

# **Kesling Intermediate School**

**Parent Information Night**



**“Learn today to excel tomorrow!”**

# Building Goals

Goals #1: Guiding students toward becoming good and productive members of our community - **becoming the best people they can be!**

Goals #2: Increasing student achievement and ensuring that all students meet the Indiana College and Career Readiness Standards.



# Benefits of Attending Kesling Intermediate School

- Gradual transition from Elementary School to Middle School and eventually La Porte High School.
- Social and emotional learning (SEL) needs of students will be met through assignment to individual teacher in 5th grade, and teams in 6th grade.
- Cluster and teaming concept will allow all staff to have a collective ownership of the success of a group of students and will allow students to connect with an adult mentor.
- SEL met through Guiding all Kids programming and Physical Education, Health, and Wellness.
- Expanded extracurricular opportunities in academics and athletics.
- Safety...Full Time School Resource Officer



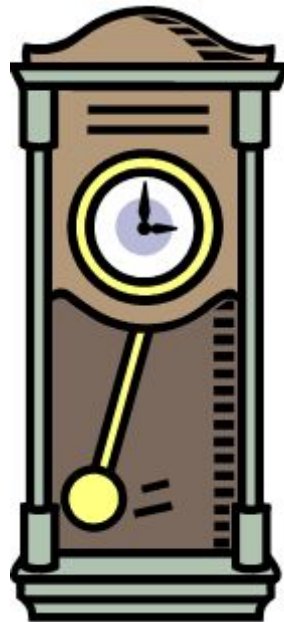
# Benefits of Attending Kesling Intermediate School, Cont.

- Individual academic ability needs of students are met through flexible grouping of students.
- Expanded Elective Courses...all students in grades 5 and 6 explore all electives to make informed choices at the middle level.
- Allow students to explore music options in grade 5.
- Allow students to choose performing music in grade 6 (Band, Choir or Orchestra) and allow students to meet each day.
- Guaranteed and Viable Curriculum for all LPCSC students.
- Allows the opportunity for students to meet the Indiana College and Career Ready Standards and be better informed for a career pathway at LPHS.



# Intermediate School Day

- 7:40 A.M. - 2:35 P.M.
  - Students enter at 7:32 A.M.
- Breakfast begins at 7:10 A.M.
- Student drop-off begins at 7:10 A.M.



# General 5th Grade Student Information

- Students are assigned to one teacher, grouped in teams of two and clustered in groups of four to allow one main teacher to really connect with a small group of students.
- A flexible grouping model will be used during academic block time to meet the individual needs of students in the core subject areas.
- Remediation and enrichment will also occur during the core academic block.
- All core academic courses will be conducted on the second floor of the current Kesling building.

# 5th Grade Core Curriculum Offerings

A flexible grouping model meets the individual needs of students.

Math

Language Arts

Reading

Social Studies

Science

# 5th Grade Electives

- Students will have Physical Education/Health and Wellness for one period every day for the entire year.
- Students will complete a six-week rotation of each of the following courses:
  - Art 5
  - Digital Citizenship 5
  - Introduction to Instrumental Music 5
  - Introduction to Vocal Music 5
  - Project Lead the Way: Design and Modeling
  - Computer Science in Careers 5





# 5th Grade Schedule

## Clusters 5-1, 5-2 & 5-3

Teacher Advisory

Core Academic Subject

Elective

Core Academic Subjects

Elective

Lunch

Core Academic Subjects

## Clusters 5-4 & 5-5

Teacher Advisory

Elective

Core Academic Subject

Elective

Core Academic Subject

Lunch

Core Academic Subject



# General 6th Grade Student Information

Students are assigned to a team of five teachers who teach a core subject area (Math, Reading, Language Arts, Social Studies and Science)

A flexible grouping model will be used to meet the individual Needs of students.

On most days students will move from class to class.

Students are not required to take a music class.



# 6th Grade Curriculum Offerings

<b>Core Classes</b>	Math	<b>Music or Enrichment or Intervention Period</b>	Band
	Language Arts		Orchestra
	Reading		Choir
	Social Studies		Interventions
	Science		Enrichment



# 6th Grade Electives

Students will have Physical Education/Health and Wellness for one period every day for the entire year.

Students will complete a six-week rotation of each of the following courses:

- Art 6
- Computer Science in Careers 6
- Project Lead the Way: App Creators
- Project Lead the Way: Energy and the Environment
- Family and Consumer Science 6
- Agriculture 6



# 6th Grade Schedule

## Team 6-1 & 6-2

Teacher Advisory

Core Academic Subjects

Lunch

Core Academic Subject

Elective

Music, Enrichment or Intervention

Elective

## Team 6-3 & 6-4

Teacher Advisory

Core Academic Subjects

Lunch

Elective

Core Academic Subject

Elective

Music, Enrichment or Intervention



# 6th Grade Enrichment & Interventions

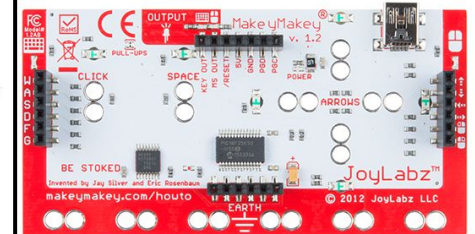
Students not in music classes (band, orchestra, or choir) will participate in enrichment and/or intervention.



Interventions will support students by providing them with review and remediation.



Enrichment will give students opportunities to learn about things not otherwise covered during the school day.



# Academic Enrichment Activities & Clubs

## Academic Enrichment Activities

- VEX Robotics & LEGO Robotics
- Name that Book
- PTSA Reflections
- Spelling Bee
- Spell Bowl
- American & Indiana Math League
- Show Choir, Jazz Band, Honor Choir (6th Grade)
- National Geography Bee (6th Grade)
- Science Olympiad
- Enrichment Clubs
- Drama and Play



## Clubs

- Art Club
- DARE Club
- Student Council
- Yearbook
- Newspaper
- Builders Club (Kiwanis)

# Athletics

- Cross Country (Grades 5 & 6)
- Football (Pop Warner)
- Volleyball (Grade 6)
- Swimming (Grades 5 & 6)
- Wrestling (Grade 6)
- Girls Basketball (Grades 5 & 6)
- Boys Basketball (Grades 5 & 6)
- Track (Grades 5 & 6)
- Soccer (Grade 6)
- Tennis (Grade 6)
- Club Lacrosse (Grades 5 & 6)





# Parent Involvement

We want all parents/guardians to actively participate in all Kesling Intermediate School Activities.

- **Join the Grades 5-8 Kesling Campus PTA!**
  - We will be seeking individuals to volunteer as office holders or chairpersons of the different PTA committees.
  - Meetings are held August through May at 3:45 P.M. in the Kesling Library.
  - Please plan to join and volunteer to enhance the learning environment at the Kesling Campus!
- **Other involvement opportunities**
  - You do not need to belong to PTA to get involved in your child's school.
  - We want to build a partnership to help all students excel!
  - Representative after the meeting for volunteers.



# Must Know Information

- Around July 22: Back to School Newsletter
- Week of August 5: Informal Tours & Visits of Building (TBD...Depending on Construction)
- Kesling Back to School Night (TBD...Tentatively August 12 & 13)
- Student Planner (All Corporation & School Information)
- Skyward Parent Access
- School, Corporation & Kesling Facebook Page for Information.



# Final Thoughts & Comments

- Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding Kesling Intermediate School. I am here for your child 😊
- PTA Representative & Available for Questions
- Kesling Intermediate School Course Plan (Last Two Pages)
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