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## Mustang News

### 2020 School Psychologist of the Year!

Congratulations to Danielle Duncan, PSD School Psychologist here at Kinard and at Werner Elementary- she is the Colorado Society of School Psychologists 2020 School Psychologist of the Year!

Mrs. Duncan is an incredible resource for our students, families, and staff in our school, and she is very deserving of this recognition! Mrs. Duncan is a key contributor in ensuring high levels of learning for all students across the district. One of her strengths is her ability to engage and collaborate with our community and build a strong school-parent partnership. Infusing herself into a student's world, Mrs. Duncan cultivates solid relationships with families to support both academic and social needs of all students. We are so thankful for Mrs. Duncan and the work she does!



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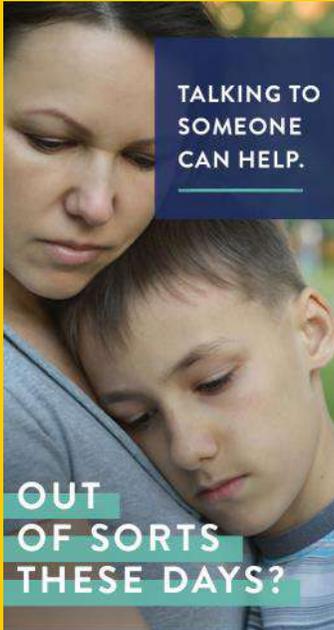
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## CANS Around the Oval

Kinard and our Global Leadership class have been recognized by CSU and the Fort Collins community as a top contributor to the CANS Around the Oval event this year. Kinard was listed among the top CANtributors as the top participating school and third place contributor overall! Way to go, GL class and teachers! And thanks to everyone in the Kinard community who helped to spread the word, donate, and continue this amazing tradition.



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## Transitioning to Phase 1: Remote Learning

As you learned from the communication from Poudre School District last week, all PSD schools will be transitioning back to Phase 1: Remote Learning starting Monday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>. We will continue in Phase 1 through the end of first semester (Nov. 23- Dec. 18).

For Kinard, this means we will revert back to our Phase 1 Daily Schedule on the 23<sup>rd</sup>. Students will continue in only their even period classes (2, 4, 6, 8, and ELO) for the rest of second quarter. For all classes, students will be expected to log in synchronously, Monday-Thursday, regardless of A/B group designation. See below for class times in our Phase 1 schedule. We will begin this schedule on Monday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Kinard Phase 1: Remote Learning Daily Schedule

|             | Monday                            | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday                                                         |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|---------|-----------|----------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| 8:15-9:05   | Period 2- Synchronous             |         |           |          | Asynchronous Learning and Support                              |
| 9:15-10:05  | Period 4- Synchronous             |         |           |          |                                                                |
| 10:15-11:05 | Period 6- Synchronous             |         |           |          |                                                                |
| 11:15-12:05 | Period 8- Synchronous             |         |           |          |                                                                |
| 12:05-1:00  | Lunch                             |         |           |          | *Students should check all Google Classrooms for assigned work |
| 1:00-1:40   | ELO- Synchronous                  |         |           |          |                                                                |
| 1:40-3:10   | Asynchronous Learning and Support |         |           |          |                                                                |

Some key highlights to note regarding our **Phase 1: Remote Learning** schedule:

- Students will attend only their “even” period (2, 4, 6, 8, and ELO) classes for the rest of second quarter.

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## Transitioning to Phase 1: Remote Learning

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- Students will attend all their even classes for synchronous learning every morning, Monday through Thursday. **Synchronous learning** means that the teacher and students will be participating in the same learning activities at the same time via their class' Google Meet.
- After lunch, all students will attend a **synchronous ELO** period each day from 1:00-1:40. For most students, ELO will be a time for the teacher to support a small group of students to organize the work they have to complete during their asynchronous afternoon time, to make connections and build community, to hear from our counselors, or to be supported on a variety of executive functioning or social/emotional learning skills. Some students will attend an academic ELO, including World Language class for some 6<sup>th</sup> graders and Algebra 1 for some 8<sup>th</sup> graders.
- On Monday-Thursday afternoons and on Fridays, students will participate in asynchronous learning time. **Asynchronous learning** means tasks that students can complete on their own, at their own pace and time. Asynchronous learning is often supported by posted media materials. Teachers and other Kinard staff will be available during the asynchronous time to support students as needed, via email, phone, or a virtual meeting platform. Teachers may also schedule individual or small group meetings during these times to offer students individualized support and enrichment. **Students are expected to check all classes' Google Classrooms for asynchronous assignments each afternoon, Mon-Thurs, and on Friday mornings.**

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## Transitioning to Phase 1: Remote Learning

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- As a reminder, all teachers are maintaining **Common Learning Pages** during the 2020-21 school year. These learning pages can be accessed by grade level via [our website](#), under the “calendars” pull-down menu. The teacher learning pages are great resources for class assignments, due dates, upcoming assessments, and more!

We have truly enjoyed having students back in the building, and we look forward to returning to a phase with students in the building as soon as it is deemed safe to do so. Take care of yourselves and your families, Mustangs!

## Important Yearbook Information

We are excited to announce that the 2020-2021 Kinard yearbook is still available for purchase! Make sure that your child doesn't miss out on our yearbook tradition. It's the only book that captures the year's events, activities, friendships, experiences, and memories from Kinard Core Knowledge Middle School. You may place your order for the yearbook at [jostens.com](#). If you have already purchased a book, thank you! If you are unsure, please contact Emily Asqueri, Yearbook Advisor, by email at [eas-queri@psdschools.org](mailto: eas-queri@psdschools.org). This year's book is one you won't want to miss!

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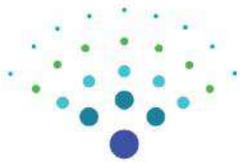


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## PSD Middle School Athletics Update

With the health and wellbeing of student-athletes, coaches, and the community in mind, the PSD middle school athletic seasons will be suspended until March 1, 2021. If circumstances allow, the spring sports seasons that include softball, track and field, golf and unified basketball will be conducted as previously planned. If State, County and PSD COVID guidelines and restriction were to change, allowing sports to be safely played before March 1st, that option will remain a possibility. Cross Country, Football, Tennis, Volleyball, Girls and Boys Basketball and Wrestling seasons will not be held this year.

## Counselors' Corner

As we continue to teach SEL (social and emotional learning) lessons in each grade this year, we will be integrating Career and College Readiness skills into the lessons. This includes introducing students to, and helping them develop, their ICAP (Individual Career and Academic Plan). In high school, students will solidify their ICAP, so they have an active and effective post-secondary plan. Below are the topics we are covering at each grade level in our mid-year lessons:

- **6th Grade- Conflict Resolution Skills & Time Management** [in ELO classes--January]
- **7th Grade- Healthy Relationships Online** [in Tech 7 classes--November]; **Self-Awareness & ICAP** (Learning Styles Inventory) [in English classes--Dec./Jan.]
- **8th Grade- Values & Decision-Making; ICAP** (Individual Interest Survey and exploration of career matches) [in Science classes--Dec./Jan.]

As students create their ICAP with us, all their career & college readiness work and explorations will be recorded in their individual account in XELLO. XELLO is an enhanced version of the software program, Career Cruising, which PSD used until this year.

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## Support Resources

The pandemic has created needs for us all- especially the need for support and resources. As Kinard's school counselors, we can easily provide info and referrals families may need- just call us or send an e-mail. Also, below are 2 easy avenues for accessing resources in Larimer County:

- Call 2-1-1.
- Or visit United Way's 2-1-1 webpage here: <https://uwaylc.org/Get-Help>

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United Way's 211 Call Center utilizes highly trained information and referral specialists who assist the public and give answers regarding community services in times of peace and disaster.

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- Aging services
- Childcare referrals
- Disaster recovery
- Donation referrals
- Food, housing & utility assistance
- Free tax preparation
- Health & medical needs
- Holiday assistance
- Legal assistance
- School supplies

211 is for NON-emergency assistance only. Callers needing emergency medical, fire or police aid should always call 9-1-1. If you are hearing impaired you can reach 211 by calling Relay Colorado (7-1-1) or 1-800-659-2656.

## **Kinard Middle School**

### **Education Nights**

November 19, 6:30-8:00pm **Schooling at Home Series: Family Social & Emotional Health**

- For more info: <https://fcmmod.org/event/schooling-at-home-series-family-social-and-emotional-health/>
- To join on 11/19 @ 6:30, click on this link: – [Zoom – Family Social and Emotional Health](#)

Dec. 3, 2020, 6:30-8:00pm **PSD's MENTAL HEALTH MATTERS Night**

- Virtual and so easy to attend! Email us for more info.

As the pandemic and the holiday season converge, as well as the return to Phase 1 Learning, it will be normal for your child(ren) to experience stress and heightened emotions. As you and your family strive to develop healthy coping strategies and to monitor your mental health, we are here to support you and provide resources. Our contact info is below- or access us through our Learning Page. We're always only a phone call or e-mail away!

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KINARD COUNSELING LEARNING PAGE: <https://sites.google.com/psdschools.org/kin-learning-counseling/home>

### Community Resource

The Colorado Spirit Crisis Counseling Program (CCP) provides free information, educational resources, and emotional support during the COVID-19 pandemic. CCP can provide you with information, education, emotional support, and get you to available resources. See their flyer below for more details.



#### ABOUT THIS PROGRAM

Colorado Spirit Crisis Counseling Program (CCP) staff are not traditional mental health providers. CCP counselors do not diagnose people or treat mental illness. Instead, CCP counselors are a combination of mental health paraprofessionals and professionals who support community members in functioning and coping with disaster disruptions through crisis counseling services. Find out more: [summitstonehealth.org/colospirit](http://summitstonehealth.org/colospirit).

For general COVID-19 information and state data, please visit [covid19.colorado.gov](http://covid19.colorado.gov).

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COVID-19 SUPPORT



**YOU ARE NOT ALONE.  
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Call the Connections free support line anytime you need help, emotional support or resources for COVID-19.



**Community Resource**

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The Colorado Spirit support line, in collaboration with the Health District of Northern Larimer County, provides free, anonymous and confidential help.

Are you interested in:

- » Talking to someone about COVID-19?
- » Learning how to manage your stress?
- » Understanding the common reactions to disasters?
- » Getting COVID-19 information, education, emotional support or connection to other resources in our community?

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