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Kalida Local Schools adopts a 1:1 iPad Initiative

Kalida Local Schools is pleased to announce a new technology initiative. Beginning in the 2012-13 school year, the high school students at Kalida will be provided with iPads to use in their daily schedule. These iPads will be issued just as textbooks are issued, and they will be used throughout the entire school year. The students will be able to take the iPads home on a daily basis, which will dramatically change the way and manner in which instruction is delivered. The students will have access to textbooks, manipulatives, educational Apps, and district technology tools and services around the clock.

The Kalida Local School District has been studying the possibility of a 1:1 technology initiative for almost five years. The development of the iPads and the supplemental tools provided to use with the iPads helped spur the decision to implement this initiative. This decision was also motivated by the success our staff and students have already had using the iPads. Our staff and students have been using shared iPads in the classroom with great success for the past few years.

Our students live in a digital world, altered by ever-changing technology. Whether our students are described as “Digital Natives” or “21st Century Learners”, we, as educators are well aware that students today are very different from past years. This generation of 21st Century Learners can absorb a great deal of information at super-charged speed whether it is transmitted via a cell phone, television, the Internet, or MP3 player. Digital students are masters of varying types of technology and these students are always connected with their peers and the world. It is our vision at Kalida Local Schools to incorporate these 21st Century Skills into our classrooms.

The district will be leasing the iPads from Apple, and the cost of the lease will be offset through the use of two grants. The district will use funds supplied through the Rural Education Achievement Program (REAP) grant, and the Race to the Top (RttT) grant and a \$75 per student insurance charge to fund the program. The program will be voluntary, and students who choose not to participate will have the opportunity to use the iPads during the school day, but not to use at home.

The iPads will be delivered to the district during the early part of June. All iPads will be tagged and inventoried. Both teacher and student iPads will have protective cases. Many teachers have their iPads now and all will have them by the end of June.

Parent meetings are scheduled for August 7 at 7:00 PM and August 14 at 9:00 AM and 7:00 PM in the auditoria. This is a very important meeting to introduce parents to the iPad Project, to answer questions, and to sign necessary forms. Students are invited to attend, but it is required that they be accompanied by a parent. No student will receive an iPad without a parent attending the meeting and returning these signed documents. More information will be forthcoming about those meetings.

Students will receive iPads during grade level meetings to be held the first week of school. Expectations and responsibilities will be discussed with students at that time.

Further updates will be coming on the school district website and we will continue to develop a “Frequently Asked Questions” section that will be updated throughout the project.

~ *Don Horstman, Superintendent*

Job Posting: Administrative Director of Technology

Kalida Local Schools has an opening for an Administrative Director of Technology. Applications will be accepted until June 22, 2012. Interviews will be scheduled beginning the week of June 28 and the hiring to follow in early July. This position is a full-time (12 month) contract. Qualifications include a 4 year Bachelors Degree (preferred) or a minimum of a two-year Associates degree equivalent combination of training and work experience in computer science or closely related technology field. The entire job description is posted on the school's website (kalida.k12.oh.us). Salary will be competitive and commensurate with experience and qualifications. Send cover letter, resume, college transcripts and copies of your lastest performance evaluation to: Don Horstman, Superintendent, Kalida Local Schools, PO Box 269, Kalida, OH 45853

A Note of Thanks

The Junior Class of 2013 would like to thank anyone who helped in any way to make our Prom so wonderful this year. If we forgot anyone, we are truly sorry. There were so many people who helped make our Prom a success.

- ~ The Kalida KofC for donating the use of the hall and for providing pop, lemonade and water during the week and during Prom.
- ~ Sandy Vorst for cooking the wonderful meal we all enjoyed.
- ~ Tony Vorst for getting us some cardboard for more buildings and helping with any problems we had in our decorating plans.
- ~ Gary Vorst for letting us in school, and getting us into the rooms we needed.
- ~ Leroy Hermiller for donating many truck loads of cardboard for our skyscrapers.
- ~ Remlinger Manufacturing for donating loads of cardboard for our city skyline.
- ~ Mr. Myers for printing out the street signs, hot dog signs, and the posters we used for “Times Square” and the Broadway ticket booth.
- ~ Mr. Schnippel and shop students who allowed us to invade their space, and for building supports and wiring lights for us.
- ~ Mr. Liebrecht who didn’t charge us rent while letting us store our “skyscrapers” in his office.
- ~ Denny Schnipke for building the “Brooklyn Bridge” for us to cross into New York City.
- ~ Jane Fortman for letting us borrow the fabric “night sky” and the pub tables.
- ~ Dave & Becky Unverferth for bringing dinner to us during decorating week.
- ~ Ken Stechschulte for letting us store some of our “Buildings” and the bridge at the old Ag Shop.
- ~ Post Prom committee for bringing lunch for us during clean-up after Prom on Sunday.

We really appreciate everyone who helped us in any way as we created our version of “New York, New York”.

Junior Class of 2013 and Kelly Webken - Marcia Vennekotter - Jill Zeller

Cats Who Care



Cats Who Care members Nicole Reindel, Alexis Decker, Dana Cattell and Casey Unverferth make a donation to the **Pelotonia Cancer Research Fund**. Accepting the donation is high school math teacher Mrs. Roxanne Schumacher.

The Kalida High School Cats Who Care members recently made a donation to Mrs. Roxanne Schumacher on behalf of the Pelotonia fund for cancer research. Mrs. Schumacher will be making the 100 mile bike ride from Columbus to Gambier, Ohio on August 10, 2012 and is in the process of soliciting donations to the Pelotonia Cancer Research Fund.

Mrs. Schumacher states on her profile page, “I will be riding in my first Pelotonia for several reasons. First and foremost is to help in the race to find a cure for cancer. I don’t think that many people go through life untouched by cancer. I know that our family hasn’t. We have lost grandparents, coworkers and friends to this horrible disease.”

“Our family has had to endure a great deal of loss in the past few years,” she said. “Taking part in the ride is a way to honor these family members. I look at it as a way of paying it forward, so that maybe others will never have to know the pain of losing a loved one in the prime of their life.”

National Honors Band

Congratulations to Patrick Millott for being selected to perform with the National Honors Band. Patrick is one of three students from Ohio that will perform at the Kennedy Center in Washington DC in June. Patrick is the son of Michael and Ellen Millott.

Latchkey Program

St. Michael Latchkey Program was developed to answer the needs of our parish’s and school’s working parents. Along with the school, we aspire to provide the loving care and guidance that children need to grow intellectually, socially, emotionally, physically, and spiritually. St. Michael’s Latchkey is an after school program for children who attend Kalida Elementary School. The program provides a wholesome, safe, and healthy environment, and an opportunity to explore the Catholic faith through bible stories and faith based activities. The components of the program are snacks, homework time, physical exercise and hands-on activities. Students in kindergarten through 6th grade are welcome to attend daily from 3-6 p.m. Early registration is recommended. For more information contact Connie Cleemput at 419-532-3474, Ext. 102.

Calendar Of Events

August 7 - 7:00 PM iPad Parent Meeting
August 14 - 9:00 AM or 7:00 PM ... iPad Parent Meeting
August 16 6th Grade Orientation 10:00 AM
August 17-21..... Grades 7-12 Schedules pickup
August 22 1st Day for Students
September 3 Labor Day No School



Welcome Ms. Kayla King!

Ms. King will be teaching 4th grade Math, Reading and Spelling. She will also be the 5th grade Math teacher. Ms. King is a Columbus Grove High School graduate Class of 2006. She graduated from Ashland University in 2012 and has been substituting in our district.



Welcome Alison Meyer!

Also joining us this year is Ms. Alison Meyer from Hamler, Ohio. She is a graduate of Patrick Henry High School and a recent graduate of Shawnee State University in Portsmouth, Ohio. Ms. Meyer will be teaching 4th and 5th grade Science.

Senior Summary

Congratulations to the class of 2012 who graduated during commencement on May 27. This graduating class is comprised of 63 graduates. Their future endeavors span a wide array of career interests as their selected majors in college and vocational training cover a great variety of fields and professions. Twenty-four graduates are considering a major and, inevitably, a career related in some way to the health care profession!! - 10 in nursing, 4 in physical therapy, 3 in health sciences, 2 in biomedical sciences, 1 in respiratory care, 1 in healthcare administration, 1 in health information technology, 1 in pre-medicine, and 1 in invasive cardiovascular technology. Engineering and business are the second most popular fields of choice with 8 graduates considering a major in engineering or engineering technologies, while 4 others are considering business or accounting. Other career plans include automotive technology, CNC programming, criminal justice, education, industrial maintenance, HVAC (heating, ventilation, air conditioning) specialist, architecture. Nine of our recent grads completed their training in programs at the Vantage Career Center and will either be seeking employment in their specialized areas or more advanced training at technical schools.



Graduates will be attending schools and seeking employment not only in the Putnam county area, but also throughout all regions of Ohio as well as outside of the state. Fifteen will become Buckeyes at the Ohio State University on the campus in Lima or Columbus. Other destinations to the Ohio universities include the following: Wright State University, Ohio University, Toledo University, University of Cincinnati, Bowling Green State University, and Akron State University. Ten grads will be attending 2-year state schools including: James A. Rhodes State College and Northwest State College. Other schools of choice for our recent grads include: University of Findlay, Owens Technical College, The University of Northwestern Ohio, University of Dayton, Defiance College, St. Francis University (Ft. Wayne, IN), Spencerian College (Louisville, KY), and Trine University (Angola, IN).

In summary, it was another great year for a very talented senior class. This year's graduates earned or were awarded scholarships in excess of \$600,000 for their academic achievements. 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!!! ~ **Jeff Clement, Guidance**

Happy Retirement - Congratulations to Mrs. Sarah Stewart who has retired from teaching at Kalida Elementary.



"I have really enjoyed working with the students and staff of Kalida," said Mrs. Stewart. She has been teaching for thirty-one years with the majority of her teaching career taking place here at Kalida Elementary. Best Wishes, Sarah!

Sixth Grade Orientation - Kalida Middle School has scheduled an informative session on the school's policies and procedures to be held **Thursday, August 16, 2012 at 10:00 AM** in the high school auditoria. Our guidance counselor, Mr. Jeff Clement, will facilitate the meeting. We will cover several issues relating to your child's first year in the middle school/high school building. The student's course schedule for the upcoming 2012-2013 year will be distributed also at that time. If you are unable to attend this meeting, please contact Mr. Clement to arrange a time to pick up your child's schedule. At the conclusion of the meeting, students and parents will have the opportunity to tour the classrooms and building and practice their locker combinations.



Wildcats enjoyed a boys' basketball camp this summer coached by Dick Kortokrax, Rick Kortokrax, Scott Schnipke, Devin Kortorax, Austin Horstman and Ben Schroeder.

Superintendent Don Horstman

419-532-3534

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Elem. Principal Karl Lammers

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School Board Meetings

Second Wednesday

7:00 PM - Kalida School Board Room

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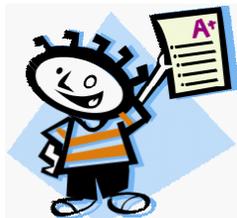
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4th Quarter All A and AB Honor Roll

5th Grade - Samantha Backus, Nicole Fortman, Tara Gerding, Trevor Lambert, Lauren Langhals, Grant Laudick, Christian Nartker, Makenna Niese, Trevor Vorst, Allison Wurth

6th Grade - Anna Berheide, Kevin Hamburg, Jacob Kahle, Josh Klausing, Sarah Klausing, Kierstan Siebeneck

7th Grade - Derek Buss, Kelly Doepker, Bailey Eickholt, Kristen Fortman, Brianna Good, Hannah Kahle, Layne Keefer, Brooke Kimball, Jeffrey Kneuve, Carlee Miller, Griffin Recker, Alexis Schroeder, Caleb Siebeneck, Trent Siebeneck, Jenna Siefker, Jade Zeller

8th Grade - Cathy Basinger, Trent Gerding, Sarah Hovest, Joni Kaufman, Brady Laudick, Brooke Lucke, Trevor Maag, Nathan Nordhaus, Kylie Osterhage, Allison Recker, Paige Roller, Kaleb Selhorst, Allison Siebeneck, Katelyn Siebeneck, Grant Unverferth, Renee Vorst

Freshmen - Mariah Doepker, Kennedy Hoffman, Erin Kneuve, Luke Langhals, Logan Roebke, Derek Schroeder, Casey Wehri

Sophomores - Tadd Backus, Ryan Kahle, Kiersten Recker, Kylie Siebeneck, Whitney Smith, Elizabeth Turnwald, Justine Verhoff

Juniors - Andrea Bellmann, Damon Birkemeier, Anthony Dunn, Carrie Gerding, Rich Langhals, Amy Smith, Ben Stechschulte, Casey Unverferth, Kaylyn Verhoff, Eric Warnecke, Joel Zeller

Seniors - Nicole Kaufman, Austin Roebke

5th Grade - Rachael Basinger, Cassidy Decker, Keith Doepker, Melissa Erhart, Adam Fitzgerald, Collin Fortman, Camryn Hoffman, Makenna Hoyt, Halie Kaufman, Connor Krouse, Treyton Martin, Jeffery McClure, Alexis Meyer, Clay Meyer, Morgan Mock, Owen Niemeyer, Owen Recker, Ethan Schmenk, Cameron Siebeneck, Josh Verhoff, Paul von der Embse, Eliza Whitling, Jack Zeller

6th Grade - Nick Cleemput, Brady Decker, Alecia Dunn, Noah Hermiller, Taylor Lucke, Tori Niese, Kara Siefker, Jakob Stober, Jaylen Vandemark, Kamryn Webken, Trevor Wurth, Taylor Zeller

7th Grade - Kaleb Becker, Erica Edwards, Ryan Ellerbrock, Reed Fuller, Kelsi Hipsher, Keara Hopkins, Dana Kneuve, Noah Lambert, Abby Langhals, Samantha Langhals, Austin Nartker, Sierra Schroeder, Erik Verhoff, Adam von der Embse

8th Grade - Johnny Ania, Kylie Buss, Sarah Cleemput, Maddison Edelbrock, Alexa Ellerbrock, Brandon Erhart, Devin Giesige, Adam Goergens, Drew Hovest, Brittany Kahle, Austin Klausing, Jordan Kortokrax, Laine Laudick, Samantha Nagy, Andrea Rall, Evan Recker, Samantha Recker, Lauryn Selhorst, Taylor Siefker, Austin Swift, Brandon Verhoff, Alex von der Embse, Nathan Vorst, Kassie Warnecke, Trey Webken, Sidney White

Freshmen - Becca Brinkman, Ben Burkhart, Katey Buss, Jacob Dunn, Molly Ellerbrock, Zach Erhart, Jacquelyn Gardner, Trevor Holtkamp, Brent Hovest, Mitchell Kerner, Ericka Kimball, Devin Kortokrax, Cole Miller, Morgan Niese, Nicole Recker, Olivia Schmenk, Michael Schroeder, Brad Siebeneck, Richard Snavley, Aaron Tenwalde, Megan Vine, Alexis Vorst, Austin Vorst, Makenna Vorst, Grant Zeller

Sophomores - Dana Cattell, Alexis Decker, Joe Gerdeman, Trevor Guisinger, Dylan Hoffman, Katelyn Kortokrax, Meredith Kromer, Andrew Krouse, Brooke Loveland, Devin Merschman, Patrick Millott, Michael Schroeder, Jarrod Stober, Derek Verhoff, Sarah Wortkoetter, Randy Zeller

Juniors - Leah Berheide, Jessica Doepker, Ryan Erhart, Summer Holtkamp, Kristi Honigfort, Austin Horstman, Adam Kneuve, Phillip Loveland, Cody Mathew, Alyssa Odenweller (Vantage), Neil Recker, Emily Schnipke, Kendra Schroeder, Shelby Schroeder, Kayla Siefker, Julia Vandemark, Aric Webken (Vantage), Danae Webken, Jordan Wurth

Seniors - Shaunna Basinger, Levi Blake, Neil Gerding, Amanda Giesige, Brian Good, Brady Hermiller, Eric Hill, Kendra Hoffman, Devon Hundley, Deanna Kahle, Ben Kaufman, Nathan Kortokrax, Tyler Kortokrax, Haley McIntyre, Brandi Merschman, Megan Meyer, Connor Schmenk, Ben Schroeder, Aaron Siebeneck, Marissa Smith, Drew Stechschulte, Kevan Unverferth, Paul Utendorf, Karly Westbeld, Alexis Wurth, Jared Zeller, Halie Zenz