



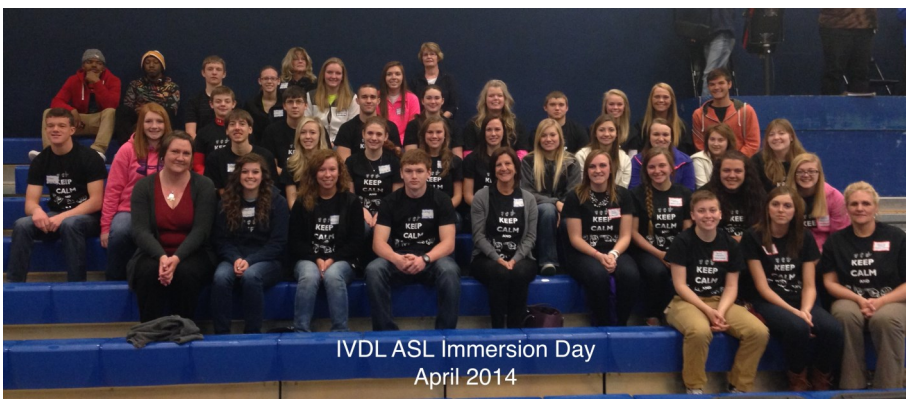
Creating an Evaluation System for District Personnel

The Kalida Local Schools Board of Education and the district administration have started the process of implementing a new evaluation system for the district superintendent and treasurer which is modeled after the evaluation systems being used for our teachers and principals. As a part of the process, the Board of Education is requesting feedback from parents, students, staff, and district residents on revising the Mission and Vision Statements of Kalida Local Schools. The Board of Education has developed a draft of a new Philosophy, Mission, Vision and Values statement, and are requesting comments, questions, and suggestions from our stakeholders. The draft proposal will be posted on the school website, Facebook page, and will be emailed to anyone on the high school announcement and electronic Paw Print distribution lists. If you are interested in providing feedback please send your suggestions to: vision@kalida.k12.oh.us. The Board of Education will accept public comment on the draft proposal until May 5, 2014. Thank you for your feedback and suggestions.

CALAMITY DAYS AND MAKE UP DAYS

As a result of the passage and signing of Amended Substitute House Bill 416 the Kalida Board of Education made the decision to approve up to four additional calamity days for the 2013-14 school year during the April Board of Education meeting. The Board and administration worked with the teaching staff to come up with a plan to implement the state approved days, and provide additional professional development days for the staff. In order to take advantage of the four additional calamity days, districts must first use four of their five scheduled contingency days. Kalida Local Schools has already used three of these contingency days on February 17, April 17, and April 21. School will also be in session on May 23 as a part of our last contingency day. Under the Board adopted plan the district currently has one additional calamity day to use, and as a result the students could miss one more day this year and still be dismissed before Memorial Day.

In exchange for using all four of these days to shorten the student calendar, all of the teachers and non-certified staff will be reporting for two additional days of professional development at the end of the school year. We would like to thank the staff for their cooperation and willingness to report for additional training at the end of the year. This will offer the district an opportunity to offer professional development in the areas of assessments, student learning objectives, the effective use of technology, and health and safety training.



IVDL ASL Immersion Day
April 2014

Communicating Without Words

Students from the American Sign Language (ASL) classes at KHS traveled to Columbus on April 16 to meet with their online teacher, Ms. Janel Kisner, and to spend the day with other students of ASL from six other schools from all around Ohio. They were able to attend *The Wizard of Oz* performed by the students of the Ohio School for the Deaf and played several cultural games of the Deaf students.

Academic Club 2014 - KHS Varsity Academic team won the PCL League for the 3rd year in a row won finished in 2nd place in the PCL tournament . Their final record was 19-3-2. Mr. Robert Gasser is the advisor for the team. Members include Erin Knueve, Olivia Schmenk, Whitney Smith, Kiersten Recker, Sarah Verhoff, Austin Vorst, Paige Roller, Dana Cattell, Justine Verhoff, Kylie Siebeneck, Alexis Decker, Ben Burkhart, Derek Verhoff, Kyle Kehres, Andrew Krouse and Tadd Backus.

National Honor Society Inductions

Congratulations to the newly inducted members of the Kalida High School National Honor Society. Sophomores are Maddison Edelbrock, Brandon Erhart, Trent Gerding, Sarah Hovest, Brady Laudick, Brooke Lucke, Samantha Nagy, Allison Recker, Paige Roller, Allison Siebeneck, Katelyn Siebeneck, Grant Unverferth, Alex von der Embse, and Renee Vorst. Junior inductee is Trevor Holtkamp.

Volleyball Fundraiser– Contact Coach Kristen Stechschulte at ka_k_stechschulte@kalida.k12.oh.us for details on ordering KHS flags, jerseys, balls and other Wildcat merchandise. Forms are also available in the high school office. Deadline to order is May 1.

KHS Golf Team Alumni Shamble

On Saturday, May 10, a golf ‘Shamble’ scramble will be held at the *Kalida Country Acres Golf Club*. Trophies and cash prizes will be awarded to the teams in 1st and 2nd place. 100% of the proceeds from the outing will go to support the KHS golf program. Call Ken Schnipke (419-236-0588), Ben McIntyre, (419-231-0794) or Andy Unverferth (419-615-9002) to register or for more information. Registration closes **Wednesday, May 7.**

Buckeye Girls’ State Delegates Announced

Congratulations to Rebecca Brinkman and Erin Knueve who were selected by the Ottawa American Legion to attend



Rebecca Brinkman



Erin Knueve

Buckeye Girls’ State. Buckeye Girls State is held at the University of Mount Union, Alliance, Ohio from June 15 to June 21. The program takes a hands-on approach by running the mock government activities all week.

Participants of Girls State are selected with the help of school staff in consultation with the school’s local American Legion leadership. Selection is merit-based and includes consideration of grades and leadership potential.



Modern Woodmen Speech Contest

On 4/15/14, the Kalida Junior High students took part in a speech contest sponsored by Modern Woodmen of America. This year's topic was THE IMPORTANCE OF HEALTHY LIVING. First Place winner was Quincie Sheaks, 2nd place winner was Jaylen Vandemark and Kara Siefker took third place. Gold award pins were also given to the next nine ranking finalists: Megan Schulte, Devin Murphy, Owen Niemeyer, Jacob Kahle, Connor Krouse, Alexis Meyer, Sarah Klausung, Anna Berheide and Trevor Vorst. Elementary winners were 1st place Kyla Fortman, 2nd - Ryan Lucke and 3rd - Leia Verhoff.



WE’RE NOT IN KANSAS ANYMORE!

Kalida Local Schools congratulates Mrs. Mary Glick and the cast and crew of *The Wizard of Oz* for the wonderful musical show. The production featured three sold out performances and everyone did a great job of transporting the audience back to an early 1900’s Kansas farm and to the Land of Oz. We would like to give a special thanks to Mr. Dan Decker and Mr. Ron Erhart and all of the parents and students who helped build sets and work on the musical. Great Job!

Kalida High School

Class of 2014



Mr. Don Horstman Superintendent
 Joe Gerdeman President
 Elizabeth Turnwald Vice President
 Whitney Smith Secretary
 Ryan Kahle Treasurer
 Mr. Pfahler Principal



Tadd Backus
 Madison Burgei
 Dana Cattell
 Alexis Decker
 Alison Fortman
 Trevor Guisinger
 Dylan Hoffman
 Kyle Honigfort
 Luke Kaufman
 Kyle Kehres
 Bethany Kimmel



Katelyn Kortokrax
 Meredith Kromer
 Andrew Krouse
 Adam Langhals
 Brooke Loveland
 Liza Medvedeva
 Devin Merschman
 Pat Millott
 Cody Niese
 Cody Ortega
 Kiersten Recker



Kenneth Reed
 Nicole Reindel
 Ian Richey
 Austin Ricker
 Michael Schroeder
 Ryan Schulte
 Bryce Selhorst
 Kylie Siebeneck
 Taylor Siefer
 Nicki Spicer
 Derek Verhoff



Justine Verhoff
 Sarah Verhoff
 Sarah Wortkoetter
 Paige Wurth
 Randy Zeller



Presenting the Graduating Class of 2014

Thaddeus M. Backus, Yvonia M. Barnett, Madison R. Burgei, Dana R. Cattell, Alexis D. Decker, Alison N. Fortman, Joseph R. Gerdeman, Trevor C. Guisinger, Dylan C. Hoffman, Kyle A. Honigfort, Ryan A. Kahle, Luke J. Kaufman, Kyle W. Kehres, Bethany A. Kimmel, Katelyn L. Kortokrax, Meredith L. Kromer, Andrew J. Krouse, Adam J. Langhals, Brooke R. Loveland, Devin Merschman, Patrick G. Millott, Cody T. Niese, Cody P. Ortega, Kiersten N. Recker, Kenneth J. Reed, Nicole L. Reindel, Ian M. Richey, Austin S. Ricker, Michael J. Schroeder, Ryan A. Schulte, Bryce E. Selhorst, Kylie M. Siebeneck, Taylor N. Siefer, Whitney A. Smith, Nicki A. Spicer, Elizabeth M. Turnwald, Derek T. Verhoff, Justine A. Verhoff, Sarah K. Verhoff, Sarah J. Wortkoetter, Paige M. Wurth, Randy D. Zeller.

Graduation Sunday, May 25, 2:00 PM

Kalida High School Gymnasium

Class Colors: Maroon, Gold and White

Class Flower: Lily

Motto:

Follow your passion, stay true to yourself, never follow someone else's path unless you're in the woods and you're lost and you see a path then by all means you should follow that.

Class Song:

My Best Days are Ahead of Me by Danny Gokey

Valedictorians- Alexis Decker, Elizabeth Turnwald, Justine Verhoff

Salutatorian- Kylie Siebeneck

Honor Students

Tadd Backus, Alexis Decker, Trevor Guisinger, Ryan Kahle, Katelyn Kortokrax, Meredith Kromer, Andrew Krouse, Patrick Millott, Kiersten Recker, Kylie Siebeneck, Whitney Smith, Elizabeth Turnwald, Justine Verhoff, and Randy Zeller

Superintendent Don Horstman
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Elementary Principal Karl Lammers
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Sue M. Gerdeman-President
Gerry Vorst-Vice President
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Greg von der Embse
School Board Meetings
Second Wednesday 7:00 PM
Kalida School Board Room

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April Music Booster Winners

\$150 Dick & Judy Bockrath
\$100 Mark & Deb Kahle
\$ 75 Jeff Blanford
\$ 75 Teresa Knueve
\$ 50 Brenda Warnecke
\$ 50 Mark & Tammy Wurth
\$ 50 Don & Marcia Barnhart
\$ 50 Ann Schroeder

'DuPont Pioneer' \$5000 Grant Awarded to KHS

Kalida Schools was awarded a \$5,000 grant offered by DuPont Pioneer to assist with the implementation of the Curriculum for Agricultural Science Education (CASE) in the 2014/2015 school year. The CASE program empowers teachers for student success by providing inquiry based educational experiences, which enhance the rigor and relevance of agriculture, food, and natural resources subject matter. Concepts are taught using activity, project, and problem based instructional strategies and build skills in the areas of science, mathematics, and English. As an added bonus, this effort ensures quality teaching by providing extensive professional development for teachers that leads to certification. The grant will be used for teacher certification institute registration and travel; purchase of equipment; and acquisition of software to implement the first CASE course titled Introduction to Agricultural, Food and Natural Resources at Kalida. The CASE program is modelled and developed in the same format as Kalida's PLTW programs, Engineering and Biomedical Science.

Kalida FFA Chapter Awarded \$2,500 Grant for 'Froggy Park Renovation' Project

Kalida FFA members in March learned about a potential grant that the FFA chapter would be able to apply for which is funded by the Ohio Department of Agricultural and the Ohio FFA Association. Students wanted to find a project that would benefit the community and that they could take a major part in the planning and overall completion of the project. Based on suggestions from members of the Park Board, students put together the project "Froggy Park Renovation" which will allow for 10 trees to be planted at the park, mulching the playground, painting of soccer goals forming and pouring concrete pads for park benches, and constructing two new benches. FFA members hope to have a few of the items completed over the summer, but a majority of the work will be completed in the first two months of next school year.

\$4,500 'Farm to School Grant' to Build School Vegetable Garden

Kalida Schools was awarded a \$4,500 grant from the Ohio Department of Education to build three raised vegetable gardens. The grant is funded by the Ohio Farm to School program and the Ohio Department of Education for the purpose of educating students about vegetable production and supplying the school cafeteria with locally grown, fresh produce. The gardens will be built by the Agricultural Education/FFA students during the final months of school and a few FFA members be responsible for maintaining the gardens during the summer as part of their required Supervised Agricultural Experience project. All of the produce from gardens during the summer months will be processed to preserve quality for the upcoming school year. The garden will be kept in full production until the winter weather arrives next fall, providing the school cafeteria with the freshest produce possible for students. Any community member interested in more details about the project or to help volunteer with the gardens, should contact Agricultural Education instructor Ryan McMichael at ka_mcmichael@kalida.k12.oh.us.