

# The PawPrint

*ODE Excellent Rating 2001-2010  
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## Calendar Notes

**August 20**  
Grades 7 -12  
Schedule  
Pickup

**August 30**  
Back To  
School

**Sept. 6**  
Labor Day  
No School

**Sept. 10**  
Senior Maga-  
zine Sales  
Begin

**Sept. 8-12**  
Pioneer  
Celebration

**Sept. 26**  
Elementary  
Building  
Dedication

**Oct. 1**  
Two Hour  
Delay-Staff  
Inservice

**Oct. 14-17**  
8th Grade trip  
to Washing-  
ton, D.C.

## Notes from Superintendent Don Horstman

### **CONSTRUCTION UPDATE**

The elementary project is winding down, and I would like to thank the contractors and the district staff for all of their efforts to get the building ready for the first day of school. It will be a new experience for everyone to experience a school year without any major construction or renovation work for the first time in almost seven years. The work is being wrapped up as the last of the flooring is installed, walls are painted, furniture is moved into the classrooms, floors are waxed, and final cleaning is being completed. When everything is finished the district will have a great building which the students, staff, and district residents will be able to be very proud of for years to come.



### **ELEMENTARY DEDICATION**

The dedication ceremony for the elementary building will take place on Sunday, September 26. The ceremony will begin outside at the flag pole at 11:45 a.m. After the flag dedication the ceremony will move into St. Michael's gymnasium. Following the dedication the elementary will be open for residents and guests to tour the building. We look forward to celebrating this very special and joyous occasion with everyone as the district completes the final phase of the new facility plan.

The high school cross country team will be serving barbecued pork loin dinners in the elementary cafeteria as a part of the dedication celebration. The price of the dinners will be \$7.00 and meals will be served from 11:00 to 1:00. You may contact members of the cross country team, Rob Schnippel, or Scott Miller for tickets. Tickets and further information regarding the dedication and pork loin dinner will also be available at both the elementary and high school offices.

### **BUS ROUTE REMINDER**

As we get ready to start the new school year we would like to remind and inform parents about the changes to the bus pick up and drop off procedures for the 2010-2011 school year. A copy of the letter explaining the new procedure which was sent home last spring is included in this edition of the Paw Print. With the completion of the new elementary building the bus routes in the Bockrath addition and in the Buckeye Drive area have been **eliminated**, and we will return to the routes which were in place during the 2008-09 school year. The district will resume picking up students in the Lammers addition, and in the town parking lot area along State Route 114. If you have any questions please contact the high school, elementary, or superintendent's office.

### **NEW IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENT**

We would like to remind parents that all incoming 7th graders for the 2010-2011 school year will now be required to have a Tdap vaccine booster for entry into the 7th grade according to new Ohio Department of Health rules. The Tdap vaccine covers Tetanus, Diphtheria and Pertussis all in one shot. Please contact your family physician or the Putnam County Health Department for additional information.

## ***High School Report*** ***Chris Pfahler - Principal***

Kalida High School and Middle School are busy preparing for another very exciting and successful year. Congratulations to all of the staff, students and their families on achieving the designation of Excellent for the 10th year in a row.

The most significant changes to our school this year is the addition of two new staff members. We welcome Mrs. Denaya Hyatt, who will be teaching freshman and junior English, and Mr. Robb Schultz, who will be teaching 7th grade Science and Social Studies and freshman World Studies. Both of these individuals competed against a very good field of candidates and are excited to be a part of Kalida Middle and High School this year. (See related article on page 3.)

As we look to the future we continue to expand and develop our rigorous curriculum. Mr. Gasser will be again be teaching AP United States History as well as AP Government; Mrs. Gerding will be teaching AP English; and Mr. Gordon will be teaching AP Biology. We have also added courses in our Project Lead The Way programs to include the third year of our Biomedical program: Medical Interventions. These programs continue to help prepare our students for careers and additional education beyond Kalida High School. Our Dual Enrollment courses continue to include English 101 through Wright State University and Personal Finance through Rhodes State College.

These additions will provide our students with the best chance to compete for college admissions, scholarships, and employment opportunities.

This year, our sophomores will be taking the Ohio Graduation Test. Our 6th and 7th graders will be taking Achievement tests in Reading and Math and our 8th graders will be taking Achievement tests in Reading, Math, and Science. Over the summer our teachers have been working to make sure that our students are prepared for these tests and continue the excellent tradition of academic success here.

## **High School Schedule Pickup**

Students in grades 7 through 12 may pick up their schedules beginning on Friday, August 20 at 8:00 a.m.

## **Save your Magazine Orders**

The Senior Class of Kalida High School will be starting their annual magazine sale on Friday, September 10. This is their major fund raiser and provides the seniors with the funds they need for their class trip, graduation, and other activities. The class of 2011 appreciates your support of this activity. Beginning September 10 you may contact any senior class member or the high school office at 419-532-3529 and a senior will be by to take your order.

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## **Bus Pick Up and Drop Off Guidelines**

Every year the district does an evaluation of our bus routes, stops, and safety procedures. After working through the process again this year it has become quite clear some changes need to be made. While the following changes may not always be the most convenient, they are all intended to improve student safety, and make our routes more efficient. Your child will also know every day where they are to be picked up and dropped off.

The following bus route guidelines will be put in place for this school year:

- All students will have one a.m. pick up point and one p.m. drop off point. The two stops may be at different places, but those are the only two stops where we will pick up or drop off students. (As an example a student may get on the bus at home and get off at Aunt Sue's, but we will not allow the student to get off at Aunt Sue's some days, and at home other days.)
- Kalida Schools will make exceptions for court ordered custody arrangements.
- Kalida Schools will allow the a.m. and p.m. stops to change if a parent is home during an extended maternity and/or medical leave.
- In special circumstances students may get off at a different stop on their regular route, if they provide the driver and the school office with a note signed by the parents. (As an example a student may get off at a friend's house for a birthday party on Friday.) The note must be given to the driver on the day of the change in stops, and if a student does not provide a note the driver will not change the route. All changes in routes must be approved by the driver and superintendent or his designee.
- Drivers will wait at all preschool and kindergarten stops until the student enters the home/residence, or until a supervising adult is visible.

Thank you for your help and patience as we implement these new guidelines to make our bus routes safer and more efficient.

# Lunch News

Cafeteria Prices will remain the same for this school year. They are as follows:

	<b>Elementary</b>	<b>High School</b>
Student Lunch	\$2.00	\$2.25
Student Milk	\$ .40	\$ .40
Adult Lunch/Salad	\$3.15	\$3.15
Adult Milk	\$ .50	\$ .50
Ala Carte	\$1.35	\$1.35

**Lunch Payments** - Parents or students may drop off lunch payments prior to school starting. Make checks payable to Kalida Schools and note the student's ID# on the check. All lunch balances are viewable on our website under Resources/Parent/MealsPlus.

**Free and Reduced Lunches** - Through direct certification, a student is considered automatically eligible for a free lunch if he or she is a member of a household receiving assistance under the food stamp program or receiving assistance under the OWF Program authorized under Title IV-A of the Social Security act. If your child meets the requirements under either of these areas, you will be notified, via a letter, from the school office stating that no application is needed.

All other students will be given a Free and Reduced Price School Meal Application the first day of school. Your children may qualify for a Reduced Lunch (\$.40) or Free Lunch if you just fill out and return the paperwork. If you do not receive an application, please contact Mrs. Grote at 419-532-3529.

## Introducing the New Teachers



**Mrs. Denaya Hyatt**

Mrs. Denaya Hyatt, a graduate of Continental High School, earned both her Bachelor's Degree and her Master's Degree from Kent State University. She has been teaching high school English at Olmsted Falls High School in suburban Cleveland for the last five years and is thrilled to be returning to the Putnam County area with her husband Jeff.

Mr. Robb Schultz lives in Bluffton with his wife Melissa and their three sons- Tanner, Dawson and Kendall. After working in the construction field for several years, Robb returned to college and earned his teaching degrees from the University of Findlay and the Ohio State University. Robb says, "I'm grateful and extremely excited to be a part of a school and community with such high academic and moral standards."



**Mr. Robb Schultz**

**Parent Workshop** - The Putnam County Task Force for Youth and the Safe Schools Healthy Students Project S.A.F.E. will be sponsoring a Parent Workshop-HIDDEN IN PLAIN SIGHT, on September 30, 2010. Please join us as we discuss substance abuse, underage drinking, eating disorders, prescription drugs, Facebook, sexting and more. This workshop will be held at the Putnam County Educational Service Center, 124 Putnam Parkway, Ottawa.

**Free Medication Collection** - Help to protect your family, community and the environment by properly disposing of your old medication. On October 2, 2010 from 9 AM – Noon, Putnam County residents can bring un-used or expired medication to a drive-thru drop off at the Educational Service Center, 124 Putnam Parkway, Ottawa. No need to leave your car. **No needles will be accepted.** For Putnam County residents only.

## *Kalida Schools Athletic All Sport Passes*

All Sport passes for the season are now for sale in the superintendent's office. Prices are the same as last year:

**\$80 - Students/Senior Citizens**  
**\$110 - Adult**  
**\$300 - Family**



**Superintendent Don Horstman**

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8:00 PM - High School - Media Center

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	Mrs. Margaret Warnecke, Mrs. Jo Buss

**Bus Drivers**

Bus #1	Jan Schroeder	Bus #2	Ellen Niemeyer
Bus #3	Dick Hoffman	Bus #4	Barb Verhoff
Bus #6	Chris Schroeder	Bus #8	Marilyn Hall

**HS Principal**

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Athletic Secretary  
Guidance  
HS Math  
Sign Language  
6th Grade/Science  
HS Social Science  
HS English  
Vocal Music  
HS Science/Biomedical  
JH/HS Science  
JH/HS Math  
HS English  
JH Reading/Lang. Arts  
JH Intervention  
Instrumental Music  
Business/Computers  
JH/HS Tech.  
Health/Phys. Ed  
JH/HS Social Studies  
Spanish  
Art  
HS Science  
Voc. Agriculture  
JH Reading/Lang.Arts  
JH/HS Science/Social Studies  
HS Math  
6th Grade/Social Studies  
HS Intervention  
6th Grade/Math  
Cafeteria

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