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Understanding School Finance Funds

This is the second in a series of monthly articles concerning school finances that will appear in the Paw Print.

Calendar Notes

April 7 - 8

Kindergarten
Screening

April 9

Spring Break

April 12

Calamity
Makeup Day-
School
In Session

April 16 - 17

KHS Musical

April 27

Spring Band
Concert
7:30 PM

May 1

Prom

May 28

Last Day
of School

May 30

Graduation

May 31

Memorial Day

August 25, 2004

First Day
Back to School

Money received to operate school districts is assigned to the following funds: general, set-aside, debt service, permanent improvement, cafeteria, student activity funds, athletic, and state and federal grants. These funds are established by law to help ensure that money is spent for the intended purpose for which it was raised.

The **General Fund** is used to account for all money used for ordinary operations of the school system except those required to be accounted for in another fund. Ordinary operations include salaries, fringe benefits, supplies and materials, and maintenance services.

Since 1998 every school system is required to have two 'set-aside' funds. One fund is to be used for purchasing **instructional** materials and textbooks and the second is for **capital outlay and improvements**, defined as major purchases, repairs or improvements that should last five years or more. The law requires the district to 'set-aside' 3% of the general fund revenue into each of these funds for expenditure on the purpose stated.

The **Debt Service Fund** is used for the accumulation of money to be used for the payment of short-term and long-term debt, principal and interest. All revenue derived from bond issues, which are levied for debt payment, must be deposited into this fund. Funds received from the current building levy are deposited into this fund and can be used *only* to pay off the building project debt.

The **Permanent Improvement** fund is used to account for equipment purchases or capital improvements to our facilities. This might include a new roof, purchase of text-books or computer equipment, or school bus purchase.

All revenue derived from permanent improvement issues, which are levied for permanent improvements, must be deposited into this fund.

The **cafeteria fund** is used to record financial transactions related to the food service operations. This fund pays for salaries and benefits of the cafeteria staff, food and non-food supplies, and equipment used solely for cafeteria use. This fund is operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises where the intent is to cover operating expenses through charges to students and adults for lunch.

Student Managed Activity Funds are funds provided to account for those student activity programs which have student participation in the activity and have students involved in the management of the program. These funds are raised by students. Examples of these types of funds include class budgets, cheerleading, student council, and foreign language club funds.

The **Athletic Fund** is provided to account for athletic programs which have student participation, but do not have student management of the program. These funds are raised by the athletic department through ticket sales and donations.

Kalida Schools also have **State and Federal Grant Funds** used to account for revenue that is legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes. Examples of these funds include Title I Funds that are used for after-school tutoring, and **SchoolNet Funds** which are used to purchase computer equipment at various grade levels.

*Cindy Webken, Treasurer
Robert Williams, Superintendent*



Coach Mark Czubik holds his NFHS Coaches Association Award for 2003 Coach of the Year.

Award Winning Coach

KHS Soccer Coach Mark Czubik has been awarded the National Federation of State High School Association's 2003 Coach of the Year award. Stated in the letter of the notification: "Your contributions on behalf of high school athletics are deserving of our appreciation. Congratulations on being selected to represent all the deserving coaches

from your state. Thank you for your many contributions to the youth of this country." As of April 1, the state's award recipients will be posted on the web site, www.nfhs.org. Fourteen of Ohio's approximately 12,000 head coaches received this prestigious award.

Congratulations Coach Kortokrax

At the Boys' State Basketball Tournament KHS Coach Richard Kortokrax was publically recognized by the State Basketball Coaches Association for his 700 victories. Each year, this association recognizes coaches who have reached milestones at 100 to 700 victories respectively. Coach K finished his 2003-04 season at 716 wins!

Food Service Inspection

Every five years, the Ohio Department of Education holds a food operations inspection in one of the two buildings. On Thursday, March 11, regional consultant Mr. Ralph Kuenning came to Kalida and inspected the daily operation of the elementary cafeteria. During the day Mr. Kuenning met with Mr. Williams and Mrs. Grote and went over the monthly reports and the free and reduced lunch claims. He also met with the head cooks Mrs. Jan Schroeder and Mrs. Joyce Klausung.

At the conclusion and on his exit report Mr. Kuenning wrote, "The program is well organized and operated with high quality standards. The cafeteria staff is dedicated and treats their customers like family. I thank you and your staff for your time, cooperation and courtesies extended to me during the review. Keep up this great effort."

Mr. Williams added his commendations to the staff for their outstanding work. "It is gratifying to know that our cafeteria operation meets all standards set by the state. There were no areas marked as needing attention. Congratulations for your work and effort in providing outstanding food service at Kalida Local School!"

Reaching Out Across the Seas

The Kalida High School students have been busy writing to Chinese pen pals. Four language arts classes are involved including the seventh and eighth grades and the freshmen and sophomores. This project started last year when the current eighth grade class was matched with a teacher and class at *Linquan Second Middle School*, Anhui, China. They were matched with this teacher and class through *The Lima News* Newspaper in Education pen pal project. Currently, 57 seventh graders now write to 207 Chinese students while the eighth graders write to 64 pen pals and the freshmen and sophomore students write to 230 Chinese students.

There are so many benefits that are gained through this project. First, the students are practicing letter writing which seems to be a dying art in the technology driven world today. Secondly, they are learning valuable lessons in cultural diversity. The students enjoy learning about the Chinese culture from their pen pals and love sharing their American traditions. Students spend time taking virtual field trips to China using Internet sites to look at pictures of the country and read about China and Anhui.

Mrs. Pam Schroeder has developed a website for this activity at www.kalida.k12.oh.us/staff/pamschroeder/china.html. Anyone can access the website at school or at home.

Many writing assignments are now geared towards our Chinese pen pals. By using the pen pals as an audience, students are given a larger purpose and it becomes a natural motivator for the students in their writing assignments.



Erica Schmenk, Kendra Kerner and Matt Schnipke hold letters, photos and Chinese money they received from their Chinese pen pals. Behind them is a brightly decorated bulletin board with more details of their writing adventures.



We would like to take this time to honor all of our volunteers in the Elementary. These individuals spend hours each week with our students doing flashcards, reading, or helping in special projects throughout the school day. Our list of volunteers this year include:

Alice Adams	Sue Fuerst	Lini Landin	Becky Unverferth
Mary Jane Averesch	Grace Haselman	Cindy Rall	Joni Unverferth
Bev Berheide	Linda Hoffman	Lisa Roebke	Kay Unverferth
Lisa Berheide	Mary E. Hoffman	Annette Schroeder	Linda Unverferth
Kaylene Blank	Linda Honigfort	Jackie Schroeder	Sandra Vorst
Eileen Decker	Sue Jorrey	Rita Schroeder	Jen Warnecke
Denise Ellerbrock	Teresa Knueve	Nora Schulte	Maggie Wehri
Carol Erhart	Ann Korte	Jane Selhorst	Tannis White
Nancy Erhart	Cheryl Kromer	Tina Siebeneck	Kelly Wurth
Rita Erhart	Connie Krouse	Sharon Smith	
Sandy Fortman	Valita Lammers	Christi Stober	



Rita Erhart works with students like Trevor Maag and Brooke Lucke on various school subjects each week.

Special recognition is to be given to **Rita Erhart** for she is now in her 10th year of service as an adult volunteer aide at Kalida Elementary. This year she is a helper in Ms. Jean Cupp's room.

Annual Accounting Competition

Kalida High School accounting students traveled to *The University of Findlay* on Monday, March 29, to compete in an accounting contest. There were 19 other schools competing including Toledo Rogers, Otsego, Sidney Lehman, Celina, New Knoxville, Sentinel Career Center, Four County Career Center, Tri-Rivers Career Center, Fairlawn, New London, Ravenna, Rossford, Waynesfield-Goshen, Elmwood, Allen East, Spencerville, Delphos St. John, Ottawa-Glandorf and Fort Jennings.

T-shirts were awarded to the top 15 finishers in the tests. Congratulations to Lauren Janka who placed 12th in the Accounting II contest. Jessica Fuerst followed close behind with a 16th place finish. Other students competing in the Accounting II contest were Ashley Horstman, Russell Hamilton, Sarah Buss, Rick Schnipke, Lori Duling, Kent Jerwers, Joe Rampe and Cody Maxwell. Accounting I students in competition were Heather Vorst, Ryan Smith, Nate Goedde, Courtney Bellmann, Chad Grote and Andy Rampe. Accounting teacher Mrs. Doris Noffsinger accompanied the students onto competition.

Tickets Now on Sale

Musical tickets for *You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown* are now on sale (Adults \$5; students \$4) in the high school office. No reserved seats. Dinner theater tickets for the Saturday evening performance are available through Darlene Hanneman at 419-532-3871.

Cleaning House

Anyone interested in purchasing an old *Toss Back* or *Shoot Away* piece of athletic equipment should contact athletic director Bob Gerdeman. These items will be sold to the best offer. They have both been on the athletic inventory for 15 to 20 years and are no longer of use to the athletic department. Deadline for bidding on these items is April 12.

Science Fair Results

Congratulations to the following eighth graders and high school students for their achievements at the local, regional and district science fairs.

Putnam County Science Fair

Superior Ratings-8th Grade

Trent Smith: *Can static electricity start a fire?*

Cory Birkemier: *Do cigarettes or campfires start forest fires?"*

Dean Schnipke: *Does kerosene or gasoline cause more damage?*

Putnam County Science Fair

Excellent Rating-8th Grade

Rob Gerding: *What affect does the build-up of plaque have on coronary heart disease?*

Regional ScienceFair

Junior High-First Place Energy Award

Samantha Schnipke and Emily Erhart:

Which insulation works the best?

District Science Fair-Defiance College

Junior High Competiton

Cory Birkemeier and Dean Schnipke-Excellents

Trent Smith-Superior

Trent now advances to the State Science Fair.

District Science Fair-Defiance College

High School Competition

Jenna Siefker: *What Side Are You On? How does hemisphere dominance of the brain effect learning styles? - Excellent*

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Honor Roll -Third Quarter

SENIORS

Jessica Honigford
Lindsey Horstman
Jason Kahle
Neil Schnipke
Ashley Verhoff
Heather Vorst

JUNIORS

Kristen Heitmeyer
Elizabeth Mack
Jenna Siefker
Danielle Vorst

SOPHOMORES

Eric Schnipke
Julie Schroeder
Brad VonderEmbse
Lindsay Westbeld

FRESHMEN

Angela Hanneman
Justin Kahle
Dana Phillips
Katie Unverferth
Abby Wilson

8TH GRADE

Adam Berheide
Alyssa Frey
Jill Hoffman
Kayla Kromer
Stacy Reindel
Dean Schnipke
Brittany Schroeder
Trent Smith

7TH GRADE

Kasie Bellmann
Leah Gerding
Jenna Kahle
Neal Lammers
Darcy Langhals
Matthew Schnipke
Gina Verhoff
Matt Warnecke

AB

SENIORS

Courtney Bellmann
Sarah Buss
Lori Duling
Jessica Fuerst
Ashley Horstman
Lauren Janka
Jennifer Kahle
Ross Kleman
Carrie Kottenbrock
Cody Maxwell
Kari Phillips
Joseph Rampe
Becky Recker
Jackie Schroeder
Brian Stechschulte

JUNIORS

Niki Brinkman
Nathan Goedde
Kenzie Hanneman
Leah Hermiller
Andrew Knueve
Amanda Kortokrax
Kimberly Lammers
Andrew Rampe
Ryan Smith
Angela Unverferth
Craig Unverferth
Neil Verhoff
Jennifer Wehri

SOPHOMORES

Ryan Buss
Ross Ellerbrock
Amber Erhart
David Gerdeman
Shane Hill
Ryan Hoffman
Ashley Kerner
Alisha Knueve
Kelly Knueve
Austin Kruse
Benjamin McIntyre
Jared Siebeneck
Jared Stechschulte
Cory Unverferth
Megan Unverferth
Melissa Verhoff
Jeremy Wehri
Laurie Westbeld
Jessica Winkle

FRESHMEN

Tim Beach
Rachel Cygan
Renee Cygan
Lisa Duling
Kevin Erhart
Megan Hamburg
Brent Heitmeyer
Christopher Kahle
Emily Kahle
Rachel Knueve
Brandon Kortokrax
Christopher Miller
Karrie Miller
Ryan Rampe
Kelly Schnipke
Kari Schroeder
Shawn Smith
Ashley Warnecke

8TH GRADE

Karri Clementz
Jessica Gordon
Ashley Heitmeyer
Megan Heitmeyer
Sara Mack
Craig Miller
Megan Miller
Samantha Recker
Samantha Schnipke
Abigail Schroeder
Ashley Shultz
Adam Unverferth

7TH GRADE

Makenna Basinger
Derek Birkemeier
Brittany Bockrath
Dana Bruskotter
Preston Ellerbrock
Lauren Erhart
Megan Jorrey
Kyle Kahle
Kendra Kerner
Jessica Knueve
Doug McIntyre
Jeff Miller
Erica Schmenk
Scott Schnipke
Emily Selhorst
Bethany Smith
Amy VonderEmbse

Senior Girl Scout Project

"I would like to thank everyone who donated toys to my project *The Toy Chest*. With your help, I collected over 300 toys. St. Rita's Medical Center greatly appreciated the toys. Thanks again for your help." *Holly Clementz*

**Spring
Athletic Banquet**
Tuesday, May 25
Kalida K of C Hall
6:00 p.m.

Calendar Information

Any organization that would like to have meeting information or events listed on the calendars that the band boosters sell, please contact Sue Fuerst 419-532-3268 or Mary Hoffman 419-532-3978.

Due to the inclement weather and cancellation of school on Tuesday, March 16, the last day of school will now be on Friday, May 28.

Superintendent:
Robert Williams
419-532-3534

School Board Members:
Dave Erhart
Brian Laudick
Rhonda Osterhage
Pres. Gary Stechschulte
VP. Barry von der Embse

School Board Meetings:
Second Wednesday
8:00 p.m.
High School Library

Our primary concern is the welfare and education of the children entrusted in our care.

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