



KENILWORTH

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY ACADEMY

2026–2027 Back-to-School Guide for Families

Dear KSTA Families,

We hope you've had a wonderful summer! As we prepare to welcome our students back, here is everything you need to know to ensure a great start to the school year. Key dates are summarized at a glance below, with full details in each section that follows.

Should you have any further questions, please contact the front office. We are committed to supporting you and your family, and look forward to working together this academic year.

Key Dates at a Glance

Date	Event	Time
Mon, July 20	Mandatory Virtual Orientation (Parents & Students) MANDATORY	6:00 – 7:30 PM
Fri, July 31	Kindergarten Signing Day MANDATORY	1:00 – 3:00 PM
Fri, July 31	Pre-K Meeting Day MANDATORY	8:30 AM - 10:30 AM
Fri, July 31	Grades 1–4 Open House MANDATORY	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Fri, July 31	Grades 5–8 Open House MANDATORY	1:00 – 4:00 PM
Mon, Aug 3	9th Grade Signing Day MANDATORY	1:00 – 3:00 PM
Thu, Aug 6	First Day of School for Students	7:55 AM start

ParentSquare — Our Official Communication Platform

ParentSquare is KSTA's official platform for school announcements, reminders, teacher messages, and important updates.

Action needed: Every parent/guardian must have a valid, registered email address on file. If your email has changed or you are not receiving ParentSquare messages, contact the school office right away to update your information.

2026–2027 Academic Calendar

Take a moment to review the full 2026–2027 Academic Calendar (linked below). The first day of school for students is Thursday, August 6, 2026.

- [Download the 2026–2027 School Calendar \(PDF\)](#)

Mandatory Virtual Orientation

Parent & Student Orientation **MANDATORY**

 **Monday, July 20, 2026**  **6:00 PM – 7:30 PM**

Format: Virtual (Zoom)

Join link: <https://kst.tiny.us/Orientation>

At orientation, you will:

- Meet the executive and leadership team
- Learn about our school's mission, vision, and educational goals
- Receive an overview of the curriculum and co-curricular activities
- Understand school policies, procedures, and expectations
- Discover how you can get involved through different initiatives
- Ask any questions about the upcoming school year

Mandatory Open Houses

All Open House events take place on campus. Please see the times below for your child's grade level.

Pre-K Meeting Day **MANDATORY**

 **Friday, July 31, 2026**  **08:30 AM – 10:30 AM**

Kindergarten Signing Day **MANDATORY**

 **Friday, July 31, 2026**  **1:00 PM – 3:00 PM**

Grades 1–4 Open House **MANDATORY**

 **Friday, July 31, 2026**  **9:00 AM – 12:00 PM**

Grades 5–8 Open House **MANDATORY**

 **Friday, July 31, 2026**  **1:00 PM – 4:00 PM**

9th Grade Signing Day **MANDATORY**

 **Monday, August 3, 2026**  **1:00 PM – 3:00 PM**

Pre-K4 Documents

The following documents apply specifically to Pre-K4 families:

- [Pre-K4 Policy Compact](#) — expectations and the partnership between families and the school to support your child's success.

- [Pre-K4 Staggered Start Schedule](#) — your child's assigned start date and arrival schedule for a smooth transition into the classroom.
- [Pre-K4 School Supply List / Uniform Policy](#) — supplies and uniform requirements for 2026–2027.

Note: This is a friendly reminder that **transportation will not be provided for Pre-K students**.

Kindergarten Staggered Schedule

Please review the schedule below:

- **Thursday, August 6:** Girls attend
- **Friday, August 7:** Girls attend
- **Monday, August 10:** Boys attend
- **Tuesday, August 11:** Boys attend
- **Wednesday, August 12:** All Kindergarten students attend (Full Class)

Beginning **Wednesday, August 12**, all kindergarten students will attend school together each day.

Thank you for your support and cooperation as we work to ensure a smooth and successful start to your child's kindergarten experience. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

K-8 Supply List & Uniform Information

Review the supply list below to make sure your child has everything needed to start the year prepared and ready to learn.

- [K–8 Grade-Level Supply List \(PDF\)](#) — *note: Families who missed the deadline to purchase school supply kits through 1st Day School Supplies should use this supply list to purchase the required supplies for their child.*

K–2 students: bring supplies to your child's homeroom.

Grades 3–9: only bring non-personal, consumable supplies (paper towels, hand sanitizer, tissue, disinfecting wipes, Ziploc bags). Keep all personal items at home.

Note: KSTA will not be responsible for student supplies if these directions are not followed.

[K–8 Dress, Grooming, and Uniform Policy](#)

Uniforms can be purchased from Young Fashions Uniforms, 11111 Coursey Blvd (225-766-1010).

Link to the [Uniform & Pricing document](#)

Important 9th Grade Documents

The following documents apply specifically to our inaugural 9th grade families:

- [9th Grade School Supply List](#) — supplies your scholar will need for 2026–2027.
- [9th Grade Dress Code Policy](#) — required dress code and appearance expectations.
- [9th Grade Signing Day Information](#) — details about Signing Day and the commitments students and families will make.
- [9th Grade Cell Phone Policy](#) — expectations for student cell phone use.

Transportation

Transportation is provided to all families residing within East Baton Rouge Parish through our partnership with First Student. Every student residing in East Baton Rouge will be assigned a bus.

Car riders: If your child will be a car rider and does not need bus transportation, please complete the car rider [survey](#).

For the safety of all students and staff, please strictly adhere to the designated [traffic plan](#) when driving your child to and from school.

Important: When exiting Kenilworth onto Siegen Lane, you must turn right.

Before- and After-School Care (YMCA Partnership)

KSTA partners with the YMCA to provide before- and after-school care on campus.

- [YMCA Before & After School Care — program info](#)
- Instructions to register can be found [here](#)
- For more information, refer to this [flier](#)

Gifted Program (TAGS)

We offer the Academically Gifted Scholar (TAGS) program for students performing above grade level.

If your child is Gifted, or you'd like to learn more, contact Ms. Kamui: ukamui@kenilworthst.org

School Hours, Breakfast & Lunch

Earliest drop-off: 7:35 AM

Grab-and-go breakfast: 7:35 – 7:53 AM

Classes begin: 7:55 AM sharp

Dismissal: 3:10 PM (please pick up no later than 3:25 PM)

KSTA participates in the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP), so all enrolled students receive breakfast and lunch at school free of charge. Each household will be asked to complete this form and return it to the front office.

2026–2027 Student Fees

You can securely pay your student fees online.

- [Pay Student Fees Online](#)
- [Kenilworth Student Fee Policy \(PDF\)](#)

Other Important Documents

- [Student Handbook \(PDF\)](#)-The 2026–2027 Student Handbook is currently being updated.
- [Full Resources Page \(school website\)](#)