



Mr. Karl Lammers Superintendent  
 Mr. Dean Brinkman Principal  
 Grant Fortman President  
 Meredith Bockrath Vice President  
 Katherine Krouse Secretary  
 Ella Stechschulte Treasurer

**Class of 2025  
 Graduated  
 on May 25, 2025**



Tucker Anspach  
 Bailey Basinger  
 Kaylyn Bockrath  
 Gabrielle Brinkman

*Kalida High School  
 Class of 2025*



Kayla Brinkman  
 Maddix Calvelage  
 Evelyn Cattell  
 Laura Doepker

**Class Flower**  
 Rose



### Class Motto

"Sometimes you will never know the value of a moment until it becomes a memory."  
 - Dr. Seuss

### Class Song

"Best Day"  
 by American Authors

### Class Officers

President: Grant Fortman  
 V. President: Meredith Bockrath  
 Secretary: Katherine Krouse  
 Treasurer: Ella Stechschulte



Evan Fischnich  
 Alexandria Gardner  
 Madelyn Houck  
 Carson Kahle  
 Allie Kuhlman  
 Alison Landwehr  
 Ethan Langhals  
 Brady Lehman  
 Drew Meyer  
 Olivia Meyer  
 Adyson Miller



Haley Miller  
 Reese Miller  
 Claudia Morrow-Worley  
 Robert Nartker  
 Makenna Peck  
 Grace Rall  
 Brady Rampe  
 Lane Rellinger  
 Jackson Schroeder  
 Lauren Schulte  
 Jacob Siebeneck



Dylan Siefker  
 Braylon Smith  
 Jack Stechschulte  
 Reese Strauer  
 Avrie Unverferth  
 Madison Unverferth  
 Ryan Verhoff  
 Ava Vorst  
 Drake Zeller

## Presenting the Class of 2025

Tucker Donovan Anspach, Bailey Nicole Basinger, Kaylyn A. Bockrath, Meredith Evelyn Bockrath, Gabrielle Mae Brinkman, Kayla Rose Brinkman, Maddix Rose Calvelage, Evelyn Claire Cattell, Laura Emma Doepker, Evan Matthew Fischnich, Grant Christopher Fortman, Alexandria Michelle Gardner, Madelyn Ann Houck, Carson Richard Kahle, Katherine Marie Krouse, Allie Marie Kuhlman, Alison Irene Landwehr, Ethan Joseph Langhals, Brady William Lehman, Drew Louis Meyer, Olivia Marie Meyer, Adyson Mary Miller, Haley Marie Miller, Reese Henry Miller, Claudia Morrow-Worley, Robert Connor Nartker, Makenna Lyn Peck, Grace Gianna Rall, Brady Adam Rampe, Lane Bruce Rellinger, Jackson R. Schroeder, Lauren Ashley Schulte, Jacob Robert Siebeneck, Dylan Thomas Siefker, Braylon James Smith, Ella Hazel Stechschulte, Jack Karl Stechschulte, Reese Elizabeth Strauer, Avrie Marie Unverferth, Madison Kaylee Unverferth, Ryan Timothy Verhoff, Ava Rae Vorst, Drake William Zeller.

**Valedictorians:** Kaylyn Bockrath, Meredith Bockrath, Gabrielle Brinkman, Laura Doepker, Grant Fortman, Katherine Krouse, Allie Kuhlman, Olivia Meyer, Robert Nartker, Jacob Siebeneck, Braylon Smith, Madison Unverferth, Ryan Verhoff.

**Salutatorian:** Grace Rall.

**Honor Graduates:** Kaylyn Bockrath, Meredith Bockrath, Gabrielle Brinkman, Laura Doepker, Grant Fortman, Alexandria Gardner, Madelyn Houck, Carson Kahle, Katherine Krouse, Allie Kuhlman, Alison Landwehr, Ethan Langhals, Drew Meyer, Olivia Meyer, Reese Miller, Robert Nartker, Makenna Peck, Grace Rall, Lane Rellinger, Lauren Schulte, Jacob Siebeneck, Braylon Smith, Ella Stechschulte, Reese Strauer, Madison Unverferth, Ryan Verhoff.

**Ohio Department of Education Honors Diploma:** Kaylyn Bockrath, Meredith Bockrath, Gabrielle Brinkman, Laura Doepker, Grant Fortman, Alexandria Gardner, Katherine Krouse, Allie Kuhlman, Ethan Langhals, Drew Meyer, Olivia Meyer, Robert Nartker, Makenna Peck, Lauren Schulte, Jacob Siebeneck, Braylon Smith, Ella Stechschulte, Madison Unverferth, Ryan Verhoff.

**Presidential Academic Excellence Award:** Kaylyn Bockrath, Meredith Bockrath, Gabrielle Brinkman, Laura Doepker, Grant Fortman, Alexandria Gardner, Madelyn Houck, Katherine Krouse, Allie Kuhlman, Ethan Langhals, Drew Meyer, Olivia Meyer, Robert Nartker, Makenna Peck, Grace Rall, Jacob Siebeneck, Braylon Smith, Madison Unverferth, Ryan Verhoff.

**Ohio Department of Education Arts Honors Diploma:** Madelyn Houck.

**Ohio Department of Education Career Technical Honors Diploma:** Reese Miller, Lane Rellinger.

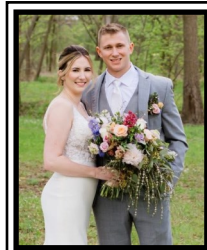
## Congratulations Class of 2025

On Sunday, May 25, the Kalida High School Class of 2025 graduated 43 students. This was a tremendously talented class, which included 13 valedictorians, 1 salutatorian, 26 honor graduates who earned a 3.5 or higher grade point average, and 2 National Merit Scholarship finalists. The future endeavors of our graduates span a wide array of career interests as their selected majors in college and vocational training cover a great variety of fields and professions. Eight KHS graduates will be working full time after graduation. Thirty-three of our forty-three graduates will be attending colleges and universities not only in the Putnam County area but also throughout all regions of Ohio as well as outside the state. Ohio State University University was the big winner with this class attracting ten Wildcat college-bound students to become Buckeyes - 7 of the 10 are attending the main campus in Columbus, 2 will be on the OSU-Lima regional campus, and 1 more on the OSU-Newark campus. Other colleges, universities and educational entities where our new alumni will be attending include the following:

Bowling Green State University – 7  
 James A. Rhodes State College—3  
 Ohio Northern University – 1  
 Ohio State University (Columbus Campus) – 7  
 Ohio State University (Lima Campus) – 2  
 Ohio State University (Newark) - 1  
 Ohio State Beauty Academy - 1  
 Owens Community College – 2  
 University of Cincinnati (main campus) - 2  
 University of Findlay - 2  
 University of Northwestern Ohio - 2  
 University of Toledo – 3  
 Trine University(Angolo, IN) - 1  
 GROB Apprenticeship Program - 1  
 (GROB Systems Inc. - Bluffton, OH)

This class continues to carry on the tradition of excellence at Kalida High School. We are extremely proud of all our graduates for their accomplishments and wish them nothing but the best in their future endeavors as they represent their families, community, and our school. Congratulations, Class of 2025, and as always – Wildcat Pride!!

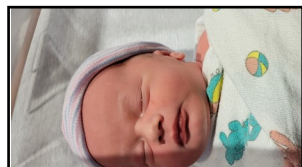
~Mr. Jeff Clement, Guidance Counselor



### Congratulations!

Congratulations to Mr. Mitch Gable. On April 26 he married Miss Blake Anderson.

May they be blessed with a lifetime of love and happiness. Mr. Gable is our Agricultural teacher and FFA Advisor.



**Neil Gerding** and his wife, Alexis, welcomed Peter Douglas, born on Friday, April 25. Neil is our high school Government & History teacher.

**Kristen Sebenoler** and her husband, Tyler, welcomed Landon Andrew, born on Wednesday, April 9. Kristen is our Spanish teacher.

## Engineering Capstone Drones



Senior students in Mr. Liebrecht's Engineering Capstone class designed and developed a seed spreader that was attached to a drone. The seniors who were part of this project were

Grant Fortman, Jackson Schroeder, Ryan Verhoff, and Drake Zeller. These students researched, purchased, and developed the drone to use the spreader they designed. After many unsuccessful attempts, they made the spreader work while flying the drone. This drone was part of a \$5000 grant that Mr. Liebrecht received from the Battelle Foundation.



## 2025 Prom Queen Katherine Krouse and King Jack Stechschulte



On May 3 the Juniors and Seniors, along with their dates, enjoyed a night in "Hollywood" at the Kalida Knights of Columbus Hall. Thank you to our Prom Advisor, Mrs. Carrie Patrick, for working to create an enjoyable prom for the students with the Junior Prom Committee. After prom they enjoyed a fun-filled night of post-prom activities sponsored by the Junior Class Parents.

## 2025-26 Kalida Cheer Squad Announced

We are thrilled to announce our new cheerleading squad for the upcoming 2025-2026 school year! These talented individuals bring a tremendous amount of energy, school spirit, and athleticism to our team.

**Varsity Squad:** Madelynn Myers, Raegan Kerner, Enna Meyers, Mallory Kerner, Kenadi Bockrath, Emerson Burgei, Kallie Bockrath, Camryn Niemeyer

**Junior Varsity Squad:** Addison Elliott, Chloe Miller, Emerson Burgei, Kallie Bockrath, Camryn Niemeyer, Daphne Recker, Julianna Schroeder

**8th Grade Squad:** Gabriella Burgei, Abby Stechschulte, Sawyer Hoffman, Aurora Nichols, Makenzie Bendele, Anna McVey

**7th Grade Squad:** Brynleigh Michel, Allie Rampe, Alli Winkle, Lilian Krouse, Lauren Knueve, Miley Schulte



# Retirement News

## Karl Lammers

### **A Message of Gratitude Upon My Retirement**

As I prepare to retire from my role as Superintendent, I want to take a moment to express my deepest gratitude to everyone who has supported our schools, our mission, and most importantly, our students.

**To the community**—thank you for your unwavering support, your investment in education, and your belief in our shared vision. Together, we continue to build something truly special.

**To the parents and families**—thank you for entrusting us with your children's education. Your partnership, commitment, and advocacy have been vital in shaping a supportive and enriching environment for all learners.

**To my colleagues**—It has been a privilege to serve alongside such a dedicated, passionate, and talented group of educators and support staff. Throughout the years, I have witnessed countless examples of your commitment to students, your collaboration with one another, and your

resilience in the face of challenges. While I look forward to my next chapter, I will carry with me the memories of our shared efforts and accomplishments. Thank you for the teamwork and the many ways you have enriched my journey. I leave with confidence that the future of our schools is in capable, caring hands.

**To the students—past and present**—you have been the heart of this work. Watching you grow, learn, and achieve has been the most rewarding part of my 38 year career. I love reuniting with graduates and hearing all about their journeys since high school, then get a good feeling inside that I may have played a small role in their successes as adults. Please fill me in when our paths cross.

There is still a bit of uncertainty as to what lies ahead for me in retirement, but I will stay busy. Gretchen and I will continue to travel, and with six grandchildren nearby, my time and energy will easily be focused on them even more. It's hard to say goodbye to a place where I've grown, learned, and shared so many meaningful experiences. The laughter, the challenges, the victories, and even the setbacks — they've all shaped me and will stay with me.

Onward — to new adventures and the next great chapter. ~ **Mr. Karl Lammers**

## Roxanne Schumacher

After 33 years of teaching algebra, it's time for me to log out of Schoology one last time and begin a new chapter. It's hard to put into words what this journey has meant to me. I've had the privilege of watching students grow—not just in math, but as young people finding their way in the world.

**To the students**—I hope that, somewhere along the way, you took with you a small piece of knowledge—maybe how to solve for x, or maybe just the confidence to keep trying when something doesn't make sense right away. Watching your "aha" moments has been one of the most enjoyable parts of my career.

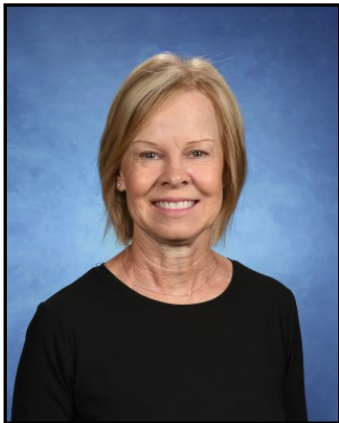
**To the community and our school administration**—Thank you for your constant support. Your trust allowed me to push the students to grow a little each day.

As I step away from the classroom, I do so with deep gratitude and pride (WILDCAT PRIDE that is). Thank you for the memories! Take care, ~ **Mrs. Roxanne Schumacher**



## Mary Smith

It has truly been a pleasure to work in the Kalida School System. Thanks to the administration, staff, and community for their support over the years. I will always treasure the friendships and memories we've built together. Thanks to the students for your curiosity, your courage, and trust. Watching you grow and find your own paths has been the best part of this job. Though I'm retiring from the classroom, I'll never stop being a teacher at heart. Teaching at Kalida Schools has been a dream job. ~ **Mrs. Mary Smith**



## Mrs. Carol Bockrath

Throughout the years, I have had the pleasure of watching countless students grow and make important life decisions. Each and every day has been a unique experience, and I appreciate the opportunity to get to know every student. Moving forward, I will miss seeing their smiling faces and all the compliments they have given me over the years. All of these students have touched my life and made me so happy and grateful for this school district.

Furthermore, I have also been blessed to work with a wonderful staff. Everyone has been so supportive through the years, and I am so grateful for the opportunity to be a part of Kalida Local Schools--during the day and for extracurricular events. It truly has been a privilege to work here. In the future, I am looking forward to continuing my loyalty by supporting not only my grandkids (but all of my "kids") in the athletic and musical programs.

Go Wildcats!!! ~ **"Mom" a.k.a.— Mrs. Carol Bockrath**



# Fourth Quarter Honor Roll

## Middle School All “A” Honors

**5th Grade**—Natalie Barnhart, Kaylan Bendele, Gabriella Buss, Briggs Fortman, BO Grime, Scarlett Hanneman, Sheldon Kleman, Josie Leis, Maria Liebrecht, Adam Meyer, Harrison Miller, Kamree Miller, Afton Morman, Jon Parisi, Grace Sarka, Everly Schnipke, Ella Schroeder, Nolan Sizemore, Brynn Stechschulte, Adalynn Swyers, Grady Unverferth, Addison Vorst, Kamdon Warnecke, Reed Warnecke, Emma Weber, Carter Young

**6th Grade**—Grayson Birkemeier, Jacob Bockrath, Owen Bockrath, Kaley Dickman, Collin Grime, Owen Heitmeyer, Lexi Huber, Macy Kahle, Trenton Kahle, Juliana Kallay, Logan Klaus, Lily Krouse, Brynleigh Michel, Cooper Nienberg, Natalie Recker, Will Recker, Colt Schumaker, Evelyn Slusser, Kensley Smith, Adam Unverferth, Jenna Unverferth

**7th Grade**—Carley Birkemeier, Camryn Buss, Lorelei Goedde, Jagger Klaus, Anna Kline, Evan Leis, Zachary Lucke, Anna McVey, Ava Meyer, Andrew Potts, Ivan Schroeder, Nora Schumacher, Lawson Strauer, Kyla Unverferth

**8th Grade**—Hayden Birkemeier, Avery Bockrath, Ethan Dickman, Matthew Foppe, Collin Horstman, Ava Huber, Emma Jerwers, Katelin Knueve, Easton Michel, Jackson Pothast, John Recker, Valarie Romes, Raelyn Schnipke, Lyla Siebeneck, Gwen Stechschulte, Landon Unverferth, Mallory Unverferth, Quinn Unverferth, Rylee Unverferth

## Middle School “AB” Honors

**5th Grade**—Brody Bruskotter, Ali Buss, Grant Erhart, Jaci Goubeaux, Hunter Horstman, Parker Kaufman, Gage Klaus, Kourtney Kline, Eleanor Potts, Chase Rellinger, Connor Schnipke, Katherine Stechschulte, Adlee Unverferth, Brylee Unverferth, Kaysin Vermilyen, Addisyn Wehri, Kendall Wiler

**6th Grade**—Lyla Becker, Lawson Brinkman, Graciella Flemmons, Raelyn Frye, Mason Gerding, Vivian Gossard, Kiersten Heitmeyer, Avery Kerner, Lauren Knueve, Ethan Langhals, Miley Schulte, Zachary Simon, Ayden Unverferth, Cohen Unverferth, Kyla Unverferth, Bristol Vorst, Henry Wehri, Case Wortkoetter

**7th Grade**—Erica Basinger, Makenzie Bendele, Claire Bockrath, Hayden Bockrath, Avery Bruskotter, Kellen Ellerbrock, Gavin Gehres, Julia Grime, Lucas Hammond, Shayla Krouse, Owen Langhals, Ava Niemeyer, Ivy Patrick, Cooper Rampe, Owen Schnipke, Koby Unverferth, Emma Verhoff, Gavin Verhoff, Melanie Wannemacher, Lillian Wehri

**8th Grade**—Rebekah Bendele, Brock Bockrath, Griffin Dettrow, Hunter Klaus, Annaleice Maag, Madelyn Miller, Chad Recker, Jackson Schulte, Grant Sehlhorst, Eli Selhorst, Gabrielle Swyers, Flynn Unverferth, Braden Wagner, Mason Warnecke, Bentley Wasson, Nolan Wurth

## High School All “A” Honors

**Freshmen**—Tobin Anspach, Brant Bockrath, Corinne Brinkman, Isabelle Buss, Carl Hohenbrink, Taylor Nienberg, Leo Parisi, Emma Shining, Aubrey Simon, Paul Stechschulte

**Sophomores**—Hannah Bendele, Adam Bockrath, Morgan Bockrath, Riley Horstman, Addilyn Huber, Mallory Kerner, Sophia Meyer, Anna Schumacher, Nicole Siebeneck, Carlie Siefker, Kennedy Simon, Zachary Unverferth, Maya Wehri

**Juniors**—Katelyn Foppe, Kyla Grime, Logan Kerner, Jason Luersman, Claire Nartker, Elijah Patrick, Annelise Price, Isabel Recker, Madison Ricker, Malia Romes, Grace Schroeder, Isabella Schroeder, Camdyn Warnecke

**Seniors**—Meredith Bockrath, Gabrielle Brinkman, Laura Doepker, Grant Fortman, Carson Kahle, Katherine Krouse, Drew Meyer, Olivia Meyer, Reese Miller, Connor Nartker, Grace Rall, Dylan Siefker, Braylon Smith, Reese Strauer, Madison Unverferth

## High School “AB” Honors

**Freshmen**—Payton Black, Kallie Bockrath, Addelyn Brinkman, Emerson Burgei, Madelyn Cattell, Chloe Chalklin, Jayce Frye, Owen Grime, Grady Houck, Jaylee Jones, Brylie Krouse, Gavin Leis, Sophia Potts, Christopher Rall, Logan Rampe, Lillian Schnipke, Lucas Schroeder, Luke Siefker, Brady Unverferth, Leah Unverferth, Penny Vandercook, Grace Verhoff, Madison Verhoff, Olivia Verhoff, Lincoln Warnecke, Ross Zeller

**Sophomores**—Cooper Horstman, Jax Horstman, Shelby Jerwers, Oliver Kahle, Enna Meyers, Jagger Miller, Amber Morre, Kylie Peck, Cody Recker, Bryce Remlinger, Makenzie Remlinger, Josh Schulte, Isabelle Swyers, Brooke Tucker, Ruby Vandercook, Sophie Vorst

**Juniors**—Lauren Bockrath, Cole Goubeaux, Lana Grime, Gage Hammond, Karlie Heitmeyer, Jaxon Hoffman, Aiden Hundley, Ethan Hundley, Kendal Krouse, Grady Kuhlman, Kara Lammers, Caden Looser, Mylie Rampe, Ryan Schnipke, Alex Shining, Owen Siebeneck, Landon Verhoff, Emma von der Embse

**Seniors**—Alexandria Gardner, Madelyn Houck, Allie Kuhlman, Alison Landwehr, Claudia Morrow-Worley, Makenna Peck, Lane Rellinger, Jackson Schroeder, Lauren Schulte, Jacob Siebeneck, Ella Stechschulte, Jack Stechschulte, Avrie Unverferth, Ryan Verhoff, Drake Zeller





## Labs Working Together

The Vantage Network Systems Seniors teamed up with the Electricity lab to collaborate on the wiring of the on-site module training house. While the Electricity students ran the electrical work throughout the build, the Network Systems students were able to hook up the CAT5 network cables. By having program collaboration, our students are able to experience other industry work and enhance their skills in team projects. Pictured are Kalida students Evan Fischnich and Carson Kahle.



## Vantage Academic Achievement



Brady Lehman—  
Achievement Award

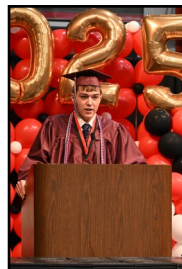


Dylan Siefker—  
Achievement Award



## Lane Rellinger Apollo Career Center Graduate

Lane started in the Robotics/CNC Technology Program his Junior year at Apollo. The program changed it's name to Advanced Manufacturing Program. Lane was able to gain on the job experience through his job at GROB during his Senior year at Apollo. He also had the honor to speak at the Apollo Career Center's graduation ceremony. Congratulations and best of luck with his future.



## Kalida FFA Chapter News

### State Convention

Congratulations to our State FFA Degree recipient, Lauren Schulte, on her hard work and dedication to earn this prestigious award. Also, a special recognition to Brooke Tucker who received a Gold rating on the Chapter Reporter book. This is the first time Kalida FFA has received this award! The students also had the opportunity to tour the Ohio State House, attend a business segment with "Wendy's" and experience all the activities at the convention.



(Front Row) Cooper Horstman, Alison Landwehr, Lauren Schulte, Evelyn Cattell, Addelyn Brinkman (Back Row) Nathan Wannmacher, Landon Warnecke, Ross Zeller, Brant Bockrath, Trey Dettrow, Lincoln Warnecke

### FFA Banquet—March 30

FFA members, families, KHS staff and guests gathered to recognize the achievements of our Ag/FFA students!! Mr. Karl Lammers received the FFA Honorary Degree. Special acknowledgement to these businesses who supported the FFA program with scholarships and awards: Ottawa True Value Hardware, Schroeder Law, AgCredit, Remlinger Mfg. sponsored—Alvin H. Horstman Memorial Scholarship and the Kalida FFA Alumni.



Lauren Schulte received  
the Alvin H. Horstman  
Memorial Scholarship



Evelyn Cattell received the  
Schroeder Law Scholarship



Cooper Horstman and Brooke Tucker  
received the Ottawa True-Value Award



Adam Bockrath received  
the AgCredit Award



Alison Landwehr received  
the FFA Alumni Scholarship



Mr. Karl Lammers received  
the Honorary FFA Degree



## Junior High Band Superior Rating

On Friday, May 16, the Junior High band earned Kalida Local Schools' first ever Superior Rating at the OMEA Junior High Concert Band Competition. Congratulations to all the band members, Mr. Litwiller and Mr. Roney for their dedication to perfecting their sound!



## 2025-26 Marching Band Members

The Marching Band will perform at Cedar Point on June 11 in the morning and at the Putnam County Fair Band show on June 23 at 7:15 p.m. in front of the grandstand. Members include:

**Seniors:** Kate Foppe, Raegan Kerner, Kara Lammers, Annelise Price, Alex Shiningier.

**Juniors:** Alex Calvelage, Cody Decker, Riley Horstman, Max Langhals, Henry Maag, Amber Moore, Anna Schumacher, Isabelle Swyers, Maya Wehri.

**Sophomores:** Andrew Bowers, Corinne Brinkman, Emerson Burgei, Madelyn Cattell, Grady Houck, Leo Parisi, Lillian Schnipke, Emma Shiningier, Luke Siefker, Grace Verhoff.

**Freshmen:** Avery Bockrath, Matt Foppe, Collin Horstman, Emma Jerwers, Alyssa Kahle, Brock Bockrath, Madelyn Miller, Raelyn Schnipke, Eli Selhorst, Gabrielle Swyers, Landon Unverferth, Bentley Wasson.

**8th Grade:** Makenzie Bendele, Lorelei Goedde, Ryan Houck, Eyon Miehl, Aurora Nichols, Owen Langhals, Anna McVey, Andrew Potts, Abby Stechschulte, Kayden Sickles, Melanie Wannemachr, Lillian Wehri.

## Spring Putnam County League Honors

### H.S. Softball

*First Team*—Sophie Vorst

*Secont Team*—Bailey Basinger, Shelby Jerwers

*Honorable Mention*—Kate Foppe

### H.S. Baseball

*Scholar Athlete*—Jacob Siebeneck, Braylon Smith

*First Team*—Braylon Smith, Griffin Klausing

*Second Team*—Jack Stechschulte

*Honorable Mention*—Jacob Siebeneck, Logan Kerner, Caden Looser

### H.S. Track Results

*Girls*—PCL Runner Up

#### ***District Results***

*1st Place Girls Shot Put*—Mia Burgei—38' 9.5"

*1st Place Girls Disc*—Mia Burgei—123' 2"

*1st Place Girls High Jump*—Mila Romes—5' 0"

*3rd Place Girls 400M*—Lauren Laudick—59.44

*4th Place Girls 400M*—Allie Kuhlman—1:01.21

*2nd Place Girls 4x100*—Huber, Bockrath, Unverferth, Laudick—51.57

*3rd Place Girls 4x200*—Bockrath, Huber, Kerner, Krouse—1:48.79

*3rd Place Girls 4x200*—Kuhlman, Miller, Kerner, Laudick—4:05.24

*3rd Place Girls 4x800*—Kuhlman, Miller, Kerner, Laudick—10:13.78

*4th Place High Jump*—Jackson Schroeder—School Record—6' 0"

*5th Place Boys 200M*—Jackson Schroeder—23.69

*3rd Place Boys Shot Put*—Dylan Siefker—48' 1.5"

*5th Place Boys Disc*—Dylan Siefker—141' 04"

*6th Place Boys 4x100*—Kuhlman, Fortman, Verhoff, Schroeder—44.69

*6th Place Boys 4x400*—Kuhlman, Fortman, Verhoff, Schroeder—3:35.78



## Junior High Solo & Ensemble

Congratulations to all the students that prepared to compete in the OMEA Junior High Solo and Ensemble on Saturday, March 24 at Elida.

### Soloist

Raelyn Schnipke – Superior

Matt Foppe – Superior

Eli Selhorst – Excellent

### Percussion Ensemble—Superior

Ryan Houck, Matt Foppe,

Collin Horstman, Eli Selhorst

### Brass trio—Superior

Matt Foppe, Collin Horstman, Eli Selhorst

## Library Donations

A sincere "thank you" to the following people for their generous donations to the Kalida Local Schools' libraries for 2024-25 school year in honor of their loved ones.

### **Elementary Library**

*In memory of Sylvester Liebrecht*

from the Kalida Elementary Staff.

*In memory of Diane Verhoff*

from Ron and Bonnie Knueve.

*In memory of Dolores Schulte*

from Paul and Karen Giesige,

Marge Stechschulte, Jan von der Embse,

Ann Selhorst & Jerry Miller.

*In memory of Kris Vandemark*

from Tammy Schroeder.

*In memory of Karen Giesige*

from Marge Stechschulte.

*In memory of Edna Wurth*

from Jim and Diane Recker.

### **High School Library**

*In memory of Dolores Schulte*

from Paul and Karen Giesige,

Marge Stechschulte, Jan von der Embse,

Ann Selhorst & Jerry Miller.

*In memory of Dolores Hoffman*

from Jim and Diane Recker.

# 2025-26 Information

## 7th & 12th Grade Vaccination Requirements

**Prior to August 19, 2025**, 7th graders are required to have both the Tdap and Meningitis (MCV4) vaccine and 12th graders are required to have two doses of the Meningitis vaccine. Upload the shot record into FinalForms OR drop off a copy at the school. Schedule an appointment at the Putnam County Health Department (419-523-5608) or with your family physician.

Remind



It is time to review your Remind App preferences for the upcoming school year. You can access the information from the Remind app on your cell phone or visit our **Remind App link** on the school district's website under the Resources Tab: <http://kalidaschools.org/cms/index.php?page=remind-notifications>

**GIVE BLOOD**

You can make a difference.



American Red Cross

During the 2024-25 school year Kalida High School collected a total of 200 units of blood. Meeting this benchmark

made us eligible for scholarship money for our graduating seniors from the American Red Cross. Thanks to all who donated this year at our school sponsored blood drives. ***KHS Summer blood drive is Wednesday, July 23 from 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. at Kalida High School. Appointments are highly recommended. To schedule an appointment:***

(below are scheduling options)

- Log into your American Red Cross app
- Scan the QR code to schedule appointment.
- Go to [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org)
- Call 1-800-REDCROSS

We encourage you to use the Red Cross Blood Donor App or contact Mrs. Beth Grime at 419-532-2750 to schedule.



Kalida Local School utilizes PaySchools Central payment portal for lunch accounts and online student fee payments. **This program allows you to pay school fees online, monitor the student's lunch purchases & balance, limit spending, add money to their lunch account, transfer money between siblings, sign up for low account text alerts and enter an online Free & Reduced-Price Meal Application (open after July 1st).** If you have not already created an account with [www.payschoolscentral.com](http://www.payschoolscentral.com), we encourage you to create your free account.



Convenience and Processing Fees —The following fees will be incurred for each PaySchools Central Transaction:

- Paid with Checking-account transfer: \$1.25
- Paid with debit or credit card: 3.25%

***To Avoid Processing Fees: Send cash or check to the school in an envelope with the student's name, ID/lunch account number and amount enclosed for your child's lunch account and student fees.***

# FINALFORMS

## 2025-26 School Year Kalida Local Schools FinalForms link opens June 5

There are a few changes and additions from last year. ***Parents please review all information and sign all forms prior to AUGUST 1st.*** Students in grades 7 through 12 will also log into FinalForms with their school email address and the password they created to complete and sign their forms. Additional information is located on the school district's website, under the Resources Tab: <http://kalidaschools.org>

## Transportation Tab—Updates Due July 25

Please have all the transportation requests updated on the FinalForms Transportation Tab for each of your children prior to July 25 to ensure proper transportation needs are met for your family. Our transportation department will work with our bus route drivers in late July to create all bus routes. If you have any questions, please call 419-532-3534.



## Substitute Bus Route/Extra-Curricular Bus Driver Openings

Kalida Local Schools is looking to add Bus Drivers to their Substitute Route/Extra-Curricular Driver listing. Qualified candidates must hold or be eligible to achieve the valid and appropriate licensure with the Ohio Department of Education & Workforce (ODEW). If interested please contact

Karl Lammers, Superintendent, [ka\\_supt@kalidaschools.org](mailto:ka_supt@kalidaschools.org) or [cheryl.simon@kalidaschools.org](mailto:cheryl.simon@kalidaschools.org) or call 419-532-3534 to apply or inquire about information on how to obtain your Class B CDL with School Bus/Passenger Endorsement.





**Superintendent Karl Lammers** 419-532-3534  
High School Principal Dean Brinkman 419-532-3529  
Elementary Principal Kayla Stechschulte 419-532-3845  
Treasurer Michelle Buss 419-532-3556

**School Board Meetings**  
Second Wednesday 7:00 PM  
Kalida School Board Room

**School Board Members**  
Brent Helmke, President  
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## Music Booster Drawings

### May Winners

**\$200 Winner**—Roger von der Embse  
**\$150 Winner**—Jerry Hoffman  
**\$100 Winners**—Ben Unverferth, Janice Foppe  
**\$75 Winners**—Joyce Myers, Barb Niese  
**\$50 Winners**  
Lou Ann Borer      Dick Gerdeman  
Mindy Houck      Jaxsyn Unverferth (Kelley)

## SUMMER EBT—What is it?

The Summer Electronic Benefit Transfer Program for Children (Summer EBT or SUN Bucks) began in 2024 and continues for 2025. This program provides grocery benefits to low-income families with school-aged children when schools are closed for the summer. Summer EBT benefits will either be loaded to a household's Ohio Direction Card, or a benefit card will be sent in the mail to each eligible child. Families can use the money to buy food during the summer at grocery stores, farmers markets, and other authorized retailers. Families will receive a one-time benefit of \$120 for each eligible child and participation will not affect children or families' immigration status.

***How do I know if my child is eligible to receive Summer EBT/Sun Bucks and how do I apply?***

Many families will get Summer EBT/SUN Bucks automatically if they are getting other benefits, but some families may need to apply for the program. If your household already participates in SNAP, OWF, or if income eligible and receiving Medicaid benefits, your child will automatically be enrolled to receive summer benefits. **You do not need to fill out an application or take any further action.** Similarly, households who have been approved for free/reduced meal benefits at their school will be submitted to automatically receive the summer benefit with no further action.

***If you are not automatically enrolled,*** but you believe that your child might be eligible, you can check your income eligibility and apply for SEBT by completing an application through August 15, 2025 at: <https://sebt.ohio.gov>

## 2025-26 School Calendar

Aug. 14/18, 2025—Teacher Workday/PD  
8/19/25—First Day for Students  
9/1/25—Labor Day—*No School*  
9/8/25—Staff Development—*2 hour Delay*  
9/30/25—Homecoming Soccer Game  
10/11/25—Homecoming Dance  
10/21/25—End of First Nine Weeks  
10/24/25—Fall Break—*No School*  
11/20/25—Parent Teacher Conferences 5-8 p.m.  
11/24/25—Professional Development  
8:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.—*No School*  
11/24/25—Parent Teacher Conferences 3:30-7:30 p.m.—*No School*  
11/25/25 through 11/28/25—Thanksgiving Break—*No School*  
12/19/25—*2-Hour Early Dismissal—Christmas Break Begins*  
1/5/26—Classes Resume  
1/13/26—End of Second Nine Weeks  
1/19/26—Martin Luther King Day—*No School*  
2/13/26—County-Wide Professional Development—*No School*  
2/16/26—Presidents' Day—*No School*  
3/19/26—End of Third Nine Weeks  
4/3/26 through 4/6/26—Spring Break—*No School*  
4/7/26—Classes Resume  
5/2/26—Prom  
5/21/26—Last Day for Students—*2 Hour Early Dismissal*  
5/22/26—Teacher Workday  
5/24/26—Graduation—Class of 2026—2:00 p.m.  
5/25/26—Memorial Day

*Possible Make-Up Day: Monday, April 6*

## FREE Summer Breakfast/Lunch Program

Summer lunch program for children age 1-18 years (No Adults). The free breakfast/lunch will be served at Leipsic Community Center, Lima Schools and Lima Food Truck locations. See Information below for times and specific locations.

**LEIPSIC COMMUNITY CENTER: Every Monday—Friday from June 2—July 31 (No meals on July 4)**

- No registration required — just stop by and enjoy a healthy meal in a safe, welcoming environment all summer long!

***Eat-In Site: Breakfast: 9:00 a.m.—10:00 a.m. Lunch: 11:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.***

***Stay for fun activities Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday from 10:00a.m.—11:00 a.m.***

\* Tuesday & Thursday—Kids Activities

\* Wednesday—Open Gym

**LIMA SCHOOLS: Every Monday—Thursday from June 2—July 31 (No meals on June 19)**

***Eat-In sites: Breakfast: 8:00 a.m.—8:30 a.m. Lunch: 10:45 a.m.—12:30 p.m.***

Heritage Elementary—816 College Ave., Lima—45805

Unity Elementary—925 E. 3rd St., Lima—45804

Liberty Arts Magnet—338 W. Kibby, Lima—45804

Independence Elementary—615 Tremont Ave., Lima—45801

***Lima Food Truck Locations/Times: Lincoln Park: 11—11:20 a.m. Faurot Park: 12:00—12:20 p.m.***

***\*\*More sites are added throughout the summer. Scan the QR code for more information.***