## KINGSBOROUGH EARLY COLLEGE SECONDARY SCHOOL

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## Dear KECSS Families,

We are very excited to invite you to attend our fourth annual student-led conferences (SLCs), which will take place on **March 21**<sup>st</sup>, **2024** and **March 22**<sup>nd</sup>, **2024**. These SLCs will replace our traditional parent-teacher conferences, and they will take place <u>virtually online</u> this year. During SLCs, students will give Google Slide presentations on their progress in each of their content area classes to you and their advisor, using midterms or other relevant classwork to explain their areas of strength and their personal goals to make improvements.

Unlike with traditional parent-teacher conferences, student-led conferences place the student at the center of the conversation, and create an opportunity for the student to communicate directly with you and his/her advisor regarding his/her personal goals and plans for growth. The following is a list of additionally researched benefits of these types of conferences for students and families:

## Students:

- Learn to accept personal responsibility for their learning and their behavior
- Learn to evaluate their own progress
- Gain greater commitment to their schoolwork and learning
- Build self-confidence and self-esteem
- Build communication skills
- Have an opportunity to share and discuss their work with their families

## Families:

- Gain a better understanding of classroom expectations and activities
- Have an opportunity to see their child's work first-hand
- Encourage their child to accept personal responsibility for their academic performance
- Gain insight into their child's perspective on their progress in school

Please be aware that all students must participate in a student-led conference, and we expect that you will attend their Google Meet meeting to support them. Please be sure to rank your top three time slot choices on the back of this page, using a scale of 1-3 (1 being your top choice, 2 being your second choice, and 3 being your last choice), and return this letter to your child's advisor by Friday, March 8th, 2024. Your child's advisor will do his/her best to honor your preference. Once your time slot has been officially scheduled, they will send home a pamphlet with your confirmed time, information about how to join your online Google Meet, and how you can support your child in this process. Please know that if you wish to meet with your child's content teachers, you can contact them to set up a conference on a different date.

MARCH 21st Evening		
5:00 PM - 5:15 PM	5:15 PM – 5:30 PM	5:30 PM – 5:45 PM
5:45 PM – 6:00 PM	6:15 PM – 6:30 PM	6:30 PM – 5:45 PM
5:45 PM – 6:00 PM	6:00 PM – 6:15 PM	6:15 PM – 6:30 PM
6:30 PM – 6:45 PM	6:45 PM – 7:00 PM	7:00 PM – 7:15 PM
7:15 PM – 7:30 PM	7:30 PM – 7:45 PM	7:45 PM – 8:00 PM
MARCH 22 <sup>nd</sup> Morning		
9:00 AM - 9:15 AM	9:15 AM - 9:30 AM	9:30 AM - 9:45 AM
9:45 AM - 10:00 AM	10:00 AM - 10:15 AM	10:15 AM - 10:30 AM
10:30 AM - 10:45 AM	10:45 AM - 11:00 AM	11:00 AM - 11:15 AM
11:15 AM - 11:30 AM		
MARCH 22 <sup>nd</sup> Afternoon		
1:00 PM – 1:15 PM	1:15 PM – 1:30 PM	1:30 PM – 1:45 PM
1:45 PM – 2:00 PM	2:00 PM – 2:15 PM	2:15 PM – 2:30 PM
2:45 PM – 3:00 PM		
	Student Name	
	Parent/Guardian Name	
	Advisor	
	Contact phone number	
	Contact Email	
If you need a translator for your ch	ild's conference, please list your preferr	ed language here:

Thank you for your commitment in helping us support your child in this exciting opportunity. If you have any questions, please reach out to your child's advisor.

Sincerely, Tracee Murren