



## KENMORE-TOWN OF TONAWANDA UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT



# DISTRICT CALENDAR & HANDBOOK

*for the 2023 -2024 school year*







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# Message from the Superintendent & Board President

## *Welcome students and families for the 2023-24 school year!*



**Sabatino Cimato,**  
**Superintendent**

We are pleased to welcome all students for the 2023-24 school year! There is so much to look forward to and we hope everyone shares our excitement as we kick off what is sure to be another great year.

We are thrilled to announce that breakfast and lunch will be free for all students now that each of our schools qualify through the federal Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) program. We need all families to return the income worksheets which will be sent home at the beginning of the school year. Completing this form ensures individual eligibility for certain state and federal programs as well as additional school funding, so it is extremely important for all families to return it when you receive it. It is important to note that we only qualified for this waiver because of the participation of our families in the past in completing this form.

Moving forward, we will continue our focus on safety and security. Last year, we implemented a new partnership with Vista Security to provide school safety officers at all schools. This model complements our extremely successful School Resource Officer (SRO) program at Kenmore East and Kenmore West. This year, we will be deploying new weapons of mass casualty detectors which will offer an additional layer of security in schools. These systems will be rolled out incrementally and used during large-scale events. Throughout the year, we will develop our capacity to utilize these systems with a goal of increasing our usage district-wide. Other initiatives include more secured entrances, state-of-the-art video camera systems, door hardening, new internal procedures, enhanced emergency preparedness, preventative mental health supports, and our continued partnership with Altaris, a nationally known consulting company that specializes in K-12 school security.



**Matthew Chimera,**  
**Board President**

Another focus this year will be on improving transportation service for families. This is the first time we implemented a sign-up process for bus transportation and we are taking steps to ensure a smooth transition while families become accustomed to this new procedure. Within the next few weeks, our Transportation Department will be re-evaluating bus routes, so families can expect to receive new bus numbers and pick-up/drop-off information soon. This is being done in order to maximize efficiency within our transportation system to improve service for students and families and address the nationwide bus driver shortage. This year, we will also be rolling out "Here Comes the Bus," a service that uses GPS technology to provide families with the location of their child's bus, arrival times, and notifications when the bus is near. You can learn about this service and how to sign up at [www.ktufsd.org/HereComesTheBus](http://www.ktufsd.org/HereComesTheBus).

The 2023-24 school year will also be Kenmore Junior/Senior High School's return as an independent school. The building was formerly named Kenmore Middle and has housed our extremely successful Big Picture Program since 2016. Now that we have expanded our secondary offerings and have added seventh grade to the Big Picture Program, the school is a junior/senior high school just as it was when it opened in 1924. In June, New York State approved our application to designate the building as an independent school for the first time since 2016 with Kenmore Junior/Senior High as its new name. We are excited for this new chapter for this historic building.

Across the district, we are continuing to see significant upgrades to buildings and facilities through the ongoing Capital Project. Much work has already been accomplished, including but not limited to a new multi-use artificial turf athletic field at Kenmore East, a new parent pick-up/drop-off loop and enhanced entrance at Kenmore West, an adaptive playground at Hoover, and beautiful new energy-efficient windows at Edison and Lindbergh Elementary. Buildings are receiving new water pipes to improve water quality and more secured single points of entry. Significant construction work is also taking place at Edison and Hoover Elementary, which are both receiving new classroom additions. Edison will also receive a new bus loop while both Edison and Hoover will receive new pick-up/drop-off areas for parents.

This truly is an exciting time for our entire community in the Ken-Ton School District. For our seniors, we will be celebrating the culmination of a long educational career in Ken-Ton. For our Class of 2037, our Universal Pre-Kindergarten students, we look forward to your educational career ahead and all the memories you will create in Ken-Ton. For all of our students, we refer to this as your career because if you do this job well, you will be able to have any job that you want in the future. Have a great year and work hard!



# Board of Education & Administration

## Board of Education



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The Board of Education of the Kenmore-Town of Tonawanda UFSD is comprised of five non-salaried members elected for three-year terms by the residents of the school district.

### Board Appointees

**District Clerk**..... Gina Santa Maria  
**Treasurer**..... Margaret Weglarski

## Board of Education Meetings

Regularly scheduled Board meetings typically take place the second Tuesday of each month at Kenmore Junior/Senior High School at 155 Delaware Road unless otherwise noted. Public session begins at 6:30 p.m. with executive session being held at 5 p.m. or at the end of the meeting on an as-needed basis. The time, date and location of meetings will be announced in meeting notices posted at 1500 Colvin Blvd. and on the district website at [www.ktufsd.org](http://www.ktufsd.org). All meetings are open to the public. To confirm the time, date and location of a meeting, call the District Clerk at 716-874-8400 ext. 20342.

## Regular Monthly Meeting Schedule:

September 12, 2023  
October 10, 2023  
November 14, 2023  
December 12, 2023  
January 9, 2024  
February 13, 2024  
March 12, 2024  
April 16, 2024  
May 14, 2024  
June 11, 2024

## Budget Work Session Dates

February 13, 2024 (5 p.m.)  
March 12, 2024 (5 p.m.)  
March 26, 2024 (6:30 p.m.)

## Administration

### Superintendent of Schools:

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## Important Notes

- Regular monthly meetings focus on ordinary district business and the public may only offer comments or suggestions during a public comment period with comments limited to three minutes.
- Budget work sessions focus on the task of developing the district's budget as well as providing opportunities for the public to ask questions and offer comments or suggestions.
- Special sessions usually focus on time-sensitive issues that arise unexpectedly and may not include an opportunity for public comment.
- The Board may convene executive session at its discretion during any meeting for the purpose of discussing certain matters prescribed by statute.
- Date of Budget Vote and Board of Education Election: May 21, 2024.



# September 2023 Events & Activities

## EDISON ELEMENTARY:

- 5 1st Student Day
- 14 Open House 6-8 PM
- 18 Fun Run Promotion Begins
- 25 Early Release Day (12:40 PM Dismissal)
- 26 PTA Meeting 6:30 PM
- 29 Fun Run Conclusion (During the School Day)

## FRANKLIN ELEMENTARY:

- 5 1st Student Day
- 18 PTA Meeting 6 PM
- 20 Open House 5:30-7 PM
- 22 School Picture Day
- 25 Early Release Day (12:40 PM Dismissal)

## HOLMES ELEMENTARY:

- 5 1st Student Day
- 8 Holmes Spirit Day (Wear Black and Yellow)
- 11-15 Scholastic Book Fair
- 13 Open House 5:30 PM
- 15 Welcome Back Party for Gr. K-2 1:45-3 PM
- 22 Welcome Back Party for Gr. 3-4 1:45-3 PM
- 25 Early Release Day (12:40 PM Dismissal)
- 27 HSA Meeting 4:30 PM Cafeteria



*Students arrive for the first day of school at Franklin Elementary (September 2022)*

## HOOVER ELEMENTARY:

- 5 1st Student Day
- 5 HSA First Day Celebration for Parents 9:20 AM
- 8 School Spirit Day (Wear Your Hoover Greens)
- 11,15,22 Buffalo Bills Day (Wear Bills Colors/Apparel)
- 12 PBIS Kickoff Assembly
- 13 HSA Meeting 6:30 PM Community Room
- 20 Open House 6 PM
- 25 Early Release Day (12:40 PM Dismissal)
- 29 Fall Picture Day

## LINDBERGH ELEMENTARY:

- 5 1st Student Day
- 5 PTA Welcome Back Coffee 9 AM
- 8 School Spirit Day (Wear School Colors)

## LINDBERGH ELEMENTARY (CONT.):

- 14 PTA Meeting 7 PM
- 25 Early Release Day (12:40 PM Dismissal)
- 27 Open House 5:30-7 PM

## FRANKLIN MIDDLE:

- 5 1st Student Day
- 20 PTA Meeting 6 PM
- 21 Open House 5-6 PM
- 25 Early Release Day (12 PM Dismissal)
- 28 School Picture Day

## HOOVER MIDDLE:

- 5 1st Student Day
- 14 School Picture Day
- 14 Open House 6-8 PM
- 20 PTA Meeting 6:30 PM Cafeteria
- 25 Early Release Day (12 PM Dismissal)



*Hoover Elementary students take part in the Play 60 Challenge at Highmark Stadium (September 2022)*

## KENMORE JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH:

- 5 1st Student Day
- 13 Open House 5:30-6:30 PM
- 14 Principal Leadership Council 11 AM-12 PM
- 18 School Picture Day
- 20 Shared Decision Making Team 2 PM

## KENMORE EAST:

- 5 1st Student Day
- 12 PTSA Meeting 6 PM
- 13 Open House 5:30-7:30 PM
- 18-22 Spirit Week
- 19-20 School Pictures
- 22 Homecoming Tailgate 5 PM
- 22 Homecoming Game 7 PM Sparky Adams Field
- 23 Homecoming Dance 7-10 PM
- 25 Music Booster Meeting 6-8 PM
- 26 Inbound German Exchange Begins (Through 10/7/23)

## KENMORE WEST:

- 5 1st Student Day
- 6-8 School Pictures
- 8 Gr. 8 Dance 2:30 PM
- 16 Welcome Back Dance 7 PM
- 21 Meet the Teacher Night 6-8 PM
- 26 HSA Meeting 6:30 PM
- 26 Inbound German Exchange Begins (Through 10/7/23)





# SEPTEMBER 2023

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
AUGUST 27	No student attendance AUGUST 28	<b>SUPERINTENDENT CONFERENCE DAY</b> No student attendance; visit <a href="http://www.ktufsd.org/back2school">www.ktufsd.org/back2school</a> for important dates, school supply lists, and much more AUGUST 29	<b>SUPERINTENDENT CONFERENCE DAY</b> No student attendance; visit <a href="http://www.ktufsd.org/back2school">www.ktufsd.org/back2school</a> for important dates, school supply lists, and much more AUGUST 30	<b>SUPERINTENDENT CONFERENCE DAY</b> No student attendance; visit <a href="http://www.ktufsd.org/back2school">www.ktufsd.org/back2school</a> for important dates, school supply lists, and much more AUGUST 31	No student attendance 1	2
3	<b>LABOR DAY HOLIDAY</b> No student attendance; district offices closed 4	<b>1ST DAY OF SCHOOL!</b> 5	6	7	8	9
10	11	<b>Board of Education Meeting</b> 6:30 p.m. Kenmore Junior/ Senior High School 12	<b>Open Houses:</b> Holmes Elementary, Kenmore East & Big Picture See above for times 13	<b>Open Houses:</b> Edison Elementary & Hoover Middle See above for times 14	15	16
17	18	<i>IT &amp; TECHNOLOGY STAFF APPRECIATION DAY</i> 19	<b>Open Houses:</b> Franklin Elementary & Hoover Elementary See above for times 20	<b>Open Houses:</b> Franklin Middle & Kenmore West See above for times 21	<b>Kenmore East Homecoming</b> Tailgate 5-7 p.m. DFK Pavilion; Varsity Football Game 7 p.m. Sparky Adams Field 22	<b>Gary Tocke Volleyball Tournament (JV Only)</b> Kenmore East 23
24	<b>Elementary/Middle School Early Release:</b> Elementary: 12:40 p.m. Middle: 12 p.m. (Gr. K-7 only; full day for UPK & Gr. 8-12) 25	26	<b>Open Houses:</b> Lindbergh Elementary See above for times 27	28	29	30



# October 2023 Events & Activities

## EDISON ELEMENTARY:

- 3 School Picture Day
- 6 Early Dismissal Drill
- 9 Columbus Day Holiday (No School)
- 20 Fall Festival

## FRANKLIN ELEMENTARY:

- 5 Family Math Night 5:30-7 PM
- 6 Early Dismissal Drill
- 9 Columbus Day Holiday (No School)
- 16-18 Scholastic Book Fair
- 16 PTA Meeting 6 PM
- 20 Fall Dance 5:30-7 PM

## HOLMES ELEMENTARY:

- 6 Early Dismissal Drill
- 6 Holmes Spirit Day (Wear Black and Yellow)
- 9 Columbus Day Holiday (No School)
- 10 Fall Picture Day
- 18 Unity Day: Wear Orange for Bullying Awareness
- 25 HSA Meeting 4:30 PM Cafeteria
- 25 Math Night 6-7 PM

## HOOVER ELEMENTARY:

- 6 Early Dismissal Drill
- 6,13,20,26 Buffalo Bills Day (Wear Bills Colors/Apparel)
- 9 Columbus Day Holiday (No School)
- 10 Fire Safety Week Begins
- 11 Brighton Fire Company Fire Trucks Visit 9:30-11:30 AM
- 18 Unity Day: Wear Orange for Bullying Awareness
- 27 School Spirit Day (Wear Your Hoover Gear or Green)



Harvest Festival at Edison Elementary  
(October 2022)

## HOOVER ELEMENTARY (CONT.):

- 31 Halloween Dress Up and Parade (Outside Weather Permitting)

## LINDBERGH ELEMENTARY:

- 5 Fall Picture Day
- 6 School Spirit Day (Wear School Colors)
- 6 Early Dismissal Drill
- 9 Columbus Day Holiday (No School)
- 13 Bills Day (Wear Bills Colors/Apparel)
- 16-20 Boosterthon Week
- 18 Unity Day: Wear Orange for Bullying Awareness
- 19,26 After School Clubs
- 20 Boosterthon Run
- 24 Gr. K Family Fitness Night 6 PM
- 25 Gr. 1 Family Fitness Night 6 PM
- 31 Halloween Parade (Outside Weather Permitting) 2:30 PM

## FRANKLIN MIDDLE:

- 6 Early Dismissal Drill

## FRANKLIN MIDDLE (CONT.):

- 9 Columbus Day Holiday (No School)
- 26 PTA Meeting 6 PM

## HOOVER MIDDLE:

- 6 Early Dismissal Drill
- 9 Columbus Day Holiday (No School)
- 27 Picture Retake Day
- 31 Halloween Dress Up Day

## KENMORE JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH:

- 6 Early Dismissal Drill
- 9 Columbus Day Holiday (No School)
- 11 PSAT Kenmore West
- 12 Principal Leadership Council 11 AM-12 PM
- 13 Progress Reports Due
- 18 Shared Decision Making Team 2 PM

## KENMORE EAST:

- 2-14 Digital PSAT
- 6 Early Dismissal Drill
- 7 Inbound German Exchange Ends
- 9 Columbus Day Holiday (No School)
- 14 Craft Show 10 AM-3 PM
- 16-20 East vs. West Spirit Week
- 18 Music is Art October Jazz Festival 6-9 PM Hofbrauhaus
- 20 Fall Pep Rally
- 20 Powder Puff Game
- 21 East vs. West Varsity Football 2 PM Crosby Field
- 23 WNY Mini College Fair 9:30-10:15 AM Library
- 24 Chorus Fall Concert 7 PM Auditorium

## KENMORE EAST (CONT.):

- 25 School Picture Retake Day
- 27 Halloween Movie Night 7-9 PM Auditorium
- 30 Orchestra Spooky Concert 6-8 PM Auditorium

## KENMORE WEST:

- 5 College Night 6 PM
- 6 Early Dismissal Drill
- 7 SAT
- 7 Inbound German Exchange Ends
- 9 Columbus Day Holiday (No School)
- 11 PSAT
- 12 IB Information Night Gr. 7-10 Students/Parents 7 PM
- 17-20 Spirit Week
- 17 School Picture Retakes for Underclassmen
- 17 Tri-M Music Induction Ceremony 7:30 PM
- 19 Senior Portraits 8 AM-4 PM
- 20 Senior Group Photo (Wear Blue & White)
- 20 Pep Rally
- 21 Homecoming Parade 1 PM
- 21 Football Game 2 PM
- 21 Homecoming Dance 7 PM
- 25 Parent/Teacher Conference Night 5:30-8 PM
- 28 ACT



Halloween at Lindbergh Elementary (October 2022)





# OCTOBER 2023

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
1	CUSTODIAN/BUILDINGS & GROUNDS STAFF APPRECIATION DAY	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	COLUMBUS DAY HOLIDAY No student attendance; district offices closed	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	1ST DAY OF SCHOOL BOARD RECOGNITION WEEK	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31	HALLOWEEN					



# November 2023 Events & Activities



*Edison Elementary Veterans Day Parade  
(November 2022)*

## EDISON ELEMENTARY:

- 7 Superintendent Conference Day (No School)
- 9 Veterans Day Celebration (Daytime)
- 9 PTA Meeting 6:30 PM
- 10 Veterans Day Holiday (No School)
- 14 School Picture Retake Day
- 16 Bedtime Story Night 6-8 PM
- 22-24 Thanksgiving Recess (No School)

## FRANKLIN ELEMENTARY:

- 1 School Picture Retake Day
- 7 Superintendent Conference Day (No School)
- 9 Veterans Day Assembly
- 10 Veterans Day Holiday (No School)
- 13 PTA Meeting 6 PM
- 16 Family Wellness Night 5:30-7 PM
- 22-24 Thanksgiving Recess (No School)

## HOLMES ELEMENTARY:

- 3 Holmes Spirit Day (Wear Black and Yellow)
- 7 Superintendent Conference Day (No School)
- 10 Veterans Day Holiday (No School)
- 16 Picture Retake Day
- 22-24 Thanksgiving Recess (No School)

## HOLMES ELEMENTARY (CONT.):

- 29 HSA Meeting 4:30 PM Cafeteria

## HOOVER ELEMENTARY:

- 3 Picture Retake Day
- 7 Superintendent Conference Day (No School)
- 8 HSA Meeting 6:30 PM Community Room
- 9 Veterans Day Program
- 10 Veterans Day Holiday (No School)
- 13,17,21 Buffalo Bills Day (Wear Bills Colors/Apparel)
- 22-24 Thanksgiving Recess (No School)

## LINDBERGH ELEMENTARY:

- 2, 9 After School Clubs
- 2 PTA Meeting 7 PM
- 3 School Spirit Day (Wear School Colors)
- 6-17 PTA Holiday Food Drive
- 7 Superintendent Conference Day (No School)
- 8 Picture Retake Day
- 9 Veterans Day Assembly 9:30 AM
- 9 Wear Red, White and Blue for Veterans Day
- 10 Veterans Day Holiday (No School)
- 13 Bills Day (Wear Bills Colors/Apparel)
- 16-17 Gr. 4 Musical 7 PM
- 20 Holiday Food Baskets Assembled
- 22-24 Thanksgiving Recess (No School)
- 29-30 Scholastic Book Fair
- 29 Lindbergh Lights Up the Holidays

## FRANKLIN MIDDLE:

- 7 Superintendent Conference Day (No School)
- 9 School Picture Retake Day
- 10 Veterans Day Holiday (No School)

## FRANKLIN MIDDLE (CONT.):

- 13 2nd Marking Period Begins (Gr. 5-12)
- 17 Report Cards Posted on Parent Portal
- 22-24 Thanksgiving Recess (No School)
- 28 Early Release Day (12 PM Dismissal)
- 28 P/T Conferences 1-3 PM & 4-6 PM
- 29 PTA Meeting 6 PM
- 30 P/T Conferences 4-6 PM

## HOOVER MIDDLE:

- 7 Superintendent Conference Day (No School)
- 10 Veterans Day Holiday (No School)
- 13 2nd Marking Period Begins (Gr. 5-12)
- 15 PTA Meeting 6:30 PM Cafeteria
- 17 Report Cards Posted on Parent Portal
- 22-24 Thanksgiving Recess (No School)
- 28 Early Release Day (12 PM Dismissal)
- 28 P/T Conferences 1-3 PM & 4-6 PM
- 30 P/T Conferences 4-6 PM

## KENMORE JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH:

- 3 Senior Pictures
- 3 School Picture Retake Day
- 7 Superintendent Conference Day (No School)
- 9 Principal Leadership Council 11 AM-12 PM
- 10 Veterans Day Holiday (No School)
- 15 Shared Decision Making Team 2 PM
- 22-24 Thanksgiving Recess (No School)
- 27 Exhibitions Begin
- 29 Early Dismissal for Exhibitions 10:45 AM

## KENMORE EAST:

- 1-22 Gobbler' Up Hunger
- 3-4 Fall Play 7 PM



*Lindbergh Lights Up the Holidays (November 2022)*

## KENMORE EAST (CONT.):

- 4 SAT 7:45 AM
- 7 Superintendent Conference Day (No School)
- 8 PTSA Meeting 6 PM Bulldog Cafe
- 9 Fall Band Concert 7-9 PM Auditorium
- 10 Veterans Day Holiday (No School)
- 13 2nd Marking Period Begins
- 16 Tri-M Recital 7-8 PM Auditorium
- 17 Report Cards Posted on Parent Portal
- 22-24 Thanksgiving Recess (No School)

## KENMORE WEST:

- 2-4 Fall Play 7:30 PM
- 4 SAT
- 7 Superintendent Conference Day (No School)
- 8 HSA Meeting 6:30 PM
- 8 Choral Concert 7:30 PM
- 10 Veterans Day Holiday (No School)
- 13 2nd Marking Period Begins
- 15 Wind Ensemble, Blue Devil Big Band & Symphonic Band 7:30 PM
- 16 Concert Band, Jazz Band & Percussion Concert 7:30 PM
- 17 Report Cards Posted on Parent Portal
- 22-24 Thanksgiving Recess (No School)
- 30 Financial Aid Night 6 PM





# NOVEMBER 2023

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				Kenmore West Fall Play 7:30 p.m.	Kenmore East Fall Play 7 p.m.  Kenmore West Fall Play 7:30 p.m.	Kenmore East Fall Play 7 p.m.  Kenmore West Fall Play 7:30 p.m.
			1	2	3	4
	1ST DAY OF SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST WEEK	SUPERINTENDENT CONFERENCE DAY  No student attendance		ACCOUNTING & FINANCE STAFF APPRECIATION DAY (OBSERVED; ACTUAL DATE IS NOVEMBER 10)	VETERANS DAY HOLIDAY  No student attendance; district offices closed	
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	Winter Sports Begin  2nd Marking Period Begins (Gr. 5-12)	Board of Education Meeting 6:30 p.m. Kenmore Junior/ Senior High School			SUBSTITUTE TEACHER APPRECIATION DAY  Gr. 5-12 Report Cards Posted on IC Parent Portal <a href="http://ktufsd.org/portal">ktufsd.org/portal</a>	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
		SCHOOL RELATED PROFESSIONAL (SRP) RECOGNITION DAY	THANKSGIVING RECESS			
			No student attendance	No student attendance; district offices closed	No student attendance; district offices closed	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
		Middle School Early Release & Parent/Teacher Conferences: 12 p.m. Dismissal (Gr. 5-7 only; full day for Gr. UPK-4 & Gr. 8-12)		Middle School Parent/Teacher Conferences (Evening Only)		
26	27	28	29	30		



# December 2023 Events & Activities

## EDISON ELEMENTARY:

- 5 Report Cards Posted on Parent Portal
- 7 Evening P/T Conferences
- 11 Early Release Day & P/T Conferences (12:40 PM Dismissal)
- 13 Winter Gr. 4 Chorus Concerts 6 & 7 PM
- 22 Early Release Day (12:40 PM Dismissal)
- 25-1/2 Winter Recess (No School)



## FRANKLIN ELEMENTARY:

- 5 Report Cards Posted on Parent Portal
- 7 Evening P/T Conferences
- 11-13 Merry Moose Holiday Shop
- 11 Early Release Day & P/T Conferences (12:40 PM Dismissal)
- 13 Winter Chorus Concert 6:30 PM
- 22 Early Release Day (12:40 PM Dismissal)
- 25-1/2 Winter Recess (No School)



*Door decorating at Edison Elementary and Franklin Middle (December 2022)*

## HOLMES ELEMENTARY:

- 1 Holmes Spirit Day (Wear Black and Yellow)
- 5 Report Cards Posted on Parent Portal
- 7 Evening P/T Conferences
- 11 Early Release Day & P/T Conferences (12:40 PM Dismissal)
- 20 Winter Chorus Concert 2 PM
- 20 HSA Meeting 4:30 PM Cafeteria
- 21 Winter Sing-A-Long 10 AM
- 22 Early Release Day (12:40 PM Dismissal)
- 25-1/2 Winter Recess (No School)

## HOOVER ELEMENTARY (CONT.):

- 4-8 Gingerbread Shop Community Room
- 5 Report Cards Posted on Parent Portal
- 7 Evening P/T Conferences
- 8,15,22 Buffalo Bills Day (Wear Bills Colors/Apparel)
- 11 Early Release Day & P/T Conferences (12:40 PM Dismissal)
- 21 Holiday Sing-A-Long
- 21 Winter Chorus Concert
- 22 Early Release Day (12:40 PM Dismissal)
- 25-1/2 Winter Recess (No School)

## HOOVER ELEMENTARY:

- 1 School Spirit Day (Wear Your Hoover Gear or Green)



## LINDBERGH ELEMENTARY:

- 1 Scholastic Book Fair



## LINDBERGH ELEMENTARY (CONT.):

- 1 School Spirit Day (Wear School Colors)
- 5 Report Cards Posted on Parent Portal
- 6-8 Gingerbread Shop
- 7 Evening P/T Conferences
- 11 Early Release Day & P/T Conferences (12:40 PM Dismissal)
- 15 Bills Day (Wear Bills Colors/Apparel)
- 18-22 Holiday Spirit Week
- 22 Early Release Day (12:40 PM Dismissal)
- 25-1/2 Winter Recess (No School)

## FRANKLIN MIDDLE:

- 12 Winter Band Concert 6:30 PM
- 14 Winter Orchestra Concert 6:30 PM
- 20 Winter Chorus Concert 6:30 PM
- 22 Early Release Day (12 PM Dismissal)
- 25-1/2 Winter Recess (No School)

## HOOVER MIDDLE:

- 12 Winter Concert #1 6:30 PM
- 13 Winter Concert #2 6:30 PM
- 19 Winter Concert #3 6:30 PM
- 22 Early Release Day (12 PM Dismissal)
- 25-1/2 Winter Recess (No School)



*Hoover Middle celebrates a very successful food drive by giving students the chance to dump various substances over staff members' heads (December 2022)*



*Holmes holiday concert (December 2022)*

## KENMORE JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH:

- 1 End of Trimester 1
- 4 2nd Trimester Begins
- 8 Narratives Due
- 14 Principal Leadership Council 11 AM-12 PM
- 20 Shared Decision Making Team 2 PM
- 25-1/2 Winter Recess (No School)

## KENMORE EAST:

- 1 Polar Express Night
- 4-5 Talent Show Auditions 3-6 PM Auditorium
- 5 P/T Conferences 5:30-7:30 PM
- 19 Chorus & Orchestra Winter Concert 7 PM Auditorium
- 21 Band Holiday Concert 7-9 PM Auditorium
- 25-1/2 Winter Recess (No School)

## KENMORE WEST:

- 2 SAT
- 2 Community Club Holiday Party
- 9 ACT
- 9 Tinsel Ball 7 PM
- 14 Orchestra Concert 7:30 PM
- 18 Holiday Band and Jazz Concert 7:30 PM
- 20 Holiday Choral Concert 7:30 PM
- 25-1/2 Winter Recess (No School)
- 27-28 Girls Basketball Tournaments





# DECEMBER 2023

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
	2nd Trimester Begins (Gr. K-4 & Big Picture)	Gr. K-4 Report Cards Posted on IC Parent Portal <a href="http://ktufsd.org/portal">ktufsd.org/portal</a>		Elementary School Parent/Teacher Conferences (Evening Only)		
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	Elementary School Early Release & Parent/Teacher Conferences: 12:40 p.m. Dismissal (Gr. K-4 only; full day for UPK & Gr. 5-12)	Board of Education Meeting 6:30 p.m. Kenmore Junior/ Senior High School				
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
					Elementary/Middle School Early Release: Elementary: 12:40 p.m. Middle: 12 p.m. (Gr. K-7 only; full day for UPK & Gr. 8-12)	
17	18	19	20	1ST DAY OF WINTER 21	22	23
24	WINTER RECESS					
	No student attendance; district offices closed	No student attendance	No student attendance Girls Holiday Basketball Tournament	No student attendance Girls Holiday Basketball Tournament & Boys Holiday Basketball Tournament	No student attendance Boys Holiday Basketball Tournament	
31	25	26	27	28	29	30



# January 2024 Events & Activities

## EDISON ELEMENTARY:

- 1 Winter Recess (No School)
- 15 Martin Luther King Jr. Day Holiday (No School)
- 17 Literacy Festival 6-8 PM
- 17 PTA Meeting 6:30 PM
- 18 PTA Niagara Chocolate Online Fundraiser Begins (Through 2/18/24)
- 31 Early Release Day (12:40 PM Dismissal)

## FRANKLIN ELEMENTARY:

- 1 Winter Recess (No School)
- 8 PTA Meeting 6 PM
- 15 Martin Luther King Jr. Day Holiday (No School)
- 18 Warm Up with Hot Cocoa Hosted by PTA
- 18 Read Aloud Night 5:30-7 PM
- 25 Family Wellness Night 5:30-7 PM
- 31 Early Release Day (12:40 PM Dismissal)

## HOLMES ELEMENTARY:

- 1 Winter Recess (No School)
- 5 Holmes Spirit Day (Wear Black and Yellow)



Franklin Middle students present "Cinderella" (January 2023)

## HOLMES ELEMENTARY (CONT.):

- 15 Martin Luther King Jr. Day Holiday (No School)
- 24 HSA Meeting 4:30 PM Cafeteria
- 31 Early Release Day (12:40 PM Dismissal)

## HOOVER ELEMENTARY:

- 1 Winter Recess (No School)
- 5,12,19,26 School Spirit Day (Wear Your Hoover Gear or Green)
- 10 HSA Meeting 6:30 PM Community Room
- 15 Martin Luther King Jr. Day Holiday (No School)
- 18 Literacy Night for Gr. K-2 6-7:30 PM
- 22-25 Kindness Week
- 25 Literacy Night for Gr. 3-4 6-7:30 PM
- 31 Early Release Day (12:40 PM Dismissal)

## LINDBERGH ELEMENTARY:

- 1 Winter Recess (No School)
- 4 PTA Meeting 7 PM
- 5 School Spirit Day (Wear School Colors)
- 9 Gr. 2 Family Fitness Night 6 PM
- 10 Gr. 3 Family Fitness Night 6-7 PM
- 11 Gr. 4 Family Fitness Night 6-7 PM
- 12 Sabres Day (Wear Sabres Colors/Apparel)
- 12 Family Dance 6:30 PM
- 15 Martin Luther King Jr. Day Holiday (No School)
- 22-26 Kindness Week
- 31 Early Release Day (12:40 PM Dismissal)



Ken-Ton staff and community members are recognized by the Board of Education for their heroic and life-saving efforts during the December 2022 blizzard (January 2023)

## FRANKLIN MIDDLE:

- 1 Winter Recess (No School)
- 10 PTA Meeting 6 PM
- 15 Martin Luther King Jr. Day Holiday (No School)
- 25-26 School Musical 7 PM
- 27 School Musical 2 PM
- 31 2nd Semester/3rd Marking Period Begins
- 31 Early Release Day (12 PM Dismissal)

## HOOVER MIDDLE:

- 1 Winter Recess (No School)
- 15 Martin Luther King Jr. Day Holiday (No School)
- 18 PTA Meeting 6:30 PM Cafeteria
- 31 2nd Semester/3rd Marking Period Begins
- 31 Early Release Day (12 PM Dismissal)

## KENMORE JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH:

- 1 Winter Recess (No School)
- 11 Principal Leadership Council 11 AM-12 PM
- 15 Martin Luther King Jr. Day Holiday (No School)
- 17 Shared Decision Making Team 2 PM
- 23-26 Regents & Local Exams

## KENMORE JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH (CONT.):

- 26 Progress Reports Due
- 26 Regents Rating Day

## KENMORE EAST:

- 1 Winter Recess (No School)
- 4 Coffee & Conversation With the Counselors 7:45 AM Doghouse Cafe
- 9 PTSA Meeting 6 PM Bulldog Cafe
- 15 Martin Luther King Jr. Day Holiday (No School)
- 19 Talent Show 7-9 PM Auditorium
- 23-26 Regents & Local Exams
- 26 Regents Rating Day
- 27 Music Is Art Winter Youth Jazz Festival
- 31 2nd Semester/3rd Marking Period Begins

## KENMORE WEST:

- 1 Winter Recess (No School)
- 10 IB Registration Gr. 10 Students and Parents 7 PM
- 11 HSA Meeting 6:30 PM
- 15 Martin Luther King Jr. Day Holiday (No School)
- 23-26 Regents & Local Exams
- 26 Regents Rating Day
- 27 Ken-Ton Wrestling Tournament
- 31 2nd Semester/3rd Marking Period Begins





# JANUARY 2024

UP-TO-DATE ONLINE CALENDARS AT [WWW.KTUFSD.ORG/CALENDAR](http://WWW.KTUFSD.ORG/CALENDAR)

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<b>WINTER RECESS</b> <i>No student attendance; district offices closed</i>  <i>NEW YEAR'S DAY</i> 1	2	3	Special Education Parent/ Teacher Organization (SEPTO) Meeting 6:30 p.m. 1016 Niagara Falls Blvd.	5	6
7	8	Board of Education Meeting 6:30 p.m. Kenmore Junior/ Senior High School	10	11	12	13
14	<b>MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY</b> <i>No student attendance; district offices closed</i>	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	<b>REGENTS &amp; LOCAL EXAMS*</b>				Ken-Ton Wrestling Tournament
					Regents Rating Day	
28	29	30	Elementary/Middle School Early Release: Elementary: 12:40 p.m. Middle: 12 p.m. (Gr. K-7 only; full day for UPK & Gr. 8-12)  3rd Marking Period/2nd Semester Begins (Gr. 5-12)	31		<b>*Jan. 23-26 – High School Regents &amp; Local Exams:</b> For high schools, Jan. 23- 26 are exam attendance only. High school students are required to attend scheduled exams. Please check Regents/local exam schedules.



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# February 2024 Events & Activities

## EDISON ELEMENTARY:

- 18 PTA Niagara Chocolate Online Fundraiser Ends
- 19-23 Mid-Winter Recess (No School)

## FRANKLIN ELEMENTARY:

- 7 PTA Black History Month Kick-Off 5:30-7:30 PM
- 12 PTA Meeting 6 PM
- 19-23 Mid-Winter Recess (No School)

## HOLMES ELEMENTARY:

- 2 Holmes Spirit Day (Wear Black and Yellow)
- 19-23 Mid-Winter Recess (No School)
- 28 HSA Meeting 4:30 PM Cafeteria

## HOOVER ELEMENTARY:

- 2,9,16 School Spirit Day (Wear Your Hoover Gear or Green)
- 19-23 Mid-Winter Recess (No School)



*Big Picture students donate hundreds of Bombas socks to children in Honduras (February 2023)*



*The Kenmore/Grand Island/Lockport Girls Ice Hockey Team wins its seventh Section VI Championship (February 2023)*

## LINDBERGH ELEMENTARY:

- 2 School Spirit Day (Wear School Colors)
- 8 Family Engagement Night 5-8 PM
- 14-15 Kids Heart Challenge During Physical Education
- 14 Wear Pink/Red for Valentine's Day
- 16 Sabres Day (Wear Sabres Colors/Apparel)
- 19-23 Mid-Winter Recess (No School)

## FRANKLIN MIDDLE:

- 2 Report Cards Posted on Parent Portal



## FRANKLIN MIDDLE (CONT.):

- 8 Early Release Day (12 PM Dismissal)
- 8 P/T Conferences 1-3 PM & 4-6 PM
- 19-23 Mid-Winter Recess (No School)

## HOOVER MIDDLE:

- 1-2 School Musical 7 PM
- 2 Report Cards Posted on Parent Portal
- 3 School Musical 1 PM
- 8 Gr. 5-7 Early Release Day (12 PM Dismissal)
- 8 P/T Conferences 1-3 PM & 4-6 PM
- 19-23 Mid-Winter Recess (No School)

## KENMORE JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH:

- 8 Principal Leadership Council 11 AM-12 PM
- 19-23 Mid-Winter Recess (No School)
- 28 Shared Decision Making Team 2 PM

## KENMORE EAST:

- 2 Report Cards Posted on Parent Portal
- 3 Wing Ding 7 AM-5 PM
- 6 Winter Bands Concert 7-9 PM Auditorium
- 19-23 Mid-Winter Recess (No School)

## KENMORE WEST:

- 2 Report Cards Posted on Parent Portal
- 2 Pink Out Dance 7 PM
- 8-10 School Musical 7:30 PM
- 10 ACT
- 19-23 Mid-Winter Recess (No School)



*Hoover Elementary students take a spin on the district's new "blender bike" (February 2023)*



# FEBRUARY 2024

UP-TO-DATE ONLINE CALENDARS AT [WWW.KTUFSD.ORG/CALENDAR](http://WWW.KTUFSD.ORG/CALENDAR)

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					Gr. 5-12 Report Cards Posted on IC Parent Portal <a href="http://ktufsd.org/portal">ktufsd.org/portal</a>	
				1	2	3
	1ST DAY OF SCHOOL COUNSELING WEEK			Middle School Early Release & Parent/Teacher Conferences: 12 p.m. Dismissal (Gr. 5-7 only; full day for Gr. UPK-4 & Gr. 8-12)  Kenmore West Musical 7:30 p.m.	Kenmore West Musical 7:30 p.m.	Kenmore West Musical 7:30 p.m.
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
		Board of Education Meeting & Budget Work Session 5:00 p.m. Kenmore Junior/ Senior High School		SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER & SCHOOL SAFETY OFFICER APPRECIATION DAY	SCHOOL BUS DRIVER & TRANSPORTATION STAFF APPRECIATION DAY (OBSERVED, ACTUAL DATE IS FEBRUARY 22)	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	MID-WINTER RECESS					
	No student attendance; district offices closed	No student attendance	No student attendance	No student attendance	No student attendance	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29		





# March 2024 Events & Activities



*Kenmore West presents its spring musical, "Fiddler on the Roof" (March 2023)*

## EDISON ELEMENTARY:

- 7 Invention Convention 6-7:30 PM
- 8 Superintendent Conference Day (No School)
- 13 PTA Meeting 6:30 PM
- 18 3rd Trimester Begins
- 18-22 Wellness Week
- 19 Report Cards Posted on Parent Portal
- 21 Early Release Day & P/T Conferences (12:40 PM Dismissal)
- 21-22 Gr. 4 Musical 7 PM
- 23 Gr. 4 Musical 2 PM
- 25 Evening P/T Conferences
- 29 Spring Recess (No School)

## FRANKLIN ELEMENTARY:

- 7 Family Wellness Night 5:30-7 PM
- 8 Superintendent Conference Day (No School)
- 18 3rd Trimester Begins
- 18-22 Wellness Week
- 18 PTA Meeting 6 PM
- 19 Report Cards Posted on Parent Portal
- 21 Early Release Day & P/T Conferences (12:40 PM Dismissal)
- 22 Spring Portraits
- 25 Evening P/T Conferences
- 28 PTA Roller Skating Event 6-8 PM
- 29 Spring Recess (No School)

## HOLMES ELEMENTARY:

- 1 Holmes Spirit Day (Wear Black and Yellow)

## HOLMES ELEMENTARY (CONT.):

- 8 Superintendent Conference Day (No School)
- 13 Literacy Night 5:30-7 PM
- 18-22 Wellness Week
- 18 3rd Trimester Begins
- 19 Report Cards Posted on Parent Portal
- 21 Early Release Day & P/T Conferences (12:40 PM Dismissal)
- 25 Evening P/T Conferences
- 27 HSA Meeting 4:30 PM Cafeteria
- 29 Spring Recess (No School)

## HOOVER ELEMENTARY:

- 1 School Spirit Day (Wear Your Hoover Gear or Green)
- 8 Superintendent Conference Day (No School)
- 13 HSA Meeting 6:30 PM Community Room
- 15 Irish Dancers Auditorium
- 18 3rd Trimester Begins
- 18-22 Wellness Week
- 19 Report Cards Posted on Parent Portal
- 21 Early Release Day & P/T Conferences (12:40 PM Dismissal)
- 22 Spring Picture Day
- 25 Evening P/T Conferences
- 29 Spring Recess (No School)



*Lindbergh celebrates Literacy Week with special guest readers (March 2023)*

## LINDBERGH ELEMENTARY:

- 1 School Spirit Day (Wear School Colors)
- 7 Sabres Day (Wear Sabres Colors/Apparel)
- 7 PTA Meeting 7 PM
- 8 Superintendent Conference Day (No School)
- 11 Author Visit
- 11-15 Love of Literacy
- 15 Wear Green for St. Patrick's Day
- 18 3rd Trimester Begins
- 18-22 Wellness Week
- 19 Report Cards Posted on Parent Portal
- 21 Early Release Day & P/T Conferences (12:40 PM Dismissal)
- 25 Evening P/T Conferences
- 26 Gr. 1 Performance 10 AM
- 29 Spring Recess (No School)

## FRANKLIN MIDDLE:

- 8 Superintendent Conference Day (No School)
- 14 PTA Meeting 6 PM
- 18-22 Wellness Week
- 29 Spring Recess (No School)

## HOOVER MIDDLE:

- 8 Superintendent Conference Day (No School)
- 14 PTA Meeting 6:30 PM Cafeteria
- 18-22 Wellness Week
- 20 Combined KW/HMS Band Concert 7 PM Kenmore West
- 29 Spring Recess (No School)

## KENMORE JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH:

- 4 Exhibitions Begin
- 6 Early Dismissal for Exhibitions 10:45 AM
- 8 Superintendent Conference Day (No School)
- 14 Principal Leadership Council 11 AM-12 PM
- 15 End of Trimester 2
- 18-22 Wellness Week

## KENMORE JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH (CONT.):

- 18 3rd Trimester Begins
- 20 Shared Decision Making Team 2 PM
- 29 Spring Recess (No School)

## KENMORE EAST:

- 5 PTSA Meeting 6 PM Staff Cafe
- 7-9 Musical 7:30 PM
- 8 Superintendent Conference Day (No School)
- 15 Join the Winners 7-10 PM Gymnasium
- 18-22 Wellness Week
- 21 World Languages Honor Ceremony
- 22 Blaze Pizza Fundraiser 3:30-9 PM
- 29 Spring Recess (No School)

## KENMORE WEST:

- 6 NHS Induction 6:30 PM
- 8 Superintendent Conference Day (No School)
- 9 SAT
- 14 Spring College Night 6 PM
- 18-22 Wellness Week
- 19 HSA Meeting 6:30 PM
- 20 HSA Coffee House 5:30 PM
- 20 Combined KW/HMS Band Concert 7 PM
- 29 Spring Recess (No School)



*Mrs. Coley's class transforms into Cafe 147 and serves up a delicious Italian lunch for Hoover Middle and district staff (March 2023)*



# MARCH 2024

UP-TO-DATE ONLINE CALENDARS AT [WWW.KTUFSD.ORG/CALENDAR](http://WWW.KTUFSD.ORG/CALENDAR)

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
3	1ST DAY OF SCHOOL SOCIAL WORK WEEK	4	5	6	7	8
				Kenmore East Musical 7:30 p.m.  Special Education Parent/ Teacher Organization (SEPTO) Meeting 6:30 p.m. 1016 Niagara Falls Blvd	<b>SUPERINTENDENT CONFERENCE DAY</b>  No student attendance  Kenmore East Musical 7:30 p.m.	9
10	Spring Sports Begin	11	12	13	14	15
		Board of Education Meeting & Budget Work Session 5:00 p.m. Kenmore Junior/ Senior High School				16
	<b>DISTRICT WELLNESS WEEK</b>					
17	3rd Trimester Begins (Gr. K-4 & Big Picture)	18	19	20	21	22
		Gr. K-4 Report Cards Posted on IC Parent Portal <a href="http://ktufsd.org/portal">ktufsd.org/portal</a>	1ST DAY OF SPRING		Elementary School Early Release & Parent/Teacher Conferences: 12:40 p.m. Dismissal (Gr. K-4 only; full day for UPK & Gr. 5-12)	23
24	1ST DAY OF ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS WEEK (OBSERVED; ACTUAL DATE IS APRIL 1)	25	26	27	28	29
	Elementary School Parent/Teacher Conferences (Evening Only)	Budget Work Session 6:30 p.m. Kenmore Junior/ Senior High School	SCHOOL PARAPROFESSIONAL APPRECIATION DAY (OBSERVED; ACTUAL DATE IS APRIL 3)	SCHOOL LIBRARIAN APPRECIATION DAY (OBSERVED; ACTUAL DATE IS APRIL 4)	<b>SPRING RECESS</b>  No student attendance; district offices closed	30
31						



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# April 2024 Events & Activities



*Students from Kenmore East, Kenmore West, Franklin Middle, Hoover Middle, and Franklin Elementary, along with Ken-Ton district staff, clean up the Niagara Shoreline Trail and portions of Lincoln Park (April 2023)*



## EDISON ELEMENTARY:

- 1-8 Spring Recess (No School)
- 25 STEM Night 6-8 PM

## FRANKLIN ELEMENTARY:

- 1-8 Spring Recess (No School)
- 15 PTA Meeting 6 PM
- 29-30 Scholastic Book Fair

## HOLMES ELEMENTARY:

- 1-8 Spring Recess (No School)
- 11 Spring Picture Day
- 12 Holmes Spirit Day (Wear Black and Yellow)

## HOLMES ELEMENTARY (CONT.):

- 24 HSA Meeting 4:30 PM Cafeteria

## HOOVER ELEMENTARY:

- 1-8 Spring Recess (No School)

## LINDBERGH ELEMENTARY:

- 1-8 Spring Recess (No School)
- 12 School Spirit Day (Wear School Colors)
- 18,25 After School Clubs
- 19 Bandits Day (Wear Bandits Colors/Apparel)

## LINDBERGH ELEMENTARY (CONT.):

- 23 Gr. 2 Performance 2 PM

## FRANKLIN MIDDLE:

- 1-8 Spring Recess (No School)
- 22 4th Marking Period Begins (Gr. 5-12)
- 23 PTA Meeting 6 PM
- 26 Report Cards Posted on Parent Portal

## HOOVER MIDDLE:

- 1-8 Spring Recess (No School)
- 18 Talent Show 6 PM
- 22 4th Marking Period Begins (Gr. 5-12)
- 25 NJHS Induction 6 PM
- 26 Report Cards Posted on Parent Portal

## KENMORE JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH:

- 1-8 Spring Recess (No School)
- 11 Principal Leadership Council 11 AM-12 PM
- 17 Shared Decision Making Team 2 PM



*Holmes staff create paper flowers for the school's annual Art Show (April 2023)*



*Kenmore East baseball players visit Edison Elementary to read to students (April 2023)*

## KENMORE EAST:

- 1-5 Nashville Band & Orchestra Trip
- 1-8 Spring Recess (No School)
- 13 Meat Raffle 7-10 PM
- 17 Orchestra East Side Concert 6:30-8:30 PM Auditorium
- 22 4th Marking Period Begins
- 25 Spring Bands Concert 7-9 PM Auditorium
- 26 Report Cards Posted on Parent Portal
- 26 Spring Fling 7-10 PM Gym
- 28 Chiavetta's Chicken Dinner 4-7 PM
- 29 Wind Band Invitational 7-9 PM Auditorium

## KENMORE WEST:

- 1-8 Spring Recess (No School)
- 16 Tri-M Society Performance 7:30 PM
- 17 Career Expo 9 AM-12 PM
- 22 4th Marking Period Begins
- 26 Report Cards Posted on Parent Portal





# APRIL 2024

UP-TO-DATE ONLINE CALENDARS AT [WWW.KTUFSD.ORG/CALENDAR](http://WWW.KTUFSD.ORG/CALENDAR)

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<b>SPRING RECESS</b> <i>No student attendance</i>					
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	<b>SPRING RECESS</b> <i>No student attendance; district offices closed</i>					
7	<i>SOLAR ECLIPSE</i> 8	9	10	11	12	13
		Board of Education Meeting 6:30 p.m. Kenmore Junior/ Senior High School				
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	4th Marking Period Begins (Gr. 5-12)		ADMINISTRATIVE PROFESSIONALS APPRECIATION DAY		Gr. 5-12 Report Cards Posted on IC Parent Portal <a href="http://ktufsd.org/portal">ktufsd.org/portal</a>	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				



# May 2024 Events & Activities

## EDISON ELEMENTARY:

- 6-10 Spring Book Fair Week
- 7 PTA Meeting 6:30 PM
- 10 Early Release Day (12:40 PM Dismissal)
- 20 Fine Arts Festival 6-8 PM
- 24-27 Memorial Day Recess (No School)

## FRANKLIN ELEMENTARY:

- 1 Scholastic Book Fair
- 10 Early Release Day (12:40 PM Dismissal)
- 20 PTA Meeting 6 PM
- 22 50 Cent Festival 5:30-7 PM
- 23 Art Show, Recorder Concert & Ice Cream Social 5-6:30 PM
- 24-27 Memorial Day Recess (No School)
- 29 Chorus, Band & Orchestra Concert 6:30 PM

## HOLMES ELEMENTARY:

- 3 Holmes Spirit Day (Wear Black and Yellow)
- 10 Early Release Day (12:40 PM Dismissal)
- 22 HSA Meeting 4:30 PM Cafeteria
- 22 Kindergarten Orientation 6-7 PM
- 24-27 Memorial Day Recess (No School)
- 28 Kenmore West Senior Walk
- 29 Arts Rock 4:45-6 PM
- 30 Spring Concert (Band, Orchestra & Chorus) 2 PM



*Kenmore East and Kenmore West unified basketball teams compete at all-school assembly for the 1st time (May 2023)*

## HOOVER ELEMENTARY:

- 8 Kindergarten Orientation
- 9 Art Show 6-8 PM
- 10 Early Release Day (12:40 PM Dismissal)
- 15 HSA Meeting 6:30 PM Community Room
- 23 Wear Red, White and Blue for Memorial Day
- 24-27 Memorial Day Recess (No School)
- 28 Kenmore West Senior Walk

## LINDBERGH ELEMENTARY:

- 2, 9 After School Clubs
- 2 PTA Meeting 7 PM
- 3 School Spirit Day (Wear School Colors)
- 7 Gr. K Performance 2 PM
- 8-10 Mother's Day Plant Sale
- 10 Bisons Day (Wear Bisons Colors/Apparel)
- 10 Early Release Day (12:40 PM Dismissal)
- 16 Kindergarten Orientation 9:30-10:45 AM
- 23 Wear Red, White and Blue for Memorial Day
- 24-27 Memorial Day Recess (No School)
- 28 Kenmore West Senior Walk

## FRANKLIN MIDDLE:

- 15 Spring Band Concert & Art Show 6:30 PM
- 16 Spring Orchestra Concert & Art Show 6:30 PM
- 22 Spring Chorus Concert & Art Show 6:30 PM
- 24-27 Memorial Day Recess (No School)
- 29 PTA Meeting 6 PM
- 30 Incoming Gr. 5 Parent Info Night 6 PM

## HOOVER MIDDLE:

- 8 PTA Meeting 6:30 PM Cafeteria
- 20 Spring Concert #1 6:30 PM
- 22 Spring Concert #2 6:30 PM



*Students enjoy a hydroponic salad courtesy of our Farm to School Program (May 2023)*

## HOOVER MIDDLE (CONT.):

- 24-27 Memorial Day Recess (No School)
- 29 Spring Concert #3 6:30 PM

## KENMORE JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH:

- 3 Progress Reports Due
- 9 Principal Leadership Council 11 AM-12 PM
- 15 Shared Decision Making Team 2 PM
- 16 Last Internship Day
- 23 Mentor Luncheon
- 24-27 Memorial Day Recess (No School)

## KENMORE EAST:

- 3 Hall of Distinction 7 PM Auditorium
- 4 SAT 7:45 AM
- 6-17 AP Exams
- 7 PTSA Meeting 6 PM Staff Cafe
- 9 Fine Arts Festival 4-6:30 PM Auditorium
- 18 Jr. Prom 7-11 PM Classics V
- 21 Broadway Choral Revue 7 PM Auditorium
- 24-27 Memorial Day Recess (No School)
- 27 Band Marches in Memorial Day Parade
- 29 Orchestra Concert 7-9 PM
- 30 Senior Awards Night 6 PM

## KENMORE WEST:

- 2-4 Spring Play 7:30 PM

## KENMORE WEST (CONT.):

- 4 SAT
- 6-17 AP Exams
- 8 HSA Meeting 6:30 PM
- 15 Wind Ensemble Senior Spotlight, Symphonic Band and Blue Devil Big Band 8 PM
- 16 Concert Band, Percussion Ensemble & KW Jazz Band 8 PM
- 18 Junior Prom
- 21 Orchestra Concert 8 PM
- 22 Senior Awards Program
- 24-27 Memorial Day Recess (No School)
- 27 Band Marches in Memorial Day Parade
- 28 Senior Walk 2024
- 29 Academic Recognition Program
- 30 Choral Concert 8 PM



*Kenmore East and Kenmore West students parade through the halls of our five Ken-Ton elementary schools (May 2023)*



# MAY 2024

UP-TO-DATE ONLINE CALENDARS AT [WWW.KTUFSD.ORG/CALENDAR](http://WWW.KTUFSD.ORG/CALENDAR)

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			<p><i>SCHOOL PRINCIPALS APPRECIATION DAY</i></p> <p><i>1ST DAY OF CROSSING GUARD APPRECIATION MONTH</i></p>	<p><b>Kenmore West Spring Play</b> 7:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>Special Education Parent/Teacher Organization (SEPTO) Meeting</b> 6:30 p.m. 1016 Niagara Falls Blvd</p>	<p><i>SCHOOL LUNCH HERO/FOOD SERVICE APPRECIATION DAY</i></p> <p><b>Kenmore West Spring Play</b> 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Kenmore West Spring Play</b> 7:30 p.m.</p>
			1	2	3	4
		<i>TEACHER APPRECIATION DAY</i>	<i>SCHOOL NURSE APPRECIATION DAY</i>		<p><b>Elementary School Early Release:</b> 12:40 p.m. Dismissal (Gr. K-4 only; full day for UPK &amp; Gr. 5-12)</p>	
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
		<p><b>Board of Education Meeting</b> 6:30 p.m. Kenmore Junior/Senior High School</p>			<p><i>SPEECH PATHOLOGIST APPRECIATION DAY</i> (OBSERVED; ACTUAL DATE IS MAY 18)</p>	
MOTHER'S DAY	12	13	14	15	16	17
	<i>INTERNATIONAL HR APPRECIATION DAY</i>	<p><b>Budget Vote &amp; Board of Education Election</b> 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. Hoover Middle School (Sheridan Drive entrance) <a href="http://www.ktufsd.org/budget">www.ktufsd.org/budget</a></p>			<p><b>MEMORIAL DAY RECESS</b> No student attendance</p>	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	<p><b>MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY</b> No student attendance; district offices closed</p>					
26	27	28	29	30	31	





# June 2024 Events & Activities

## EDISON ELEMENTARY:

- 4 Early Release Day (12:40 PM Dismissal)
- 12 Gr. 4 Chorus Concerts 6 & 7 PM
- 14 Flag Day Celebration
- 19 Juneteenth Holiday (No School)
- 21 Field Day
- 21 Last Day of School for Gr. UPK-5

## FRANKLIN ELEMENTARY:

- 4 Early Release Day (12:40 PM Dismissal)
- 10 PTA Meeting 6 PM
- 18 Field Day
- 19 Juneteenth Holiday (No School)
- 21 Gr. 4 Moving Up Day 10:30 AM
- 21 Last Day of School for Gr. UPK-5

## HOLMES ELEMENTARY:

- 4 Early Release Day (12:40 PM Dismissal)
- 6 Recorder Concert 2 PM
- 7 Holmes Spirit Day (Wear Black and Yellow)
- 14 Flag Day Celebration
- 19 Juneteenth Holiday (No School)
- 21 Field Day
- 21 Last Day of School for Gr. UPK-5

## HOOVER ELEMENTARY:

- 4 Early Release Day (12:40 PM Dismissal)
- 5 Spring Chorus, Orchestra & Band Concert 1:45 PM & 6:30 PM
- 12 Gr. 3 Recorder Concert 6 PM Auditorium
- 14 Flag Day Ceremony (Outside Weather Permitting)
- 18 Field Day
- 19 Juneteenth Holiday (No School)
- 21 Last Day of School for Gr. UPK-5

## LINDBERGH ELEMENTARY:

- 4 Early Release Day (12:40 PM Dismissal)
- 5-7 Scholastic Book Fair
- 5 Spring Extravaganza Art Show 5 PM
- 5 Gr. 3 Recorders 5:30 PM



*Kenmore West 2023 Graduation*



*Big Picture 2023 Graduation*

## LINDBERGH ELEMENTARY (CONT.):

- 5 Gr. 4 Band/Orchestra Concert 7 PM
- 6 PTA Meeting 7 PM
- 7 School Spirit Day (Wear School Colors)
- 13-14 Father's Day Gift Card Sale
- 14 Flag Day Assembly, Wear Red White & Blue (Outside Weather Permitting)
- 14 Summerfest
- 18 Field Day
- 19 Juneteenth Holiday (No School)
- 21 Gr. 4 Awards Ceremony 9:30 AM
- 21 Last Day of School for Gr. UPK-5

## FRANKLIN MIDDLE:

- 4 Early Release Day (12 PM Dismissal)
- 13 NJHS Induction 6 PM
- 19 Juneteenth Holiday (No School)
- 21 Last Day of School for Gr. 5



*Kenmore East 2023 Graduation*



*Hoover Middle end-of-year awards*

## FRANKLIN MIDDLE (CONT.):

- 24 Gr. 6-7 Early Release Day (12 PM)
- 25 Last Day of School for Gr. 6-7 & Early Release (12 PM)

## HOOVER MIDDLE:

- 3 Gr. 5 Orientation 6:30-7:30 PM
- 4 Early Release Day (12 PM Dismissal)
- 4 Awards Assembly 8:30-10:30 AM
- 5 PTA Meeting 6:30 PM Cafeteria
- 19 Juneteenth Holiday (No School)
- 21 Last Day of School for Gr. 5
- 24 Gr. 6-7 Early Release Day (12 PM)
- 24 Gr. 7 Celebration 5:30-8 PM
- 25 Last Day of School for Gr. 6-7 & Early Release (12 PM)

## KENMORE JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH:

- 4 Regents & Local Exams
- 6 Exhibition Fair (MS) 12:30-1:30 PM

## KENMORE JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH (CONT.):

- 7 Exhibition Fair (HS) 12:30-1:30 PM
- 12 Shared Decision Making Team 2 PM
- 13 Principal Leadership Council 11 AM-12 PM
- 14-18 Regents & Local Exams
- 14 MS Bridge Ceremony 12:30 PM
- 17 Regents Rating Day
- 19 Juneteenth Holiday (No School)
- 20-26 Regents & Local Exams
- 21 End of Trimester 3
- 21 Big Picture Graduation
- 26 Regents Rating Day

## KENMORE EAST:

- 4 Regents & Local Exams
- 5 Band Concert & Rose Ceremony 7-9 PM Auditorium
- 6 Underclassmen Awards Night 6 PM
- 14-18 Regents & Local Exams
- 14 Senior Prom 6-10 PM Wurlitzer
- 14 Post Prom Party 11 PM-2 AM Kenmore East
- 17 Regents Rating Day
- 18 Senior Signing Ceremony 6 PM
- 19 Juneteenth Holiday (No School)
- 20-26 Regents & Local Exams
- 26 Regents Rating Day
- 29 Graduation 6 PM Kleinhans

## KENMORE WEST:

- 1 SAT
- 4 Regents & Local Exams
- 4 Vocal Recital 7 PM
- 5 Senior Scholarship Night 6 PM
- 6 Chamber Ensemble Outdoor Concert 7 PM
- 7 Senior Breakfast
- 7 Senior Prom & Post Prom Party
- 8 ACT
- 8 Senior Celebration
- 14-18 Regents & Local Exams
- 17 Regents Rating Day
- 19 Juneteenth Holiday (No School)
- 20-26 Regents & Local Exams
- 26 Regents Rating Day
- 29 Graduation 10 AM Kleinhans



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					<p><b>*June 4 &amp; 14-26 – High School Regents &amp; Local Exams:</b> For high schools, June 4 and 14-26 are exam attendance only. High school students are required to attend scheduled exams. Please check Regents/local exam schedules.</p>	1
2	3	<p><b>REGENTS EXAMS*</b></p> <p><b>Elementary/Middle School Early Release:</b> Elementary: 12:40 p.m. Middle: 12 p.m. <i>(Gr. K-7 only; full day for UPK &amp; Gr. 8-12)</i></p>	4	5	6	7
9	10	<p><b>Board of Education Meeting</b> 6:30 p.m. Kenmore Junior/Senior High School</p>	11	12	<p><b>REGENTS EXAMS*</b></p>	13
					<p>FLAG DAY</p>	15
	<p><b>REGENTS &amp; LOCAL EXAMS*</b></p> <p>Regents Rating Day</p>	17	<p><b>JUNETEENTH HOLIDAY</b> <i>No student attendance; district offices closed</i></p>	19	<p><b>REGENTS &amp; LOCAL EXAMS*</b></p> <p>Last Student Day for Gr. UPK-5</p> <p>Big Picture Graduation 7 p.m.</p>	21
<p>FATHER'S DAY</p>	16	18	20	22	<p>1ST DAY OF SUMMER</p>	24
23	<p><b>REGENTS &amp; LOCAL EXAMS*</b></p>					26
	<p>Gr. 6-7 Early Release: 12 p.m. Dismissal</p>	<p>Last Student Day/Early Release for Gr. 6-7 12 p.m.</p> <p>Gr. K-4 Report Cards Posted on IC Parent Portal <a href="http://ktufsd.org/portal">ktufsd.org/portal</a></p>	<p>Regents Rating Day &amp; Last Teacher Day</p>	25	<p>Gr. 5-12 Report Cards Posted on IC Parent Portal <a href="http://ktufsd.org/portal">ktufsd.org/portal</a></p>	27
30	24	26	28	30	<p>Kenmore West Graduation 10 a.m. Kleinhans</p> <p>Kenmore East Graduation 6 p.m. Kleinhans</p>	32



# Student & Family Information

## STUDENT RECORDS & PRIVACY INFORMATION

### Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA):

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) (20 U.S.C. §1232g; 34 CFR Part 99) is a Federal law that protects the privacy of student education records. The law applies to all schools that receive funds under an applicable program of the U.S. Department of Education.

FERPA gives parents certain rights with respect to their children's education records. These rights transfer to the student when he or she reaches the age of 18 or attends a school beyond the high school level. Students to whom the rights have transferred are "eligible students."

Parents or eligible students have the right to inspect and review the student's education records maintained by the school. Schools are not required to provide copies of records unless, for reasons such as great distance, it is impossible for parents or eligible students to review the records. Schools may charge a fee for copies.

Parents or eligible students have the right to request that a school correct records which they believe to be inaccurate or misleading. If the school decides not to amend the record, the parent or eligible student then has the right to a formal hearing. After the hearing, if the school still decides not to amend the record, the parent or eligible student has the right to place a statement with the record setting forth his or her view about the contested information.

Generally, schools must have written permission from the parent or eligible student in order to release any information from a student's education record. However, FERPA allows schools to disclose those records, without consent, to the following parties or under the following conditions (34 CFR §99.31):

- School officials with legitimate educational interest;
- Other schools to which a student is transferring;
- Specified officials for audit or evaluation purposes;
- Appropriate parties in connection with financial aid to a student;
- Organizations conducting certain studies for or on behalf of the school;
- Accrediting organizations;

- To comply with a judicial order or lawfully issued subpoena;
- Appropriate officials in cases of health and safety emergencies; and
- State and local authorities, within a juvenile justice system, pursuant to specific State law.

Schools may disclose, without consent, "directory" information such as parent contact information, student's name, major field of study, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, weight and height of members of athletic teams, grade level, dates of attendance, degrees, honors, awards received and photographs. If you DO NOT want the District to disclose this directory information from your child(ren)'s education records without your prior written consent, you must notify the District in writing to: Kenmore-Town of Tonawanda Union Free School District, Attn: Community Relations Coordinator, 1500 Colvin Blvd., Buffalo, NY 14223, by the end of September. Please note that if you do not want the District to disclose directory information and notify the District of this decision, the District will not disclose any of the above listed directory information (directory information is not a list of choices for parents) which may preclude your child(ren) from being highlighted in District publications, identified in the yearbook or recognized for his/her accomplishments.

### Disclosure to Military Recruiters & Higher Education:

Parents of a secondary student (or the student, if he or she is at least 18 years of age) have the opportunity to submit a written request to opt out of disclosure of the student's name, address, and telephone listing to military recruiters and institutions of higher education (IHEs). If a written opt out request is submitted to the student's school, the District will not disclose the student's information to military recruiters or IHEs without the parent's (or student's, if he or she is at least 18 years of age) prior written consent.

### Survey, Analysis & Evaluation Administration:

The Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA) governs the administration to students of a survey, analysis, or evaluation that concerns one or more of the following protected areas:

- Political affiliations or beliefs of the student or the student's parent/guardian;
- Mental or psychological problems of the student or the student's family;
- Sex behavior or attitudes;
- Illegal, anti-social, self-incriminating, or demeaning behavior;
- Critical appraisals of other individuals with whom respondents have close family relationships;
- Legally recognized privileged or analogous relationships, such as those of lawyers, physicians, and ministers;
- Religious practices, affiliations, or beliefs of the student or student's parent/guardian; or
- Income (other than that required by law to determine eligibility for participation in a program or for receiving financial assistance under such program).

PPRA also concerns marketing surveys and other areas of student privacy, parental access to information, and the administration of certain physical examinations to minors.

You can access the District's Student Privacy, Parental Access to Information, and Administration of Certain Physical Examinations to Minors Policy (#7250) at [www.ktufsd.org/policies](http://www.ktufsd.org/policies).

Parents/guardians may provide written consent or opt their child out of participation in the following activities in accordance with law and the surveys conducted:

1. The administration of any survey containing one or more of the protected areas:
  - U.S. Department of Education-Funded Surveys: Prior written consent from parents is required before students can submit to the survey.
  - Surveys funded by sources other than U.S. Department of Education: Notification may indicate the specific or approximate dates during the school year when surveys will be administered and provide an opportunity for the parent to opt his or her child out of participating upon receipt of the notification.
2. Activities involving the collection, disclosure, or use of personal information collected from students for the purpose of marketing or for selling that information (or otherwise providing that information to others for that purpose).



JULY 2024

AUGUST 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				INDEPENDENCE DAY HOLIDAY <i>District offices closed</i>		
	1	2	3	4	5	6
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- Any non-emergency, invasive physical examination or screening that is required as a condition of attendance; administered by the school and scheduled by the school in advance; and not necessary to protect the immediate health and safety of the student, or of other students. The term "invasive physical examination" means any medical examination that involves the exposure of private body parts, or any act during such examination that includes incision, insertion, or injection into the body, but does not include a hearing, vision or scoliosis screening.

## Exclusion from Photographs, Interviews & Recordings:

At times, children in Kenmore-Town of Tonawanda Schools may be interviewed, photographed or recorded during the school day in order to recognize their academic, extracurricular, and athletic achievements; to report on the positive work taking place in our schools; to highlight special events, activities, and projects; for educational purposes; and to educate the community about the District and its schools. This includes:

- District e-newsletter
- Slideshows at student assemblies and ceremonies
- News releases to local newspapers such as the Ken-Ton Bee
- The District website and social media pages
- District publications such as the District Calendar

Also, representatives from outside media outlets such as newspapers and television stations occasionally desire to visit our schools during the school day to report on educational matters and highlight student accomplishments and distinctions. It is not unusual for students to be interviewed and for photographs or video of students to be featured for print and broadcast purposes.

To best protect students, you may choose to exclude your child from any of these communications by completing the "Exclusion from Student Photographs, Interviews and Recordings" form and returning the form to your school. Copies of this form are available at your child's school and at [www.ktufsd.org/photoform](http://www.ktufsd.org/photoform).

The "Exclusion from Student Photographs, Interviews and Recordings" form does not constitute written notification regarding the disclosure of directory

information as specified under FERPA, and this form does not include yearbooks. If you do not wish for your child to be included in yearbooks, please contact your child's school. Parents who notify the District regarding the disclosure of directory information as specified under FERPA will automatically be excluded from District communications. At any time, parents who choose to have their children excluded may change their preference either indefinitely or only for a specific purpose by contacting your child's school.

## Parent's Bill of Rights for Data Privacy and Security:

The Kenmore Town of Tonawanda Union Free School District is committed to protecting the privacy and security of student, teacher, and principal data. In accordance with Education Law § 2-d, the District wishes to inform the school community of the following:

- A student's personally identifiable information cannot be sold or released for any commercial purposes.
- Parents have the right to inspect and review the complete contents of their child's education record.
- State and federal laws protect the confidentiality of personally identifiable information, and safeguards associated with industry standards and best practices, including but not limited to, encryption, firewalls, and password protection, must be in place when data is stored or transferred.
- A complete list of all student data elements collected by the State will be available for public review both online and via regular mail from the State Education Department. The website and mailing addresses will be listed here when they are made available.
- Parents have the right to have addressed complaints about possible breaches of student data. N.Y. Education Law § 2-d (3)(b).

Please address any complaint to Assistant Superintendent for Finance Nicole Morasco at 716-874-8400 or via email [nmorasco@ktufsd.org](mailto:nmorasco@ktufsd.org). If you prefer to contact Assistant Superintendent Morasco using regular mail, please address your correspondence to:

Nicole Morasco  
Kenmore Town of Tonawanda U.F.S.D.  
1500 Colvin Boulevard  
Buffalo, NY 14223

## COMMUNITY INFORMATION

### Athletics

With a long history of athletic achievement, the Ken-Ton Athletics Department oversees nearly 50 varsity sports during the fall, winter, and spring seasons. Boys and girls can compete in a multitude of varsity, JV, and club teams at Kenmore East High School (home of the Bulldogs) and Kenmore West High School (home of the Blue Devils), as well as combined high school teams and modified sports. Ken-Ton teams and athletes routinely win many accolades and count themselves among the best in the Niagara Frontier League (NFL) and Section VI. Kenmore East and Kenmore West student-athletes routinely go on to compete at the collegiate level.

The Athletics Department operates state-of-the-art athletic fields and facilities at multiple locations across the district including Adams Field and Crosby Field, which both feature an artificial turf football/multi-use field, as well as artificial turf fields at Kenmore East and Kenmore West for baseball, softball, and soccer. Other recent investments include upgraded gymnasiums/pools at multiple schools and state-of-the-art fitness facilities at both high schools.

For more information on Ken-Ton sports and Athletic Department resources, visit [www.ktufsd.org/sports](http://www.ktufsd.org/sports).

### Community Education:

The Community Education Department provides exciting enrichment and recreational programs for the Ken-Ton community and Western New York. The Community Education program is one of the largest programs of its kind in the area and schedules a diverse selection of courses in the fall, winter, spring, and summer semesters. The department encourages residents to look for the comprehensive course catalogs which are published and mailed during the year. The catalogs are available on the website at all times. If you are interested in learning more about courses or teaching a class, please call the office at 716-874-8500. Website updates and department news are available at [www.ktufsd.org/communityeducation](http://www.ktufsd.org/communityeducation).

### Continuing Education:

The Adult Education Department offers High School Equivalency preparation (formerly GED), Adult Basic Education, and Pre-Collegiate programming for adults over the age of 17 wishing to increase their academic

proficiency. Classes take place during the morning, afternoon, and evening throughout the week at Kenmore Middle School. Distance Learning is available.

The department also offers U.S. Citizenship test preparation and English as a Second Language classes during the day and evening. These classes are designed for adults over the age of 17 wishing to expand their proficiency in the reading, writing, speaking, and listening of the English language. Enrollment is ongoing. For more information on program offerings, call 716-874-8437 or email [info\\_adult\\_education@ktufsd.org](mailto:info_adult_education@ktufsd.org). Department news and updates are available at [www.ktufsd.org/ACE](http://www.ktufsd.org/ACE).

### **Parent Organizations:**

The Ken-Ton School District is fortunate to have very active parent/teacher groups committed to building strong school/family partnerships, supporting parents at all grade levels, and enhancing the educational experiences of students. Each school has either a Parent/Teacher Association or a Home School Association. Your child's school can provide more information. Additionally, the following organizations are active at the District level:

- **Parent Cabinet:** The Parent Cabinet includes leaders/representatives of all parent/teacher organizations in the District. Parent Cabinet meets four times per year to discuss important topics and provide parent leaders with the opportunity to ask questions and share best practices among their peers. Parent Cabinet includes the President/Co-Presidents of each PTA and HSA as well as the District PTSA (Parent/Teacher/Student Association) Council and SEPTO (Special Education Parent/Teacher Organization). Each school may bring up to two representatives chosen by their organization.
- **Ken-Ton SEPTO:** The Ken-Ton SEPTO (Special Education Parent/Teacher Organization) is a network of parents, teachers, and students from every school in the Ken-Ton UFSD as well as students sent to out-of-district placement. Members have varying degrees of expertise and are available to offer support at any time in a parent's special education journey. SEPTO hosts regular support meetings, guest speakers, information sessions, and classes. All meetings are held at US itek/Inception Buffalo, 1016 Niagara Falls Blvd., Tonawanda, NY 14150 beginning at 6:30 p.m. Find them online at [www.ktsepto.org](http://www.ktsepto.org) and on Facebook ("Ken-Ton SEPTO").

### **Ken-Ton Family Support Center:**

The Family Support Center believes that, when parents

and schools work together, children are more successful at home, at school and in life. The Family Support Center is a place where counseling, support, and information are available for families. The center has an extensive resource library where books, pamphlets, or videos may be loaned for two weeks. The Family Support Center also has an emergency food cupboard for families in need.

Free and confidential services are available during the day and early evening. Services are provided at the Longfellow Building located at 255 Myron Ave., Kenmore, NY 14217.

To get help for your family, you may contact your child's school counselor, psychologist, social worker, or administrator, or you may contact the Family Support Center directly at 716-874-8510.

### **Wellness Policy:**

The Kenmore-Town of Tonawanda School District is committed to providing a school environment that promotes and protects children's health, well-being, and the ability to learn by fostering healthy eating habits and physical activity. The District has established a Wellness Committee to develop a local wellness policy and make recommendations for review and adoption by the Board of Education. The Kenmore-Town of Tonawanda School District Wellness Committee includes, but is not limited to, representatives from the following groups:

- Parents
- District Food Service
- School Board
- School Administrators
- Physical Education Teachers
- Health Education Teachers
- Family and Consumer Science Teachers
- School Nurses
- Mental Health Professionals

The District will provide nutrition education and promote wellness to facilitate healthy eating habits and nutrition-related behaviors. Visit our wellness page at [www.ktufsd.org/wellness](http://www.ktufsd.org/wellness) for more information on the District's wellness policy.

## **REQUIREMENTS & SERVICES INFORMATION**

### **Physical Examination & Immunization Requirements:**

Students must provide evidence of a current

physical examination (done within previous 12 months) and immunizations required by New York State. School immunization rules and regulations are governed by the New York State Department of Health, which publishes comprehensive information for families and health care providers on the immunization requirements for students. For a chart that shows the New York State Immunization Requirements for School Entrance/Attendance for the 2023-24 School Year, and for comprehensive information on New York State immunization requirements, please visit the Ken-Ton School District Health Services website or go to [www.ktufsd.org/immunization](http://www.ktufsd.org/immunization).

### **Students in Temporary Housing:**

The District recognizes the unique challenges that face students in temporary housing (i.e., homeless children and youth) and will provide these students with access to the same free and appropriate public education, including public preschool education, as other students, as well as access to educational and other services necessary to be successful in school. The District will ensure that these students are not separated from the mainstream school environment. The District is also committed to eliminating barriers to the identification, enrollment, attendance, and success of students in temporary housing.

The District's McKinney-Vento liaison serves as one of the primary contacts between families experiencing homelessness and school staff, district personnel, shelter workers, and other service providers. The McKinney-Vento liaison coordinates services to ensure that homeless children and youth enroll in school and have the opportunity to succeed. For more information, contact Teresa Crawford at [tcrawford@ktufsd.org](mailto:tcrawford@ktufsd.org).

### **Parent/Guardian Contact Information:**

Parent/guardian and emergency contact information is provided/updated when the student enters school in September. Address should include street name and number. Post office addresses are not acceptable in case of an emergency. If there are changes during the year in address, telephone number, place of business, parent substitute, etc., it is vitally important that the school office be notified. An emergency contact is someone (with transportation) the school can call in case of an emergency when the parents cannot be reached. For information on how to update your contact information through Parent Portal, visit [www.ktufsd.org/ParentPortal](http://www.ktufsd.org/ParentPortal).





# Student & Family Information (cont.)

## Parent Portal:

You can access your child's report cards and track their academic progress through the Infinite Campus Parent Portal, which you can access on a computer, tablet, or smartphone. You can find the link to the Infinite Campus Parent Portal at [www.ktufsd.org/ParentPortal](http://www.ktufsd.org/ParentPortal).

On this page, you will also find instructions on how to access the Portal app on a mobile device, how to update your household/contact information, how to find your child's report card, how to request an activation key, and more. If you do not have a Campus Parent Portal account, please email [ICportal@ktufsd.org](mailto:ICportal@ktufsd.org).

## Emergency Closing of School:

If the school system is to be closed because of inclement weather or some other emergency, a bulletin will be broadcast over local radio and TV stations. Notification will also be posted on the district homepage at [www.ktufsd.org](http://www.ktufsd.org), social media pages, and sent to parents via text, email, voice, and Parent Portal message.

When school is closed, all related after-school activities and/or appointments at the Family Support Center will be canceled. It is imperative that the school has current contact and emergency information on file; also, that your child is aware of the emergency plans you have made.

## Emergency Release of Students:

In cases of emergency, a student may be released upon the request of a responsible adult providing the school is able to authenticate the request.

## Department of Special Education:

The goal of the Department of Special Education is to ensure educational equity and excellence of instruction for students with disabilities. By working collaboratively with schools, students, parents and other stakeholders, every student with a disability has an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) that is designed and based on the best practices in special education.

A student's academic, social, emotional, physical and management needs are supported through a variety of special education services. When determining appropriate services, the Committee on Special Education must consider how a child's unique needs can be met in the least restrictive environment (LRE).

To ensure an appropriate education the district offers a range of services that allow many students to remain in

their home school. Specialized programs can be found in several of our schools and depending on the needs of the child, the district may seek options outside of the district. To contact the special education office, call 716-874-8400.

## State-Mandated Screening/Appraisal Program:

Parents are notified in cases of apparent deviations from the normal screenings. Health Services staff members will interpret hearing and vision tests to parents upon request. The following are required by New York State:

- 1. Vision Screening** (Provided by School):
  - Distance Acuity: Pre-K or K, 1, 3, 5, 7, 11, New Entrants
  - Near Vision: Pre-K or K, 1, 3, 5, 7, 11, New Entrants
- 2. Hearing Screening** (Provided by School):
  - Pre-K or K, 1, 3, 5, 7, 11, New Entrants and any other time deemed necessary
- 3. Scoliosis Screening** (Provided by School):
  - Boys: Grade 9
  - Girls: Grades 5, 7
- 4. Physical Exam & Dental Certificates** (Provided by Private Healthcare Provider or District Nurse Practitioner):
  - Preceding initial entrance into school; Pre-K or K, 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11 and any time deemed necessary and as required by regulations
- 5. Athletic Physicals for Sports Participation at All Levels** (Provided by Private Healthcare Provider or District Nurse Practitioner):
  - Annually preceding participation (includes tryouts)

## Medication:

Numerous requests are received for school personnel to administer or supervise the taking of medication during the school day. State law forbids school personnel from this practice unless it is at the written direction of the child's attending physician and by written request of the parent, with the approval of the district's Medical Director. Requests not in conformance with the above procedure must be denied. Parents are urged to limit their requests to dosage essential during school hours. Rescue medications (e.g. inhalers, EpiPens) required for school are also required for field trips. Consult with a school nurse regarding any other health concerns. Medication must be brought to school by a designated adult in the original bottle, properly labeled, accompanied by a

written order from the family health care provider.

## First Aid:

Staff may provide first aid (initial care) only. This does not include diagnosis/treatment. If a student is to be sent home, it is the responsibility of the parent to pick up the child.

## Accidents:

You will be notified in the event of a serious accident or sudden illness. If you are not at home, the emergency contact listed on your child's registration information will be called. If the school is unable to make a contact, an ambulance will be called to take the student to the hospital upon the advice of the Paramedic Unit of the Town of Tonawanda. It is imperative that you provide current contact numbers to your child's school so you can be contacted immediately in the event of an emergency.

## EXPECTATIONS, RIGHTS & RESPONSIBILITIES

### Code of Conduct:

The Code of Conduct was originally developed in 1986 to implement the newly updated Part 100 of the Commissioner's Regulations. In accordance with those regulations there have been annual reviews and substantial revisions in the District's School Conduct and Discipline Policy. The Safe Schools against Violence in Education Act (Project SAVE) was signed into the New York State Law on July 24, 2000. The Code of Conduct is one part of the components of Project SAVE.

The Board of Education is committed to providing a safe and inclusive school environment where students may receive and district personnel may deliver quality educational services without disruption or interference. Responsible behavior by students, teachers, other district personnel, parents, guardians, and other visitors is essential to achieving this goal.

Our District commits to:

- Dedication to a safe school community.
- Reduce misbehavior, violence, and bullying.
- Increase student participation in school.
- Support and foster positive relationships with students, staff, parents, guardians, and the community.

- Repair harm caused by misbehavior within the school community.
- Reintegrate students into a positive learning environment.
- Embrace a culturally responsive education in the school community.

In our school community it is believed that everyone will:

- Have an opportunity to be heard.
- Understand the greater impact of one's actions.
- Learn to take responsibility.
- Repair the harm one's actions may have caused.
- Recognize one's role in maintaining a safe school environment.
- Build upon and expand on personal relationships in the school community.
- Recognize one's role as a positive contributing member of the school community.

Each of our Ken-Ton schools will have:

- A safer, more caring environment.
- A more effective teaching and learning environment.
- A greater commitment by everyone to taking the time to listen to one another.
- A reduction in bullying and other interpersonal conflicts.
- A greater awareness of the importance of connectedness to young people. The need to belong and feel valued by peers and adults.
- Greater emphasis on responses to inappropriate behavior that seek to reconnect, and not further disconnect young people.
- Reductions in fixed term and permanent suspensions and expulsions.
- A greater confidence in the staff team to deal with challenging situations.

The District Code of Conduct includes the rights and responsibilities of students, which focuses on positive student behavior. It establishes a discipline code for student behavior setting forth prohibited student conduct and the range of penalties which may be imposed for violation of such code, which shall be publicized and explained to all students and made available to all parents on an annual basis. Such code shall describe the roles of teachers, administrators, Board of Education

members, and parents. The policy also includes important information pertaining to searches, corporal punishment, visitors to schools, and involvement of law enforcement.

You can access the Code of Conduct in its entirety at [www.ktufsd.org/conduct](http://www.ktufsd.org/conduct). Copies are available for review by students, parents and other community members, upon request.

#### **Discipline of Students With Disabilities:**

The Board of Education recognizes that it may be necessary to suspend, remove or otherwise discipline students with disabilities to address disruptive or problem behavior. The Board of Education also recognizes that under certain circumstances, students with disabilities may have certain procedural protections when school authorities intend to impose discipline upon them.

The Board of Education is committed to ensuring that the procedures followed for suspending, removing or otherwise disciplining students with disabilities are consistent with the procedural safeguards required by applicable laws and regulations. The Board of Education expects that this will be a sparingly used option and staff will employ conflict resolution meetings, restoration to those harmed, and group, classroom, or community circles as appropriate for a particular student.

Restorative practices will be the considered first option in dealing with most disciplinary issues, as long as the student with disabilities is able to meaningfully participate in the process and such practices are allowable under their IEP. Please refer to the Code of Conduct (Page 28) for additional information.

#### **Reporting Violations:**

All students are expected to promptly report a violation of the Code of conduct, or a reasonable suspicion of a violation of this Code of conduct, to a teacher, counselor, the building principal or his or her designee. Any student observing a student possessing a weapon, alcohol or illegal substance on school property or at a school function or observed to be under the influence of alcohol or an illegal substance shall report this information immediately to a teacher, the building principal, the principal's designee or the superintendent.

District staff who are not authorized to impose disciplinary sanctions are expected to promptly report violations of the Code of conduct to their supervisor, who shall in turn impose an appropriate disciplinary sanction, if so authorized, or refer the matter to a staff member

who is authorized to impose an appropriate sanction.

#### **Dignity for All Students:**

The District seeks to create a safe environment free of harassment, bullying, and discrimination; to foster civility in its schools; and to prevent conduct that is inconsistent with its educational mission. The District, therefore, prohibits all forms of harassment and bullying of students by employees or other students on school property and at school functions. The District further prohibits discrimination against students, including, but not limited to, discriminatory acts based on a person's actual or perceived race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practice, disability, sexual orientation, gender, or sex by school employees or other students on school property and at school functions that take place at locations off school property. In addition, other acts of harassment, bullying, or discrimination that can reasonably be expected to materially and substantially disrupt the education process may be subject to discipline or other corrective action.

In each school, the District maintains at least one Board-appointed Dignity Act Coordinator (DAC) who is trained in dealing with human-relations situations with respect to the areas of race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practice, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, and sex. The DACs will oversee programs designed to raise the sensitivity of students and staff to these human relations situations in their respective locations and will play an active role in prevention, intervention, and follow up to incidents of harassment or discrimination.

For more information, and to find contact information for the Dignity Act Coordinators, visit [www.ktufsd.org/DASA](http://www.ktufsd.org/DASA).

#### **Student Appearance Code:**

Students, parents and guardians have the primary responsibility for understanding and upholding acceptable standards for student dress and appearance, and therefore, will give proper attention to personal cleanliness and appropriate dress for school and all school-related activities. Teachers, administrators, and other District personnel will exemplify and reinforce acceptable dress standards and assist students in developing an understanding of the standards for appropriate appearance as stated in the Student Dress Code.

The following standards support a safe and positive learning environment, while minimizing distractions in the school setting. Established by a representative committee of students, parents, guardians, teachers, support staff, and administrators, they apply to all Kenmore-Tonawanda UFSD



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students independent of age, grade level, or location.

- Any article that covers a student's head and prevents visibility of the student's face, including but not limited to, hoods and ski masks (excluding religious attire) is prohibited.
- Any article depicting language, images, or themes that denigrate others on account of race, color, weight, religion, religious practice, ethnic group, national origin, gender/gender identity, sex, sexual orientation, or disability is prohibited.
- Any article that advertises, displays, or represents themes/symbols related to violence; alcohol or drugs; illegal activities; or drug and alcohol use or abuse, gang related activities, or that are suggestive (of a sexual nature) are prohibited.
- Controversial symbols or messages that can be reasonably forecast to cause disruption in the school environment and/or to the school's operation or that are lewd, vulgar or indecent are prohibited.
- Any article that poses (or may pose) a threat to the health, safety, and wellbeing of others (including but not limited to decorative chains, wallet chains, studded bracelets, belts, and/or jewelry) is prohibited.
- Any article of clothing or device that interferes with the integrity of an exam or test is prohibited
- See-through and strapless garments are not to be worn. Modest tanks are appropriate as long as the chest and back areas are covered from the top of the armpit down. Midriffs are to be covered. Exposure of skin between the bottom of the shirt and the top of pants is prohibited.
- Pants, shorts and skirts are expected to be worn at waist level as they are designed, so that undergarments are completely covered.
- Pants, shorts, and skirts will be of a modest length. Ripped or cut-up pants that reveal undergarments or show skin in an area between the upper chest and mid-thigh are prohibited.
- Appropriate soled footwear that does not pose a safety hazard are required to be worn at all times; slippers are prohibited.
- Outdoor attire (including but not limited to coats, jackets, parkas, gloves, and scarves) will remain in a student's locker during the school day at all times.
- For students in grades K-7, backpacks and gym bags will remain in a student's locker during the school day.

- The use of backpacks in grades 8-12 require the consideration of the District's ability for search and seizure (Page 39 of the Code of Conduct) as well as the health and safety of our students. For example, aisles in classrooms are required to remain clear of backpacks.

Nothing in this policy will be construed to limit the ability of students to wear clothing that allows them to express their gender identity, or to discipline students for doing so.

Students in violation of the Student Dress Code, at the discretion of school officials, will be required to cover, remove, or modify any inappropriate article, and if necessary or practical, replace it with an acceptable article. The determination as to whether or not a student is in violation of any portion of this Code will be at the sole discretion of building administration. Refusal to comply with the requests of school officials, and/or repeated Student Dress Code violations may result in disciplinary action, up to and including out-of-school suspension.

## Electronic Communication Device Code:

Students are only permitted to display, use or have powered on any personal technology equipment (i.e., mobile/cellular telephone, iPod, camera, video camera, laptop, tablet, iPad, Smartwatch, etc.) or any other types of telecommunications, multimedia or imaging device during regular school hours when in connection with a class assignment or specifically authorized by a school official. While students are permitted to possess such devices and their associated accessories (i.e. headphones, earbuds) in a non-operational mode during the school day, they are prohibited from using them in any manner that interferes with, or is disruptive of, the educational process or invades the privacy of, or compromises the safety of students, employees, volunteers, or visitors. Students are not permitted to use any form of information technology, including their own personal electronic devices, to intimidate, harass or threaten others. This type of harassment is generally referred to as cyberbullying. If a student violates this prohibition, then the student is subject to discipline under this provision and/or any other provision in the District's Code of Conduct that may be applicable to the circumstances involved. Violation of this prohibition will result in temporary confiscation and/or possible inspection of the device or other disciplinary action as outlined in the

Student Conduct Code.

The taking, disseminating, transferring, or sharing of obscene, pornographic, lewd, or otherwise illegal images or photographs, whether by electronic data transfer (wireless communication devices) or otherwise (commonly called texting, sexting, emailing, etc.) may constitute a CRIME under State and/or Federal law. Any person taking, disseminating, transferring, or sharing obscene, pornographic, lewd, or otherwise illegal images or photographs will be subject to the disciplinary procedures of the school district and reported to law enforcement and/or other appropriate state and federal agencies, which may result in arrest, criminal prosecution, and LIFETIME inclusion on sexual offender registries.

Police, Law/Enforcement Officials of a Government Agency, School Safety/Security and School Administrative Staff have authorization to possess and operate communication equipment for the conduct of appropriate business.

Teachers and all other BOE personnel are expected to exemplify and reinforce acceptable student dress and behavior (including possession/use of electronic devices) and help students develop an understanding of appropriate appearance and conduct in the school setting.

## Zero Tolerance Policy:

The Board of Education endorses a "Zero Tolerance Policy" regarding the use of illegal substances of any kind by our students. See the District's School Conduct and Discipline Policy for the text of the "Zero Tolerance Policy."

Smoking: Smoking or use of vaping products shall not be permitted and no person shall smoke within one hundred (100) feet of the entrance, exits or outdoor areas of any public or private elementary or secondary schools. However, this shall not apply to smoking in a residence, or within the real property boundary lines of such residential real property.

Non-Medical Use of Prescription Drugs: Non-medical use of prescription drugs is prohibited. When a student is found in possession of any such substance, he/she shall be dealt with in accordance with the Code of Conduct.

Disciplinary Measures: Disciplinary measures for students consuming, sharing and/or selling, using and/or possessing alcoholic beverages, tobacco products, illegal drugs, counterfeit and designer drugs, or paraphernalia for the use of such drugs shall be outlined in the District's Code of Conduct.



### Notice of Non-Discrimination:

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## ATTENDANCE POLICY

The Ken-Ton School District recognizes attendance as a critical factor for student success in school. Regular attendance in the early years of a child's school experience will help students develop life-long habits of promptness and good attendance in all activities. Parents are encouraged to share responsibility for the development of good habits in their children. You can access the School and Class Attendance Policy (#7110) at [www.ktufsd.org/policies](http://www.ktufsd.org/policies).

### Classification of Absences:

Each student absence, tardiness, and early departure from scheduled instruction will be classified and recorded as "excused" or "unexcused" based on the reason for the absence.

Excused absences may be for the following reasons:

- Personal illness or hospitalization
- Medical or dental appointment that cannot be scheduled outside school hours
- Death in the family
- Religious observance
- Legal obligation (e.g., required to be in court)
- Authorized school activity (e.g., field trip, music lesson, etc.)
- College visits

- Other reasons as may be approved by the principal and are consistent with the intent of the policy

Absences for any reason other than those listed above are unexcused. Such absences include, but are not limited to:

- Family vacation
- Oversleeping
- Babysitting
- Car trouble
- Take your child to work day
- Truancy/class cut
- Other

A written excuse explaining the reason for absence should be submitted within three days of the day on which a student returns to school. If an excuse is not provided, the absence is recorded as unexcused. Students have the right and responsibility to make up all missed school work within a reasonable time for all excused absences. In cases of unexcused absences, missed work may be made up only at teacher's discretion.

### Tardiness:

Parents, teachers, social workers, counselors, and administrators share responsibility for assisting students in establishing habits of promptness. Students are expected to be in the homeroom and classes on time. Failure to do so will result in disciplinary action. Tardiness to school will be recorded as excused or unexcused. Failure to be on time will result in parent notification. Continued tardiness will result in a referral to the district attendance counselor or other proper authority.

### Persistent Absence or Tardiness:

If absence or tardiness persists after the school has tried to assist the parent and child in dealing with a serious attendance problem, the following action may be taken:

- Referral to TIPS (Truancy Intervention Program)
- Referral to Child Protective Services for educational neglect
- Referral to PINS Diversion Unit of Family Court

## CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAM

The Food Service Program offers many learning

opportunities and is part of the total education program for Kenmore-Town of Tonawanda schools. The goals of the program are:

- To serve wholesome lunches that provide  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the daily nutritional requirements as required by federal government regulations.
- To improve child nutrition necessary for physical and mental health.
- To establish good eating habits and the acceptance of a variety of foods during the formative years.
- To provide lunches without identification or discrimination to children not able to pay through the Federal Free and Reduced Program.

### Meal Prices

With every school now designated through the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) Program, breakfast and lunch will be free for all students in all 10 Kenmore-Town of Tonawanda UFSD school buildings beginning with the 2023-24 school year. No action is needed by families in order to qualify.

À la carte milk is 75¢ per half-pint. In addition to the balanced lunch, all students may also interchange entrée items from the Deli Bar or Fast Food line at no extra cost.

À la carte items are available (any part of the balanced meal including milk and fruit, ice cream, homemade cookies, chips etc.). Not all snack items are available in every building. Students must pay for à la carte items at time of purchase. Charging for à la carte items is not allowed.

### Income Worksheets:

Even though breakfast and lunch are automatically free for all students, it is extremely important for families to return their income worksheets to ensure continued funding to support all students in our district. These worksheets will be sent home the first day of school in September. Complete and return the form to the school your child/children attend. If help is needed to complete the application, please call 716-874-8400 ext. 20404 for assistance. Only one worksheet per household is needed.

### Breakfast Program:

Breakfast is offered to all students in every Kenmore-Town of Tonawanda school. All students are encouraged to participate. Studies have shown that a hungry child can't learn. The morning offering must meet these federal requirements (Offer vs. Serve applies):



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- one serving of fluid milk and
- one serving of vegetable/fruit or full strength juice and
- two servings of either cereal/bread alternate or meat/protein alternate, or one serving each of cereal/bread alternate and meat/protein alternate.

Our Child Nutrition team strives to please, but if there are problems, please call Kim A. Roll, Food Service Director, at 716-874-8400 ext. 20331.

## Charged Meal Policy for Students:

Please visit the Kenmore-Town of Tonawanda Union Free School District Food Service website at [www.ktufsd.org/foodservice](http://www.ktufsd.org/foodservice) for the Charged Meal Policy.

## Pre-Payments (can be made for snacks and ala carte items):

You may send cash or a check in with your child to school to be applied to their account. Please make checks payable to Ken-Ton Food Service. All payments are applied automatically to each account.

Go to [www.MySchoolBucks.com](http://www.MySchoolBucks.com) to make an online payment. When at this site, choose the “make online payment” option. Here, you can register your child/children with Nutrikids.

Upon completing the registration process, you will be able to make payments and view transactions on each account you have registered. A convenience fee of \$2.95 is applied for each payment made online.

## TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

At the elementary level (Grades K-4), students who live 0.50 miles or more from their school will be eligible for transportation. At the middle school level (Grades 5-7), students who live 0.75 miles or more from their school will be eligible for transportation. At the high school level (Grades 8-12), students who live 1.0 miles or more from their school will be eligible for transportation.

All students may at one time or another ride a school bus either for their regular transportation to and from school, or for a field trip, athletic trip, or academic shuttle. Therefore, all students must learn about and practice safety procedures.

Transportation information will be uploaded to

the Infinite Campus Parent Portal or mailed home shortly before the beginning of the school year. The information will list your child's morning and afternoon bus route number, pick-up time/location, and drop-off time/location. Please note that the times may change throughout the school year; the transportation department will notify you of any changes of more than 5 minutes. Please make sure you are at the bus stop 5 minutes prior to the pick-up time.

Any changes (address or school) should be reported to the Central Registration Department as soon as possible. Once the Central Registration Department verifies all of the changed information, it will be forwarded to the Transportation Department. After changes are made, the Transportation Department will call your home if your child qualifies for transportation services with the new bus route information. Until that time, you will need to arrange for your child to get back and forth to school. If you wait until the first week of school, which is a very busy time for the Transportation Department, or the day before you need the transportation, you will experience a delay because notification to the bus drivers and routing changes must be completed before your child can ride. Only students who qualify for transportation services based on distance may ride the school bus. It is very important that you keep the school and Transportation informed of any changes in phone number and provide an alternate contact should you not be available in case of an emergency.

District policy provides for corner stops. House stops are not allowed unless they have been determined necessary by the Medical Director for medical reasons. If your child is the only one at the stop and has not taken the bus for 5 days, the service will be discontinued until you call to resume.

## When Schools Are Closed:

When the Kenmore-Town of Tonawanda UFSD is closed, Ken-Ton buses will not operate for any students. This includes students who attend school in another district that remains open. When the Kenmore-Town of Tonawanda UFSD is open but other districts are closed, district buses will not travel into closed districts to transport students.

## School Bus Behavior:

The school bus ride is an extension of the school day.

Students must behave appropriately as passengers on the school bus. Riding the school bus is a privilege, not a right, and proper behavior will guarantee the continuation of this privilege. Misbehavior, on the other hand, may result in suspension of bus privileges. Students are expected to follow these rules:

- Observe the same conduct as in the classroom.
- The bus driver has the authority to assign seats.
- Keep the bus clean.
- Cooperate with the bus driver.
- Face front at all times.
- Treat others the way you want to be treated.

What's not allowed on the bus:

- Smoking, including e-cigarettes
- Bullying
- Fighting or name calling
- Eating
- Using profanity or being disrespectful
- Standing while the bus is in motion
- Horse playing or moving seats
- Picture or video taking
- Throwing objects/paper

## Disciplinary Procedures:

Any action that affects the safe operation of the vehicle or endangers others will be dealt with immediately, according to the provisions of the Uniform Transportation Discipline Code.

## Safety Drills and Instruction:

Provisions are made to ensure that riders receive the following:

- Practice and instruction in the location, use, and operation of emergency doors, fire extinguishers, first aid equipment, and windows as a means of escape in case of fire or accident.
- Instruction in safe boarding and exiting procedures with specific emphasis on when and how to approach, board, disembark, and move away from the bus after disembarking.

- Instruction in the orderly conduct by all school bus passengers with specific emphasis given to student discipline rules and regulations promulgated by the Board of Education.
- On-board emergency drills. All riders will participate in emergency drills upon arrival in the morning at the school. These may be staggered over a few days at the particular school so that staff coverage can be provided.

#### What's Allowed/Not Allowed on the Bus:

The Board of Education, in coordination with the New York State Department of Transportation Regulations, Section 721.22, will limit the carrying of items on school buses to those that can be carried in the hands or on the lap of the student, or secured under the seats so as not to interfere with the safety or comfort of passengers.

Acceptable items include books, small backpacks, small book bags, and lunch boxes. Not allowed on the school bus: Pets, glass containers, large projects, large boxes, skateboards, suitcases, umbrellas with sharp points, golf clubs, lacrosse sticks, hockey equipment, and baseball bats.

The following musical instruments may not be transported: Baritone Sax, String Base, Cello, French Horn, Guitar, Drums, Tenor Sax, Tuba, Keyboards; instrument cases of questionable size for a student to hold on their lap are: Bassoons, Trombones, Baritone Horns, and Bass Clarinets.

#### Safety Rules:

Please discuss with your child the following rules:

- Walk on the sidewalk where possible.
- Cross the streets carefully.
- Cross where there is a crossing guard whenever possible.
- Do not play in or near the school parking lot.
- Do not play on the playground equipment on the way to or from school.
- Never throw objects of any kind, including snowballs.
- Go directly home after school.
- Never stop and talk to strangers.
- Practice bicycle safety.

#### Student Drop-Off Information:

Parents who drive children to school are asked to please refrain from dropping them off in the bus loading zones or parking lots. Parents may check with their child's school for specific instructions about student drop-off.

## OTHER PARENT/GUARDIAN NOTICES

#### Asbestos Management Plan Notice:

In compliance with the requirements of the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Act of 1987 (AHERA), you are hereby notified that the Management Plan and supportive data prepared in accordance with the requirement of said law are on file in the Buildings and Grounds Office, 1494 Colvin Blvd., Buffalo, NY 14223. The phone number is 716-874-8400.

The Management Plan is available for inspection during normal business hours upon request to the Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds. The Kenmore-Town of Tonawanda Union Free School District will perform a periodic surveillance twice a year. These surveillances will be performed by Buildings and Grounds personnel.

#### Pesticide Application Notice:

Integrated Pest Management (IPM) is a systematic approach to managing pests focusing on long-term prevention or suppression with minimal impact on human health, the environment and non-target organisms. Our strategies for managing pest populations, should they develop, will be based upon the pest species and whether that species poses a threat to our students, staff, property or the environment.

In the event that we have to apply a pesticide, and if you desire, we will place your name on a list of individuals who wish to receive 48-hour prior notification. Contact the Buildings and Grounds Office at 1494 Colvin Blvd., Buffalo, NY 14223 or 716-874-8400 to have your name placed on this list or for more information on the IPM program.

Additional information may be obtained by calling the National Pesticide Telecommunications Network information phone number 1-800-858-7378 or the New York State Department of Health Center for Environmental Health information line at 1-800-458-1158.

#### APPR Notice:

In accordance with New York Education Law Section 3012-d, school districts are required to fully disclose and release to the parents and legal guardians of a student the final quality rating and composite effectiveness score for each of the teachers and for the principal of the school building to which the student is assigned for the current school year upon the request of such parents and legal guardians.

Parents and legal guardians may review and receive such data in any manner, including by phone or in person;

shall receive an oral or written explanation of the composite effectiveness scoring ranges for final quality ratings; and be offered opportunities to understand such scores in the context of teacher evaluation and student performance. To submit such a request, please contact your child's school.

#### Promotion & Placement:

The Kenmore-Town of Tonawanda Union Free School District will comply with all state and federal laws and regulations regarding student evaluation, promotion, and placement. Grade promotion and the placement of students within the District's instructional system will be at the discretion of the school administration and will be subject to review and change at any time.

In making and reviewing placement decisions, the building administration will be guided by performance in class; past records, including various measures of student growth; parent and teacher recommendations; and any other appropriate sources of information.

Final decisions will rest with the building administration. You can access the Student Evaluation, Promotion and Placement Policy (#7210) at [www.ktufsd.org/policies](http://www.ktufsd.org/policies).

#### Child Abuse & Maltreatment Reporting:

New York Education Law and New York State Education Department regulations require schools and districts to provide parents with the New York State Office of Child and Family Services (OCFS) toll-free number to report child abuse or maltreatment and information on accessing the OCFS website.

The following information is required to be provided in both English and Spanish.

**English:** Do You Suspect Abuse or Maltreatment? Report it Now! Call the Statewide Toll Free Telephone Number: 1-800-342-3720. If you are deaf or hard of hearing, call TDD/TTY at 1-800-638-5163 or have your Video Relay System provider call 1-800-342-3720. If you believe that a child is in immediate danger, call 911 or your local police department. The New York State Office of Children and Family Services website may be accessed here: <http://ocfs.ny.gov/main/>

**Spanish:** ¿Sospecha abuso o maltrato de menores? ¡Repórtelo de inmediato! Llame al número de teléfono gratuito del Estado de Nueva York: 1-800-342-3720 (TDD/TTY: 1-800-638-5163). Si considera que un niño(a) está en peligro inmediato, llame al 911 o al departamento de la policía de su localidad. Se puede acceder a la Oficina de Servicios para Niños y Familias a: <http://ocfs.ny.gov/main/>





# School & Office Directory

## ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

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**Sabatino Cimato**, Superintendent: Ext. 20342

**Matthew Bystrak**, Assistant Superintendent, Student Services:  
Ext. 20175

**Nicole Morasco**, Assistant Superintendent, Finance: Ext. 20308

**Jeffery Richards**, Assistant Superintendent, Human  
Resources: Ext. 20414

**Kelly White**, Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum, Leadership  
& Instruction: Ext. 20333

**Michael Muscarella**, Executive Director, Elementary Ed: Ext.  
20376

**Lisa Cross**, Executive Director, Secondary Ed: Ext. 20339

**Ashley Digati**, Executive Director, Elementary Special Ed: Ext.  
20408

**Christine Barth**, Executive Director, Secondary Special Ed: Ext.  
20362

**Patrick Fanelli**, Director, Communications: Ext. 20699

**Dina Ferraraccio**, Director, School Culture: Ext. 20450

**Kim Roll**, Director, Food Service: Ext. 20331

**Frank Spagnolo**, Director, Data & Research: Ext. 20330

## BUILDINGS & GROUNDS DEPARTMENT

1494 Colvin Boulevard, Buffalo, NY 14223, 716-874-8475

**Tim Ames**, Director, Facilities

## TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

1680 Military Road, Kenmore NY 14217-1128, 716-874-8611

**Michael Klemann**, Director, Transportation

## HEALTH, PE, RECREATION & ATHLETICS OFFICE

155 Delaware Road, Buffalo, NY 14217, 716-874-8403 ext. 32730

**TBA**, Director, Health, PE, Recreation & Athletics

## ADULT & COMMUNITY EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

155 Delaware Road, Buffalo, NY 14217, 716-874-8403 ext. 32730

**Liza Acanfora**, Director, Adult & Community Education

## LONGFELLOW BUILDING

255 Myron Road, Buffalo, NY 14217-2440

**Family Support Center** (Kari Schultz, Family Support Center  
Director): 716-874-8510

**Homeless Intervention Program**: 716-874-8510

## KENMORE TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

205 Yorkshire Road, Tonawanda, NY 14150, 716-837-3710

## KENMORE-TONAWANDA SCHOOL EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION

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199 Thornciff Road, Buffalo NY 14223-1241

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249 Thornciff Road, Buffalo NY 14223-1277

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350 Fries Road, Tonawanda NY 14150-8899

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## Non-Public Schools

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39 O'Hara Road, Tonawanda NY 14150

Fax: 692-8697

Principal: Joleen Dimitroff

**Mount St. Mary Academy** .....877-1358

3756 Delaware Avenue, Buffalo NY 14217

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Katherine Spillman, Principal

**St. Amelia School** .....836-2230

2999 Eggert Road, Tonawanda NY 14150

Fax: 832-9700

Kathryn McIntyre, Principal

**St. Andrew's Country Day School** .....877-0422

1545 Sheridan Drive, Buffalo NY 14217

Fax: 877-3973

Pamela Giannantonio, Principal

**St. John the Baptist School** .....877-6401

1085 Englewood Avenue, Buffalo NY 14223

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Jenny Bainbridge, Principal

**St. Joseph's Collegiate Institute** .....874-4024

845 Kenmore Avenue, Buffalo NY 14223

Fax: 874-4956

James Spillman, Principal

**Charter School for Applied Technologies** .....876-7505

2303 Kenmore Avenue, Buffalo NY 14207

Fax: 876-9758

Nurse: 447-0932

Superintendent: Andrew Lyle

Brett Lutterbein, High School Principal

Patrick Hayden, Middle School Principal

Sue Jurewicz, Elementary School Principal



# District Map

## Key:

■ Public School Facility

△ Non-Public School



## Public School Facilities:

- 1 Administration Building
- 2 Edison Elementary
- 3 Franklin Elementary
- 4 Franklin Middle School
- 5 Holmes Elementary
- 6 Hoover Elementary
- 7 Hoover Middle School
- 8 Kenmore East High School
- 9 Kenmore Junior/Senior High School
- 10 Kenmore West High School
- 11 Lindbergh Elementary
- 12 Longfellow Building  
(Family Support Center)
- 13 Hamilton Elementary
- 14 Transportation Building

## Non-Public Schools:

- A Cardinal O'Hara High School
- B Mount St. Mary Academy
- C St. Amelia School
- D St. Andrew's Country Day  
School
- E St. John the Baptist
- F St. Joseph Collegiate Institute
- G Charter School for Applied  
Technology





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