

# Kelly Crusader News

KELLY CRUSADER NEWS

OCTOBER 2013

Mr. Ryan Melrose, Principal

Mrs. Jodi Pirog, Assistant Principal

## Mission Statement

We, the Kelly Community, work together to provide a safe environment where opportunities exist for all to learn, develop positive behaviors, and become contributing members of society



## Mark Your Calendar

Oct 1	PTSO Meeting 7:00 pm
Oct 2	Pupil Count Day
Oct 3	Gleaners Food Bank
Oct 4	Progress Reports Home
Oct 7	7-8th Grade Overnight Trip to NYC Mtg 7:00 pm
Oct 8-25	MEAP Testing
Oct 17	Open Gym
Oct 30	Early Release 10:50 am PBIS Minute to Win It
Nov 1	Picture Make Up Day
Nov 5	Election Day—No School
Nov 8	1st Marking Period Ends
Nov 14	Early Release 10:50 Parent Teacher Confer- ences Report Cards Given Out
Nov 26	Dentists R US
Nov 27-29	Thanksgiving Recess
Dec 4	Early Release 10:50
Dec 13	Progress Reports Home
Dec 23 - Jan 3	No School Holiday Break

Thank you to all the parents, students, and family members who attended our Meet the Teacher Night on September 5th.

## School Improvement Goals

### ♣ English Language Arts

*All students will improve their reading comprehension scores across the curriculum.*

### ♣ Math

*All students will be proficient in mathematics.*

### ♣ Science

*All students will improve their science skills, as evidenced by an increased percentage of students meeting or exceeding expectations of the MEAP test.*

### ♣ Social Studies

*All students will improve their social studies skills, as evidenced by an increased percentage of students meeting or exceeding expectations on the social studies portion of the MEAP test.*

## MEAP TESTING

(Michigan Education  
Assessment Testing)

Students will be taking the MEAP  
test October 8th  
through October 25th.

Please be sure your child is well-  
rested and on time.

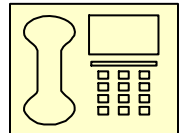
### Main Office

586-533-3600

### Fax

586-533-3609

Attendance 586-533-3601



### Diane Currier, Counselor

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Last Names A-J

### Deborah Baird, Counselor

586-533-3602

Last Names K-Z

### Advanced Learning Program

(ALP) 586-533-3650

Attendance 586-533-3651

# Redeem and Recycle

## **Abitibi Recycling**

The Kelly Green Team invites you to join them in their effort to improve the environment and earn money for the school at the same time. Please deposit your newspapers, magazines, catalogs, mail, office paper, and school paper in the green and yellow bin in front of the school.

## **Target Take Charge of Education**

Target donates 1% of purchases made using a Target VISA or Target Guest Card to Kelly Middle School. Please ask your cashier how you can participate.

## **Office Depot 5% Back to School Program**

Kelly receives 5% credit for school supplies if you mention Kelly's ID #70049885. If you choose to purchase any of your supplies at Office Depot, please be sure to mention our school.

## **Funding Factory**

Kelly receives school equipment and/or cash for recycled print cartridges and used cell phones. Drop your cartridges and unwanted phones off in the front office.



# Internet Connections

## **Parent Portal**

Parents have access to grade and attendance information through Power School Parent Portal.

Register for Parent Portal in the office.

## **Weebly**

Information about classroom assignments and events can be found at <http://kellyms.weebly.com>

## **Newsletter and District Info**

Kelly's newsletter as well as district information can be found at: [www.eastdetroit.org](http://www.eastdetroit.org)

Printed copies of the newsletter are available in the office.

# Things You Need to Know

## **Attendance Line**

If your child is absent, it is your responsibility to call and report their absence. Call 586-533-3601 to report an absence at KMS or 586-533-3651 for ALP.

## **Homework**

Homework information is also available at <http://kellyms.weebly.com>

## **Phone Use**

Students should not use the office phone to make plans for going home. These plans should be clear to your child before coming to school. School phones should be used for school related calls.

# Grades and Conferences

## Kelly Vision Statement

*Kelly Crusaders will be respectful, responsible and ready to meet the challenges of tomorrow.*

## Beliefs Statement

*We believe that our students will be:  
Respectful  
Responsible and  
Ready to meet the  
challenges of  
tomorrow.*

*The only person who is educated is the one who has learned how to learn and change.*

*Carl Rogers*

### Progress Reports

Progress Reports will be carried home with students on Friday, October 4th.

Please discuss this report with your son or daughter.

If you have any questions regarding Progress Reports, please contact your child's teacher or counselor.

### Report Cards

The first marking period ends Friday, November 8th.

Your child's report card may be picked up at Parent/Teacher Conferences on Thursday, November 14th. Conference times are 12:00 to 2:15 p.m. and 6:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Report cards that are not picked up at parent teacher conferences will be carried home.



## PBIS

Positive Behavior Intervention and Support is a system that rewards students for being Responsible, Respectful and Ready for school.

This month approximately 150 students from Kelly and Kelly ALP who earned the required number of signatures on their PBIS shields (found in the back of the student agenda) enjoyed a special breakfast in the Kelly Middle School cafeteria.

Way to go Crusaders! Keep up the good work! October PBIS will be Minute to Win It.



### Kelly and Kelly ALP

#### **Classes Begin at 7:27 a.m.**

<b>Full Day</b>	School Ends	2:04 p.m.
<b>Early Release</b>	School Ends	10:50 a.m.
<b>Half Day</b>	School Ends	10:30 a.m.

#### Alternative Middle School

##### **Full Day**

Monday through Thursday  
Class Begins 9:00 a.m.  
School Ends 3:30 p.m.

##### **Fridays and Half Days**

Class Begins 9:00 a.m.  
School ends 12:00 p.m.

## Twelve Power Words

Students have been working hard to learn the 12 power words to help them be more successful when taking tests.

See if your student can tell you what these words mean:

Predict, compare, contrast, summarize, describe, evaluate, analyze, infer, formulate, support, explain, and trace.

## Technology Updates

- \* KMS and ALP are now wired for WIFI.
- \* We have 120 new ipads for students to use in classrooms.

Teachers are excited about using our new technology to engage students in the classroom.

## How to Sign Up for Mrs. Pirog's Kelly School Announcements:

To receive text message reminders:  
Send a text to this number: 858-943-4380  
Text this message: @kmstext

To receive email messages:  
Send an email to:  
kmstext@mail.remind101.com  
Leave the message blank.

# Market Day Fundraiser

Every month the Kelly PTSO will be participating in the Market Day grocery fundraising program. The school will receive a 10% profit of our total sales.

Before Thanksgiving we plan on selling pies and desserts. Profits for the pies and desserts will be used for the 7th and 8th grade overnight trip to New York

Order forms are typically due on the 2nd or 3rd Tuesday of each month; while online orders are due the following Friday.

Online orders can be placed at [www.marketday.com](http://www.marketday.com)  
Account Number 28600.

Cash, check, money orders or Bridge Cards are due on pick up day.

Pick up day is the Thursday after orders are placed.  
Order forms are available in the main office.

**Questions?** Please call the office at:  
586-533-3600.



## Open Gym Night

We will be having our first open gym night on Thursday, October 17 from 6:00-8:00 pm.

KMS and ALP students with student ID can enjoy playing basketball and using the computer lab.

Admission is \$2 and students must have their ID to attend.

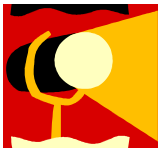
## PTSO Page

Kelly PTSO (Parent Teacher Student Organization) meets in the school library the second Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. Please come and be a part of this wonderful group of parents!



## Box Tops for Education

Please check your grocery items for Box Tops for Education and send them in to Kelly or Kelly ALP.



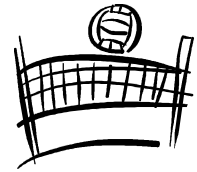
## Congratulations Lady Crusaders!

Congratulations to the following girls who made the Volleyball Teams! Each girl worked extremely hard during tryouts to earn a spot on one of the teams.

- Makenzie Aiello
- Malisa Chanthavong
- Asia Daniel
- Janelle Goodwin-Rudolph
- Nia Hathorn
- Syeda Jaffri
- Duyen Le
- Alyssa Ledbetter
- Lyric Myers-Young
- Dellonta Phillips
- Salena Pritchard
- Christina Vue
- Enchantee Whiting
- Zang Xiong

### Game Schedule

**Come support your team!**



10-2-13	Away	4:00 pm	Warren Woods
10-4-13	Home	4:00 pm	Pierce
10-7-13	Home	4:00 pm	Wolfe
10-9-13	Away	4:00 pm	Lincoln
10-14-13	Home	4:00 pm	Chatterton
10-16-13	Away	4:00 pm	Richards
10-18-13	Away	4:00 pm	Pierce
10-21-13	Home	4:00 pm	Warren Woods
10-23-13	Away	4:00 pm	Wolfe
10-25-13	Home	4:00 pm	Lincoln

## Football

Kelly's Football team is off to a great start!  
Come cheer our team to victory!



### Game Schedule

10-1-13	Home	4:30 pm	Kennedy
10-8-13	Away	4:30 pm	South Lake
10-15-13	Home	4:30 pm	Clawson
10-22-13	Away	4:30 pm	Anchor Bay
10-29-13	Home	4:30 pm	Page

- Jamel Bell
- Zachary Bender
- Dionte Bowman
- Larry Briscoe
- Dylan Brown
- Gerald Carter
- Samuel Clark
- Bryce Coleman
- Ernest Dearing
- Andrew DeFillippo
- Jordan Dix
- William Donaldson

- Devin Felton
- Dajshawn Ferguson
- Martez Ford
- Christian Foster
- Jalen Gilmore
- Jacquez Hall
- Ashanti Harlan
- Greg Harris
- Rickey Hartsfield
- J'Quan Jones
- Christopher Mesclier
- Austin Osgood

- Jaquan Parker
- Dae'jon Patman
- Deontae Porter
- Nick Rouse
- Brandon Taylor
- Daveon Tucker
- William White
- Rizhan Wilson

- Devon Chandler
- Jelani Clarke
- Deron Collins
- Brent Hildebrand
- Latanius Horton
- Ryan Jenkins
- Cedric Johnson
- Jaden Jones
- Chavonte Kilgore
- Joel Knighton
- J'von Knott
- Anthony Kyles

- Ji'air Levingston
- Nicholas Lubinski
- Kyle Mitchell
- Joshua Mocerri
- Nehemiah Moore
- Anthony Owens
- Brandon Parker
- Jaden Payton
- Darius Walker
- Mikail Washington
- Kong Yang

### Crusader Citizens of the Month

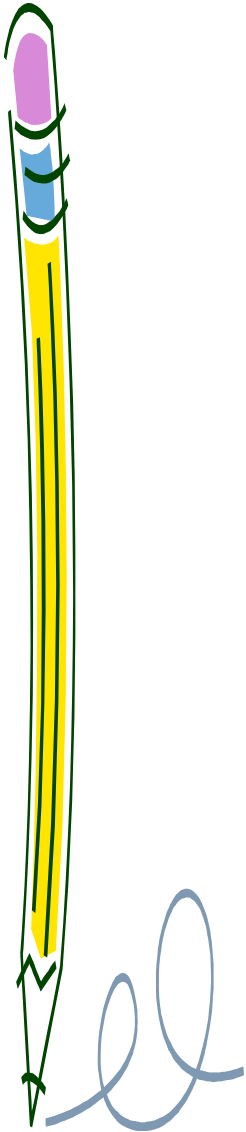
At the end of each month, the faculty and staff at Kelly Middle School have an opportunity to recognize Crusaders of the Month for grades 6, 7 and 8. Two students—one lady and one gentleman per grade—are rewarded for following our KMS Code of Honor. These six students are RESPECTFUL, RESPONSIBLE, and READY every day, in every part of the school, in every activity that they do. Congratulations to the following September Crusaders of the Month!

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|------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| 6th Grade: | Angel Osborne-6 | Jayden Tillman-6     |
| 7th Grade: | Valarie Ward-7  | Antonio Carrington-7 |
| 8th Grade: | Violet Wilson-8 | Keith Fears-8        |

# Study Skills

**Kelly Middle School  
Power School  
Parent Portal  
Is open!**

Please stop in the office  
To pick up your Access ID and  
password and  
Instructions for use.  
You will be able to view your  
child's grades and  
attendance.



## 1. Have a Positive Attitude

Approach the big test as you'd approach a giant jigsaw puzzle. It might be tough, but you can do it! A positive attitude goes a long way toward success.

## 2. The Morning of the Test

Did you know that you can think better when you have a full stomach? So don't skip breakfast the morning of the test. Get to school early and do a ten-minute power study right before the test, so your brain is turned on and tuned up!

## 3. Test Time

Before the test begins, make sure you have everything you'll need- paper, pencils, highlighter, and calculator. Understand how the test is scored. Read the instructions and make sure you understand what they are asking you to do! You want to make sure you are marking answers correctly.

## 4. Manage Time

Scan through the test quickly before starting. Answering the easy questions first can be a time saver and a confidence builder. Plus it leaves more time in the end to focus on the hard stuff.

## 5. Multiple- Choice and Essay Questions

The process of elimination can help you choose the correct answer in a multiple-choice question. Start off by crossing off the answers that couldn't be right. Then focus your time on the possible correct choice. In an essay question always restate the question in the beginning of your paragraph and a closing sentence at the end

## 6. I'm Done

Not so fast- First check the clock and go back to check your answers. Make sure your answers are shaded in, that all questions are answered, and you restated the question in an essay.

# Band and Choir News

**Band News:** The KMS/ALP Band students are practicing daily in class and striving to be the best instrumentalists that they can be! Students have learned basic fundamentals such as playing posture, basic hand and instrument positions, how to read a fingering chart, how to read the music staff and count elementary rhythms.

**Choir News:** The KMS Choir is off to a musical start this school year. Students have learned *Solfège* Hand Signs along with appropriate syllables and associated major scale degrees. We have begun to learn about the music staff and read basic note and rest symbols. We have learned the lyrics to “*The Star Spangled Banner*” and biographical information about Francis Scott Key. We are currently working on a “School Rap” that will support our students’ efforts for the MEAP Test coming in October!

\*\*\*The KMS Choir & KMS/ALP Bands are fundraising through Tuesday, October 8<sup>th</sup> for additional classroom supplemental materials and classroom supplies. ***This is a pre-paid fundraiser*** – all money is to be collected at the time of order placement. Checks may be made out to East Detroit Public Schools. Please place your student’s name in the lower left hand corner for record purposes. Fundraising benefits everyone within the music program! **THANK YOU FROM ALL OF US!**

## Reminders:

### Bands/Choir Fundraiser Dates:

Tuesday, September 24 – Tuesday, October 8, 2013

### Bands/Choir Concert Dates:

Saturday, October 19, 2013      11 AM EDHS Homecoming Parade  
All ALP/KMS 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Band Only

Thursday, December 12, 2013      7 PM EDHS Auditorium

Thursday, May 15, 2014      7 PM EDHS Auditorium

**\*These are mandatory performances for all band & choir students.** Future performance dates may be added to the school calendar. Please look for further performance information to come home with your student as the school year progresses.

### Bands/Choir Performance Uniform

Concert Black & White. Black dress pants/skirt, black socks/stockings, black dress shoes, white long sleeve top. Belts must be worn. Shirts must be tucked in. Hair must be pulled back. Girls shoes must be closed-toe and with a heel of no more than 1 ½ inch. Pride in appearance goes a long way and says a lot about whom you are! ***Let’s show our Kelly Pride!***

I am always available – please contact me directly if you have any questions or concerns about your child’s music education and /or musical activities.

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