



NEWSLETTER

FROM THE DESK OF DR. HARPER...



We're creeping up on the midterm point of the semester, which means now is the perfect time to check your pacing guide and make sure you're staying on track. Keep working hard—don't let unfinished lessons come back to haunt you!

If you need a boost, remember you're not alone! Reach out to your virtual coach, connect with your teacher, or drop into tutoring sessions for some extra support.

Elementary students—your class meetings are a must! These sessions are full of valuable tricks and tips to help you succeed, so be sure you're there each time. Let's keep the momentum going and make the rest of the semester fantastic!

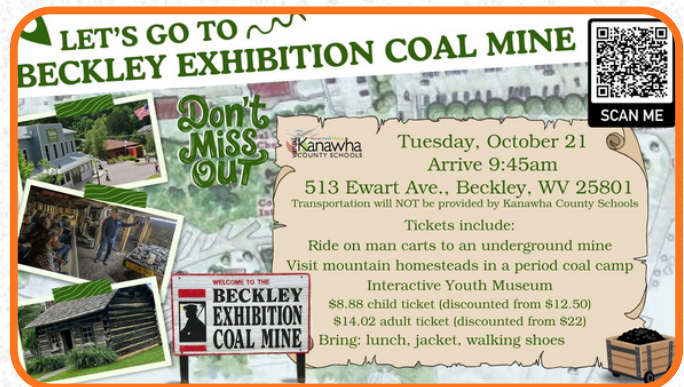
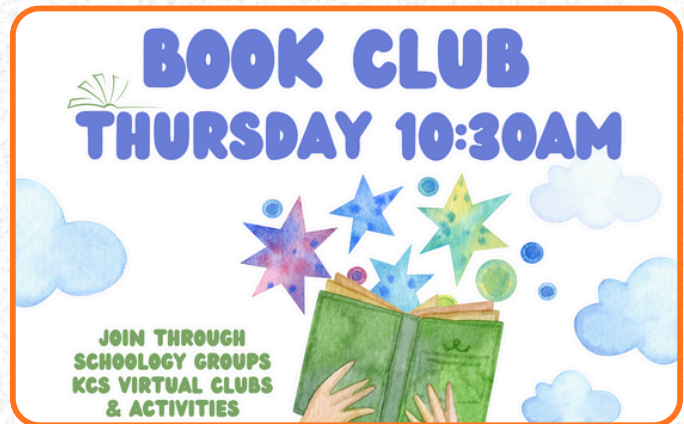


OCTOBER CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 Week 7			1 class 3-5	2 Alice in Wonderland Tutoring	3 World Smile Day	4 TACO DAY
5 Week 8	6 Elementary Counseling	7 class K-2 Tutoring	8 class 3-5 Science Lab Day	9 Tutoring BOOK CLUB	10 Joplin Playdate	11 NATIONAL CHESS DAY
12 Week 9	13 NO SCHOOL HAPPY COLUMBUS DAY	14 class K-2 Tutoring	15 class 3-5	16 Tutoring BOOK CLUB	17 Joplin Playdate	18
19 Week 10	20 Elementary Counseling	21 Beckley Exhibition Coal Mine Tutoring	22 NO SCHOOL	23 Tutoring BOOK CLUB	24	25
26 Week 11	27 Elementary Counseling	28 class K-2 Tutoring	29 class 3-5	30 Tutoring BOOK CLUB	31 HAPPY HALLOWEEN	



ELEMENTARY ACTIVITIES



SENIOR SNIPPET

If your child is a high school senior planning for college or career training, it's almost time to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The FAFSA is the key to unlocking financial help—including grants, scholarships, work-study, and low-interest loans. Many colleges also require it before awarding their own aid.



Here are a few tips to make the process easier for families:

- Start early. Some aid is first-come, first-served, so don't delay!
- Gather documents in advance. You'll need Social Security numbers, tax returns, bank statements, and records of any untaxed income.
- Create your FSA IDs. Both you and your student need an FSA ID to sign electronically.
- Review before submitting. Double-check information to avoid errors.
- Use available resources. School counselors, financial aid offices, and local FAFSA workshops can guide you step by step.



Filling out the FAFSA may feel overwhelming, but it's an important investment in your child's future opportunities. Starting early and staying organized will make the process much smoother.



KEENEY'S KORNER

Middle school students, do you have a question about Schoology? You can join Mrs. Keeney every **Monday** at **1:00 PM** for a Schoology conference in your homeroom course.



MIDTERM

October 17th marks the half way point of the semester. You should have completed the first nine weeks of work outlined on your pacing guide. If you are not at this point, please reach out to your virtual coach to receive a new pacing guide to ensure you will complete all courses on time.

Reminder: the last day to submit work in your courses is January 16, 2026.



SCIENCE LAB DAY



MISSING SCIENCE LABS?
NEED MATERIALS?
JOIN US FOR
**1st 9 WEEKS
LAB DAY**

When: October 8th, 9:00A.M.
Where: KCS Virtual North Charleston campus
1900 School Street
Charleston, WV 25381
Who: Students in:
• Science 6
• Science 7
• Science 8
• Biology
*If you are in a different Science class and need lab help, just reach out to your coach. They will make arrangements for you to come too!
What: Get caught up on any Missing Labs from the 1st 9 weeks
How: Perform the labs with our very own virtual Scientists



ADVICE WITH AMI

Elementary school is the perfect time to help children develop strong study habits that will support them for years to come. By building routines now, students gain confidence, independence, and a positive attitude toward learning.

Here are a few simple tips to get started:

- Create a study space. Set aside a quiet, well-lit area that's free of distractions like TV or devices.
- Establish a routine. Encourage your child to do homework at the same time each day so it becomes a natural part of their schedule.
- Break it into chunks. Younger children focus better with shorter sessions—try 15–20 minutes with a short break in between.
- Stay organized. Help your child use folders, bins, or checklists to keep track of assignments and supplies.
- Encourage effort, not just results. Praise hard work, persistence, and progress to build motivation.

By supporting your child with structure and encouragement, you're helping them form skills that will last well beyond elementary school. Small, consistent habits today make a big difference tomorrow!



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ELEMENTARY MATERIALS

Elementary students can pick up their curriculum for the 2nd 9 weeks on Tuesday, October 7th or Wednesday, October 8th from 8AM - 3PM.

Out of county students will be mailed their materials.

