A+ YEAR IN THE LIFE @ KENT DENVER

2015–2016 CALENDAR

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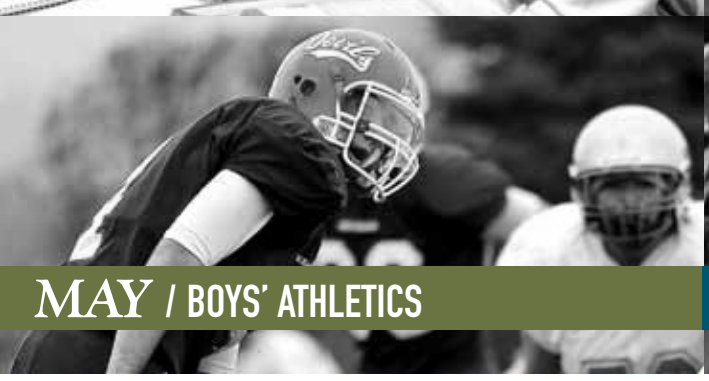

MAY / BOYS' ATHLETICS

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SENIOR TRADITIONS

On the first day of school, the seniors dress up according to a theme and line the school driveway to welcome families. Last year's theme, "Cartoons" brought out a whole 'cast of characters' to celebrate the new school year.

"My favorite memory would definitely be the senior retreat, where we had time to spend together and really prepare for our last year. We thought through our connections with eachother and even made new connections with classmates that, even though we've known eachother for years, weren't already there.

- Cole, Class of 2015"

TEACHERS WHO ARE MORE THAN TEACHERS...

"I am so thankful to Kent Denver for helping me develop a want and desire to be better every day and never being satisfied with mediocrity. Everyone in this community, the teachers and the students are doing great things and it makes you care about what you're doing.

- Reilly, Class of 2015"

9TH GRADE FALL TRIP

"I was so nervous about high school, and that was the thing I appreciated the most about the freshman retreat: you do so many trust-building activities together as a class and you spend so much time with one another that you develop close ties with the rest of the class, and by the end, there's very much this pervading sense of camaraderie."

- Eloise, Class of 2017

AUGUST

***ORIENTATION** | Each fall, Kent Denver welcomes approximately 135 new students. These new Sun Devils, who enroll from more than 50 different feeder schools, enrich our community with their talents, enthusiasm, curiosity, and love of learning. The total enrollment on the opening day of school each fall is approximately 690 (220 students in the middle school and 470 in the upper school).*

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10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17 US Fall Sports Practices Begin US Fall Play Auditions	18 9th Grade Social with Peer Mentors	19 New Parent Reception	20	21	22	23 6th Grade Ice Cream Social
24 Orientation for MS and US	25 First Day of School! MS Sports Begin	26	27 MS Back to School Night MS Yearbook Photos	28 US Yearbook Photos	29	30
31						

MIDDLE SCHOOL FALL TRIPS
6th grade: *Buena Vista*
7th & 8th grade: *Jefferson Lakes*

INTERNATIONAL PEACE DAY

The sixth grade celebrates International Peace Day on Sept. 20 with a "pinwheels for peace" project. On this day, we talk about peace in our own community, using Kent Denver's core values — Integrity, Respect, Personal Growth, and Wisdom — to shape discussions.

Q: WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE CLASS?

A: "My favorite class thus far has been physics with Mr. Petersen. Every day you learn something completely new, and there is always an exciting lab or demonstration to help you better understand the lesson."

- Max, Class of 2017

A: "My favorite class has been Global Politics in the 21st Century because of its moving topics and its relevance to everyday life. There is no denying the importance of understanding current events that reveal our pasts and decide our future. Global Politics has opened me up to a world beyond the U.S. and has taught me the significance of social dynamics, questioning injustice, and the brute reality of our crazed world."

- Ashley, Class of 2017

A: "Spanish 2 with Ms. Thomas. She was really engaging and interactive with us, she really helped me improve my Spanish, and I learned a lot from her. I really enjoyed her class and it was fun!"

- Meryl, Class of 2016

SEPTEMBER

***UPPER SCHOOL ACADEMICS** | A challenging academic program is at the heart of a Kent Denver education. We strive to strike a balance between teaching fundamental literacies and encouraging students to follow their individual interests; between teaching skills and teaching material; and between instilling habits of discipline and inspiring creativity. In the high school, we offer AP courses in 15 areas, and 90% of AP test scores are "3" or higher. Courses added in fall 2015 include Principles of 3D Modeling, Detective Fiction, Infectious Diseases and Epidemiology, and innumerable courses through our online partnerships.*

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
	1 US Back to School Night	**2** 6th grade Trip to Buena Vista (come back on Friday)	**3**	**4**	**5**	**6**
7 Labor Day - No School	**8**	**9** 7th and 8th grade Fall Camping Trip to Jefferson Lakes (come back on Friday) 9th grade Trip to Golden Bell Camp (come back on Friday)	**10**	**11**	**12**	**13**
14	**15**	**16** 6th grade Community Service at Capitol Hill Community Services Soup Kitchen	**17**	**18** Homecoming Weekend!	**19** "Game Night" party for all US students	
21	**22**	**23**	**24**	**25**	**26** **Admission Event: Experience Kent Denver**	
28	**29** Kent Denver Families of Color Meet and Greet Dinner	**30**				

EXPERIENCE KENT DENVER!
Come visit us on September 26th to experience what makes Kent Denver an engaging, innovative, and truly outstanding 7 year program.

HOMECOMING
All week leading up to Homecoming Weekend, each day has a different 'spirit' theme, from pajamas to superheroes, culminating in all Kent Denver spirit wear on Friday and a "Fun Friday" assembly where seniors lead the high school in cheers to energize everyone for the big games the next day.

MY STRENGTHS ARE...

"I have learned to have grit and a 'never say no' attitude when it comes to my future. I learned to keep going and to persevere because I can do it, if I make a mistake I know to shake it off and continue. Kent has been such a major part of my life and it is just such an amazing school."

- Esther, Class of 2018

UPPER AND MIDDLE SCHOOL GIRLS' SPORTS

- *Basketball*
- *Cross Country*
- *Field Hockey*
- *Lacrosse*
- *Soccer*
- *Tennis*
- *Track and Field*
- *Volleyball*

UPPER SCHOOL ONLY:

- *Golf*
- *Swimming and Diving*
- *Students may also take Yoga or Conditioning (non-competitive)*

OCTOBER

GIRLS' SPORTS *| Krista Sahrbeck, Varsity Girls' Soccer: "If I can produce players AND young women who can walk away from the game a little bit more knowledgeable in the sport, with a heart and mind filled with warm memories of friendship and moments, and a stronger sense of self-confidence, I feel I have succeeded. In the end, it's not about the trophies, wins and losses (those are quickly forgotten), but rather it's the lasting memories and moments that define these girls and teach them to understand that they can accomplish anything they put their minds, time, and effort towards - whether it's athletics, academics, or a life struggle." Krista was named metro league coach of the year for all women's sports for the 2013-14 school year.*

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
			1	2	4 "Devil's Dash" Kent Denver 5K Run/Walk	
5	6	7 MS/US Choral Showcase	8 6th grade Parent Coffee with MS Head John Kuntz	9	10	11
12	13 New Parent Lunch with Head of School, Dr. Rand Harrington	14 7th and 8th grade Community Service Day	15 No School – Fall Break (Thursday and Friday)	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27 Quincy Ave Rhythm Band Evening Concert	28 Parent – Advisor – Student Conferences	29	30 MS Fall Dance!	31	

MUSIC PROGRAMS:

In addition to music class in the Middle School and the wide range of music offerings in the Upper School, Kent Denver also has:

Middle School: *Rhythm and Blues Band, and Choir*

Upper School: *Rhythm and Blues Band, Jazz Band, Latin Ensemble, and Choir*

"Regardless of the volumes of research linking learning a musical instrument to increased achievement in language, math, and science, music is important in and of itself. Music helps a student to build both confidence and self-awareness. Playing a musical instrument engages both the right and left sides of the brain through the development of increased memorization, auditory proficiency, and reasoning skills. Music helps to develop discipline, greater awareness of complex patterns, and personal creativity, but most of all, playing music is just a cool thing to do!"

- Steve Holley, Music Teacher

NOVEMBER

***BANDS AND CHOIRS** | Kent Denver believes in the importance of the arts. Through art, students expand their human capacity to perceive, understand, communicate, and appreciate life. And, it's FUN! More than 90 Upper and Middle school students belong to one of our choirs, and 65 play instruments or sing in our bands.*

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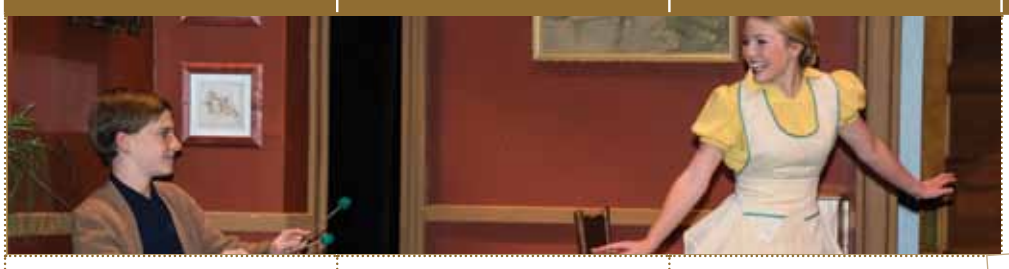
						1
2	3 MS Student Recital of Classical Music	4 6th grade vs. Seniors Geobaseball	5 US Fall Play	6 US Fall Play	7 US Fall Play	8
9	10 Culinary Club - Secret Ingredient Cooking Contest	11	12 MS Fall Play US Winter Sports Begin	13 MS Fall Play	14 ISEE Testing	15
16 MS Winter Sports Begin	17	18	19 US Classical Music Recital	20 Guitar Concert	21 US Fall Ball	22
23 Blackmer Big Band, The Azucartones, MS R&B Band Concert 30	24 Grandparents' Day	25 Thanksgiving Break - No School	26	27		

US PLAY
Last year: When We are Married by J.B. Priestley
This year: Argonautika by Mary Zimmerman

MS PLAY
Last year: Afternoon of the Elves by Y York
This year: Gulliver's Travels, by Jonathan Swift

REILLY

I went to Kenya with Students Shoulder to Shoulder and worked with HIV+ kids and a self-sustaining orphanage. The trip was unbelievable; I was brought to tears and it really openned my eyes as to how other people live. It made me want to dedicate my life to helping others.

ELOISE

I am heavily involved in a program called El Sistema Colorado. The purpose of the program is to provide underserved kids with the chance to learn to play classical music. When I volunteer at Sistema, I give violin lessons to the kids, help them with their homework, and play in the orchestra to help flesh it out. It has been such a privilege to be involved with them - it has helped me become a more introspective person and player, and watching the kids grow from being in kindergarten and learning the names of the parts of the violin to being in middle school and playing Dvorak.

MIDDLE SCHOOL

7th and 8th graders complete community service through their Advisory Groups. Last year advisory groups worked with Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado, The Joshua School, local elementary schools, and many more organizations on 'Community Service' days during the school year.

DECEMBER

COMMUNITY SERVICE | *As an independent school dedicated to the public good, Kent Denver makes community service an essential part of students' school experience. Sixth graders work at a soup kitchen in downtown Denver every Wednesday, seventh and eighth graders do service projects – ranging from work with autistic children to helping kindergartners learn to read – in their advisory groups. Upper School students pursue independent projects based on their personal areas of interest. In all, Kent Denver students perform more than 15,000 hours of community service each year.*

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
	1	**2** Senior Care Packages	**3**	**4** 7th / 8th grade Community Service Day	**5** ISEE Testing	**6**
7	**8** MS / US Choir Concert	**9** 6th grade Community Service at Capitol Hill Community Services Soup Kitchen	**10**	**11**	**12**	**13**
14 "Clothes for Kids" (clothing drive drop-off)	**15** "Clothes for Kids" (clothing drive drop-off)	**16** "Clothes for Kids" (clothing sorting party)	**17** End of 1st Semester	**18**	**19** Winter Break begins	**20**
21	**22**	**23**	**24**	**25**		
28	**29**	**30**	**31**			

BREAK

Don't forget! Your application to Kent Denver is due in January!
Application Deadline for siblings of currently enrolled students: January 15, 2016
Application Deadline: January 31, 2016

GEOBASEBALL

One of the highlights of the sixth grade program occurs every week. "Geobaseball" is a geography game using the rules of baseball. Sixth grade students are placed on teams, with batting averages recorded and league standings kept. Teams ultimately compete in a championship tournament at the end of the year for the school title.

ROBOTICS

The Kent Denver Robotics team designs robots and competes against other schools across the state and the nation, and around the world, and for the fourth straight year, Kent Denver came away award-winners. The upper school team won the Arts Divisional Design Award, while the middle school squad won the Spirit Divisional Design Award. Over the past four years, Kent Denver has won seven Design Awards at Worlds for having demonstrated a "professional approach to the design process, project and time management and team organization." Some 800 teams from all over the world competed in the VEX event this year.

MIDDLE SCHOOL ELECTIVES

Middle School Electives are designed to allow students to explore special interests and get hands-on experience with faculty members who share their passions. This year's choices range from writing and publishing your own book, to exploring marine biology, to learning to cook and sew, to learning how to operate technical theater equipment. See the complete list of electives offered this year at the end of the calendar.

JANUARY

CLUBS AND ELECTIVES | *In upper school Speech and Debate, students compete against their peers from other schools in many different public speaking events or by debating important issues in front of judges. Since its founding 16 years ago, the Kent Denver program has become one of the premier Speech and Debate programs in Colorado and the nation – attracting more than 50 student participants each year. The team has won 14 state champions, qualified more than 240 individuals to the state tournament, and every year sends multiple students to compete at nationals. The middle school Speech and Debate program competed for the first time last year and in its inaugural year sent four students to the national tournament.*

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
				1 Winter Break	**2**	**3**
4 Classes Resume	**5**	**6**	**7** Young Alumni College Life Q&A Panel for Seniors	**8** US Prospective Parents' Day	**9**	**10** ISEE Testing
11 MS Prospective Parents' Day	**12**	**13**	**14**	**15** Admission Application Deadline for Siblings! MS / US Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Assemblies	**16** ISEE Testing	**17**
18 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day - No School	**19**	**20** College Night for Juniors and their parents	**21**	**22** 7th / 8th grade Community Service Day	**23**	**24**
25	**26**	**27**	**28**	**29** MS Dance!	**30**	**31** Completed Admission Application Deadline

APPLICATION DUE

Reminder: Your application to Kent Denver is due on January 31st. We look forward to learning more about you!

MIDDLE SCHOOL ACADEMICS

Q: WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE CLASS?

A: "My favorite teacher in middle school was Mr. Michaud and for a variety of reasons. Mr. Michaud is one of those teachers that really are one in a million, he is funny, kind, smart, and an amazing teacher. I never really liked History until I was in his class. He made learning fun and always told great stories to back up whatever lesson we were learning. There was never a day that I didn't want to go to his class, it was always one of the highlights of my day." - Esther, Class of 2018

A: "My favorite middle school class so far would have to be English. I have learned how so much meaning can be hidden inside a book. This past year I was able to look beyond words and read more into what the author was truly saying." - Bailey, Class of 2020

A: "Kent Denver has helped me discover and build my strengths in math by having some of the best math teachers and from the opportunity to use my skills in programs such as robotics. At the beginning of each year in robotics, we are given a problem and we work with our peers to create a robot that efficiently solves it." - Andrew, Class of 2019

CRISP

Middle School Newspaper reporter Jasmyne explained "The sixth grade has been working on a project called C.R.I.S.P, which stands for Creating Innovative Solutions to Problems... Each 6th grader has to come up with a problem and a solution."

Some example projects from this year: a bee box to solve colony collapse, a DNA handgun that could only be fired by the owner, a drone which could seek out poachers in game preserves, and a solution to use insects to feed the world's growing population.

FEBRUARY

MIDDLE SCHOOL ACADEMICS | *Kent Denver's Middle School program is designed to address the unique academic, artistic, physical, creative, and moral development of sixth, seventh, and eighth grade students. Our major goals are to foster strong character and to build questioning minds, critical thinking skills, fluency with mathematical concepts, and proficiency with oral and written expression. Kent Denver's Middle School creates experiences that encourage students to discover joy in learning and to make good decisions about their lives—decisions that are grounded in careful thought, individual responsibility, and the commitment to a value system that respects both self and others.*

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
1 Blood Drive	**2**	**3**	**4** MS Interim (Go to June for details) US Musical	**5** MS Interim US Musical	**6** US Musical	**7**
8	**9**	**10**	**11** 6th grade CRISP Presentations	**12**	**13**	**14**
15 Presidents' Day - No School	**16**	**17** Resume Workshop for Juniors	**18** Last Day of MS Winter Sports MS Musical	**19** MS Musical	**20** US Winter Dance: Neon Nights!	**21**
22	**23**	**24**	**25**	**26** Kent Denver Admission Decisions for Upper School Applicants	**27**	**28**
29 MS Spring Sports Begin US Spring Sports Begin						

US MUSICAL
Last year: Carnival! Book by Michael Stewart, music and lyrics by Bob Merrill
This year: Man of La Mancha, music by Mitch Leigh, lyrics by Joe Darion, book by Dale Wasserman

MS MUSICAL *Last year: Once on this Island, book and lyrics by Lynn Ahrens and music by Stephen Flaherty*
This year: Disney's Aladdin JR., music by Alan Menken, lyrics by Howard Ashman and Tim Rice

GLOBAL EXCHANGE | *2012 was the inaugural year of Kent Denver's Global Exchange Program. So far the program has established relationships with two sister schools, one in Turkey and one in Mongolia.*

Upper School students travel to Turkey where they stay with host families, attend school with their "host siblings," and travel together throughout the country.

Middle School students travel biannually to Mongolia through an educational and conservation exchange in partnership with the Denver Zoo. They also stay with host families and work at the Ikh Nart Nature Reserve.

MUSIC TRIP | *Every year in early March, music teacher Steve Holley takes students to a different city to experience the culture and music first-hand.*

In 2014, students took a once-in-a-lifetime cultural exchange trip to Cuba. The students brought a dozen instruments and more than 200 pounds of music supplies to donate to local schools, and they had an opportunity to interact with young Cuban artists at music conservatories. The group had three confirmed performances on the itinerary, but ended up performing nine times. Students also had a rare opportunity to attend a surprise show with several original members of the legendary Buena Vista Social Club.

OTHER TRIPS | *Other trips include: Washington D.C., University of Caifornia at Berkeley (one of the many Speech and Debate tournaments), Mongolia (MS Rockies to Mongolia Club), France, China, Disney World (MS Choir) and through Students Shoulder to Shoulder students traveled to Tibet, Pine Ridge, Nicaragua*

EUROPE TRIP | In June 2014, middle school language teachers Sam Baumgarten and Andrea Caufield took 8 students to Spain and Italy. She explains, "The opportunity for students to see and experience beautiful, famous, and very foreign landmarks and art, and to hear other languages and immerse themselves in another culture is invaluable. While we are their support, this kind of world travel without the presence of their parents give the kids the chance to grow and stretch. Getting their heads around a different culture and being responsible for themselves on a completely different level does wonders for a student's sense of self-reliance, and self-confidence. I have been amazed at the transformation of my students when I have traveled with kids in the past."

SERVICE TRIPS | *Every year students participate in service learning opportunities around the world organized through Kent Denver faculty or one of our many partnerships including Students Shoulder to Shoulder to inspire responsible global citizenship. During their high school years, 15-20% of Kent Denver students complete service projects abroad. During the summer of 2014, students worked in Spain, Tanzania, Costa Rica, Australia, Romania, Nicaragua, Mexico, Dominican Republic, Panama, Cambodia, Tibet, Guatemala, Zimbabwe, Vietnam and Kenya through community service opportunties.*

"Service learning trips are wonderful opportunities for students to go beyond tourism; they immerse themselves in meaningful work experiences and meet inspiring people who are committed to making their community a better place."

- Dan Gilden,
Teacher & Trip Coordinator

MARCH

MIDDLE SCHOOL TRIPS | *Each grade enjoys both a fall and a spring trip as a class. Sixth graders spend the fall in Buena Vista and the spring trip in Deckers, CO. Seventh and eighth graders camp together in Jefferson Lakes in the fall; in the spring, seventh graders visit Estes Park for a science-oriented trip, and eighth graders travel to Utah for mountain biking, rafting, and hiking.*

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
	1	2 Kent Denver Admission Decisions for Middle School Applicants	3	4	5	6
7	8 Speech & Debate Showcase	9 Parent - Advisor - Student Conferences Community Service Fair	10	11	12	13
14 Guitar Concert	15	16 6th grade Community Service at Capitol Hill Community Services Soup Kitchen	17	18	19	20
21 Spring Break - No School	22	23	24	25		
28	29	30	31			

US VISUAL ARTS CLASSES:

- *Ceramics*
- *Digital Art / Photoshop*
- *Drawing*
- *Film Making*
- *Metals*
- *Painting*
- *Photography*
- *Sculpture*

WHY ART?

"The arts are an active and engaging discipline that strengthens our critical and creative problem solving skills while nurturing and educating our soul."

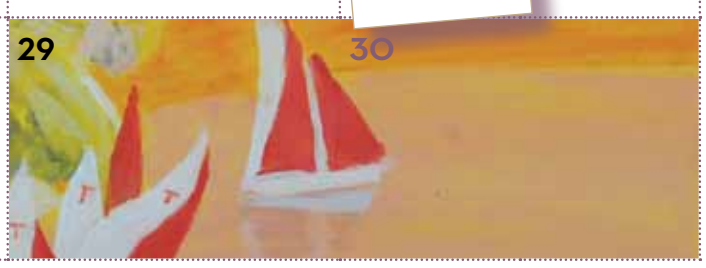
- Ceramics and metals teacher Margaret NeJame

PERMANENT COLLECTION

Kent Denver has a large student art collection representing all mediums and grade levels. Every year, award winners are selected to have their work showcased for five years in our hallways, meeting spaces and offices.

APRIL

***VISUAL ARTS** | The arts are a central part of the Kent Denver experience. The Middle School "arts rotation" exposes students to visual arts, drama, and music in sixth, seventh and eighth grade; every student takes an arts class each day. In the high school, students choose to specialize in one arts discipline or explore several areas of study in drama, choral music, instrumental music, and the visual arts. In addition, there are several opportunities for students to perform as part of music ensembles, drama performances, and the much-loved spring Coffee House.*

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
				1 Spring Break	**2**	**3**
4 Classes Resume	**5** All School Election for Student Government US Speeches	**6**	**7**	**8**	**9**	**10**
11	**12** US Classical Music Concert	**13** Ethics Day	**14**	**15**	**16**	**17**
18	**19**	**20**	**21** The Azucartones US Band Concert	**22** 7th / 8th Grade Community Service	**23** KDS Hosts the MS Speech & Debate Tournament	**24**
25 US / MS Choir Concert	**26**	**27**	**28** Blackmer Big Band, Quincy Ave Rhythm Band, MS R&B Band Concert US Activites Award Ceremony	**29** 	**30**	

UPPER AND MIDDLE SCHOOL BOYS' SPORTS:

Baseball
Basketball
Cross Country
Football
Lacrosse
Soccer
Tennis
Track and Field

UPPER SCHOOL ONLY:

Golf
Ice Hockey

FAVORITE THING? GO!

"I love going to a school with great school spirit. I like going to the football games on weekends, homecoming, lacrosse, and seeing the school come together as one."

- Ricky, class of 2016

MAY

BOYS' SPORTS | *Todd Schayes, Varsity Boys' Basketball: "The one defining characteristic of my coaching philosophy has always been 'family.' We say this coming out of every huddle in every practice and every game. How you treat each of your teammates is the same as how you should treat your brother, sister, mother, and father - with love, compassion, and respect. If our players knock one of our opponents to the ground during a game, we always help him up. While other teams may see this as a sign of weakness, we look at it as sportsmanship to the Nth degree."*

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2	3	4	5	6 MS "A-Thon" Fundraiser MS Talent Show MS Spring Dance One Act Play Festival	7	8
9	10 7th Grade Spring Trip to Estes Park (return on Friday)	11	12	13		
16 Seniors' CIE Begins (Go to June for details)	17 Coffee House	18 MS Classical Music Recital	19 6th Grade Roman Dinner and Plays	20		
23 MS Awards Ceremony	24 6th grade Spring Trip to Sedalia (return on Friday)	25 Seniors vs. Faculty Kick-Ball Senior Yearbook Distribution and BBQ	26	27	28	29
Memorial Day - No School 30	31					

COFFEE HOUSE *One of the highlights of the Kent Denver school year – the annual Coffee House – provides a showcase of outstanding fine and performing arts. Every middle school and upper school student who participates in visual arts has a piece in the show, and the live performance includes bands, singers, and actors. Truly an unforgettable night.*

LEARNING BEYOND KENT DENVER

CAREER INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

Before they graduate, Kent Denver's seniors expand their horizons through the school's Career Internship Experience (CIE) program and work in an unpaid internship in a field of their choosing. This meaningful work experience allows seniors to explore career possibilities while broadening their understanding of the professional world.

MODEL UNITED NATIONS

Members of Model UN attend national and international events as 'delegates' to represent different UN countries. Delegates debate global issues from the perspective of the country they are representing, and when judged on their preparation and presentations, place in the top three teams in the state.

This year Sun Devils Model United Nations (SUNMUN) took 24 upper school students to New York City for the National High School Model UN Conference. SUNMUM represented France, a permanent member of the Security Council, and enjoyed working with many of the 4,000 students from more than 70 countries who attended.

MIDDLE SCHOOL INTERIM

In February, Middle School students experience the magic of Interim, a unique and much-loved KDS tradition. This short break from academic classes allows faculty to share their hobbies and interests with students through a wide array of off-campus experiences. This year's Interim trips included rigorous outdoor pursuits such as a back country skiing hut trip, lighthearted adventures including the "KDS Race" (a downtown Denver version of "The Amazing Race"), and behind the scenes tours of cultural landmarks such as the DCPA.

COMMENCEMENT

JUNE

***COMMENCEMENT** | For more than 30 years (unless the weather is inclement), Commencement ceremonies have been held in outdoor Chenery Theater. The senior class averages 110 students, all of whom enroll in a four-year college or university. Members of the Class of 2014 enrolled in 69 different colleges and universities.*

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
30 Memorial Day - No School	**31** 8th Grade Spring Trip to Utah (return on Friday)	**1**	**2**	**3**	**4** Prom!	**5**
6 Continuation	**7** US Commencement (Graduation)	**8**	**9**	**10** Alumni Weekend	**11**	**12**
13 First Day of Summer School (Go to July for details)	**14**	**15**	**16**	**17**	**18**	**19**
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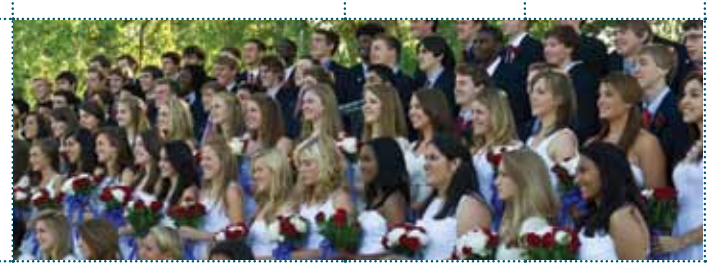
27 Breakthrough Kent Denver Starts (Go to July for details)	**28**	**29**	**30**			

BREAKTHROUGH KENT DENVER

As an independent school serving the public good, Kent Denver believes strongly in the mission of Breakthrough Kent Denver and is proud to have the program as part of our community.

Breakthrough Kent Denver is a six-year, tuition free, educational non-profit program that provides increased educational opportunities for under-served middle school students from Denver Public Schools. Breakthrough also trains and encourages talented high school and college students to enter careers in urban education. Since 1995, Breakthrough has served more than 2,300 students and 550 young teachers in Denver. In 2014, 100% of Breakthrough seniors graduated from high school, 94% went on to pursue a college degree, and the other 6% went into the Service.

In 2015, 45 Kent Denver students volunteered with Breakthrough during the school year and 46 voluteered in their summer program.

JULY

SUMMER SESSION | *With more than 40 arts camps (including nine formal performances), 13 academic classes, and 13 athletics camps, Kent Denver's Summer Session brings more than 1,300 kids to campus each summer. Several of the arts and sports offerings take campers as young as five, so kids develop a love of learning at an early age. In addition to the camps, Summer Session includes a free "performance series" that includes singing, percussion, juggling, puppetry and more.*

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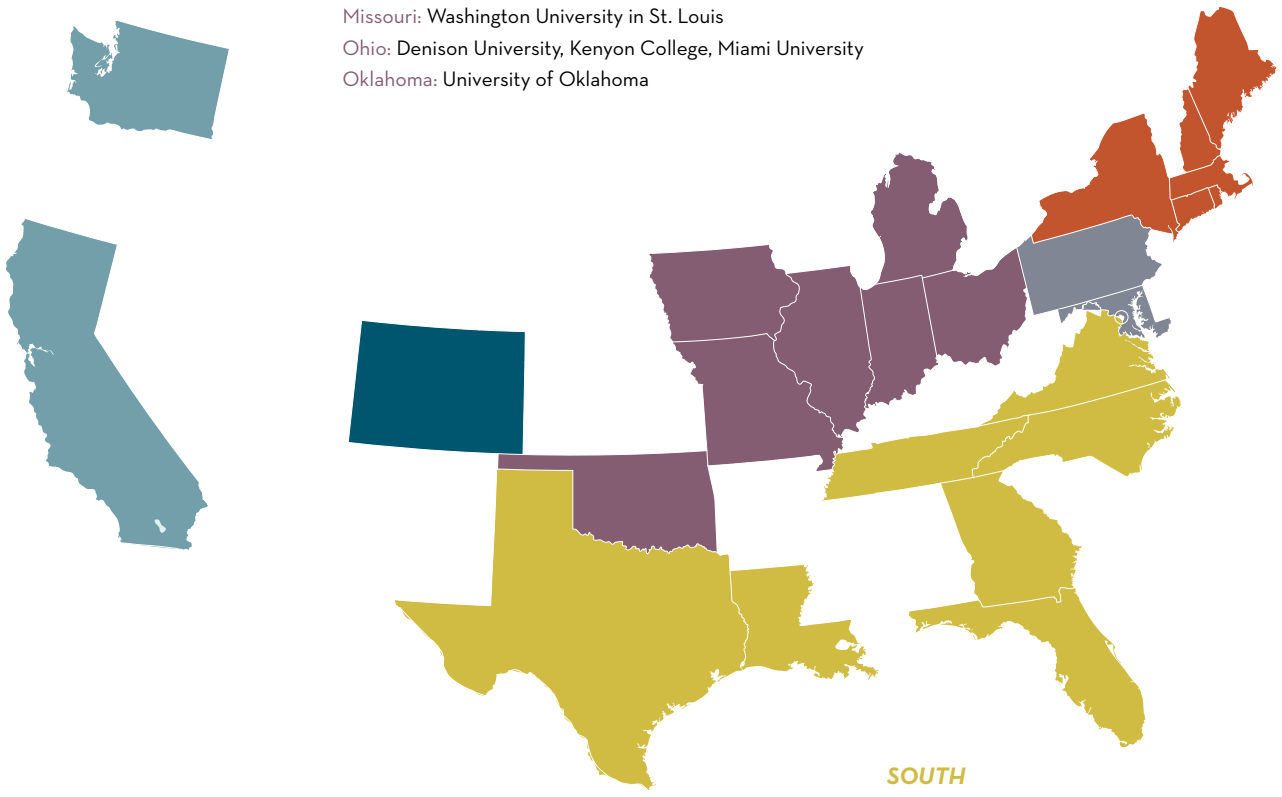

MIDWEST

Illinois: Northwestern University, University of Chicago
Indiana: Indiana University, Notre Dame University, Purdue University
Iowa: University of Iowa, Wittenberg University
Michigan: University of Michigan
Missouri: Washington University in St. Louis
Ohio: Denison University, Kenyon College, Miami University
Oklahoma: University of Oklahoma

NORTHEAST

Maine: Bates College
New Hampshire: Dartmouth College
Massachusetts: Babson University, Brandeis University, Harvard University, Tufts University
Connecticut: Trinity College, Wesleyan University, Yale University
Rhode Island: Brown University, Bryant University
New York: Barnard College, Cornell University, New York University, Syracuse University, University of Rochester

MID-ATLANTIC

Pennsylvania: Bucknell University, Dickinson College, Lehigh University, University of Pennsylvania
Maryland: University of Maryland
Washington, D.C.: American University, Georgetown University

WEST

California: Chapman University, Pitzer College, Santa Clara University, Scripps College, St. Mary's of California, Stanford University, University of California – Berkeley, University of San Diego, University of Southern California, University of the Pacific
Washington: Gonzaga University, University of Puget Sound

SOUTH

Virginia: College of William and Mary, Richmond University
North Carolina: Duke University, Wake Forest University
Tennessee: Vanderbilt University
Florida: University of Tampa
Georgia: Emory University, Georgia Institute of Technology
Louisiana: Tulane University
Texas: Rice University, Southern Methodist University, Texas A&M, Texas Christian University, University of Texas - Austin, Trinity University

COLORADO

Colorado College, Colorado School of Mines, Colorado State University, University of Colorado - Boulder, University of Colorado – Denver, University of Denver

UPPER SCHOOL CLUBS

A'cappela Club

Altitude For Autism

Aviation Club

Blue Key Society

Breakthrough Kent Denver
Breakthrough Kent Denver Club is a group of committed students who volunteer time during the school day to support the year- round work of Breakthrough Kent Denver, a non-profit program of Kent Denver that serves over 150 middle school students from Denver Public Schools.

Café Bogue

Chess Club

Culinary Club

Entrepreneurship Club

Fashion Club

Finance & Investment Club

Fine Arts Magazine

Gay Straight Alliance

Green Club

Kent 4 Afrika

Kent Against Cancer

Kent Unite

Kindness Club

Love, Hope, Recovery

Marine Biology Club

Math Team

Med Club

Mock Trial

Newspaper (The Advocate)

Outdoor Club

Outstanding Women in Business

Peer Tutoring

Robotics Club

Space Cadets

Speech & Debate

Sports Statistics & Economics Club

Student Assembly

Student Run Bank - MidFirst Bank
The Kent Denver bank is a full-service branch of MidFirst Bank, and one of the largest student-run banks in the nation.

Students Shoulder to Shoulder

Student Union for Diversity Awareness (SUDA)

Sun Devils Aware
Sun Devils Aware is a philanthropic club on the Kent Denver Campus aimed at raising awareness about the various needs in our community and world.

SUNMUN/MODEL U.N.
(Go to June for details)

Take One Film Club

Tech Team

Tech Theater Club

Women's Initiative

MIDDLE SCHOOL CLUBS & ELECTIVES

CLUBS

Board Games

Chess Club

Dance Club

Digital Photography

Exploring the Web

KDS in Motion
The club's goal is to try out as many fun, new activities (indoors and outdoors) as they can possibly think of. Anything from capture the flag, to sledding, to frisbee golf.

"Little Sun Devils"
Club members work with the faculty daycare teachers to learn about the developmental stages of the individual children.

Magic: The Gathering

Movie Club

Needle Ninjas

Reading for Fun

Spanish in the Community

Where? How? Fire?
Club members will learn how to use a compass, navigate with the sun, make a clock, and yes - build a fire.

Yearbook and School Spirit Club

Student Council

ELECTIVES

Advanced Topics in Python

Ain't Too Shabby: Antiquing Furniture & Beyond

Art for Perspective

Cakes, Cookies & Confections: The Art of Dessert

Design Thinking

Dig, Plant, Grow, Imagine!

Exploration in Engineering

Introduction to Computer Science: Python

Introduction to Film

Just Dance!

KDS Kids for Change - You and your fellow directors (yes, students are in charge) will set goals, raise money in very cool ways, and then identify and select a few local charities to support with the money you have raised.

Kent Denver Wall Crawlers (rock climbing)

Middle School Choir

Middle School R&B Band

Modern Living: Culinary Creations

Modern Living: KD Etsy

REEFS 1 & REEFS 2 Marine Biology (Research Experiences & Education For Students)

Speech and Debate - Competitive

Speech and Debate- Introductory

Survive - Learn how to make survival fires and shelters, purify water, navigate using a compass and other methods, and even change a car tire. All students in this elective will also become First Aid and CPR certified through the American Red Cross.

Technical Theatre

Written and Illustrated - Publish your work in a book written and illustrated by YOU!

Young Surgeons - Through a variety of dissections, field trips, labs and guest speakers, Young Surgeons will study digestive systems, cardiovascular systems, neurological systems, and how these systems are affected by disease.

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