



August 10, 2021

Welcome to the 2021-22 school year at Kennewick High!

After years of planning, demolition, and construction we are very close to opening our new school building. **You are all invited to attend our ribbon cutting ceremony on Friday, August 27 at 10 AM.** After a short dedication, the event will include an open house so everyone can walk around the new school. If you attend, please wear orange and black!

Prior to our grand opening, the building will be partially open. Starting on Monday, August 16, our main office and counseling offices will be open for business. If you need to enter the building, please use the visitors parking lot and main entrance on 6th Avenue. Fall athletes, musicians, and student leaders will have additional access as directed by their coaches or teachers. Please do not attempt to enter the building in other places, as there is still work being done to get the school finished.

Students who want to park on our campus during the school year will need to use the Lampson parking lot. Other parking areas on campus are reserved for staff and visitors. All students who park on campus are required to have a school-issued parking pass displayed in their vehicle – you can pick up a free parking pass in the security office once we start school.

Student schedules this will be only be available through Power School. Please download the app or access the site at <https://ps.ksd.org/public/>. Schedules will be “live” after 3 PM on August 26.

Information about the school year will be sent to you via your KSD email account, and we will also be posting on our social media accounts --Twitter, Instagram, and Facebook – so we encourage you, and your parents, to follow us!

Over the next couple of weeks, you will receive information about:

1. Important dates for the school year (picture day, open house, etc.)
2. COVID-19 rules. Yes, we are all still required to wear a mask inside the building.
3. KHS Student Handbook
4. Maps of the new school

We'll need your help to keep our new building clean and, even more importantly, we need you to help us create a friendly and accepting school for everyone. A few suggestions that will help everyone:

1. Clean up after yourself and don't hesitate to clean up after someone else who forgets.
2. Hold the door open for the person behind you.
3. Walk on the right side of hall, just like driving a car.
4. Be on time (being late can be disruptive and comes across as disrespectful).
5. Be polite, including holding off on using profanity at school.

Finally, I believe you will all be truly impressed with your new school building. It will certainly be the nicest school building in the Tri-Cities, but what makes KHS a great place is the positive attitude of our students.

I look forward to seeing you all soon!

Your principal,

Mr. King