

Meet our
TEAM

Specials at KGA!

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Performing Arts - Ms. Kristin Moran

Physical Education - Miss MaryAnn Contreras

Technology - Mrs. Kristy Braaksma

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Global Studies

To craft one's own place in the wider world by understanding and appreciating the diversity of societies and their impact on each other.

- Using an inquiry approach, and hands on learning experiences, students will have the opportunity to investigate the impact of language, geography, cultural artifacts, architecture, technology, and agriculture on human systems.
- Students will develop questions, plan inquiries, apply concepts and tools evaluate sources, and communicate conclusions.



Big Ideas and Themes

How do humans affect each other?

How do humans affect the environment?

How has human thinking about the world changed over time?

Parent Involvement: Ways you can participate

1. If you have a passion for a particular culture and would be willing to come share your experience.
 - a. Model traditional costume.
 - b. Read or tell a fable or legend from your native country.
 - c. Share your customs or holidays.
2. Artifacts and items of interest from your travels that you would be willing to donate to our class.
3. Participate in a Cultural Fair.
4. Donate items for project builds.

Contact Mrs. Griffith at: griffith.carrie@cusd80.com



Sign up for Global Studies
Remind account

Text @kgaglo

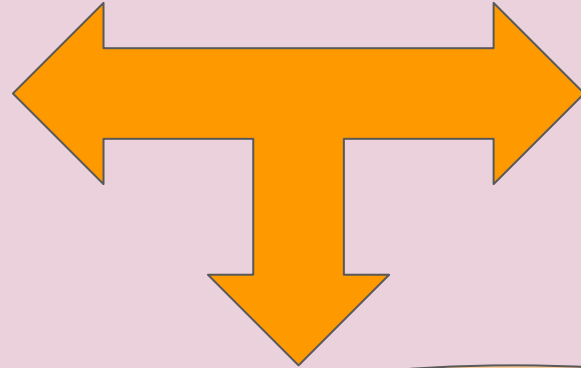
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What is Performing Arts

Class?

music

drama



movement

Music in Performing Arts



Carl Orff (1895-1982) defined the ideal music for children as “never alone, but connected with movement, dance and speech - not to be listened to, meaningful only in active participation.

Build understanding of musical concepts and skills through ***experience***.

Speech/chants, movement, singing, drama and playing pitched/unpitched instruments.

Movement in Performing Arts



Explore loco-motor and non-locomotor movements

Learn and use the Laban Movement principles
(body, effort, shape, space, relationships)

Improvisational movement and sequenced movement

Arts Night (Thursday, April 5th)

Drama in Performing Arts

Six essential skills:

Awareness/Observation

Focus/Concentration

Body Awareness - Movement/Relaxation

Attentive Listening

Vocal Expression/Projection

Cooperation/Teamwork



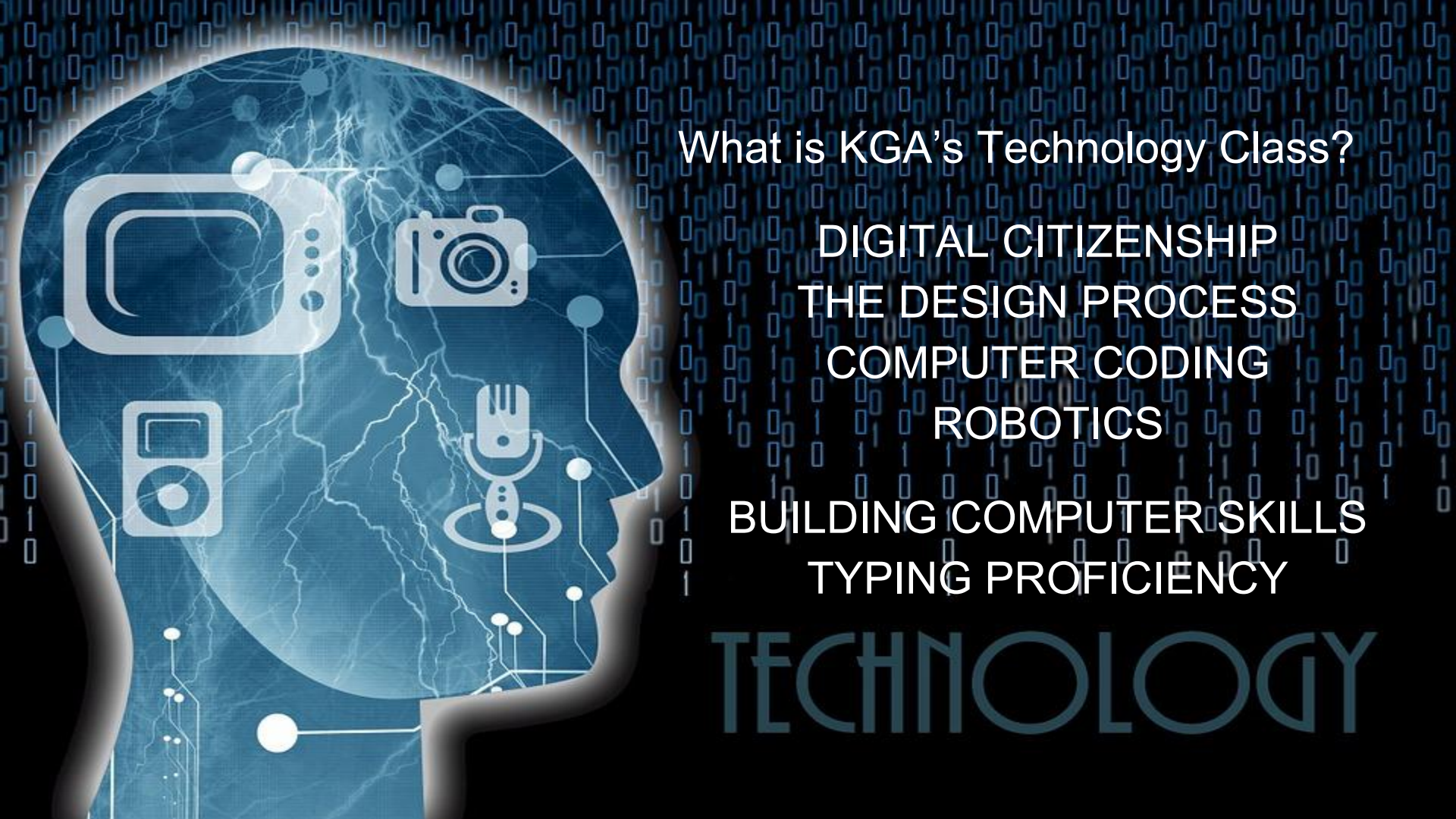
Performing Arts Grade-Level Shows





To learn more about
Performing Arts at KGA,
please visit my page on our
school website.

<https://www.cusd80.com/Domain/6336>



What is KGA's Technology Class?

DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP
THE DESIGN PROCESS
COMPUTER CODING
ROBOTICS

BUILDING COMPUTER SKILLS
TYPING PROFICIENCY

TECHNOLOGY



How can you help?

1. Talk with your kids about how to be a responsible digital citizen.
2. Support the DonorsChoose Projects on Mrs. Braaksma's website.
3. Encourage your kids to participate in the 3D printing club starting in August. Forms are on the website.

Watch for information about how to login and practice typing and computer skills at home.

TECHNOLOGY



What Is Physical Education?

- ❑ **Grades:** Content knowledge, participation, behavior, attitude, sportsmanship dressed and prepared for class (Not graded on athletic skills)
- ❑ **SAFETY FIRST!**
 - ❑ **No:** Sandals, flip flops, boots, Crocs, ballet flats, slip-on's
 - ❑ **Yes:** Athletic shoes/sneakers only
- ❑ **Illness/Injury:** Please send your child with a note
- ❑ **Goal:** to empower every student with the knowledge and skills needed to live a healthy and active lifestyle.
- ❑ **Lessons:** incorporate individual and team sports, various physical activities, skill development trainings, and health and wellness instruction.
- ❑ Healthy active kids --> Healthy active adult



What does PE look like at KGA?



Fun safe learning environment!

Resources and Additional Information

www.kidshealth.org Kids, teens, and parents

www.gonoodle.com Movement and mindfulness

www.cusd80.com/Domain/8527 KGA PE Website

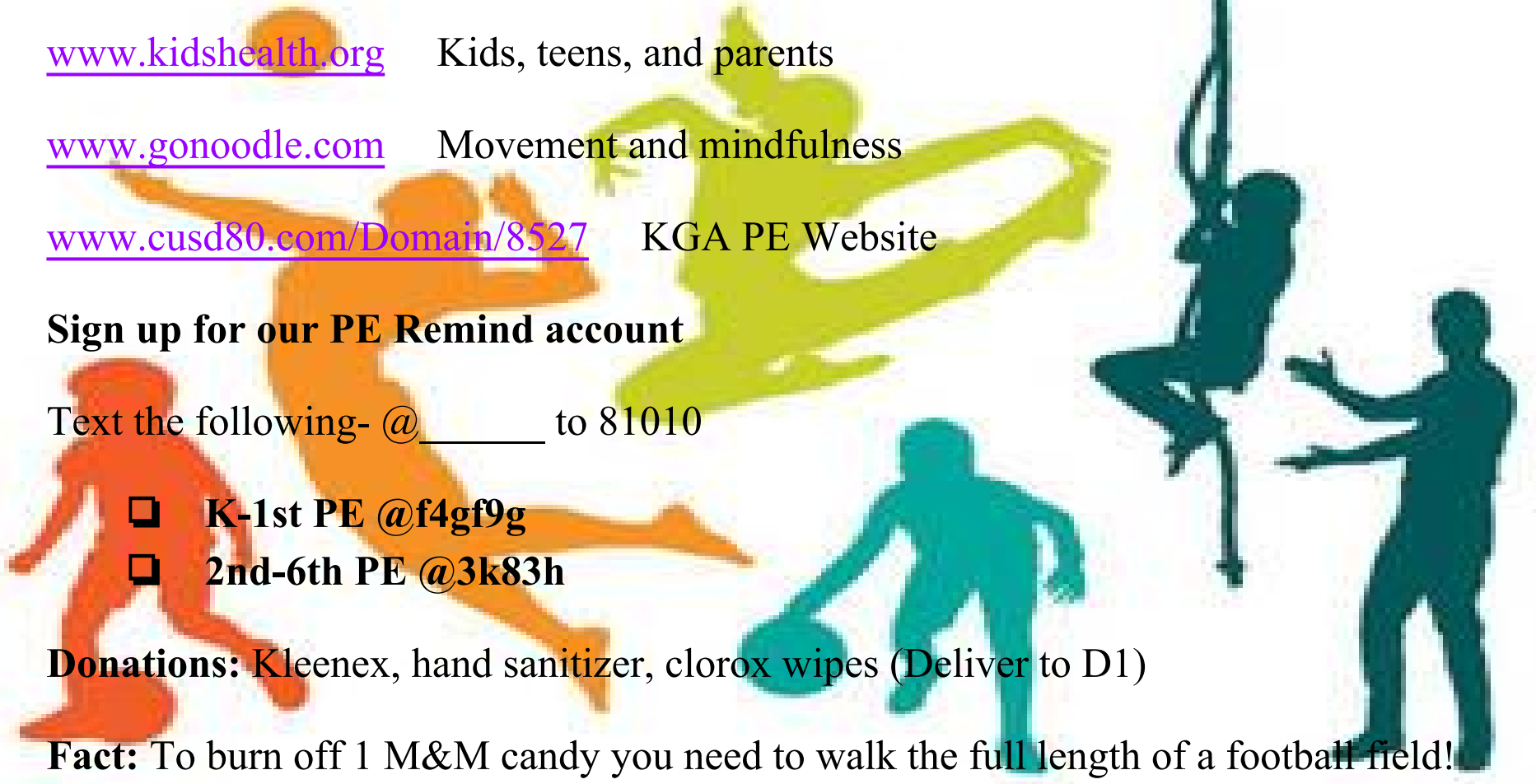
Sign up for our PE Remind account

Text the following- @_____ to 81010

- K-1st PE @f4gf9g**
- 2nd-6th PE @3k83h**

Donations: Kleenex, hand sanitizer, clorox wipes (Deliver to D1)

Fact: To burn off 1 M&M candy you need to walk the full length of a football field!



General Music



Reading Music Notation

Introduction to Instruments: Recorders, Ukulele, Violins, Percussion, etc.

Music Theory: Dynamics, Rhythm, Chords, Pitch

Join the Remind for General
Music by texting
@936hg4 to 81010

Music Clubs

Taught by Ms. Johnson

KGA Chorus—After School
Starts Tuesday, September 5
3:45—4:45 p.m.

K-2 Violin Club —Before School
Starts Monday, September 11
8:00—9:00 a.m.

3-4 Violin Club —Before School
Starts Thursday, September 14
8:00—9:00 a.m.

3-4 Guitar Club—Before School
Starts Monday, January 22
8:00—9:00 a.m.

5-6 Guitar Club—Before School
Starts Thursday, January 18
8:00—9:00 a.m.

(Watch your email for enrollment information on all clubs. Coming soon!)

Student Assessment - Standards of Creativity

7 C's of Creativity will be used to assess students each quarter.

Cogitate - Communicate - Collaborate
Craft - Calculate - Connect - Construct

