

Curriculum Changes for the 2018-2019 School Year

The Kalida Local Schools' teaching staff, administration and Board of Education strive to provide a relevant and rigorous curriculum. Relevance is somewhat dictated by legislation, trends, and demands; therefore, course offerings must be thoughtfully planned to provide opportunities for every student to succeed, no matter how broad or focused the career path. The basic standards and graduation requirements are established by the Ohio Department of Education; however, there is flexibility for local decisions to make additional offerings relevant to Kalida. With that in mind, we are adjusting our offerings for the 2018-2019 school year with the following coursework:

Senior Capstone Course

Expose. Explore. Experience. The purpose of this required, semester long course is to expose students to a variety of professions and to the college preparation or training that is required to perform those professions. Students will also continue to polish their writing, listening, and speaking skills through the creation of a scholarship essay, a college alumni interview, career professional interview, resume, reference sheet, cover letter, and a culminating exit interview and/or career presentation. Ultimately, the end result is to have KHS graduates who feel competent to enter college and the work force.

Business Education Department

Regardless of the career path any student selects, business concepts are integrated in their occupation. With that in mind, we are drastically increasing the opportunities students have to learn about business elements and their career choices. Many courses will still be direct teacher-led instruction, but course options will be available using Odysseyware, an online accredited resource that allows students to select electives in their area of interest; while possibly partnering with local businesses for real business world discussions and experiences.

Kalida Campus Courses Taught by KHS Personnel

Accounting I & II – year long courses

Money Matters – semester long courses required for graduation, usually for upper classmen.

Business Communications (Yearbook) – year long course for Grades 9-12

Career Explorations – Nine weeks course for Grade 7 students – Students will explore careers options. Technology use and financial literacy will also be discussed as they pertain to careers.

Odysseyware Online Courses facilitated by Mrs. Kneuve (All Semester Courses)

Essentials of Business – Grades 9-12 – The main focus is the functions of a company: finances, human resource management, marketing, operations, and strategic planning.

Business Law – Grades 11-12 – Provides legal concepts that relate to commerce, contracts, liability, regulations, international laws, treaties, consumer protection, and bankruptcy.

Principles of Business and Finance – Grades 11-12 – Components of business, investment capital, legal and ethical issues, working with banks, loans, investments, budgeting, human resources, communications, and personal presentations of yourself in business settings.

