Hello Kenny Families,

This Friday is the Fit and Fun Walk! It is an amazing way of having a healthy fundraiser for the Kenny Parent Foundation (KPF). Last year the Kenny Parent Foundation (KPF) made $40,000 doing this event. This year, they have set a goal of $45,000 for what should be the school’s biggest fundraiser of the year. This morning we are already at $24,000 in pledges. 7% percent of the students have registered online. If we meet our goal, the children will be deciding how I will reward them. Last year, I worked from the roof in a kangaroo outfit. In past years, they had me dress up as a gorilla, kiss a live pig and dress up as a hot dog on hot dog day. The things we do for children! We hope you can join us.

Conferences will take place over the next two weeks. This is a valuable time for a family to meet with teachers. At this point, you should have received a reservation request from your child’s teacher. At the conference, parents will receive information regarding the achievement level of their child in reading and math, and be involved in setting goals for math, reading, science, and social skills. Your time with the classroom teachers will be very informative. We are very excited this year to set measurable goals with you for your children. We will provide you with updates as the year progresses and share the results with you this spring.

If you need transportation to conferences, please contact our Community Resource Liaison, Susie Friederich at susan.friederich@mpls.k12.mn.us or (612) 668-3365. Our partnership with you has a significant impact on student achievement. Working together we will ensure that every student at Kenny makes a year’s growth or more.

Thanks for all you do to make Kenny the amazing community school it is.

Bill Gibbs, Principal

NO SCHOOL on Wednesday, October 16—Friday, October 18 due to fall conferences

**Dates to Remember**

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**Contact Kenny School:**

5720 Emerson Avenue S, Minneapolis, MN 55419
Bill Gibbs, Principal William.Gibbs@mpls.k12.mn.us
Main Office: 612-668-3340    Fax: 612-668-3350
Attendance: 612-668-3346    Minneapolis Kids: 612-668-3344
Link to Kenny School Website: http://kenny.mpls.k12.mn.us
LET’S GET READY TO RUN!

KENNY SCHOOL is hosting a fundraiser, and our goal is to raise $45,000 in pledges to SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL!

Thank you SO MUCH for the work you’re putting in gathering pledges for our Fit n’ Fun Run event on Friday, October 11!

If you haven’t done so yet, please go to FUNRUN.COM and search for Kenny, register your students, and get started with those pledges.

All pledges/donations are due by Friday, October 11th

Bundle up and join us!

Friday, October 11

Running Times:

Kindergarten—2nd Grade: 12:30pm—1:15pm
3rd—5th Grade: 1:30pm—2:15pm

Three tracks will be set up by grade in the field between Kenny and Anthony, with lots of room for volunteers and spectators alike. We could still use several volunteers for both shifts to help the students count laps and make sure everyone stays hydrated!

SIGN UP NOW or visit: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080e44a9aa29a2f49-kenny

We’ll see you on Kenny Field!
Be on the lookout for your student’s after-school enrichment class / ALC / GEMS / GISE confirmation and transportation letter. The plan is for these to be sent home with students on Tuesday, October 15 before MEA break!

Please review the information with your student before the after school programming begins on Tuesday, October 22.

Please contact Community Education Coordinator Michelle Rukavina with questions: susan.friederich@mpls.k12.mn.us

- Thursday, October 10 (evening)
- Tuesday, October 15 (evening)
- Wednesday, October 16 (day time)

Please contact your student’s teacher to arrange a conference time if you have not already!

THANK YOU!

SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL

The School Site Council plays an important role in decision making at our school. The council is made up of staff and parents that work with Principal Gibbs to develop, review, and evaluate the school improvement plan and the school budget. They also work to enrich family engagement and improve our safety, and discipline plans.

We are looking to fill two positions:

- Site Council Co-Chair with Principal Gibbs. It is generally a two-year service term. This position is open to EVERYONE; whether you’re new to Kenny School or if you’ve been a part of our school family for years.
- Secretary: You will be responsible for recording the meeting minutes and sending them to Susie Friederich to post on the website.

Please reach out to Susie Friederich for more information or if you are interested:
susan.friederich@mpls.k12.mn.us
JOIN OUR MINNESOTA READING CORPS TEAM!

Are you ready to be the change for struggling students? Learn more at ReadingandMath.net or call (866) 859-2825

Meet Our Tutor!

Hello, Kenny Elementary School!

I am very excited to be the new Minnesota Reading Corps tutor for this school year. I recently moved here from California and am excited to get involved with my new Minnesota community and prepare for my first winter, which I am sure will be quite an adjustment.

I graduated with a Bachelor’s Degree in Child Development at Sacramento State University and am currently pursuing my Masters and Teaching Credentials at Hamline University in St. Paul.

I’m using this opportunity to get involved and gain experience with elementary aged students and am looking forward to working with such an amazing group of individuals here at Kenny.

I am hoping for a great year and getting the opportunity to help students become even better readers.

Kind regards,

Stephanie Stickney (Carroll)
From the Office

ATTENDANCE:

Call the Attendance line (612-668-3346) when your student will be absent.

Doctors or dentists notes should be brought into school when the student returns to the building. Your help with this is appreciated.

STUDENT DROP OFF: Students can enter the building at 7:50am. Please plan accordingly!

Please be courteous of other drivers and USE CAUTION when pulling away from the curb!

All adults entering the building must sign in at the office.

TRANSPORTATION:

Cars can only travel south on Emerson Avenue between 57th and 58th streets from 7:45 – 8:15 a.m.

- Pull your car forward to the "Drop Off Here" sign
- DROP AND DRIVE. If you need a hug or want to get out of your car to say good-bye to your child, use the parking lot or one of the grey-shaded areas on the map shown
- All students must exit cars from the west side (on the school side) No student drop-off on 58th street from 7:50am—8:00am. Door #3 is open for busses and walkers until 8:00am and then LOCKED.

Send Information to School when:

1. You have an address or daycare change.
2. If you are picking up your child and they usually ride a bus, they must be signed out in the office even with advanced notice.
3. Your student is using a different bus stop.
4. Your student is going home with another student.
   (Note: we need notification from BOTH families).

Information will be sent home when:

1. Your student has been added to a bus route.
2. The bus stop for your student has had a change in location.
3. The IN bus stop for your student has had a cumulative time change of five minutes or more. Changes can become effective any day of the week so watch for the effective dates on the notices sent home with your student.

BUS PASSES: Bus passes are REQUIRED to board a bus that is normally not a student's assigned bus. We request notes be turned into the office as early in the day as possible.

We need notes from both sets of parents/guardians i.e. the parent/guardian of the student taking a different bus or using a different stop and the parent/guardian of the student they are traveling with.

The note should include:

- Student’s FIRST and LAST NAME
- FULL name of student they are riding with
- Date of request
- Signature of parent or guardian

A bus pass may not be able to be honored if we have not received two permission forms or if the bus requested is full.
Stay Informed

Bookmark the Kenny Website
for quick access to the Staff Directory, the school schedule, meeting times, and new information.

http://kenny.mpls.k12.mn.us/

Join us on Facebook & keep up with all the latest Kenny news
http://www.facebook.com/kennypta

To be added to the Wednesday newsletter email list or if you have information you would like to submit to the Wednesday newsletter, please email:

kennyschool.pto@gmail.com
By 5pm on Friday