



AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 2011 BACK TO SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

A Note from the Principal

It's been a busy summer at Kennebunk High School! I've enjoyed meeting with many of you and am grateful to lead a school with such strong community support. I am especially pleased and proud that so many faculty members and upperclassmen want to help make this the best year yet for KHS and the incoming Class of 2015. When students return in the fall, they will find many new faces and programs. The Learning Center in Building C, which is open to all students, has been expanded, and a system of directed study halls will be in place so that students will not fall behind with homework. In addition, each KHS student will be given an assignment book.

A number of teachers have attended training this summer including, but not limited to, classes in Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, and Response to Intervention, as well as seminars on organizing professional learning teams to benefit all students.

There will also be changes in our faculty and staff. Sandra Dumont will be returning to KHS to teach French. Jackie Proulx is the newest member of the English Department; Hillary Medeiros will teach chemistry and integrated science; and Benjamin Potvin is KHS's new band director. Jennifer Bartlett is a full-time guidance counselor; Jennifer Mooney will be joining the Learning Center; and Laurie Ryan is KHS's new Special Education teacher. Bruce Lewia will join the administrative team, serving as the IB coordinator, Learning Center coordinator, and liaison for student activities.

KHS's own radio station will begin broadcasting this fall under the direction of Mrs. Pitchforth and Mr. Fagerson who were the recipients of a grant from the Education Foundation of the Kennebunks and Arundel. The English Department and the Guidance Department collaborated last spring to create a four-year College Career Portfolio project that, in conjunction with the on-line Naviance Program, will help students in grades 9-12 explore careers and make plans for after high school. A group of parents led by Joan Ludwig and Debbie Hoch is organizing a mentoring group that will also assist students with career exploration.

The next meeting of that group is on Wednesday, August 24, in the KHS cafeteria at 7 P.M. Interested parents and other community members are invited to attend.

The district's Development Director, Stephanie Brady, has been communicating with KHS alumni. For more information, you can click on the alumni link on the KHS website. She will be sharing some ideas soon for events to coincide with the Homecoming parade, games and dance on Saturday, October 15.

Communication among parents, students, and school continues to be a priority for us. The KHS website is a good place to find information about school events and special announcements, as well as documents like the handbook and program of studies. Please remember to check teacher websites for homework assignments. We are continuing our use of the "open portal" so that parents and students can access PowerSchool, the teachers' electronic grade book. This provides a way to monitor grades and attendance. We're finding that it has helped students assume responsibility for their work. As always, we encourage students to seek extra help from their teachers during the extra help times posted outside each classroom door.

Another formal opportunity for communication is our Open House on Monday, September 26th at 6:30 P.M. After a brief introduction in Gym A, parents will go through an abbreviated version of their student's schedule. While this is not an evening that allows for individual conferencing, parents will be able to meet teachers and learn about the curriculum and expectations for each course.

On Wednesday, November 9th and Thursday, November 10th, we will hold our annual parent/student/teacher conferences. These times provide a formal opportunity to hold a conversation relative to student progress in individual classes. Information about making appointments for these conferences will be available in the next newsletter and on the KHS website.

Although many formal opportunities exist for communication, I hope that you will always feel comfortable communicating with me informally. I look forward to seeing you at events in the school and community and hearing from you via email, phone conversations, and visits to my office. By working together and sending consistent messages to our students about what's right and what's wrong, we can make this a safe and successful year for everyone.

Thank you again for your support as I begin this new year at Kennebunk High School. I hope that you and your family are enjoying these last few weeks of summer.

Sincerely,

Susan Cressey, Principal

Note to Parents of Ninth Graders

Tuesday, September 6th, is the first day of school for incoming 9th graders. We have planned a full day of orientation activities aimed at making all of our students comfortable in their new setting. All freshmen will be given a Premier agenda assignment book. By the end of the day, they will be veterans of Kennebunk High School.

The day starts at 7:45 a.m. with students reporting to the gymnasium. Students will receive their schedules that morning in advisory. The advisory rosters will be posted in the gym lobby. Following one of the wonderful traditions of KHS, the Kennebunk Rotary and local clergy are providing an opening day light breakfast for the Class of 2015 and will repeat this again on their last day of school prior to graduation. There will also be a barbeque lunch served by our school nutrition staff at a cost of \$2.75. (Students will use the same lunch ID number as they used at MSK.) Dismissal will be at 2:11 p.m.

First Day for Upperclassmen

The first day of school for students in grades 10 through 12 (and the second day for 9th graders) will be Wednesday, September 7th. School starts at 9:00 a.m. and ends at 2:11 p.m. The first day of school will be a Blue day. Students are to report to Gym A when they arrive at school. Following a brief welcome, they will report to their advisories. The advisory rosters will be posted throughout the school.

Vocational School Starting Dates

The first day of school for Biddeford Voc and PATHS is **September 8, 2011. Please note that due to construction, students will not be allowed to drive their vehicles to BRCOT.** Please see Mr. Mitchell if you have any questions

KHS Connections

Attention sophomores, juniors and seniors:
If you would like to help KHS Connections give tours of the building during Freshman Orientation, please email Mrs. Cressey at scressey@rsu21.net. We will meet in Gym C at 8 a.m. on **Tuesday, September 6th**, and give small group tours until 10:50 A.M.

Clubs and Activities

Advisors and members of all clubs and activities are invited to create a display for an Activity Fair which will be set up in Gym C from 10:35 -11:00 on **Tuesday, Sept. 6**. Please contact Mrs. Cressey for more information about how you can help with this.

Late Start Wednesdays

Classes on Wednesdays at Kennebunk High School begin at 9:00 a.m. **Wednesday, September 7th IS a Late Start Wednesday.** During the late starts, our faculty has an opportunity to tackle a variety of school reform and professional development activities. The bus pick-ups on Wednesdays will start at approximately 8:15 a.m. We suggest each student speak with his/her individual bus driver for specific times.

Students may sleep in if they wish or work at home until the 9:00 a.m. start of class. It is important for parents to have a conversation with their students and help them formulate a plan that is appropriate for them. One of the side benefits that we hope these late start Wednesdays will provide us is real-life practice for students in the areas of planning, decision making, and taking responsibility for freedoms they are afforded.

Late Start Wednesday Schedule

7:25-8:45	Faculty seminar
8:55	Warning bell
9:00-9:55	Block 1
9:55-10:01	Passing time
10:01-10:56	Block 2
10:56-11:02	Passing time
11:02-12:48	Block 3
10:56-11:29	Lunch A
12:18-12:48	Lunch C
12:48-12:54	Passing time
12:54-2:11	Block 4
2:20-2:50	Afternoon detention

Regular Bell Schedule

7:00-7:30	Morning detention
7:40	Warning Bell
7:45-9:07	Block 1
9:07-9:13	Passing time
9:13-9:28	Advisory
9:28-9:34	Passing time
9:34-10:56	Block 2
10:56-11:02	Passing time
11:02-12:48	Block 3
10:56-11:29	Lunch A
12:18-12:48	Lunch C
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Radio Club Meeting

With a grateful heart and many thanks to the Educational Fund of Kennebunk, Kennebunkport, and Arundel, Kennebunk High School has the equipment in place for our very own radio station! At this point, we would like to invite all interested students to join us in a start up meeting on **Tuesday, September 6th**, at 2:30 p.m. in the radio room in Portable 50 (the old Learning Support Center room). Students grades 9-12 may join us at any time to check it out. We will meet on a weekly basis after school for training, programming, and scheduling as we launch KHS radio as an audio streaming site on the KHS website. More to come as we share this new media opportunity with our school and

community. FMI please feel free to e-mail either Mr. Fagerson at mfagerson@rsu21.net or Mrs. Pitchforth at jpitchforth@rsu21.net.

Parent Open House

We would like to invite you to a Parent Open House being held on **Monday, September 26th**, from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the high school gymnasium. This is an excellent way to connect to your student's program and teachers. You will receive your student's schedule at the beginning of the evening from your son/daughter's advisor teacher.

Picture Day

Tuesday, October 4th, is the day that your son/daughter will have his/her picture taken. Please look for a picture package in the mail from Lifetouch. If you need additional picture packages, please have your son/daughter bring one home or stop by the main office prior to October 4th.

Attendance

The reasons why students can be absent from school are limited by Maine law. Under state guidelines, the following may be excused.

1. Personal illness
2. An appointment with a health professional that must be made during the regular school day
3. Observance of a recognized religious holiday when the observance is required during the regular school day
4. A family emergency, death or serious illness in the immediate family
5. A planned absence for personal or educational purposes which has been approved, in advance, by administration
6. Subpoenas and court orders
7. School sponsored activities and field trips
8. Absences due to disciplinary suspensions; or
9. Other exceptions as reviewed by the Principal

Schools are required to report student attendance information to the Maine Department of Education. Please refer to the Academic Attendance Policy section of the KHS Student Handbook for detailed information regarding daily attendance, tardiness, and dismissals. Working together we can achieve the best educational experience for your student.

Telephone/E-Mail

All of the calls coming into the high school (985-1110) can be routed automatically according to the following menu.

Press 0 – Main office (use this extension to call in absences)

- 1 – Guidance department
- 2 – Maintenance
- 3 – Athletics
- 4 – Skills Center
- 5 – Special Services
- 6 – Food Services

- 7 – Library
- 8 – Adult Education
- 9 – Dial by name
- 122 – School Nurse

Our phone system provides each of our staff with a voice mailbox that can be activated by pressing 9 for Dial by Name or by pressing his/her three-digit extension. Please remember that all teachers have e-mail accounts that they check frequently. To e-mail a teacher, use the first initial of the first name and then enter the last name @rsu21.net, i.e. David Mitchell would be dmitchell@rsu21.net

Your Help on Messages for Students

We are working as an organization to limit the number of interruptions that occur during instructional time. We have a procedure that is very effective in minimizing interruptions when parents ask us to deliver messages to their students during school hours. The following is a refresher for parents of upperclassmen and a quick explanation for parents of 9th graders.

Although many schools simply do not allow messages, we have a student message board where your message can be posted for your son or daughter to read. Twice daily, at 9:13 a.m. and at 2:05 p.m., we will read over the P.A. the names of students who have received messages. It is up to those students to check the board for their message. We will personally deliver emergency messages, but reminders of appointments, delivering lunches, etc., are posted on the message board.

We sincerely hope that our parents understand the need for this procedure. We are confident that, with forewarning, the system of communicating with your student can take place on the home front and the need for messages at school will greatly diminish. Thanks in advance for your cooperation with this matter.

Parking on Campus

Only juniors and seniors will be allowed to park their vehicles on school grounds. This will be done until the parking spaces are all filled. This year we are charging an annual \$50 fee for parking permits. Students who wish to purchase parking permits must complete a form with required signatures and return it to Mr. Mitchell. Forms may be found in the main office.

Students may not park in front of the school on Fletcher Street or in any parking spaces around Building C. Any special arrangements must be made through Mr. Mitchell. Because of oil and gasoline spills, mopeds and motorcycles may not be parked under the overhang at the entrance of the school. Motorcycles and mopeds, as well as other engine driven vehicles, must be parked in the duly authorized parking lot area.

Parking on school grounds is a privilege, not a right! If a student violates good driving habits (i.e., using a car to leave school grounds without permission, exceeding the 5 mph speed limit, aggressive driving, etc.), he/she

will lose this privilege. A vehicle that are not registered or parked illegally may be towed at the owner's expense. All drivers are reminded to drive slowly, being particularly careful of pedestrians.

Driver Education

We will allow your son/daughter to be dismissed during **study halls only** to do the required driving time for their driving school. Please schedule the times (**during study halls only**) and send in one note with all of the dates and times listed. This will avoid last minute phone calls and missed driving times. Remember...we will not allow the student to leave without your permission. The students are required to sign in and out in the main office.

News from the School Nurse Chris Guerin, RNC MSN

Welcome back to all students, parents, and guardians from, hopefully, a fun, healthy and restful summer. The following are School Health Services updates.

Policy for over-the-counter pain relievers, Advil and Tylenol

Over-the-counter pain relievers, Ibuprofen (Advil) and Acetaminophen (Tylenol), are **NOT AVAILABLE** from the school nurse. Students **may carry their own** Tylenol or Advil or Parents/Guardians may bring in a new, unopened bottle to be dispensed at school. The form can be downloaded from the website (<http://www.rsu21.net>) by clicking on the "Departments" drop-down menu and then on Health Services. Scroll down to find the Medication Permission Form. This form is also available from the School Nurse.

Self-Care Health Strategies:

For managing headaches, menstrual cramps, stress, stomach aches, the common cold, and similar conditions---before resorting to medication encourage your child to:

Laugh daily, it's great medicine!
Eat a healthy breakfast
Exercise daily
Get adequate sleep
Use relaxation techniques – **3 Deep Breaths** work wonders!
Seek assistance with problem solving
If necessary, take medication **before** school

Parent/Guardian contact:

It is very important to be able to reach you during the school day if your child is sick. It is critical to have contact information in case of an EMERGENCY SITUATION involving your child. Also, please remember to turn your CELL PHONES on during the day in case we need to reach you.

Please call the Main Office with any changes in contact information at 985-1110.

Please feel free to contact me during the school year with any health updates or concerns with your child at 985-1110 Option 4 or Email: cguerin@rsu21.net Have a great 2011-2012 School Year!

News from the Guidance Department

• New Student Orientation

On **Thursday, August 31st**, the Guidance Office will sponsor a new student transfer-in orientation for students in grades 10-12. The program will be held in the KHS Auditorium from 12:30 - 2:00 p.m. You are cordially invited to attend and bring any questions you may have. Please note that 9th graders who are new to the area may also attend.

• College Board S.A.T.

Test Dates for 2011-2012

Test Dates	Registration Deadlines
October 1, 2011	September 9, 2011
November 5, 2011	October 7, 2011
December 3, 2011	November 8, 2011
January 28, 2012	December 30, 2011
March 10, 2012	February 10, 2012
May 5, 2011	April 6, 2012
June 2, 2012	May 8, 2012

• ACT Test Dates for 2011-2012

Test Dates	Registration Deadlines
October 22, 2011	September 16, 2011
December 10, 2011	November 4, 2011
February 11, 2012	January 13, 2012
April 14, 2012	March 9, 2012
June 9, 2012	May 4, 2012

• College Admissions Information

Night for parents of juniors and seniors will take place Wednesday, **October 5th**, at 6:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

• KHS will hold a Financial Aid Information Night for parents of juniors and seniors on **Wednesday, November 16th**, at 6:30 p.m. in the high school cafeteria.

• Military Recruiters & Colleges

A federal law, the No Child Left Behind Act, requires secondary schools to provide student names, addresses and telephone numbers to both military recruiters and institutions of higher education, upon request. Parents and legal guardians of students, however, have the right to request that the school not release such information without prior written parental consent. You can access the form online on the Guidance Department webpage. We have included the form with this newsletter. Parents and/or legal guardians of incoming freshmen and students new to Kennebunk High School should fill this out. An individual needs to complete the form only once during his/her child's high school years.

- All sophomores and juniors at KHS will be given the **PSATs on October 12th** during school. On **Saturday, May 5, 2012**, all of our juniors will be required to take the **SATs**. This SAT administration replaces the Maine Educational Assessment testing that has been done over the past few decades. Both of these test administrations are free of charge.

- The **NEACAC College Fair**, hosted by the University of Southern Maine, will be held on **Sunday, September 25, 2011** from 1:00 pm until 3:00 pm on the USM's Gorham campus. You may refer to www.neacac.org beginning in August for a listing of participating institutions. We hope you urge your junior or senior to attend this informative event.

- Guidance counselors will return to school on a part-time basis beginning August 29th.

- We encourage all seniors to make an appointment with their guidance counselors upon returning to school in September in order to discuss college application time lines and post graduation plans.

- We are also asking that all incoming 9th graders set up an appointment with their guidance counselor before Thanksgiving. It is very important that they make this connection at the beginning of their high school career.

The Learning Center

The Learning Center at KHS will be in a new location and involve a new format. We will be using an RTI (Response to Intervention) model that provides input from MSK on incoming freshmen and KHS teacher input from the classroom for student referrals. Our RTI model has 3 levels: 1st tier - classroom interventions (involving teacher trouble shooting, collaboration and research based strategies); 2nd tier -small group reinforcement, re-teaching and skills analysis; 3rd tier - more intensive and individualized strategies. There will be 4 staff members providing support in the Learning Center. Mary Kimball, Jennifer Mooney, Ed Sharood and Stacey Towne will all be available for support. A new addition to the support available is the PLATO program. We have licenses to provide access to over 15 academic courses that provide remediation and reinforcement that is structured and focused. Students can access the program online, 24/7. It is a new and exciting addition to support student learning at KHS.

Another new vehicle for supporting student learning are Guided Study Halls. Each block there will be a designated guided study hall. Students will be recommended to the study hall by their classroom teacher. The focus of the study hall teacher's efforts will be to get students the help they need. Each morning an email to KHS staff will identify students who will be attending the study hall that day. Attendance is mandatory for identified students.

School Dances

The school dances during the upcoming year are:

Homecoming: October 15, 7:30-11:00 p.m.

Snowball: January 20, 7:30-11:00 p.m.

Spirit Week: March 2, 7:00-10:00 p.m.

Prom: May 12, 7:00-11:00 p.m.

Students who are absent from school and/or have been suspended may not attend dances. Students must sign the Dance Contract in order to attend KHS dances. Copies are available in the main office. More information on dances can be found in the Student Handbook.

Physical Education

Physical Education students are reminded that proper clothing is required for activities. Shorts, wind pants, T-shirts (no tank tops) or sweatshirts should be worn. Cross-training sneakers are recommended, as they are most comfortable during Physical Education activities.

News from the Athletic Department

Please check out www.highschoolsports.net to sign up for athletic emails, view daily athletic schedules for KHS and MSK, be alerted to any change, find directions to others schools, etc. There is a lot of helpful information! In addition, please check out the ATHLETICS department on the KHS website for updated information, forms, etc.

- ***Pre-Season Sports Info***

Pre-season for KHS fall athletics begin on Monday, August 15th. The full try out and practice schedule for the first week is included in this newsletter and can also be found on the KHS website under Athletics.

In order for a student to try out for (or participate with) any athletic team at KHS, the student must meet the following criteria:

- Be a student at KHS
- Be academically eligible
- Have had a sports physical after 11/1/09*
- Have appropriate health insurance
- Meet all Maine Principals Association eligibility requirements (found on MPA website)

**Two years is the national standard endorsed by the medical profession and the NFHS.*

Please note that all participation forms must be signed and on file with the athletic office prior to participation. Coaches will not be accepting forms at tryouts. The KHS athletic office is open Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM. FMI please call 985-1115.

- ***Fall Sports Info Night***

Come meet the coaches for the fall sports teams and get all the information you need for fall athletics! August 15th, 7:00 PM, KHS Gym A.

- **Homecoming 2011**

10/15 Parade

Varsity Football vs. Scarborough 7:00 p.m. Homecoming
Dance 7:30 pm - 11:00 pm

- **Fall Sports Awards Night**

Kennebunk High School Athletics will hold the annual Fall Athletic Awards Night on **Tuesday, November 8th**, starting promptly in Gym A at 6:30 pm. At the conclusion of the general session, teams will have "break-out" sessions for individual and special participation recognition in various parts of the school complex. All parents of fall athletes and those interested in our community athletic offerings are welcome to attend.

Security/Safety

Our school and all schools in the district are working diligently to adopt, refine, and practice the latest recommendations in terms of building security and school safety. Although some of our security measures require extra patience and understanding from students, staff, and visitors to the school, it is something that is an absolute necessity in the world, as we know it. The added security and attention to safe schools do not diminish the best prevention strategies, which are to know each student well and to have open channels of communication.

Visitor Protocol

Kennebunk High School has established a protocol for all visitors to the high school. The protocol is as follows:

All visitors must:

1. Report to the main office upon arrival at the campus.
2. Provide identification to the main office staff.
3. Sign a visitor badge and specify destination.
4. Wear visitor badge at all times while on the KHS campus.
5. Sign out before leaving the campus.

This protocol has been created in order to establish a safe educational environment and to provide the school information vital to the safety of visitors during an emergency.

The Rampage Newspaper

The staff of the KHS student newspaper, The Rampage, is excited about the year ahead. We've been working hard this month of August so that our first issue of the year will be ready for the first day of school.

We're always looking for and accepting advertisements; prices and sizes vary, but you could place an ad for as little as \$30. Imagine, the whole community of Kennebunk seeing YOUR ad in the student newspaper. Please e-mail ayoung@rsu21.net or rampagenp@gmail.com for more information on advertising. Thank you for supporting student and community voice! - Advisor Mr. Andrew Young

KHS Math Team News

The KHS Math Team is welcoming new members as it enters the 2011-12 school year. Last year, KHS had thirty students from grades 9 through 12 participate on the Math Team. We are looking forward to another successful year, and are welcoming any new participants who like math and enjoy a challenge. There are many benefits to participating on math team. In addition to being involved in teamwork with other motivated students, participants learn new topics not typically covered in the regular math curriculum. We also continually review a wide array of topics, most of which are included on the SAT Math exam.

We will practice every Tuesday after school in rooms 208 and 211. Practice this year will feature instruction on one of the current topics from 2:30-3:00 PM, followed by open practice hours until 4:30 PM. Students who have athletic practice should feel free to stop in for some practice time.

There are five competitions during the regular season, generally on the first Wednesday of the month.

The coaches for 2011-12 will be Anne Rodier and Lori Curtis. Our first competition is Wednesday, October 5th, at Cheverus High School, so we will begin practicing on Tuesday, September 13th. We hope to see you there.

Health Education News

Health Education is currently being offered to students entering the 10th grade at Kennebunk High School; however, any parent interested in enrolling his/her child into health earlier than 10th grade may do so by contacting the child's guidance counselor.

Health currently meets the Maine State requirement for one semester and covers all concept areas. Those areas are as follows: mental health, relationship issues, growth and development, which includes female and male reproduction, abstinence, and sexual protection issues, communicable disease that includes sexually transmitted disease, non-communicable disease which includes cardiovascular disease and cancer, nutrition, addiction issues, accident prevention, first aid and cardiovascular pulmonary resuscitation. All homework in health education allows students to practice and learn concepts and skills necessary to pass those items listed in the Maine Learning Results.

Students who have personal issues that will affect their ability to have a good learning experience in health class should contact their guidance counselor. If parents have any questions concerning the health education program, they may contact the health teacher, Mrs. Hammontree, before their child enters the program and accommodations will be made.

Class of 2013 Fundraiser

Please join us and support the Class of 2013 at Par for the Prom. The event will include a 4-person scramble, BBQ, and reception to follow golf.

Sunday, September 25, 2011
Dutch Elm Golf Course
5 Brimstone Road in Arundel

Single player: \$60
Team of 4: \$200

Please make your check payable to: Kennebunk High School Class of 2013
All registrations and checks may be dropped off in the main office at KHS by September 1, 2011.

For more information, please see the Class of 2013 website:
<https://sites.google.com/site/khsclassof2013/home>

At this point we are looking for people willing to participate by playing in the tournament, companies who may be able to sponsor the event or a portion of the event, and parents who would like to help coordinate the BBQ.

For more information e-mail Nate Menifield at nmenifield@rsu21.net or Jen Frizzell at jfrizzell@rsu21.net.

- **Senior Pictures (Yearbook)**

Yearbook pictures for all seniors are going to be due in October. The yearbook will again be entirely in color so black and white photographs will **NOT** be accepted. Mr. DeSimone would like you to send in any pictures that you take this summer that you would like in the yearbook to jdesimone@rsu21.net. The Yearbook staff is looking for summer pictures including pictures at the beach, on vacation, sailing, canoeing, horseback riding, mountain climbing and hiking, trips to wherever - but also everyday scenes like a group of friends just hanging out, or students on the job. These are all a part of summer life. If you send in a picture, please remember to identify who is in that picture.

Invisible Children Screening Information

On Friday, September 23rd, beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium, a team from the Invisible Children organization will be at Kennebunk High School for a screening of their newest documentary, "Tony", followed by a presentation. This documentary is roughly 40 minutes long and tells the story of a boy named Tony who was featured in the organization's first documentary, "Rough Cut". After the showing of the film their four person team will discuss the organization's efforts in the Congo (the area the Lord's Resistance Army (LRA) has more recently begun to occupy) attempting to construct rehabilitation centers and install methods of communication, to bring peace to this area. Also, during their presentation, one team member, who is from Uganda, will share his story, and then there will be a question and answer period. This is an excellent an opportunity for people to learn about the tragedies taking place in Central Africa and learn how they can help create a solution to a 25 year-long problem.

Texas Instruments for Schools

Texas Instruments supports schools by providing free calculators and related equipment in return for TI Technology Rewards Program point labels from their products. If you purchase any Texas Instruments product during the summer, please think of the KHS Math Department. Send in your Rewards Program points to any math teacher or to the main office. The points will be accumulated and redeemed for much-needed calculator equipment for the school. Thank you!

KHS Newsletters

Please note that because of budget cuts newsletters throughout the school year will be posted on the KHS website. If you would like a hard copy of the newsletter, please contact the main office at 985-1110, ext. 0, to be put on a mailing list.

AlertNow System

AlertNow works like this: via an automated dialing system, you will receive a call and/or e-mail initiated by the Superintendent of Schools, your school Principal or a designated member of school district staff. The primary uses of the system will be to notify you of delayed openings, early dismissals, school closings and emergencies. This will enable the district to disseminate information to each of our families in the most time efficient manner possible.

To sign up for notifications, please contact the main office (985-1110, ext. 0) and ask to update your e-mail and phone contact information.

You may opt out from receiving notifications by contacting the main office at 985-1110, ext. 0. However, this is not recommended as you may miss critical notifications concerning the health and welfare of your child.



Where Are They Now?

Please send information on recent graduates to Susan Cressey at scressey@rsu21.net or 985-1110, ext. 214

Emily Brady and Emily Hansen graduated from Keene State College in Keene, NH.

Lindsay D'Ascanio was inducted into Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing at Saint Joseph's College in Standish, ME. Lindsay graduated magna cum laude with a Bachelor of Science in nursing.

Jacob Auger received a BS in biochemistry from the University of Vermont in Burlington, VT.

The following students were placed on the honors list at the New England School of Communications in Bangor, ME: **Ethan Cox** with high honors in video productions; and **Conor Sweeney** with honors in live sound technology.

The following students were named to the dean's list for the spring semester at Southern Maine Community College in South Portland, ME: **Kelsey Adams, Miranda Albert, Kyle Campbell, Megan Davis, Kayla Deteso, Neil Ford, Alexandra Jaime, Valerie Mahoney, Amanda Mosher, and Robert Searle.**

Jacob Messer studied abroad this summer in Banjul, The Gambia. He is a studying politics at Juniata College in Huntingdon, PA.

Hayley Ruitenberg, a biology major, was named to the dean's list at Saint Anselm's College in Manchester, NH.

Brittany Wiseman earned a BS degree in Business Administration (marketing) from the University of New Hampshire in Durham, NH.

Hannah Niewkerk received a BS in secondary mathematics education at the University of Maine at Farmington, ME.

Kristofer Tupper graduated from Bowdoin College in Brunswick, ME, with a major in Spanish and a minor in biology.

Michael Yeatts, a computer science major, was named to the dean's list at Stonehill College in Easton, MA.

Zachary Reagan, a senior majoring in biology at Susquehanna University in Selinsgrove, PA, presented the results of his research and extended coursework at Senior Scholars' Day.

Sarah Brockway, a freshman majoring in biomedical engineering, was named to the dean's list for the spring semester at Worcester Polytechnic Institute in Worcester, MA.

Arthur Gager III was awarded a Master of Science degree in fire protection engineering at Worcester Polytechnic Institute in Worcester, MA.

Collette Auger graduated from the University of Vermont in Burlington, VT, with a degree in public communication.

Kathryn Strycharz received an associate's degree in hotel restaurant management at Champlain College in Burlington, VT.

Gwendolyn Hayes graduated magna cum laude from Clark University in Worcester, MA, with a degree in psychology. She was also named to first honors on the dean's list.

Ryan Budd, a history and political science major, was named to the dean's list at Elmira College in Elmira, NY.

Stephen Shorey graduated magna cum laude from the Honors Program at Saint Anselm's College in Manchester, NH. He earned the award for the top history student in his class. He will be attending New England Law Boston in August.

Jonathan Dobrovich received a BS in business administration from the University of Vermont.

Daniel Neumann was named to the dean's list at Boston University for the spring semester.

Patrick Graydon, a junior finance major, was named to the dean's list at Bryant College in Smithfield, RI.

Kaitlyn Lang was named to the Dean's Commendation List at Gettysburg College in Gettysburg, PA.

Matthew Stockburger was named to the dean's list at the University of New Haven in West Haven, CT.

Ryan Cadigan received his bachelor's degree magna cum laude from Hamilton College in Clinton, NY, where he was also elected into Phi Beta Kappa.

Lindsay Howland graduated from Clark University in Worcester, MA, with a Master of Arts in teaching.

Tobin Weltin was named to the dean's list at Saint Michael's College in Colchester, VT, where he is a senior political science, sociology and anthropology major.

Matthew Mason and **Jackson Tupper** were named to the dean's list at the University of Vermont in Burlington, VT.

Elliot Hughes received a BA in history from the University of Vermont.

Lindsay Ostrander was named to the dean's list at Quinnipiac College in Hamden, CT.

Jaime Morris earned a BS degree, summa cum laude, in Communication Science and Disorders from the University of New Hampshire in Durham, NH.

Eliza Post received a degree from Ithaca College's Division of Interdisciplinary and International Studies. She was also named to the dean's list for the spring semester.

John Price was named to the dean's list at Gettysburg College in Gettysburg, PA.

Brandan King earned a Bachelor of Science in business administration, accounting, from Bryant University in Smithfield, RI.

Isaac Brown and Cassidy Lovejoy were named to the dean's list at Thomas College in Waterville, ME.

Christopher Paige was named to the dean's list at Ithaca College's School of Business.

Courtney Gray, a classics major, graduated from St. Anselm's College in Manchester, NH, where she was also named to the dean's list for the spring semester.

Raven Dufoe received a BS in health and science studies at Quinnipiac College in Hamden, CT, where she was also named to the dean's list.

Nick Butcher earned a BA degree in Communication from the University of New Hampshire in Durham, NH.

Ryan Cadigan graduated from Hamilton College in Clinton, NY. A creative writing major, he was named to the dean's list for the spring semester.

The following students were named to the University of Maine at Orono dean's list for the spring semester:

Kaitlyn Anderson, Lindsey Barton, Alexandra Carter, Sarah Drake, Ben Goodman, Meghan Jodrie, Kaitlyn Stitt, and Jillian Young.

Richelle Records graduated from Stonehill College in Easton, MA, with a Bachelor of Arts degree. She was named to the dean's list for the spring semester.

Chandler Guptill was named to the dean's list for the 2011 spring semester at Harwick College in Oneonta, NY, where he is studying anthropology.

Laura Hand graduated magna cum laude from Brandeis University with a BA and a minor in Hispanic Studies. Laura received an award in her major: Outstanding Senior in Health: Science, Society, and Policy. She was one of six students initiated into Phi Beta Kappa as a junior.

Christopher Hoch was named to the dean's list at Skidmore College in Saratoga Springs, NY.

Marine Corps Pfc. Carl A. Hill, Jr., has completed the Basic Engineer Equipment Electrical Systems Technician course at Marine Corps Engineer School at Camp Lejeune, NC.

