt Harlett, Ava Lacy, Mikyla Larson, Karis Leonides-Arroyo, Adolfo Lopez-Cardona, Ranger McLemore, Quinton Michell, Sophia Mitchell, Jaxon Mitchell, Lucas Niemi, Jacob Peterson, Abigail Pike, Ella Pike, Travis Posadas-Chavez, Josslin Quintana-Puente, Karol Rath, Liam Rawson, Jenna Rincon Michel, Zuleiika Rivera-Gil, Luis Robeck, Jaxon Rogers, Corbin Romero, Leilani Sanchez, Brianna Sanchez, Jaden Sandison, Brenna Scheidel, Brooke Sosa-Aguilar, Keyla Stuhan, Ethan Tower, Eli VanHouten, Joseph VanKampen, Shaedan Vaughan, Elisha Vazquez-Reyes, Victor Veltkamp, Trevor Vogel, Joselyn Washburn, Brianna Worley, Dakota Zuniga, Joceline</p>	<p>Anderson, Lily Bowman, Ethan Brace, Rubie Bulliss, Lydia Chappell, Bryce Clement, Gregory Cronkright, Leah Cruz, Cesar DeJohn, Makayla Diaz-Guzman, Hector Garcia, Isabel C Foster, Zander Dakota Garcia-DeSantiago, Jorge Gerard, Naomi Gomez-Yanez, Bryan Gonzalez-Vasquez, Jorge Groenke, Lucas Hall, Eiliyah Hawthorne, Jonah Hernandez-Chavez, Melany Howard, Laina Hunter, Adam Imhoff, Liam Jaramillo, Yael Jegla, Mera Jones, Carson Juarez-Resendiz, Diego Kamphuis, Aiden Kent, Braelyn Knash, AbyGayle Lintern, Kalli Loew, Addisyn Lozano, Anaya Mansfield, Bailey Max, Elliana Miller, Julia Mortensen, Macy Oberg, Samantha Olson, Paige Pablo-Ramirez, Aurelio Perez-Ramirez, Lisandro Reed, Judith Roa, Ashley Robinson, Blakestin Roe, Zander Roest, Charles Senkowski, Alyssa Sevey, Hannah Simons, Kaden Smith, Brody Stinson, Callie Thom, Lincoln VanderLind, Saydie VanHouten, Nathan Vazquez-Reyes, Scott Wierckz, Aubrey Zimmer, Shelby</p>

9th Grade

Aadland, Mytchel
 Arechiga, Marcus
 Barnhill, Ethan
 Browe, Peyton
 Browning, Caibron
 Cleveland, Evan
 Crowley, Evan
 Cruz, Ivan
 DeRaad, Braeden
 Dixon, Eden
 Duran, Katelyn
 Espinoza Luna, Jeiny
 Farr, Kristin
 Ferguson, Grant
 Freeland, Kensington
 Geldersma, Mason
 Goguen, Gracie
 Goldner, Emma
 Gonzalez Vasquez, Lilian
 Gustinis, Hunter
 Hall, Bailey
 Hansen, Ellie
 Kruithoff, Emery
 Leon-Morales, Camila
 McGuff, Trevor
 McLemore, Maliq
 Milanowski, Khoen
 Morales, Jayden
 Morales-Garcia, Kalie
 Morgan, Alina
 Nota, Lilia
 Pelletier, Brooklynn
 Perez-Ramirez, Valente
 Philo, Ali
 Potter, Jacob
 Quintero, Sergio
 Randall, Zoe
 Robinson, Delaney
 Rupinski, Jordan
 Schmid, Vanessa
 Simons, Reagan
 Skrabis, Brooklyn
 Smith, Brooklyn
 Stray, Gage
 Stuhan, Isaiah
 Sullivan, Miranda
 Sundquist, Andru
 Thompson, London
 Vogel, Donovan
 White, Troy
 Wolff, Jada
 Worley, Alivia

10th Grade

Afton, Curtis
 Afton, Elizabeth
 Aguilar, Jacqueline
 Anderson, Justin
 Anderson, Samuel
 Armstrong, Brooklin
 Armstrong, Bryer
 Auger, Meleah
 Baas-VanNorman, Gavin
 Bair, Weston
 Barrera-Villa, Monserrat
 Brace, Rorie Anna
 Cardona Coronado, Yedi
 Cato, Zoe
 Chappell, Kyrah
 Coronado-Barajas, Giancarlo
 Cronkright, Angie
 Cruz, Efrain
 Danielson, Jaden
 Danielson, Logan
 Darling, Shawn
 DeGraaf, Julien
 DeVoogd, Ayden
 Diaz-Charles, Rosario
 Duran Yanez, Yonatan
 Eager, Karley
 Esch, Arisabel
 Espinoza Luna, Kevin
 Fowler, Raileigh
 Gomez Lopez, Werner
 Graham, Spencer
 Green, Chloe
 Haight, Braya
 Helsen, Olivia
 Hernandez-Chavez, Abigail
 Hoffman, Laynee
 Howard, Lydia
 Imhoff, Kaiya
 Juarez-Resendiz, Brandon
 Kent, Landon
 Koetje, Alisah
 Korcal, Addison
 Labrador Rincon, Danna
 Lantzer, Avery
 Larson, Lylah
 Larson, Sienna
 Loomis-Sandison, Jayden
 Lopez-Cardona, Miranda
 Max, Jaxon
 McCullough, Brandon
 McKinley, Colton
 Meade, Andre
 Meade, Justine
 Miller, Alyssa
 Mitchell, Maddyson
 Mollien, Milah
 Morales-Rios, Patricia
 Mortensen, Laila
 O'Hare, Courtney
 Ocegüera-Garcia, Anakaren
 Olson, Ashlyn
 Pablo-Ramirez, Sixto
 Pendleton, Alexia
 Peterson, Blake Alan
 Pozas-Servin, Jesus
 Pozas-Servin, Jose
 Quintana-Puente, Paola
 Rawson, Trevor
 Riscili, Dakota
 Rivera, Emily
 Rocafort, Diego
 Rodriguez, Deanna
 Roest, Roslynn
 Rogers, Katie
 Sanchez-Avila, Julio
 Silva-Prisciliano, Elizabeth
 Smalley, Makenze
 Soto-Mojica, Emily
 Stinson, Cooper
 Tucker, Khloe
 Valdes, Dyana
 Vanderwest, Aaron
 VanGessel, Hailey
 Verburg, Brooklyn Rose
 Wiles, Zayne Steven
 Witt, Julian Allen
 Yanez, Janeth
 Zunun-Chappell, Lorena

11th Grade

Abma, Emily
 Afton, Brady
 Afton, Max
 Badalamenti, Jessica
 Bartosiewicz, Bailey
 Bass, Dylan
 Bauer, Andrew
 Brandow, Anika
 Carlson, Tanner
 Cegelis, Abigail
 Christie, Lorne
 DeVos, Maverick
 Diaz-Guzman, Fernando
 Dixon, William
 Drent, Victoria
 Duran, Kimberly
 Esquivel, Alisha
 Farber, Aryanna
 Flores, Yoselyn
 Fuller, Brooklyn
 Gomez-Yanez, Erik
 Gustafson, Deakon
 Gustinis, Paeten
 Hartzell, Cailynn
 Houtman, Cooper
 Kamanu, Kayden
 Kamphuis, Hailey
 Kruithoff, Morgan
 Linsley, Hatcher
 Maloley, Cheyenne
 Matias Martinez, Joandy
 McCuaig, Travis
 Mortensen, Brenna
 Norkus, Tyler
 Oppenhuizen, Talan
 Patterson, Mason
 Perkins, Kaden
 Piechocki, Abbeigh
 Preston, Grayson
 Quintana-Puente, Maribel
 Robinson, Addisyn
 Robinson, Ava
 Rodenburg, Derek
 Romero, Yesenia
 Schuler, Ashlee
 Senkowski, Ian
 Sytsma, Amy
 TenHove, Abigail
 Van, Lily
 VanKampen, Chloee
 VanKoevering, Landon
 VanKoevering, Lily
 Vargas, Allison
 Vargas, Brianna
 Vasquez-Velazco, Amy
 Vazquez, Alana
 Vega, Zuriel
 Volkers, Lila
 Wegener, Nathan
 West, Connor
 Wolter, Wyatt

12th Grade

Anderson, Aly
 Anderson, Jim
 Berg, Lillianna
 Bockheim, Luke
 Bolanos-Colin, Alfredo
 Bonter, Delaney
 Bonter, Denyle
 Braman, Lukas
 Carlson, Blake
 Chrapek, Mitchell
 Crane, Mason
 Darling, Ryan
 DeVoogd, Zachary
 Dolphin, Gabriel
 Driskell, Ava
 DuBridge, Jeremy
 Duran, Jack
 Farrington, Josiah
 Freeland, Sylvia
 Garza, Cristina
 Geers, Madelyn
 Goguen, Logan
 Gonzalez, Isela
 Gorton, Carson
 Hartzell, Caden
 Houtman, Gracie
 Hull, Brendan
 Kerwin, Mattie
 Kieft, Skylynn
 Kik, Zane
 Krutel, Talan
 LaPointe, Lilliana
 Loukas, Cavana
 Magoon, Gabriel
 Maloley, Autumn
 Maloney, Joseph
 Mannor, Abigail
 Martini, Samuel
 Max, Isabella
 Mejia, Nikolis
 Ogg, BreeAnna
 Ortiz, Antonio
 Pecynski, Cory
 Pendleton, Leto
 Peterson, Lily
 Poling, Heather
 Pozas-Servin, Guadalupe
 Puite, Madison
 Ramirez Garcia, Nataly
 Rideout, Lucas
 Robeck, Jady
 Roeters, Abigaile
 Rogers, Brookelyn
 Sanchez, Giovanni
 Sanchez-Avila, Anggie
 Sarres, Arin
 Serrano-Guzman, Vanessa
 Shafer, Emelie
 Smalley, Ann
 Smith, Baleigh
 Stellini, Hannah
 Stevens, Alexander
 Sullivan, Irelyn
 Swift, Kaitlyn
 Van, William
 VanderLugt, Ethan
 VanOeffelen, Joseph
 VanOeffelen, Madelynn
 Veltkamp, Kendall
 Vogel, Jaren
 Vogg, Brianna
 Wright, Isaac



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Enrollment for the 2023-24 school year!

Thank you for choosing Kent City Community Schools! We look forward to educating your child.

New Student Registration - Kindergarten/ECSE/Y5 through 12th Grade

To begin the enrollment process, please verify your resident district <https://www.oaisd.org/about-us/local-schools/resident-district-lookup/> - This link will assist in verifying what school district you reside in.

- ◇ If you reside within Kent City Community School district, please continue the enrollment process by scanning the QR code or visiting <https://www.kentcityschools.org/district/enrollment/>
- ◇ If you do not reside within the KCCS district, please complete the *Schools of Choice Application* at this link <https://forms.gle/LrtD88zP7iNQ5Y9j8>. Upon approval, you will receive an email regarding your next steps in enrollment.



If you have questions or need assistance, please email enrollment@kentcityschools.org to schedule an appointment.

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