# **KIRK WEEKLY UPDATE**

Back to School Edition #2

## **Phone Issues**

Please be advised that our phones have not been working properly this week. If you are having trouble getting through you may contact our office through email <u>sandra.dempsey@christina.k12.de.us</u> or in person from 7:00 - 3:00 pm (Monday - Friday).

# **Principal's Message**

Greetings Kirk Families and Friends,

The opening of the school year is getting closer and we couldn't be more excited. As we are preparing for the start of a new year I wanted to provide some information on our opening.

- <u>Student Schedules (In-Person & CSDVA Students)</u> will be available on HAC starting August 31st. They are currently not available while we make small changes to level classes.
- <u>Chromebooks (In-Person students)</u> will be distributed in school during the first two weeks of school. The CSD Technology Agreement must be signed by both a parent and student to receive their device. The Technology Agreement is attached and will also be distributed to students in school.
- <u>Chromebooks (CSDVA students)</u> Chromebooks from our other middle schools will be moved to Kirk for our CSDVA students next week. Once they arrive we will inform families of the pick-up information. This will be before the start of the school year. The CSD Technology Agreement will need to be signed by a parent and student to receive their device.
- <u>Antigen Testing</u> Rapid COVID testing will again be provided at school for registered students and staff. More information is included in this newsletter.
- <u>Meet and Greet</u> New students will have an opportunity to tour the building on September 7th from 1:00 3:00 pm. At this time masks are required for students and adults.

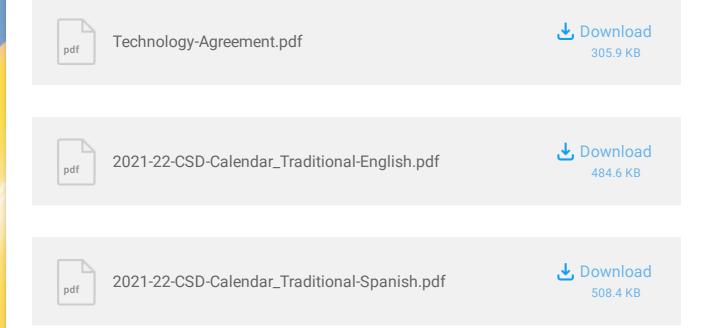




- September 8th: First day of school for 6th grade only
- September 9th: All Middle School students return to school. (7 & 8th-grade first day of school)

I look forward to welcoming our students back to school,

Mr. DeLillio Principal



#### **Antigen Testing Information & Consent Form**

The Christina School District in partnership with the Delaware Department of Education, Delaware Public Health, and the Quidel Corporation, are offering the implementation of a rapid COVID-19 Testing Program. Like last year, registered students and staff will participate in weekly testing to detect the presence of COVID-19. These tests, similar to a rapid strep test, provide results in fifteen minutes. The Christina School District began offering this service in January of 2021. We are excited to continue offering this mitigation strategy for the 2021-22 school year. The Christina School District will use the following process to administer testing:

• Students/Families must opt in to the testing program by completing the consent for COVID-19 testing form. A copy is provided with this letter.

• Students, with an approved consent, will be tested weekly while at school. Testing will be provided and administered by the Quidel Corporation.

Testing will be completed in a matter of minutes using a nasal swab. The student and family will be notified of a positive result and required next steps. Quidel will also post all test results to a secure online portal for individual/parent review. To participate in the COVID-19 Antigen testing, we ask that you complete the consent for COVID-19 testing form accompanied to this letter. Please contact your child's school nurse if you have any questions regarding Antigen Testing. You may also find a Frequently Asked Questions document HERE and on our website at <a href="https://www.christinak12.org/">https://www.christinak12.org/</a>



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### New Student Meet and Greet: Sept 7th 1:00 - 3:00 pm

On Tuesday, September 7th we will be holding a Meet-and-Greet for new students from 1:00 - 3:00 pm. This event is for our new 6th grade students and any new 7th & 8th-grade students. Students and families will be able to tour the building while teachers are putting the finishing touches on their classrooms.



This event aims to allow our students to see the building and help ease any anxiety they may have before the start of school.

All students and adults will be required to wear a mask while in the building.



## **Introducing ADIBOT-S**

Kirk Middle School will be one of the first schools in the country to utilize the ADIBOT-S disinfection robot. The highly effective ADIBOT disinfection system from global robotics leader, UBTECH, utilizes UV-C technology that quickly and efficiently disinfects the air and surfaces from harmful pathogens, including COVID-19, MRSA, and influenza. This is done without the use of harsh chemicals.

#### **School Fundraiser**

We will be selling Kirk facemask as a school fundraiser at our Meet and Greet on Sept. 7th as well as during the opening weeks of school. Our new masks are made of high-quality materials that include a durable liner with an opening for a filter and adjustable ear loops.

Our new mask will be sold in the lobby during our Meet and Greet and in the front office during the school day for \$5.00 (cash only)





#### **School Supplies & Uniform Information**

This school year a school supply kit will be supplied to each student at Kirk. We anticipated that school supplies may be in short supply this year and we also wanted to express our gratitude to all our families that supported us through the hybrid experience last year. Attached is a list of the supplies that we will provide to every student along with a list of additional supplies that will still be needed. This information is also posted on our website. Supply kits and Chromebooks will be distributed during the first two weeks of school. Additional information will be provided at later date to CSDVA families on when these items will be distributed.

Also, included in this section is information on the Middle School Uniform Policy. Please see the attached PDF.



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