



Welcome
to our
school



4th Grade
OPEN HOUSE
2023-2024



KIPP SHARP Principal



MEET THE PRINCIPAL

I have been in education for over 30 years. I was a founding teacher at SHARP and became principal in 2013. I love to decorate our school and spend time creating a warm, welcoming environment for all SHARParoos.

The Basics

Ms. Bennett

I went to the University of St. Thomas for my undergraduate and University of Houston for graduate degree.

I am from Houston and I am an only child. I went to school in HISD. I loved to ride bikes and play outside. I also loved to swim. I learned how to swim when I was 7.

My Education

My Childhood

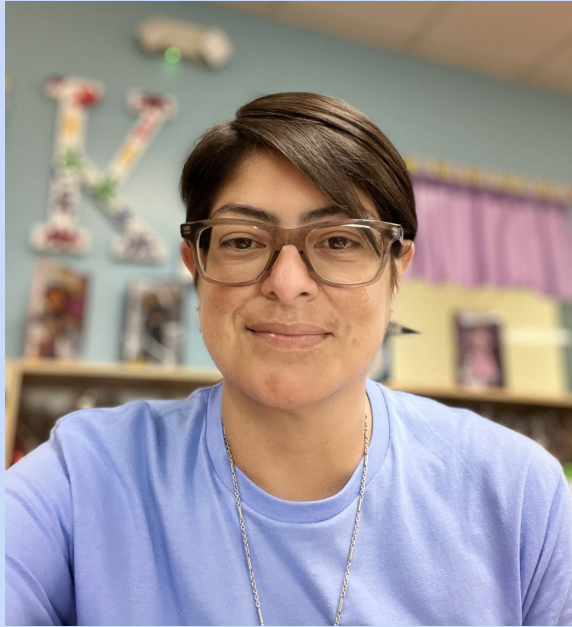
Food: Enchiladas/Pizza
Disney Movie: Cinderella
Color: Teal/Maroon
Drink: Diet Coke
Store: Hobby Lobby
Dessert: Donuts/Cupcakes

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My Favorites

Contact Me

KIPP SHARP Assistant Principals



**Monica
Barragan-
Instruction**



**Monica
Castillo-
Instruction**



**Lorena
Del Toro-
Operations**

Team and Family Pledge

We are a team and family.

If there is a problem, we find a solution.

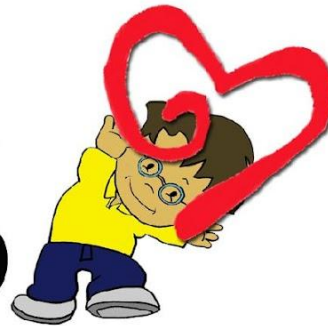
If there is a better way, we will find it.

If we need help, we ask.

If a teammate needs help, we give.

H.E.A.R.T. Values

● ● **VALUES**



Honor

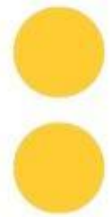
Explore with Enthusiasm

Always with Excellence

Ready to try again

Together

H.E.A.R.T. Values



VALORES



Honor

Explorar con Entusiasmo

Ante todo Excelencia

Rapidamente, volver a intentar

Todos juntos

KIPP SHARP 4th Grade Team



Ms. Alvarez
Ms. Young

Ms. Solis
Ms. Davis
Ms. Boone
Ms. Guzman

KIPP SHARP Fine Arts Team



**Coach Kohler
Ms. E. Nieves
Ms. G. Luna
Mr. D. Reyes
Ms. L. Taylor**

KIPP SHARP Instructional Coaches



Ms. M. Perez
Ms. D. Hightower
Ms. C. Le
Ms. L. Miranda

KIPP SHARP Support Team



Ms. K. Melendez
Ms. A. Clarey
Ms. E. Rebullida
Ms. A. Rodriguez
Ms. J. Gonzalez
Ms. C. Lebron
Ms. T. Canales
Ms. C. DeGreen
Ms. K. Anderson

Stay Up to Date



KIPP SHARP

Facebook

YouTube

Instagram

TikTok

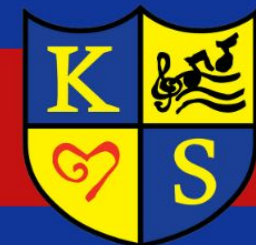
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2022-2023 School Hours



SCHOOL HOURS
2023-2024



PK4-5TH
Monday-Friday
7:25am-3:25pm

SCHOOL STARTS
AT 7:25 AM

Breakfast is from 7:00-7:25

2022-2023 School Hours

Horario De Llegada 2023-2024

LA ESCUELA COMIENZA A LAS 7:25 AM



CUANDO LLEGAN TARDE:

- LOS ESTUDIANTES PIERDEN INSTRUCCIÓN
- LA RUTINA DE LOS ESTUDIANTES ES INCONSISTENTE
- LOS ESTUDIANTES NO DESAYUNA EN LA ESCUELA



2023-2024 Academic Calendar

KIPP Texas
Houston

23-24
Academic
Calendar





2023-2024 KTX Academic Calendar

Austin - Dallas - Houston

July 2023							August 2023							September 2023							October 2023																																																							
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KEY

- First day for students (Aug. 14 2023)
- Holidays (No School)
- Parent Conference Day
- Equity and Data Days (No Students)
- Early Release for Election Day
- Last day for students (May 24, 2024)
- Rest and Renew Days
- Early Release (High School ONLY)

Calendar Note: KIPP Courage calendar dates may vary in order to align with SBISD.

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Labor Day Sept. 04, 2023
 Rest and Renew Oct. 06, 2023
 Fall Holiday Oct. 09, 2023
 Thanksgiving Nov. 20-24, 2023
 Winter Holiday Dec. 22, 2023 - Jan. 05, 2024
 MLK Day Jan. 15, 2024
 President's Day Feb. 19, 2024
 Spring Break Mar. 11-15, 2024
 Spring Holiday Mar. 29, 2024
 Rest and Renew April 01, 2024*
 Memorial Day May 27, 2024
 Juneteenth June 19, 2024

EQUITY AND DATA DAYS (STUDENT HOLIDAYS)

Sept. 15, 2023
 November 17, 2023
 January 8, 2024*
 February 9, 2024
 March 8, 2024

* Make-up Days Jan. 8 & Apr. 01 if needed; Inclement Weather

NINE WEEK GRADING CYCLES

Cycle 1: Aug. 14 - Oct. 13 41 Days
 Cycle 2: Oct. 16 - Dec. 21 42 Days
 Cycle 3: Jan. 09 - Mar. 07 59 Days
 Cycle 4: Mar. 18 - May 24 48 Days

PARENT CONFERENCE DAYS

October 20, 2023
 January 12, 2024

STAAR TESTING | SPRING ADMINISTRATION WINDOWS

Spring STAAR Testing| April 9th – May 3rd

Actual Instructional Minutes PS/MS: 81,360
 Actual Instructional Minutes HS: 80,880
 Days of Instruction: 170

Approved by the KIPP Texas Board on April 21, 2023

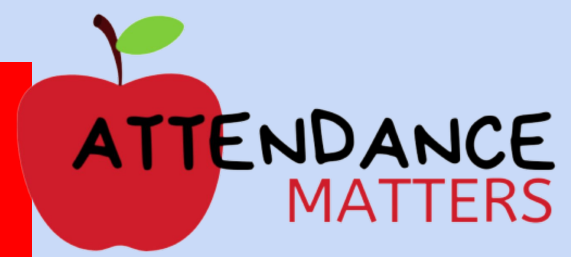
KTX Houston Academic Calendar

STAAR Testing Dates

- ★ April 10th - ELA Test
- ★ April 24th - Math Test



2023-2024 Attendance



**#AttendanceMatters
#LaAsistencialImporta**

KIPP Texas takes attendance very seriously. Being present in school every day is the foundation for student achievement and academic success. If students are not in school, they are missing out on what is being taught and are at risk for experiencing lower academic performance. When absences become a pattern or become a chronic issue, students can fall behind and experience academic struggles as well as experience challenges beyond the classroom.

ATTENDANCE POLICY: KIPP Texas students are expected to be at school every day unless they have spoken with their school leader ahead of time and received permission or have had an excused absence. It is the duty of the parent/guardian to monitor student attendance and make sure the student is in school every day possible.

Excused absences should provide on their return to school (no later than 2 days) a note containing the following: Date the note is written/Dates of the absences/Student's full name and grade level/Reason for the absence (example: illness, death, or other family emergency, religious...etc.)/Parent/guardian signature



2023-2024 Child Nutrition

**Free Breakfast and Lunch
For All Students**



Child Nutrition [Houston](#) [Lunch Menus](#)

At KIPP Texas Public Schools, all enrolled students are provided with free nutritionally balanced meals with the nutrition necessary to fuel academic success while building lifelong healthy habits. The KIPP Texas Child Nutrition Team has adopted the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP), which enables eligible schools to serve free breakfast, lunch, and supper (if offered) to all students, regardless of income. A confidential Household Income Survey is completed during online registration instead of a meal application.

23-24 Arrival /Dismissal 1st-5th Grade

- Gate opens at 6:50 am
- Breakfast 7:00 am-7:25 am in cafe
- Class begins at 7:25 am
- Please pick up on time
- Sign up for Boys and Girls Club
at capacity now



23-24 Transportation & Communication

PLEASE communicate ANY transportation changes to homeroom teacher ASAP; NOT last minute. Your child as a 4th grader should know where they go daily. It is not the teacher's responsibility.

KIPP SHARP Uniforms

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Collections



Uniforms

MONDAY- THURSDAY UNIFORM



FRIDAY UNIFORM



Jean bottoms

SWEATERS-NAVY BLUE



Uniformes

UNIFORMES DE LUNES-JUEVES



UNIFORME DEL VIERNES



MEZCLILLA

SWEATERS-NAVY BLUE



Uniform Policy: Sweaters

Per KTX Uniform Policy:

“Students may wear non-KIPP outerwear to school but must remove the outerwear and store it in a locker, backpack, or classroom while in the building. Students may wear KIPP branded sweatshirts or hoodies sweatshirts inside the building. Students may not wear hoods or caps, and their faces must be visible.”

***Navy sweaters may be worn**



Uniform Policy 2023-2024

Students will not be allowed to wear:

- Sheer bottoms or pants with holes/rips/tears
- Leggings, jeggings, pajama pants, work out/mesh pants
- Low-rise bottoms
- Blue jeans **ONLY** on Fridays with Friday shirt
- Non KIPP outer wear must be removed when entering the school building
- No hoodies/caps (beanies) are permitted inside the school building
- No crocs, slides, sandals, or slippers are to be worn to school
- Skirts or shorts that are shorter than 3 inches above the knee



Backpack Policy 23-24



For the 2023-2024 school year, all students will need to have a clear backpack on campus. We want to ensure the safety of all students and staff. We understand this will not eliminate safety concerns, however it is one step to ensuring that nothing is brought to school that could cause harm to others.



NO TOYS PLEASE



KIPP SHARP

Parent-Teacher/School Communication

- Time to call teachers (4:30 pm-7:00 pm)
- Sign behavior charts daily/conduct cards
- We will communicate with you via:
 - Remind 101
 - Facebook/Instagram
 - Flyers/Notes home
 - School website
 - Parent Newsletters/Parent Monthly Calendar
 - Texts/Calls



Remind 101-Receive Messages

NEVER MISS AN UPDATE! 

PK3 AM TEXT @kspk3am23 to the number 81010	PK3 PM TEXT @kspk3pm23 to the number 81010	PK4 TEXT @kspk423 to the number 81010
KINDER TEXT @kskg23 to the number 81010	1ST GRADE TEXT @ks1st23 to the number 81010	2ND GRADE TEXT @ks223 to the number 81010
3RD GRADE TEXT @ks323 to the number 81010	4TH GRADE TEXT @ks423 to the number 81010	5TH GRADE TEXT @ks523 to the number 81010

SIGN UP FOR REMIND 101

 **KIPP SHARP**



4th Grade Teachers' Contact Information:

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2-Way Switch

Math/Science

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Reading/Writing

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Weekly Newsletters

The image shows a screenshot of a website for KIPP:SHARP. At the top center is the KIPP:SHARP logo, which consists of a red heart icon followed by the text "KIPP:SHARP" in blue and yellow. On the left side, there is a white navigation menu with the following items: "Table of Contents" (with an upward arrow icon), "3-24 School Information/Información importante", "MAP Testing/Examen de MAP", and "Dates de Open House". A large red rectangular overlay is positioned in the center of the page, containing the text "SHARP Parent Newsletter #1" in large white font, and "August 18, 2023" in a smaller white font below it. The background of the website is a photograph of a modern, multi-story school building with a blue sky and white clouds. In the bottom left corner, there is a video player showing a woman's face, with a white play button icon overlaid on it. The text "ENGLISH WELCOME BACK" is visible above the video player.

KIPP SHARP Website

VISIT OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE

www.kippsharp.org



[KIPP SHARP Website](http://www.kippsharp.org)

Grade Level Expectations

Responsibility/Responsabilidad

- In 4th grade students are held to high expectations.
- We want students to have a sense of responsibility when it comes to their learning. (materials, homework, etc.)
- Students have a lot of information coming to them everyday. It's important that we are always with excellence, in order to learn and soak in all of the information.
- En 4o grado los alumnos tienen altas expectativas.
- Queremos que los alumnos tengan sentido de la responsabilidad cuando se trata de su aprendizaje. (materials, tarea)
- Los alumnos reciben mucha información todos los días. Es importante que estemos siempre con la excelencia, para aprender y empaparnos de toda la información.

Conduct Cards

KIPP SHARP Student Name: _____ Teacher: _____
 Title for this Week: _____

	Academic/Académico					Behavior/Comportamiento				
	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Th.	Fri.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Th.	Fri.
Reading										
Math										
Writing										
Science										
Art										
PE										
Other, etc.										
	Parent Signature	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday				

Academic Conduct Marks - /MARCAS DE CONDUCTA ACADÉMICAS

- Did not follow**
 - A1. Did not follow class/work expectations (No siguió las expectativas de la clase o trabajo)
- Did not follow with enthusiasm**
 - A2. Tardy to class/school (Tarde a la clase/ escuela)
- Not with Excellence**
 - A3. Missing/incomplete homework (No trajo o trajo incompleto)
 - A4. Missing/incomplete classroom (No completo trabajo en clase)
 - A5. Violating form(s) or signatures (No entrega trabajo o no trae firmado)
 - A6. Not prepared with materials (No preparado con los materiales)
 - A7. Not compliance with dress code or spirit day (No cumplimiento del código de vestimenta o de "spirit day")
- Not Ready to Try Again**
 - A8. Refusal to learn or work after redirection (Se refusa a aprender o trabajar después de la redirección)
- Not working together**
 - A9. Did not work well with peers (No trabajo junto con sus compañeros)

Behavior Conduct Marks - MARCAS DE CONDUCTA POR COMPORTAMIENTO


- Did not follow**
 - B1. Verbal/Non-verbal disrespect to peers (Insulto verbal/verbal o no verbal a sus compañeros)
 - B2. Verbal/Non-verbal disrespect to adults (Insulto verbal/no verbal a los adultos)
 - B3. Engaged in dishonest behavior (evaluado en un comportamiento no deseado)
 - B4. Used inappropriate language (uso lenguaje inapropiado)
 - B5. Mismanages school property/equipment (Maltrato la propiedad o el equipo de la escuela)
- Did not follow with enthusiasm**
 - B6. Did not follow class (No trajo a la clase)
 - B7. Refusal to follow directions (Refusó a seguir instrucciones)
- Not with Excellence**
 - B8. Talking/cheating at in appropriate time (habla/cita en momentos inapropiados)
 - B9. Did not follow behavior expectations (No siguió las expectativas de comportamiento)
- Not Ready to Try Again**
 - B10. Did not take responsibility for choices/actions (No toma responsabilidad de sus acciones/acciones)
 - B11. Continues with inappropriate behavior despite redirection (Continúa comportamiento inapropiado a pesar de redirección)
- Not working Together**
 - B12. Did not keep hands/body to self (No mantiene las manos o el cuerpo para sí mismo)
 - B13. Engaged in fights/conflicts with peers (Otro/ Otros conflictos con compañeros)

1 Mark: 1 mark all items/Reflexion Time / Incomplete work/ homework - it is completed during recess
 2 Marks: 10 marks all items/Reflexion Time / Incomplete work/ homework - it is completed during recess
 3+ Marks: 10 Marks all items/Reflexion Time and Parents (if out of school)
 ***Repeated conduct marks can result in a discipline referral and visit to the office



The conduct card is an important communication tool for parents to know how students are doing both behaviorally and academically. It's very important for parents to sign the conduct sheet daily even if students are not receiving conduct marks.

La hoja de conducta es una importante herramienta de comunicación para que los padres sepan cómo les va a los alumnos tanto en comportamiento como académicamente. Es muy importante que los padres firmen la hoja de conducta diariamente aunque los alumnos no reciban notas de conducta.

H.E.A.R.T Chart



Name _____ Homeroom _____

 **Heart Chart** 

HEART	HEART	HEART	HEART	HEART
HEART	HEART	HEART	HEART	HEART
HEART	HEART	HEART	HEART	HEART
HEART	HEART	HEART	HEART	HEART

We will also be using the HEART chart to track students who follow the HEART values which are redeemable for prizes!

También utilizaremos la tabla HEART para hacer un seguimiento de los alumnos que siguen los valores HEART, que se pueden canjear por premios.

Homework/Tarea

- Should only take about 45 minutes a day
- If it's taking longer, please reach out!



Math

Name _____ Date _____

1. Round to the nearest thousand. Use the number line to model your thinking.

a. $6,700 = 7,000$

b. $9,340 = 9,000$

c. $16,401 = 16,000$

d. $39,545 = 40,000$

e. $399,499 = 400,000$

f. $840,007 = 840,000$

Lesson 7: Round multi-digit numbers to the thousands place using the vertical number line.

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1. Will be based on the skill learned in class that day
2. Meant to reinforce the skill (practice)
3. Show strategies
4. Can use classwork to help them

Reading

Name _____

Make Connections WEEK 8 DAY 5

READ THE PASSAGE: Think about how Kelly and Alicia feel about their summer plans.

Gardens and Grades

On most Sunday afternoons, Kelly and Alicia met in the trellis-house of the big elm tree that spanned between their backyards. Alicia brought a blanket to sit on, and Kelly brought snacks. On this warm June day, the girls looked over onto the lawns and driveways in their neighborhood. Usually they had trouble not talking at the same time. Today, neither said much.

"Thanks for the snack," Alicia said after a while. She was thinking about the next day. Her father had agreed to increase her allowance if she took care of the garden all summer. She wanted to earn enough money to pay for guitar lessons. But the garden was very big.

"You're welcome," answered Kelly. She was thinking about summer school, which she would begin the next day. Kelly wanted to be prove her math skills, so she would have an easier time in sixth grade.

The two girls sat quietly in their trellis-house, thinking about the work ahead of them. "I wish we could trade places," they both said suddenly. They looked at each other and began to laugh.

STANDARD PRACTICE: Describe a time when you worked hard for something you wanted.

SKILL PRACTICE: Read the text. Write your response.

1. What is the reason that both girls are quiet?

2. Why do the girls wish they could trade places?

1. Read the text
2. Annotate the text
3. Answer questions in a complete sentence.
4. Use evidence from the text

Reminders/Recordatorios

- Please make sure students arrive to school **on time by 7:25** every single day.
- Make sure they are in uniforms.
- Please encourage students to use the bathroom at home and before school starts.
- Please sign conduct cards **every day!**
- Por favor, asegúrese de que los estudiantes lleguen a la escuela a tiempo antes de las 7:25 todos los días.
- Asegúrese de que están en uniformes.
- Por favor, anime a los estudiantes a usar el baño en casa y antes de que comience la escuela.
- Por favor, firmen las tarjetas de conducta todos los días

Thank You!

Questions?

****If you want to speak about your child individually, please reach out to the teacher separately. Parent conference day is October 20!***

BYE!

