

KENT CENTER SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

We hope you have all had a restful and relaxing summer. Once again, students are invited to participate in the KCS Kid's Marathon. The motto of the program is "finishing is winning and winning is finishing." During this project, children will develop life-long fitness skills, a feeling of accomplishment, and increased self-confidence.

Kid's Marathon will be a seven week program for students in grades K-8, which will culminate at the Kent Pumpkin Run on October 30th as these young runners/walkers complete the last leg of their marathon.

The Kid's Marathon will be held from 8:00am-8:25am starting on Tuesday September 6th. Students can participate any day, Monday through Friday, with the last school day walk being Friday, October 28th. Parking for parents will be in the lot closest to the front of the school. **Children in K-2 must walk with a parent.** If your child is in grades 3-8, you may drop your children off with the supervising KCS staff member at the outdoor basketball court at 8:00am. In the event of rain, we will be walking in the gymnasium.

The fields are wet in the morning, so please bring an extra pair of socks/shoes that can be worn during the school day.

This year the KCS Marathon partners again with the *Race for Aydan*, to benefit the New Haven Ronald McDonald House. Aydan is the grandson of Toni and Dan Soule (Kent Residents) and son of Danielle Forrester Parrett (KCS graduate). To learn more about this cause, please visit raceforaydan.com

There are 36 days available for children to record their miles between the start of the program and the Kent Pumpkin Run. Older children may chose to finish the last five miles of their marathon at the Pumpkin Run while younger runners might only finish one mile on October 30th. Please make a plan with your family so you know whether you will be able to complete 25 miles by October 28th.

If your child is interested in walking, please return the attached permission slip to his/her homeroom teacher by September 12th or bring it on the first day of participation. We will celebrate the 26.2 mile walkers at the Kent Pumpkin Run.

Let's get healthy KCS!!

Sincerely,
KCS Wellness Committee

It is the policy of Regional School district one that no person shall be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or otherwise discriminated against under any program, including employment, because of race, color, religious creed, sex, age, national origin, disability, or any other basis prohibited by Connecticut State and/or Federal non-discrimination laws. Inquiries regarding district non-discrimination policies should be directed to the director of Pupil Services, 236 Warren Turnpike Road, Falls Village, CT 06031, 860-824-5369, ext. 4