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### The 2018-2019 Curriculum Updates Insert

One component of Kalida Local Schools’ mission statement is to prepare students to meet employment needs of the twenty-first century by providing high-quality programs. Several curriculum improvements being introduced for the 2018-2019 school year should provide additional opportunities for students to gain exposure to prospective vocations, along with a chance to explore and experience potential careers. The teaching staff, along with KHS principal, Mr. Brinkman and KHS guidance counselor, Mr. Clement, have been working diligently to improve and expand academic offerings across grades 7-12.

I have been extremely impressed with the initiative of teachers to upgrade course material to better equip our students for success. The insert in this edition of the Paw Print goes into further detail regarding academic changes for next school year. The timing of this is crucial as students prepare to register for classes in the upcoming weeks. This effort goes hand in hand with some of the other new programs taking place at Kalida Local Schools. Students will soon be starting Kalida Connects, the constructive interaction groups for students in grades 5-8 and 9-12. We will also be implementing Personal Education Plans (PEPs), an educational road map of academic and career possibilities managed by each student.

Our community and parents play a huge role in the formation of our student’s ambitions. We are fortunate in Kalida to have involved parents and resourceful businesses that partner with the school system to expose, explore and experience great opportunities. I encourage you to read the insert and discuss the options with your child before the February signup dates. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mr. Clement or Mr. Brinkman in the high school office.

*Karl Lammers, Superintendent*



### COSI Presents: “Surgical Suite: Total Knee Replacement” Interactive Videoconference

On February 23, 2018, Kalida High School students will have an opportunity to watch a LIVE total knee replacement surgery from an operating room at Mount Carmel Hospital in Columbus, Ohio. Students in grades 9-12 will be able to interact with the orthopedic surgeon and the entire operating room team, while exploring medical careers and reviewing the anatomy of the human body.



**Donations** -Recently the Cats Who Care Officers presented a check for \$2,500 to a representative of the American Red Cross Putnam County Chapter for Hurricane Relief. The money was raised as a result of several fundraisers the students held this fall.

**Toys for Tots**—During the first two weeks in December the students in grades 5-8 gathered toys for the annual Toys for Tots program of Putnam County. Three large collection boxes were filled to capacity. The junior high student council headed this project under the guidance of Mr. Jeff Clement and Mrs. Mary Smith, co-advisors for the group.



### We’ve Got Heart Event

On Friday, January 12 the Kalida and Ft. Jennings boys’ basketball teams played their annual match-up at Kalida High School. This year, however, it was a little different. Both schools and the public came together to the support research of Congenital Heart Disease (CHD). Five hundred + t-shirts were sold. Donations poured in from community members throughout Putnam County. The funds raised through these efforts will be donated to Nationwide Children’s Hospital for CHD research in the names of the guests of honor. Thanks to the hard work of the Project Lead the Way Biomedical Innovations class and the Cats Who Care service club, this event was a great success.

**Cafeteria Accounts**—Have you checked your child’s lunch balance lately? Lunches are \$2.45 in grades K-5 and \$2.60 in grades 6-12. Deposits can be made online through the Meals Plus program with your credit card for a nominal fee. Payments may also be dropped off in the office at either building. Please keep the accounts on the positive side.



### Sharing a Birthdate! Baby Congratulations!!

Congratulations to Adam and Kayla Stechschulte on the delivery of their daughter, Viviana Kay, on November 6, 2017 . Mrs. Stechschulte is a 4th grade teacher at Kalida Elementary.

Congratulations to Jacob and Stephanie Litwiller on the birth of their son, Oliver Oswald. Oliver was also born on November 6, 2017. Mr. Litwiller is our band teacher at Kalida Local.

**College Credit Plus**—On Monday, February 12, at 6:30 PM there will be a meeting in the auditoria for the parents of high school students who may be interested in taking college level courses during next school year. There are two main options at Kalida High School for students to take college level courses. One option is that students can take a few at Kalida High School. These courses are either taught by a college instructor or members of our KHS staff who have been approved by James A. Rhodes State College to teach respective courses. The following courses at Kalida High School are high school courses which can be taken for college credit through Rhodes State College: Psychology, Computer Applications, Introduction to Engineering, Digital Electronics, and Computer Aided Drafting. It is important for parents of students planning to take any of these courses for college credit attend the meeting at 6:30. If parents have attended this session in a previous year, then there is no need to attend again. The other main method by which high school students can take college level courses is for them to take them on a college campus or online during the summer or school calendar year. A representative from James A. Rhodes State College and other local colleges will be present to explain the options of the College Credit Plus program and answer questions. Parents who attended this meeting in the past do not have to attend again, but certainly can for a refresher.

**AP Course Sessions**—There will be meetings on Monday, February 12, at Kalida High School for students and parents of the students who will be taking any Advanced Placement (AP) course next year. These are courses which can also earn students college credit upon completion of the AP exams which are given at the end of each school year. AP courses offered at Kalida include the following with the grade level required for participation in parenthesis: American History (10, 11, 12), Government (11, 12), and English (12). These meetings will begin at 7:15 PM and will follow the above mentioned College Credit Plus session since many parents may need to attend both. The schedule for the meetings is as follows pending the completion of College Credit Plus meeting:

AP American History & AP Government (7:15 PM) - Mr. Gerding's room  
AP English Literature and Composition (7:30 PM) - Mrs. Gerding's room

**Freshman Orientation**- Freshmen orientation will be held the evening of Wednesday, February 7, at 6 PM in the high school auditoria for parents and students of this year's 8<sup>th</sup> grade class – the class of 2022. It is important that you and your child attend this event so that information can be given to you that is relevant for your child's academic future and success. Graduation requirements which will impact this class, course scheduling, and exciting programs for high school students will be discussed.

### High School Scheduling

Registration for course scheduling for students entering grades 10-12 next year will take place on Thursday, February 8, during the school day. Completed schedule forms must be given to each student's respective English teacher by February 16. See the insert for current curriculum changes and offerings for next year.

**PC Optimist Character Award**- Congratulations to Kayla Nartker, daughter of Keith and Beth, for being recognized as Putnam County Optimist Character Award winner for December. She was recommended for this honor by her teacher Mrs. Maag. Kayla was honored with a breakfast and her name was added to the electronic sign outside the First National Bank of Pandora-Ottawa branch.

### HOBY Selection

Congratulations to Evan Roebke, son of Joe and Lisa, and Kamryn Wurth, daughter of Mark and Tammy, who were selected to represent the sophomore class at this summer's Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Conference at Ohio Northern University.

### Vantage Career Center Open House

Monday February 26, 2018

5:00–7:00 PM

Visit the Labs and see special demonstrations!

### The 2018 Gene Stechschulte Award

Greg Knueve has been selected as the recipient of the third annual *Gene Stechschulte Award*. Greg was nominated by Jackie Schimmoeller and Gery Wurth, citing his involvement with the Boy Scouts, the Kalida Lions, sports and the music department. Both nomination letters can be found on the Kalida Local Schools' website and Facebook page. The award ceremony, yet to be determined, will take place at an upcoming school event. Congratulations, Greg!



### Seven New Eagle Scouts

Congratulations to these KHS seniors Nick Cleemput, Noah Hermiller, Chandler Hopkins, Jacob Kahle, Alex Meyers, Dylan Schimmoeller and Trevor Wurth upon the completion of the

Eagle Scout requirements and individual projects. What an accomplishment!

### District Band and Choir Concert Honorees

Sunday, Jan. 14, 3 PM  
Van Wert Niswonger Performing Arts Center  
**Band:** Maidge Westrick  
**Choir:** Anna Berheide, Jasmine Vorst, Brady Decker, Owen Niemeyer, Paul von der Embse, Clay Meyer

### Putnam County Band & Choir

**Concert Honorees**  
Sunday, March 11, 2 PM at FJ High School  
**Band:** Tanner Schultz, Trevor Vorst, Bernadette Basinger, Hannah Berheide, Clay Meyer, Maidge Westrick, Jasmine Vorst, Kevin Lammers.  
**Choir:** Racheal Basinger, Kyla Fortman, Colin Erhart, Jacob Kahle, Connor Krouse, Carter Moore, Anna Berheide, Paige Helmke, Ella Kaufman, Brady Decker, Keith Doepker, Mitch Langhals, Owen Niemeyer, Ethan Schmenk, and Paul von der Embse.

## Grace Schulte Memorial Scholarship

Kalida Local Schools is pleased to announce the initial Grace Schulte Memorial Scholarship for KHS seniors. The family of 1952 KHS graduate, Grace (Schroeder) Schulte, has established a memorial scholarship in her name.

Grace was the daughter of Art and Gertrude Schroeder. Following high school, she graduated from Toledo Mercy Hospital as a registered nurse. Grace married Robert M. Schulte, also of Kalida, in 1958 and had four children. In 1984, she began working for Interim Healthcare, eventually becoming the administrator of Interim Healthcare of Lima, Defiance and Findlay before becoming co-owner. Grace and her husband, Bob, became co-owners of Spherion of Lima in 1980.



Mrs. Schulte was a very engaged individual, living her life by working hard and helping others. She was involved as a Board of Trustee at The Ohio State University at Lima, Chair of the Lima Area Chamber of Commerce, member of the Allen Lima Leadership Program, YMCA trustee, St. Rita's Medical Center board member, United Way campaign leader, Lima's Crime Victim Services Board, Goodwill Industries Board, and Human Services Board. Grace's family hopes this scholarship continues her legacy and caring nature.

Applicants must be a senior at Kalida High School, continuing their education at a two or four year post-secondary school. This scholarship is designed for students seeking a degree in nursing, the medical field, or a career dedicated to assisting others. Scholarship recipients accepted and enrolled into an accredited college will receive a one-time award of \$1,000. Interested students should contact the guidance office at Kalida High School after February 1.



**New Honor Society Members** - Congratulations to Makenna Niese, Allison Wurth, Trevor Vorst, Cameron Siebeneck, Ethan Schmenk, Christian Nartker, Grant Laudick, Tara Gerding, Cassidy Decker, Samantha Backus, Hannah Warn, Tori Niese, and Sarah Klausing on being inducted into the KHS Honor Society. Students were selected into membership by the KHS faculty council on the criteria of scholarship, character, leadership, and service.

**School Calendar 2018-19**—Next school year's calendar is now available on the Kalida School's website: [kalidaschools.org](http://kalidaschools.org) and follow the link under the District tab.

**KHS Americanism Winners** -Seniors Kara Siefker and Josh Klausing, Juniors Midge Westrick and Christian Nartker, Sophomores Kamryn Wurth and Matt Kehres, and Freshmen Jasmine Vorst and Will Zeller were named the KHS Americanism winners. The Post #63 winners were Midge Westrick, Christian Nartker, Matt Kehres and Jasmine Vorst. Mr. Neil Gerding is the Government teacher in charge of this testing at KHS.

### Kindergarten Registration

We currently have 46 youngsters registered for kindergarten this fall. If you need to register your child, registration forms available in the elementary office. Children must be 5 years old on or before September 30, 2018, to register for the 2018-19 school year. If you have any questions, please call the elementary office at 419-532-3845.

**Scholastic Book Fair** – Way to Go! With your help, we are able to add over \$1,307 of new books and materials for our library. Thanks to the many volunteers who gave their time to assist during P/T Conferences and a big thank you to Mrs. Scherer and Mrs. Swyers for organizing this event.

**Testing Dates** - Parents of school age children: Please avoid scheduling any appointments or vacations during the testing weeks of April 4 through May 11, 2018. There is a full schedule of testing dates and the grades affected by them available in the school office. When in doubt, please confirm the dates you may be away with each building prior to making any plans.



KHS Blood Drive—March 1  
10am-3pm  
High school Gymnasium

**Homecoming 2018**— Game date (vs. Continental) 2/16/18  
Dance date 2/18/18 7:00-10:00 PM



Belated Congratulations to the KHS Band for earning a Superior on Nov. 3 at the OMEA competition!

**School Board Members 2018**— The Kalida Board of Education held their annual organizational meeting on January 10. School Board members are Greg von der Embse, Brad Niemeyer, Emily Peck, Gerry Vorst-President, and Craig Schmenk-VP. Board meetings are held the second Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM.



**Superintendent Karl Lammers**  
419-532-3534  
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**Elementary Principal Kathleen J. Verhoff**  
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Emily Peck  
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Second Wednesday 7:00 PM  
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**Music Boosters**

**November Winners**

\$50 Tony Schulte  
\$50 Mary Jane Stechschulte  
\$50 Marcia Kaufman  
\$50 Andrea Burgei  
\$50 Mary Lou Merschman

**December Winners**

\$200 Kirstie & Pete Rafianello  
\$150 Brandon Vorst  
\$100 Rachel & Tim Meyers  
\$75 Julie Kahle  
\$75 Lisa Unverferth  
\$75 Deb & Brad Vine  
\$75 Linda Unverferth  
\$50 Bob & Annette Meyer  
\$50 Rhonda & Gary Siefker  
\$50 Deb & Tom Heitmeyer  
\$50 Dale & Julie Siebeneck

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**Second Quarter -All A Honors**

**5th Grade**—Meredith Bockrath, Gabrielle Brinkman, Laura Doepker, Grant Fortman, Carson Kahle, Katherine Krouse, Allie Kuhlman, Ethan Langhals, Olivia Meyer, Connor Nartker, Jacob Siebeneck, Braylon Smith, Madison Unverferth, Ryan Verhoff.

**6th**—Hannah Basinger, Andrea Burgei, Maria Gerding, Ella Schumacher, Sara Siebeneck, Carly Webken.

**7th**—Kendal Bockrath, Brooke Erhart, Grant Helmke, Joel Horstman, Camille Hovest, Heath Miller, Kayla Nartker, Livia Recker, Dawson Schulltz, Kenzie White. **8th**—Brandt Brinkman, Blake Eickholt, Kenzie Fortman, Madison Kahle, Ryan Klausing, Cole Nienberg, Justin Siebeneck, Jakob Swyers, Brooke Vennekotter, Ella Wehri, Samantha Westrick, Peyton Wurth.

**9th**—Hannah Berheide, Olivia Decker, Ben Doepker, Luke Erhart, Paige Helmke, Jayce Horstman, Katelyn Kahle, Jill Knueve, Kevin Lammers, Marcy Landwehr, Ryan Lucke, Jennifer Rall, Tanner Schultz, Kathryn Siebeneck, Tyler Unverferth, Jasmine Vorst, Will Zeller.

**10th**—McKenna Bockrath, Danielle Buss, Clara Elkins, Kyla Fortman, Kaylee Heitmeyer, Claudia Hopkins, Tyler Klausing, Abby Maag, Grace Miller, Carlie Rampe, Brayden Recker, Evan Roebke, Kamryn Wurth, Sydney Wurth.

**11th**—Irene J.Gonzalez, Grant Laudick, Christian Nartker, Ethan Schmenk, Cameron Siebeneck, Hannah Smith, Trevor Vorst.

**12th**—Alecia Dunn, Kevin Hamburg, Chandler Hopkins, Jacob Kahle, Taylor Lucke, Alex Meyers, Dylan Schimmoeller, Kierstan Siebeneck

**AB Honors**

**5th Grade**—Victoria Bendele, Kaylyn Bockrath, Evelyn Cattell, Alex Gardner, Madelyn Houck, Naudia McNamara, Drew Meyer, Makenna Peck, Brady Rampe, Lane Rellinger, Lauren Schulte, Ella Stechschulte, Jack Stechschulte, Reese Strauer.

**6th**—Kendal Ellerbrock, Brady Fersch, Raegan Gerdeman, Collin Heitmeyer, Meredyth Horstman, Audra Hovest, Erica Kahle, Jace Karhoff, Kyle Lammers, Jonathan Luersman, Gabriella Monroe, Maddalyn Nienberg, Riley Nienberg, Olivia Olzak, Camryn Recker, Noah Recker, Carson Remlinger, Ethan Remlinger, Katelyn Roof, Austin Schnipke, Taylor Tucker, Ethan Wehri.

**7th**—Garrett Decker, Drew Fersch, Nicholas Foppe, Jeret Landwehr, Wyatt Lehman, Haley Looser, Sean Maag, Malie Miller, Hanna Rampe, Kierstan Remlinger, Kevin Schumaker, Jaden Smith, Aric Snipes, Allison Stechschulte, Evan Stechschulte, Jordyn Vandemark, Gabe von der Embse, Ethan Warnecke.

**8th**—Logan Bockrath, Chloe Burgei, Kylie Creller, Ella Meyers, Grace Niemeyer, Gabriel Roof, Adam Siefker, Amanda Unverferth, AJ Verhoff, Grant Vorst, Molly Westrick, Zoey Westrick. **9th**—Emily Buss, Connor Erhart, Stephanie Kahle, Grace Klausing, Mitchell Langhals, Dara Lewis, Melanie Meyers, Brandon Miller, Casey Rosselit, Dayna Schimmoeller, Brenna Smith, Ayden Warnecke. **10th**—Alec Edelbrock, Colin Erhart, Rieley Hanneman, Gabe Hovest, Kaitlyn Keefer, Matt Kehres, Madison Langhals, McKayla Maag, David Peck, Josh Recker, Lydia Remlinger, Tori Travis, Zach von der Embse. **11th**—Sami Backus, Racheal Basinger, Faith Burgei, Cassidy Decker, Keith Doepker, Brian Edwards, Adam Fitzgerald, Collin Fortman, Nicole Fortman, Tara Gerding, Camryn Hoffman, Halie Kaufman, Connor Krouse, Trevor Lambert, Lauren Langhals, Treyton Martin, Lexi Meyer, Makenna Niese, Owen Recker, Dakota Rosselit, Midge Westrick, Jack Zeller.

**12th**—Anna Berheide, Nick Cleemput, Brady Decker, Dillon Elkins, Trent Guisinger, Noah Hermiller, Rachel Kahle, Josh Klausing, Sarah Klausing, Connor Niese, Tori Niese, Josh Schumaker, Quincie Sheaks, Jaylen Vandemark, Hannah Warn, Kamryn Webken, Taylor Zeller.