

## 2021 Ninth Grade Academy at KCAA

To the Parents of Incoming 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Student:

For the 15th year, Denver Public Schools high schools will host Ninth Grade Academies, and KCAA is pleased to announce its participation for the 9th year. Because you chose the KCAA program we are strongly recommending that your incoming 9<sup>th</sup> grade student attend our Ninth Grade Academy. High school is a critical passage in a student's life. It shapes and prepares students for who they will become in the future. During these years the academic preparation gained in high school and the real-life skills acquired will lead to important career decisions and establish lifelong friendships, while having fun and participating in significant school events. Ninth Grade Academy at KCAA is designed to welcome and prepare your student for our dynamic community of artists and academics!

Whether you are new to the KCAA family, or returning to our program as a High School student, all incoming 9th graders are strongly encouraged to attend; furthermore, the academy will jump start the transition from middle school to a successful high school experience. **Students will receive guidance and support needed to thrive in high school.** DPS has collected many years of data on the Ninth Grade Academies; students who participated improved their academic performance, had a stronger attachment to their high school and peer groups, and were more likely to graduate from high school! We believe attendance will promote your student's successful transition to the unique program at the Kunsmiller Creative Arts Academy. Your student will benefit from this experience in the following ways:

Students will meet high school teachers and familiarize with the **rituals and routines** unique to KCAA classrooms **Students who successfully complete the academy will earn high school credit** Students will be involved in lessons and **activities** to engage them in the culture of high school at KCAA Students will be eligible to receive incentives and arts materials by attending the Ninth Grade Academy Students who complete the Academy will receive a KCAA backpack full of school supplies for 9th grade Students will work on a collaborative art work Students will have a voice in designing the culture and rituals for the coming school year

Below is the schedule and dates for the Kunsmiller Creative Arts Academy Ninth Grade Academy.

High School and Phone Number:	Times:	Dates:
Kunsmiller Creative Arts Academy 720-424-0200	8:30 – 12:30 p.m.	Tuesday, August 10 <sup>th</sup> – Friday, August 13 <sup>h</sup> 2021

Please note the following important details:

RTD coupons are available for those who need transportation Daily snacks - free of charge – please bring a water bottle In order to receive high school credit, students MUST attend 3 of the 4 days.

If you have questions, please contact me at: 720-424-0244 (after June 12<sup>th</sup> please call my cell 303-968-4361) or email: anthony\_abel-pype@dpsk12.org or mr.abelpype@gmail.com

To enroll your student, please complete the enclosed form and email it ninthgradeacademy@dpsk12.org OR mail to the school OR deliver directly to the main office of KCAA, 2250 S. Quitman Way, Denver CO 80219

We look forward to seeing your child on Monday, August 5<sup>th</sup> at KCAA Ninth Grade Academy.

Sincerely, Anthony Abel-Pype High School and Career and Technical Education Teacher, KCAA

## Creative Arts Academy at Kunsmiller High School (KCAA) Ninth Grade Academy 2021 REGISTRATION INFORMATION PLEASE REGISTER YOUR DAUGHTER/SON AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

Space may be limited, and your early registration will ensure a spot for your student. It is PREFERRED and RECOMMENDED that all incoming 9<sup>th</sup> grade students enrolled at KCAA attend this year's 9th Grade Academy. There is no cost to this program and your student can earn high school credit for attending.

## **Options for enrolling your student:**

Option One – Email:Send an email message to: ninthgradeacademy@dpsk12.orgInclude:KCAA NGA Student Enrollment in the subject line<br/>Student's Full Name & Student ID number in the body of the email<br/>Student's mailing address and phone number

<u>Option Two – Drop Off:</u> Submit this form to the main office at KCAA before June 2nd (the last day of school).

<u>Option Three - Fax/Mail</u> Mail this form to KCAA before May 24, 2021

## Kunsmiller Creative Arts Academy High School - Ninth Grade Academy 2021

Student's Name: First Name, Last Name

ID #: Student Number \_\_\_\_

Address: Mailing Address

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ ZIP

**Phone Number:** 

Parent/Guardian Name:

Please check the appropriate answer:

1. \_\_\_\_Yes, my son/daughter will attend KCAA's 9th Grade Academy.

2. \_\_\_\_No, my son/daughter will not attend KCAA's 9th Grade Academy.

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Questions? Send an email message to anthony\_abel-pype@dpsk12.org or leave a message with our main office (720-424-0200) and you will receive a response within 24 hours (prior to May 24th, after May 24th email only please).