

Calamity Days to Hours

Monday, April 6, will now be used as a makeup day for classes. That being said it seems like a good time to shed some light on the whole 'days to hours' law. Beginning this school year, minimum hours of instruction replace the long-standing calendar of school days for traditional school districts.

Traditional schools must be open for instruction a minimum of: 455 hours for half-day kindergarten students; 910 hours for full time K-6 students; and 1,001 hours for students in Grades 7-12. Lunch and recesses over 15 minutes do not count as instructional minutes. School delays count against instructional time. A schedule must include five days in each week.

So why is Kalida still using calamity days? The change from days to hours does not apply to collective bargaining agreements executed prior to July 1, 2014, which applies to us. Our negotiated agreement still talks in terms of calendar days, not hours. If things stay the same, we will be forced to use the hour system starting with the 2017-2018 school year. There are schools in our area that have closed 5-8 days, but have delayed over 20 times (40+ hours) and those delay hours must be made up as to get them in compliance under the hours policy. We will be caught up once we make up April 6, but any more days off and we will be adding them on to the end of the school year.

Superintendent Karl Lammers

Music to Our Ears !

Members of the Putnam County Honors Band and Choirs performed at a concert on March 14 at Pandora Gilboa High School. Prior to the concert, they prepared the music here at Kalida in addition to rehearsing two days at Bluffton University with their guest conductors Mr. Joe Antram and Mr. Brad Rees. This was a great opportunity for our high school students to share their talents with others in the county while at the same time gaining insight from a guest conductor.



Putnam County Honors Band members: Dana Knueve, Erin Knueve, Morgan Niese, Erica Brinkman, Andrea Rall, Paige Roller Hannah Kahle, Austin Vorst, Rachel Rall, Danni Maag and Renee Vorst.



Putnam County Honors Choir members: Becca Brinkman, Taylor Lamb, Anna Berheide, Danica Basinger, Olivia Schmenk, Laine Laudick, Spencer Vorst, Michael Schroeder, Nathan Vorst, Brady Decker, Carter Moore, Jacob Kahle, Brandon Erhart, Alex von der Embse, and Westin Basinger.

National Merit Scholar

Kalida High School Senior Olivia Schmenk was recently recognized by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation as a Finalist in the National Merit Scholarship Program. She plans to attend The Ohio State University in the fall. Congratulations Olivia!





The 2015 KHS Homecoming Court.

King Noah Verhoff and Queen Morgan Niese were crowned on Friday, February 13. Senior court attendants were Lindsey Erhart and Grant Zeller, Casey Wehri and Logan Roebke. Junior attendants were Brooke Lucke and Brandon Verhoff. Sophomore attendants were Keara Hopkins and Derek Buss. Freshmen attendants were Hannah Warn and Connor Niese. Congratulations to all!



Congratulations to the KHS Cheerleaders and their advisors, Kaylan Griffith and Chelsea Recker, for capturing the Division V State Cheerleading Championship on Sunday, March 1 at St. John's Arena in Columbus. This marks back to back state championships for this great group of young ladies.

Memories are About to be Made.

This June, 78 students and adults from Kalida will venture to London, Paris, and Normandy for a magnificent tour. And then late in July, thirty adults will journey to New Zealand and Australia for an adventure tour on the other side of the world. For future adult trips, go to Facebook Gasser-Explorica Travels for announcements or contact Robert 'Sonny' Gasser

at gasserexploricatravels@yahoo.com

Athletic Physicals for the 2015-2016 School Year All students must have a physical on file before they begin practicing with any athletic team. According to OHSAA regulations, a physical must be done May 1 or after to be valid for the next school year. Kalida High School will be providing FREE physicals for students entering grades 9-12 who are planning to play interscholastic sports during the 2015-2016 school year. The 6-Page Physical Forms are in the high school office. The form must be completely filled out before you receive a physical. FREE physical night for those entering grades 9-12 is Monday, May 18, 2015 from 6:00-8:00 PM in the new gymnasium. If a student wears corrective lenses/ contacts, please bring or wear them to the physical in order to complete the eye exam. Dr. Horstman, Dr. Klir, and Dr. Klausing will be on hand to do physicals for our students free of charge. This is the only date possible for a free physical. Please plan to attend. If you have any questions, contact Mr. Huber.

Note: Kalida High School will NOT be providing free physicals to students entering grades 7 and 8 for the upcoming year. These students will have to obtain a physical from their family doctor. An alternative choice would be a FREE physical on Monday, May 4, or Monday, May 11, 2015 from 5:30-8:00 p.m. at the Orthopaedic Institute of Ohio (OIO) located at 801 Medical Drive, Suite A, Lima, OH 45804. Students going to the Orthopaedic Institute of Ohio must first fill out the **Consent for Pre-Participation Physical Form** and then bring it along with the completed and signed 6-page physical evaluation form when they go to OIO.

JH Science Fair—Fourteen projects were presented by seventh graders at the Putnam County Science Fair. All projects received a rating of excellent or superior. The projects of Grace Miller, Danielle Buss, Kamryn Wurth, Clara Elkins, Kyla Fortman, Aiden Fersch, Evan Roebke, and Zach von der Embse all received superiors. Zach von der Embse received a perfect score and an engineering award. Kaylee Heitmeyer won an award for vision projects. Grace Miller and Danielle Buss won awards for their use of the scientific method. Grace Miller and Kamryn Wurth elected to compete at District Science fair. At District, Kamryn Wurth won a superior and awards for behavorial science and the B-Wiser Institute award. Kamryn will now compete in the State Science Fair on May 16 with her project *Packaging and Taste Perception*.

Congratulations to the KHS Academic Varsity team for a great season. They ended up with a 20-3 record and missed winning the PCL tournament by 1 point. Special acknowledgement to Olivia Schmenk for 1st Team PCL and Austin Vorst for 2nd Team. Mr. Sonny Gasser and Mrs. Denise Scherer are the advisors for the Academic teams.

Kalida High School 3rd Quarter All A Honor Roll

<u>Freshmen</u>

Nick Cleemput, Brady Decker, Alecia Dunn, Kevin Hamburg, Chandler Hopkins, Jacob Kahle, Rachel Kahle, Sarah Klausing, Taylor Lucke, Alex Meyers, Kierstan Siebeneck, Jaylen Vandemark.

Sophomores

Bailey Eickholt, Brianna Good, Brooke Kimball, Jeffrey Knueve, Abby Langhals.

<u>Juniors</u>

Kylie Buss, Trent Gerding, Sarah Hovest, Joni Kaufman, Brady Laudick, Brooke Lucke, Paige Roller, Kaleb Selhorst, Allison Siebeneck, Katelyn Siebeneck, Grant Unverferth, Alex von der Embse.

<u>Seniors</u>

Katey Buss, Mariah Doepker, Molly Ellerbrock, Luke Langhals, Nicole Recker, Logan Roebke, Derek Schroeder, Aaron Tenwalde.

AB Honor Roll

<u>Freshmen</u>

Anna Berheide, Noah Hermiller, Josh Klausing, Connor Niese, Tori Niese, Kara Siefker, Pavel Stojka, Hannah Warn, Kamryn Webken, Trevor Wurth, Taylor Zeller.

Sophomores

Derek Buss, Kelly Doepker, Erica Edwards, Ryan Ellerbrock, Kristen Fortman, Layne Keefer, Samantha Langhals, Tyler Lehman, Carlee Miller, Griffin Recker, Alexis Schroeder, Sierra Schroeder, Caleb Siebeneck, Trent Siebeneck, Adam von der Embse, Jade Zeller.

J<u>uniors</u>

Cathy Basinger, Sarah Cleemput, Maddison Edelbrock, Alexa Ellerbrock, Brandon Erhart, Alec Fortman, Drew Hovest, Brittany Kahle, Trevor Maag, Samantha Nagy, Kylie Osterhage, Allison Recker, Taylor Siefker, Renee Vorst,

Kylie Osterhage, Allison Recker, Taylor Siefker, Renee Vorst, Kassie Warnecke, Trey Webken, Sidney White, Allison Wurth. <u>Seniors</u>

Becca Brinkman, Ben Burkhart, Jacob Dunn, Jacquelyn Gardner, Tori Gerding, Kennedy Hoffman, Trevor Holtkamp, Brent Hovest, Melissa Jorrey, Ericka Kimball, Erin Knueve, Devin Kortokrax, Morgan Niese, Rachel Rall, Olivia Schmenk, Austin Schulte, Ryan Siefker, Richard Snavley, Megan Vine, Alexis Vorst, Austin Vorst,

Makenna Vorst, Casey Wehri, Grant Zeller.

Congratulations to the following students who received Superior ratings at *Junior High Solo and Ensemble* contest on March 28: Mason Kerner- timpani solo, Maidge Westrick- trumpet solo, Clay Meyer - trombone solo, Sydney Wurth - flute solo and Kalida Percussion Ensemble consisting of Trevor Vorst, Bradley Siefker and Mason Kerner. Congratulations to Trevor Siefker for receiving an Excellent rating on his tuba solo. Superior ratings: Racheal Basinger, and the Ladies Ensemble Excellent ratings: Clay Meyer, Cassidy Decker, Faith Burgei, and the Mens' Ensemble.

Junior High Kalida 3rd Quarter All A's

6th Grade

Ben Doepker, Luke Erhart, Jayce Horstman, Katelyn Kahle, Kevin Lammers, Jennifer Rall, Kathryn Siebeneck, Tyler Unverferth, Will Zeller. 7th **Grade**

McKenna Bockrath, Danielle Buss, Clara Elkins, Kyla Fortman, Kaylee Heitmeyer, Tyler Klausing, Madison Langhals, Abby Maag, Carlie Rampe, Evan Roebke, Zachary von der Embse, Kamryn Wurth, Sydney Wurth.

8th Grade

Tara Gerding, Connor Krouse, Trevor Lambert, Grant Laudick, Christian Nartker, Ethan Schmenk, Cameron Siebeneck, Josh Verhoff, Trevor Vorst, Maidge Westrick, Jack Zeller.

AB Honor Roll

6th Grade

Hannah Berheide, Olivia Decker, Connor Erhart, Paige Helmke, Stephanie Kahle, Grace Klausing, Reagan Klausing, Jill Knueve, Marcy Landwehr, Mitchell Langhals, Dara Lewis, Ryan Lucke, Melanie Meyers, Brandon Miller, Morgan Schroeder, Jada Siebeneck, Jasmine Vorst, Ayden Warnecke. 7th Grade

Kaden Ellerbrock, Colin Erhart, Claudia Hopkins, Gabe Hovest, Ella Kaufman, Kaitlyn Keefer, McKayla Maag, Evan Meyers, Grace Miller,

David Peck, Brayden Recker, Tori Travis, Trevor Zeller. <u>8th Grade</u>

Sami Backus, Racheal Basinger, Faith Burgei, Cassidy Decker, Keith Doepker, Melissa Erhart, Adam Fitzgerald, Collin Fortman, Nicole Fortman, Camryn Hoffman, Halie Kaufman, Treyton Martin, Owen Niemeyer, Makenna Niese, Owen Recker, Megan Schulte, Hannah Smith, Allison Wurth.

Elementary Honor Roll

<u>Sth Grade All A's</u>– Brandt Brinkman, Blake Eickholt, Kenzie Fortman, Madison Kahle, Cole Nienberg, Brooke Vennekotter, Samantha Westrick, Peyton Wurth. <u>AB Honors</u>– Logan Bockrath, Kylie Creller, Ryan Klausing, Grace Niemeyer, Gabe Roof, Justin Siebeneck, Adam Siefker, Jakob Swyers, Amanda Unverferth, Grant Vorst, Molly Westrick.

Congratulations to Stephanie and Ryan McMichael

on the birth of their daughter Savannah Joy McMichael. Born on February 27, 2015, she was

21 inches long and 7 lb. 5 oz. Mr. McMichael is the VoAg teacher at Kalida High School.



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School Board Meetings

Second Wednesday 7:00 PM Kalida School Board Room

Music Booster February Winners

\$50 Ben Wilhelm\$50 Jamie & Evelyn Burgei\$50 Joe & Kathy Verhoff\$50 Alec Edelbrock

Music Booster March Winners

\$50 Paul & Marge Stechschulte\$50 Joe & Stacy Knueve\$50 Mike & Jane Fortman\$50 Jim & Joni Unverferth

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Musical Time at KHS

This year's spring musical is a new show called *Band Geeks*. The storyline follows the struggle of a variety of high school students (and a few adults) trying to find their place in the world. While the show may be new, the songs will quickly feel familiar and you'll find yourself humming them for days to come following the show. Come enjoy *Band Geeks* April 17-19 and find a way to "embrace your inner geek" along with the cast. Tickets go on sale to the public beginning Monday, April 6. General Admission seating is \$5. Reserved seating is \$6. Tickets can be purchased ahead of time at the Superintendent's office or (if available) at the door prior to each show time.



Friday, April 17 and Saturday, April 18 at 7:30 PM Sunday, April 19 at 2:00 PM

CAST- Brady Decker, Olivia Schmenk, Brandon Erhart, Laine Laudick, Connor Niese, Logan Roebke, Mitchell Kerner, Taylor Lamb, Jacob Dunn, Brianna Good, Austin Vorst, Becca Brinkman, Mariah Doepker, Westin Basinger, Michael Schroeder, Nathan Vorst, Spencer Vorst, Carter Moore, Trevor Wurth, Erin Knueve, Morgan Niese, Anna Berheide, and Paige Roller. STUDENT DIRECTOR - Maddison Edelbrock.

Pre-Musical Chicken Dinner April 17

Come and get your evening meal prior to attending the KHS musical *Band Geeks* on Friday, April 17. Purchase your BBQ chicken dinner tickets now for \$8! We will serve meals at the elementary from 5:00 to 7:00 PM. **Tickets must be purchased from any NHS member or at the high school office prior to that date.** Carry-outs are also available that evening. Thank you for supporting the KHS National Honor Society!



New Inductees to the National Honor Society

Seventeen new members are being inducted into the KHS National Honor Society on April 1. Those to be inducted are: Becca Brinkman, Kelly Doepker, Bailey Eickholt, Alexa Ellerbrock,

Brianna Good, Brittany Kahle, Joni Kaufman, Brooke Kimball, Ericka Kimball, Dana Knueve, Jeffrey Knueve, Abby Langhals, Morgan Niese, Kylie Osterhage, Adam von der Embse, Allison Wurth and Jade Zeller. Mr. Jeff Clement is the advisor for the NHS at Kalida.