



Welcome Back!

August 25, 2015, marks another beginning to a new school year at Kalida Local Schools. I look forward to partnering with each and every student, parent and employee at Kalida Local Schools this year in order to provide the very best education possible. With our parents' daily support, our goal is to provide a safe, nurturing and challenging learning environment for every child.

There are several new employees to introduce. The district has hired Mrs. Emily Maag to teach JH English, Gina Erhart as our K-1 paraprofessional, Jean Smith as a cafeteria cook and Bev Berheide and Mary Siefker as bus drivers. Check out more about each of these individuals on page two.

One thing we know in education that there will be changes every year. This upcoming year state testing is once again undergoing changes and we believe for the better. Watch for more information in upcoming issues of the Paw Print on that subject; as well as changes to graduation in 2018 and beyond, Ohio's Learning Standards, Kindergarten Readiness and school safety.

The outstanding and dedicated staff at Kalida Local Schools will strive to foster a climate in which each child can develop, celebrate his or her personal and academic achievements, as well as learn to be part of a caring and committed community. Together, we will make this a wonderful and successful school year.

Karl Lammers, Superintendent

Kalida Local Schools Calendar 2015-16

	Calendar 2015-16				
	8/20/15	Teacher workday			
	8/25/15	First Day for Students			
	9/7/15	Labor Day-No School			
	9/14/15	Two hour delay-Teachers' Meeting			
	10/26/15	Quarter Break-No School			
	11/23/15	Parent-Teacher Conferences 5:00—9:00 PM			
	11/24/15	Parent-Teacher Conferences All day-No School			
	11/25/15	Thanksgiving-No School			
	11/26/15	No School			
	12/23/15	Christmas Break Begins			
	1/4/16	Classes Resume			
	1/18/16	Martin Luther King Day -No School			
	2/15/16	Presidents' Day- No School			
	3/24/16	Spring Break			
	3/29/16	Classes Resume			
	5/25/16	Last Day for Students			
	5/26/16	Teacher Workday			
	5/29/16	Graduation—Class of 2016			
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Welcome New Staff!

Bev Berheide has been hired as a regular route bus driver for Kalida Schools. She will be driving bus #8 Vantage route this year. She is married to Brian and they are the parents of Adam, Kim, and Anna.

Gina Erhart has been hired as a paraprofessional in the elementary. She will be assisting the teachers in kindergarten and first grade. Gina is married to Joe and they are the parents of Zach, Connor, Luke, and Brooke.

Emily Maag has been hired as a middle school language arts teacher taking Mrs. Pam Schroeder's position. Emily is married to Josh and they have a son named Evan. They reside in Glandorf. Emily had been teaching at Memorial High School in St. Marys prior to coming to Kalida.

Mary Siefker has been hired as a regular route bus driver and will be driving bus # 1. She is married to Roger. Their children are Kayla, Ryan, Brad, Trevor, Brooke, Carlie and Luke.

Jean Smith has been hired on as cafeteria staff. Jean is married to Ron and they are the parents of Chad. Jean has been subbing in the cafeteria for several years.



Congratulations to Kayla King Stechschulte on her marriage to Adam this past summer. Kayla is a 4th grade teacher at Kalida Elementary. She also coaches cross country and track in the high school.

Congratulations to Robb Schultz for completing his Masters Degree this summer. Robb is a science and social studies teacher in the middle and high school.

Senior Magazine Sales

The senior class magazine fundraiser will begin on September 4. Any magazines you intend to renew this year, our students can help you out with that order. Call the high school at 419-532-3529 and we will put you in contact with a student.

Lunch Prices

We are keeping the same prices for lunch again this year. No changes are planned as of this time. Payments for lunches should be made in the school office **prior** to the lunch period. No payments will be collected in line.

Elementary Student Lunch	\$2.35	Extra Milk 50¢
High School Student Lunch	n \$2.60	Extra Milk 50¢
Adult Lunch/Salad meal	\$3.40	Adult Milk 60¢

Free Lunch Program

Free and Reduced Lunch applications will be distributed to the youngest in the family on the first day of school. If you feel your income falls in the qualifying categories, please fill out a form and return it to the school office by August 31 with attention to Nancy Grote. This is a confidential procedure and with the Meals Plus program your child's meal and financial status remains protected. Reduced lunch prices are 40°C.

Bookbills

Book fees for students in grades 9 - 12 will be issued on September 11 after student schedules are finalized. Payments are due by September 18. Elementary bookbills have been posted and are due now.

School Transportation

Bus routes for this year will remain basically the



same as last year. Please be prepared to board the bus promptly. Many of the buses leave the bus barn at 6:45 AM.

Students must have prior authorization from the school office to take a different bus home other than their assigned bus. The drivers and corresponding bus numbers are listed below.

Bus # 1	Mary Siefker
Bus # 2	Bill Schulte
Bus # 4	Chris Schroeder
Bus # 5	Linda Schmenk
Bus # 8	Bev Berheide
Bus # 7 and # 9	(Spare Buses)

Kalida Local Staff 2015-16

Joyce Buss

Cook/Cashier



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Karl Lammers	Superintendent	Kathleen Verhoff	Elementary Principal
Cindy Webken	Treasurer	Marcia Vennekotter	Secretary
Julie Recker	Asst. Treasurer/Superintendent's Secretary	Mary Lou Hoffman	Library Aide
Jeff Clement	Guidance	Beth Birkemeier	3rd Grade
Jeremy Okuley	Tech Director	Pat Broecker	1st Grade
Chris Pfahler	High School Principal	Gina Erhart	ParaProfessional
Nancy Grote	Secretary/ASL	Lori Erhart	3rd Grade
Carol Kahle	Secretary	Deb Eickholt	5th Grade
Brenda Burgei	Math	Lori Fischer	Intervention Specialist
Kelly Dubé	Intervention Specialist	Mary Glick	Music
Robert Gasser	Social Studies	Darlene Imm	2nd Grade
Mary Gerding	English	Deb Kahle	Kindergarten
Kaylan Griffith	English	Nancy Kaufman	Kindergarten
Beth Grime	Science	Cheryl Koch	1st Grade
Adam Huber	Math/Athletic Director	Jill Laudick	2nd Grade
Lori Klausing	Instrumental Band		
Stacy Knueve	Computer/Business	Alison Luderman	4th Grade
Dale Liebrecht	Engineering	Michele Niese	5th Grade
Emily Maag	Language Arts	Jessica Recker	Kindergarten
Ryan McMichael	Vocational Agriculture	Kelly Siefker	1st Grade
Scott Miller	Social Studies	Kayla Stechschulte	4th Grade
Steven Myers	Art	Kristen Stechschulte	Physical Education
Ken Pothast Denise Scherer	Science Librarian/Tech Assistant	Bev Berheide	Bus Driver
Robb Schultz	Science/Social Studies	Linda Schmenk	Bus Driver/ParaProfessional
Roxanne Schumacher	Math	Chris Schroeder	Bus Driver/Aide
Mary Smith	6th Grade	Bill Schulte	Bus Driver
Danielle Storey	Spanish	Mary Siefker	Bus Driver
Melanie Thorbahn	Intervention Specialist/Junior High P.E.	Sue Clementz	Cook
Blyth Turnwald	6th Grade	Jean Smith	Cook
Darla Warnecke	Biomed/Science/Health	Doris Stechschulte	Head Cook
Carol Bockrath	Café Monitor/AD Secretary		
Sarah Neidert	Café Manager	Ken Stechschulte	Head Maintenance
Carolyn Miller	Cook	Dan Bellmann	Maintenance
Mary A. Hoersten	Cook	Gary Vorst	Custodian

Laurie Lindeman Speech

School Psychologist

Julie Amstutz

Superintendent Karl Lammers

419-532-3534

High School Principal Chris Pfahler Elementary Principal Kathleen J. Verhoff

School Board Members

Gerry Vorst-President Nicole Niemeyer– Vice President Sue Gerdeman Emily Peck Greg von der Embse

School Board Meetings

Second Wednesday 7:00 PM Kalida School Board Room

July, August \$50 Music Booster Winners

July

\$50 Gary & Lisa Vorst

\$50 Mary Jane Stechschulte

\$50 John Warnecke

\$50 Bruce & Deb Remlinger

<u>August</u>

\$50 Amanda Kuhlman

\$50 Brad Siebeneck

\$50 Rita Maag

\$50 Dot Verhoff

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Kindergarten Orientation

Kalida Elementary Thursday, August 20 5:30 PM—6:30 PM

Back to School Night

Kalida Elementary Thursday, August 20 7:00 PM—8:00 PM Meet your teacher, pay bookbills, make lunch payments, and tour the school!



School Delays and Closings

Sign up for text alerts at http://www.ohioalerts.org/kalida. You can also find more information for school closings or delays on the following local radio and TV stations:

TELEVISION STATIONS

WTOL - Channel 11 WTVG - Channel 13

WNWO - Channel 24 WLIO - Channel 35

RADIO STATIONS

WDOH (107.1 FM), WIMA (1150 AM), WIMT (102.1 FM), The Frog (92.1 FM), The Eagle (104.9 FM), WBUK (106.3 FM)