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Greetings KHS Families-

I was asked recently to talk on KOKX about an ongoing issue in schools: bullying. This was spurred due to some recent events at a local school outside of our district. Some important key points I stressed include the following:

- The difference between bullying and student conflict.
- Teaching students how to communicate with each other outside the world of technology.
- Reteaching proper communication skills by mediating conflict or issues among students.
- The importance of our staff being visible during unscheduled times.
- Having crisis plans in place at our school (newly adopted last year).
- The value of our K-Pride mission within our district to help mold "Respectful, Responsible, and Ready" students/citizens for the future.

I am very proud of where we are going as a district. Student conflict is going to happen, nevertheless it is important to speak with your child about communicating to our staff when there are real issues your child is facing at school or outside of school. We want to work together to tackle these issues before they come to a head. Our school has a wealth of valuable resources, and we are all committed to providing your child with an exceptional education, our primary goal!

Finally, I want to talk to you about Parent/Teacher conferences coming up in October. Our district and most districts see a severe decline in parent attendance at the high school level. This is crazy to me, because this is the most important time in your child's life. Their grades and credits often impact their lives beyond high school. Please join us on Thursday, October 19th from 1:30 - 9:30 p.m. Help us beat our average parent attendance of less than fifty per cent attendance and let's make a plan to ensure your child's success.

Educationally yours,

Adam Magliari
KHS Principal





The **K-Pride** team is working diligently to make our building a safe and fun learning environment. We are seeing a lot of good behaviors from our students that model respect, responsibility, and readiness this school year but we still have some work to do. **As a parent you can encourage your child to be on time, in class, and respectful to all.** As of 9/29/17 our top problem behaviors are:

- Truancies/Tardies
- Classroom Disruptions
- Cell Phone Misuse
- Not Dressing Out For P.E.

We have two categories of problem behaviors here at the high school. Majors are behaviors that are dealt with by the office (Mr. Magliari, Mrs. Davis, or Mr. Davis). Minors are behaviors that are dealt with by each individual teacher in the classroom. When a minor behavior occurs in the classroom the student should first be warned about their behavior. Once they are warned and the behavior continues the student then will receive a minor. At this point the student should be taught the expected behavior. Three minors equal a major.

Minors

- Defiance/Disrespect: small
- PDA
- Disruption
- Inappropriate Language
- Not prepared for class
- Physical Contact/Physical Aggression
- Property Misuse
- Tardy
- Technology Violation
- Forgery/Theft

Majors

- Abusive/Inappropriate Language
- Arson
- Bomb Threat/False Alarm
- Bullying
- Defiance/Insubordination
- Disrespect
- Disruption
- Dress Code Violation
- Fighting
- Gang Affiliation
- Harassment
- Lying/Cheating
- Physical Aggression
- Property Damage
- Skip Class/Truant
- Use/Possession of Alcohol/
- Drugs/Tobacco/ Weapon

Let's make this a great year at KHS and remember to always have **K-Pride!!** We have a lot of things to be excited about this school year as we have been recognizing our students weekly and will soon be announcing our **K-Pride** Students of the Month winners. Don't forget to like us on Facebook (**K-Pride** at Keokuk High School) so you can keep up with all we are doing at KHS!!

INFO FROM THE GUIDANCE COUNSELORS:

PSAT—Juniors who signed up for the PSAT will be taking the test Wednesday, October 11th at 8:00 a.m. in room 239. Testing will begin right at 8:15 a.m. that day. See Mr. Carter or Rita if you have any questions.

ASVAB– TBD—This test predicts ACT success and also a variety of career based skills.

ACT– **October 5th** prep workshop will be held in room 222 at 2:00 p.m for all interested students. Please sign up at the guidance office by Oct. 3rd.

<u>ACT</u>		<u>SAT</u>	
<u>TEST DATE</u>	<u>DEADLINE</u>	<u>TEST DATE</u>	<u>DEADLINE</u>
October 28	September 22	December 2	November 2
December 9	November 3	March 10	February 9
February 10	January 12	May 5	April 6
April 14	March 9	June 2	May 3
June 9	May 4		
July 14	June 15		
FEE: \$46.00 no writing \$62.50 with writing		FEE: \$46.00 no writing \$60.00 with writing	
<u>TEST</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>FEE</u>	
PSAT/NMSQT	October 11	15.00	1st-5th
ASVAB	TBD	No Fee	8am - 4th

AP Exams will take place in May. Date and fee amounts along with additional information will be at a later date.

P/T CONFERENCES

Mark your calendar now for P/T conferences Oct. 19th 1:30-9:30 p.m.

We hope to see you then!

There will be **no school** for staff and students on October 20th.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS - NOVEMBER 5th

IMPORTANT DATES IN OCTOBER

10th – 8am Picture Retake Day
19th – 1:30 – 9:30pm P/T Conferences
20th – No School



GRADUATES OF 2018

A Herff Jones rep will meet with the Seniors at 10:30am on November 28th and pass out packets. Tuesday, December 5th they will be back to take the Senior Orders in the lobby from 11:00am to 4:00p.m.

Keokuk Athletic Boosters Meeting is Oct. 11th at 5:15pm in Room 219. All parents are welcomed and encouraged to attend. Be a Keokuk Athlete Booster!

Saturday, Oct 28th the Keokuk Athletic Boosters is having their Fall Craft/Vendor Show in Wright Fieldhouse 9am-3pm. Come find some great deals and support the Keokuk Athletic Boosters! Anyone interested in being a vendor for this show is welcomed to contact Cheri Kemp for a registration form or Yvonne Vradenburg at 319-520-7749.

BOARD HANDBOOK POLICY ON TRUANCY/SKIPPING CLASS

- 1st Office Visit- One hour detention (Parents called)
- 2nd Office Visit- 1 day ISS (Parents called)
- 3rd Office visit- 2 days ISS (Parent & student problem solving meeting)
- 4th Office visit- Student will be at the learning center where attendance will be monitored before that student can return to high school.

National Honor Society Officers 2017-18

President: Evelyin Merydith
Vice President: Michaela Davis
Secretary: Maggie Meyers
Treasurer: Justin Walte
Students Rep: Jakala Hall

