

KEWASKUM HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



November 12, 2011

- Senior Citizen Turkey Dinner sponsored by KEY Club— 11:00 a.m.—12:30 p.m. KHS Cafeteria

November 14, 2011

- Kewaskum School District School Board Meeting—7:00 p.m. KHS Theatre

November 15, 2011

- WKCE 10th grade State Testing @ 7:40 a.m.—11:15 a.m.

November 23, 24 & 25, 2011

- **NO SCHOOL**

December 3, 2011

- Breakfast with Santa @ 8:30 a.m.—11:30 a.m.

December 4, 2011

- Kewaskum Christmas Parade—5:00 p.m.

December 6, 2011

- ASVAB Testing @ 7:45 a.m.

December 5, 2011

- KEYS Christmas Concert— 7:00 p.m. KHS Theatre

December 10, 2011

- ACT Test @ UWWC

December 12, 2011

- KHS Christmas Concert— 7:00 p.m. KHS Theatre
- School Board Meeting—7:00 p.m. Rose Library

December 16, 2011

- Early graduation paperwork due in School Counseling Office.

December 22, 2011

- Last day before Christmas Break

January 2, 2012

- Classes Resume

AT THE MOVIES WITH JIM WESTPAHL



- 11/16— Mogambo
- 11/23—The King and I
- 11/30—Sunset Boulevard
- 12/7—Adam's Rib
- 12 /14—The Treasure of Sierra Madre

KEWASKUM ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

We are now soliciting applicants to honor for the Kewaskum Alumni Achievement Award in March 2012. The reasons this award has been developed are to:

- Encourage student to choose challenging careers that would benefit the community and our country.
- Recognize Kewaskum Alumni, reconnecting them to our school and our community.

Any alumni who meet the criteria could be one of the 2012 recipients.

Criteria are:

- They have gained distinction in their field.
- They offer an admirable example to students based on character and lifetime accomplishments.
- They contribute to their community of residence.

The process is simple. Just call the Kewaskum High School Office at 262-626-8427, ext. 4125 to get the one-page application mailed to your home or print off a PDF version from kewaskumschools.org.

Applications are due January 9, 2012.



SNOW OR COLD COULD MEAN SCHOOL IS CLOSED

The School District will once again be using **School Messenger**, an automated calling system, to inform families of school closings. The system is set to call the primary phone number listed in our student information system.

TV Channels 12 and 4 will announce Kewaskum School closings, as well as the following radio stations: **West Bend: WBKV (1470 AM & 92.5 FM); Fond du Lac: KFIZ (1450 AM & 107 FM); Sheboygan: WHBL (1330 AM, 93.7 FM & 106.5 FM); Milwaukee WTMJ (620 AM & 94 FM); WKLH (96.5 FM); The Hog (102.9 FM); Jammin' (98.3 FM); and Smooth Jazz (106.9 FM).**

Closings will also be posted on the **District Website:** www.kewaskumschools.org.

When school has opened and weather turns bad, it is recommended that parents listen to one of the above radio stations for a possible school

closing announcement. The district is hesitant about closing school during the day, but will do so if the safety of the students warrants it. Every effort will be made to announce school closings during the day at least an hour before we dismiss the students.

Parochial school students and special education students will not be transported when district schools close. Decisions to delay the opening of schools will be made judiciously. In cases of a late start, morning early childhood and four-year kindergarten programs are automatically cancelled. However, afternoon classes will still operate under their normal schedule.

INCREASE IN LUNCH PRICES

A new federal law recently passed which requires that the minimum price of a paid lunch equals or exceeds the difference between the free rate and the federal reimbursement rate for a paid lunch. To comply with this new law, the school board has authorized an increase of 10 cents per meal per year until we meet the required \$2.46 minimum price. Effective December 1, 2011, lunch prices will be \$2.20 at the middle and high schools and \$1.95 at the elementary schools.

KHS PRESCHOOL SIGN-UP



The child development classes of Kewaskum High School will be conducting their first semester Pre-school starting Monday, November 28, 2011 through Friday, January 13, 2012.

Parents with toilet trained children ages 2, 3, 4, or 5, who are interested in having your child in this preschool experience can fill out an application.

WE CAN ASSIST YOU.... IF ?

Days Off: If your student is planning on missing school for vacation, deer hunting, or a family event, it is important that you send in a note *prior to the dates of absence*. This way your student will receive a pre-plan to check with their teacher for assignments.

Bus Notes: Parents are reminded that when your child is taking the bus home with another student, we must have notes from both students' parents, otherwise we are unable to issue a bus pass. This is a district procedure that all schools follow in compliance with the bus company. Please plan ahead so that students can travel as you desire.

Medication: KHS does not supply medication for students if they are sick or have a headache. It is very important that you fill out a non-prescription school medication form and return it with the medication of your choice. We will keep the desired medicine here under lock and key and disperse it accordingly. The medicine must be in the original container and they must be housed in the office.

\$\$\$ FOR KHS

If you have a Pick N Save card or you have applied for a Target charge card, you could earn money for KHS. Please keep this in mind when you purchase groceries for Thanksgiving and when you venture out to start your holiday shopping. Just go to the service desk and make sure your card is linked to our school.

DRIVING SAFELY

If your child drives to school, please talk to your student about the safety needed in driving around the high school and middle school. We are noticing many students driving faster than the posted speed sign or traveling in the wrong traffic pattern in the parking lots. Students parking pass privileges may be revoked if any misconduct is reported. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

HELP OUR PLANET, HELP OUR FUTURE

Our HOPE Club members would like to remind you to save your old cell phones, MP3 players,



household batteries, I-Pods, and calculators. Have your student bring these items to the KHS office or to Ms. Kuphal's Room 604 before or after school through the school year.



**STUDENT GOVERNMENT
BLOOD DRIVE
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21ST
9:00 A.M.—2:00 P.M.—KHS BAND ROOM**

SCHOOL COUNSELING NEWS

Grade 11 Individual Planning Conferences

Junior students and their parents recently received scheduling information for their Grade 11 Individual Planning Conference. Individual Planning Conferences are specially designed for students and their parents, focusing on current talents and interests, educational and career development, and information to continue planning for their future. Topics that will be discussed include overall academic performance, career interest inventory results, academic test results, senior year course selection, and continuing to develop post secondary goals. Grade 11 Individual Planning Conferences run from November through December and will occur with or without a parent in attendance. Parents are strongly encouraged to participate.



SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

Graduating seniors who plan on attending a college or training school of any sort are encouraged to apply for a KEYS scholarship. The application will be found by visiting the school website under the school counseling tab at www.kewaskumschools.org after December 14, 2011. Applications must be completed online, printed out, and handed into the school counseling office no later than Wednesday, January 4th, firm deadline. There are three parts to the application: a checklist for four year or technical college scholarships you want to apply for, an activity checklist and the application form itself. All three parts **must** be handed in together. If a computer is needed to complete this, students can use one in the counseling office or library.

If you or your student have questions or trouble filling out the application, please contact Mr. Rockhill: 262-626-8427, ext. 4146 or drockhil@ksd.k12.wi.us

The local scholarship program also includes the Regal Scholarship that goes to two of the top students in class, the Partners of St. Joseph's Hospital that goes to a student interested in a health care related career, and a UW Alumni scholarship that goes to a student who will enroll at UW-Madison. Each of those three scholarships have separate paper applications that can be picked up in the KHS counseling office. Many outside sources of scholarships are also available on the KHS webpage. Students are encouraged to visit the site often at this time of year to see what new scholarships are listed and available for them to apply for.

WHY SHOULD I TAKE THE ASVAB ?

The ASVAB Career Exploration Program is intended for you in the 10th, 11th, and 12th grades, as well as students in postsecondary schools. Taking the ASVAB can help you regardless of your future plans after high school.

The ASVAB provides you with scores which can help you determine our readiness for further education and training in different career areas. Knowing your academic strengths and weaknesses now gives you time to work to improve them before you start a job, begin college or vocational school, or enter the military.

EARLY GRADUATION

If you are planning on early graduating in January, applications will first be available on December 5th and are due back on later than the December 16th deadline. Please see the School Counseling Office, at that time, to pick up your paperwork and for further details.