Board of Education Meeting
July 29, 2021

Dr. Rita Raichoudhuri
Superintendent
Kalamazoo Public Schools

KPS 2021

Summer Readiness

[Images of students and a classroom]
Apply online: Kpsjobs.com

Apply in-person: Admin. Building 1220 Howard St. Monday-Friday 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Call: (269) 337-0177
2021-22 school year

First half day of school: Aug. 30

First full day of school: Aug. 31

No school: Sept. 3 and 6

Full calendar at

www.kalamazoopublicschools.com
# KVLP/KFLEX enrollment (2021-22)

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**Total enrollment** - 548 students

Additional spots held open for new students

*subject to 21F of the Michigan Revised School Code*
ACCELERATION PLAN: THREE-YEAR COVID RESPONSE STRATEGY

The Kalamazoo Public Schools COVID Acceleration Plan is centered around four areas to accelerate learning for all students:

- Student, Family, and Educator Well-being
- Equity, Access, and Targeted Instruction
- Assessing, Monitoring, and Evaluating Needs
- Leveraging Community Partnerships
Digital Access for All (DAFA)
Masks are required for everyone in KPS buildings. Mask mandate will be reviewed before Trimester 2.
TODAY THE CDC HAS ISSUED

New Mask Guidance

For Individuals in Areas of Substantial or High Transmission and K-12 Schools.

If you’re in an area of substantial or high transmission, you should wear a mask in public indoor settings even if you’re vaccinated.

This fall, everyone should wear a mask in schools regardless of vaccination status.
American Academy of Pediatrics

- All students older than 2 years and all school staff should wear face masks at school (unless medical or developmental conditions prohibit use).
  - The AAP recommends universal masking in school at this time for the following reasons:
    - a significant portion of the student population is not eligible for vaccination
    - protection of unvaccinated students from COVID-19 and to reduce transmission
      - lack of a system to monitor vaccine status among students, teachers and staff
    - potential difficulty in monitoring or enforcing mask policies for those who are not vaccinated; in the absence of schools being able to conduct this monitoring, universal masking is the best and most effective strategy to create consistent messages, expectations, enforcement, and compliance without the added burden of needing to monitor vaccination status
    - possibility of low vaccination uptake within the surrounding school community
    - continued concerns for variants that are more easily spread among children, adolescents, and adults
- An added benefit of universal masking is protection of students and staff against other respiratory illnesses that would take time away from school.
YMCA mask donation
YOUTH LIBERATION SYMPOSIUM

AUGUST
2nd - 6th 2021

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