First Day of School

Sweethearts & Heroes Community Presentation
Enhancing the school climate to stop bullying! Providing choices for students!

Sept. 21 at 6:30 p.m.
The entire community is encouraged to attend!

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Message from the Superintendent

Dear Parents, Students and Community Members,

Welcome to the 2017-18 school year! We are pleased to introduce some new members of our staff; they are featured in this issue. I am confident these fine individuals will exhibit dedication and commitment to our Kendall School community as they become part of the Kendall family.

In 2014, the NYS Schools-to-Watch team visited Kendall Schools to review and provide suggestions and strategies to enhance our exceptional services and make them even stronger. Based on this team’s recommendations, the Kendall Central School District (KCSD) increased high school course electives, adding for example, Fishing and Wildlife, and Robotics; added extracurricular activities at the elementary level, such as 4-H and intramurals; increased mental health services by collaborating with Orleans County; extended academic intervention across all grade levels; expanded the integration of technology into classrooms and so much more. This year, we will continue to align resources to enrich our programs through strong leadership support at the following grade levels: PreK–grade 4 with Sharon Smith, grades 5-8 with Kevin Watson, and grades 9-12 with Carol D’Agostino. Counseling support and academic services will follow a similar alignment to augment our current programs. As we look to expand and enhance our resources from PreK through grade 12, I want to congratulate current staff on their new roles. We appreciate the feedback and suggestions from our Kendall School community on methodologies to supplement our quality programs and services.

District goals continue with enrichment of our instructional programs for all children; demonstrating a positive approach towards others; and increasing our communications, processes and procedures. Our goal is to foster an environment that values honest, respectful and caring communications, which is aligned to our character education tenets of Respect, Responsibility and Caring. We encourage all Kendall school and community members to continue to demonstrate respect by treating everyone and everything with care; be responsible for our own actions and motivate others to do the same; and display kindness and care towards others. These tenets are exhibited on signage throughout the district and through activities we will undertake to exhibit our dedication to these charter traits. I look forward to another exceptional school year of accomplishments, accolades, contributions and dedication to learning. Please feel free to contact me if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,

Julie E. Christensen
District Superintendent

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Flu Clinic on Oct. 18

Orleans County Health Department is offering a flu clinic at Kendall Elementary School on Oct. 18 from 3:30-6:30 p.m. in the cafeteria. This event is open to the public for those age six months and older. Most insurance plans are accepted. Please enter by the back door between the gym and cafeteria. If you have any questions, contact Elementary School Nurse Margie Lapp at 659-8920.

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Kendall Clothes Closet

by Jill Groves, Kendall Clothes Closet Coordinator

The Kendall Clothes Closet is located in the Concordia Lutheran Church at 1769 Kendall Road. We are open from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. on the third Saturday of every month, beginning in September. Dates are listed on the Kendall School District Calendar. We have clothing in sizes from infant through sixth grade. On Dec. 16, we will have gently used toys available for Christmas. If you would like to set up a private appointment or have any questions, please call Jill Groves at 585-734-3239.

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E-cigarette Use is Prohibited on School Grounds

Note change in policy: Smoking is prohibited on all school grounds. This includes e-cigarettes, in compliance with NYS law, effective July 25, 2017.
Dear Parents,

Welcome back to school! A new school year brings such excitement and anticipation. All things are possible on that first day of school. The teachers of Kendall Elementary have been in school throughout the summer working on curriculum, research, data analysis and setting up their classrooms. I want to introduce and welcome our new staff members: Angela Cole and Kerry Bippes as Teacher Aides; Sara Dellaquila and Tiffanie Robb as Cafeteria Monitors; Kathy Crawford as Bus and Cafeteria Monitor; Dorothy Reid as a long-term substitute for literacy; Jacqueline (Rode) Roberts as a PreK teacher; Jessica Mault as a second grade teacher; Natalie Fabretti as a third grade teacher; and Gabriella Watson and Wendy O’Hearn as sixth grade teachers. This is a talented group of educators, and I am so proud they are joining our faculty and staff.

The front entrance, or “U” at the Elementary School, will be open for student drop-off and five-minute parking from 7:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. each day. Please have students exit your car on the passenger side and in the area of the U closest to the school. It has been painted, indicating the inside lane (closest to the school) is the designated student drop-off area. If you are parking in the front U to pick up a sick child, dropping off a treat or picking up documents/homework, etc., please park in the designated parking spots only.

Thank you one and all for a wonderful Open House. We received overwhelmingly positive feedback on having Open House on Aug. 31, before school officially starts. Parents and children enjoyed the opportunity to meet teachers, see their classrooms, and drop off school supplies. Thank you to all who attended.

I am truly honored to serve again as the Principal of PreK-Grade 4 at Kendall Elementary School. Our commitment to you is to provide a safe, nurturing, learning environment for your child. If you ever have concerns, worries or questions, contact your child’s teacher, through email, note or phone call. We need your input. No one knows your child better than you; we seek your insight. I am available to you as well. Please feel free to write, email or call. Although my days are busy, I am never too busy to speak or meet with you. You are our most valued partners in your child’s education.

Most Sincerely,

Sharon Smith
PreK-Grade 4 Principal
Dear Parents/Guardians,

First, I am excited to transition into a new role at KCSD; although I will continue to serve as the district’s Athletic Director, I will no longer serve as the Junior/Senior High School Assistant Principal. Instead, I will now serve as the Middle School Principal responsible for all aspects of grades 5-8. I will work closely with our grades 5-8 School Counselor Lindsay Hammer and all members of our grades 5-8 team to ensure each child is working to achieve his/her potential. To say that I am eager for this new opportunity is an understatement; I am very thankful for the opportunity to serve the students and families of such a great community.

As I move forward in this new position, my goal is to communicate clearly and effectively with each stakeholder. Please be sure that the district has your current email address so that you will receive important email blasts throughout the year. In addition to email, I will also utilize our school’s website to display important news and updates, relevant dates, the 2017-18 school supply list, and photos of our middle school students in action! Please visit www.kendallschools.org and click on Middle School for more information. For social media, please follow me on Twitter @KendallEagles for up-to-the-minute updates. Lastly, all grades 7-12 parents have access to SchoolTool™ through our Parent Portal; this platform is a great way for parents to monitor their child’s grades and assignments. For more information on setting up your access to SchoolTool™, please visit www.kendallschools.org, and under the Parents tab, click the link titled SchoolTool™ Parent Information.

I look forward to the upcoming school year and please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions you may have at 659-8317 (ES) or 659-2706 (JSHS).

Kevin J. Watson
Grades 5-8 Principal

**Birds of Prey Summer Baseball Camp Keeps Players in the Swing of Things**

Approximately 17 boys and one girl attended the Birds of Prey Summer Baseball Camp held for four days on the Kendall baseball fields this summer. The majority of attendees were from Kendall, while the rest were from Brockport and Holley. The camp was run by Kendall Varsity Coach Tige Noni and Holley Varsity Coach Jason Cole. This is the fourth year they have led a combined district baseball camp.

Camp was split into two sessions each day. The morning session was for athletes in grades 3-6 and the afternoon session was for those in grades 7-12. The morning session attendees rotated through bunting, hitting, throwing, catching and outfield relay stations, then put their skills to use playing a game against each other at the end of each session.

Sports Boosters News

Sports Boosters will be selling Pulled Pork Dinners during Homecoming Weekend, Sept. 29-30. We are always looking for volunteers, so please contact President Sharon Kuhn at 585-303-6963 if you can help.
Message from the Grades 9-12 Principal

Dear Parents and Community Members,

The 2017-18 school year is off to a great start! My two favorite days of the year are the first day of school and graduation. On the first day of school, the building is filled with energy and laughter when students and staff return from their summer breaks. Teachers are energized and excited to help students meet NYS standards and work towards graduation. I am committed to providing services that support the development of our students academically, socially and emotionally.

We have scheduled two assemblies, Sweethearts & Heroes and Ride 4 Life, during the first few weeks of school to provide our students with critical information so they are prepared to make positive and healthy choices.

Our academic spaces are designed to enrich and educate our students so they are equipped to compete in the global economy that awaits them after graduation. We also know that we must be diligent to help our students grow into compassionate and caring adults. To help accomplish this goal, we are inviting Sweethearts & Heroes back to Kendall on Sept. 21. The following is their mission statement, as listed on their website (www.sweetheartsandheroes.org):

“Sweethearts & Heroes is an organization that believes in educating society about the impact that bullying has on all of our schools, our neighbourhoods and individuals. Through knowledge and communication, we are committed to bringing our message to individual communities - not only to help the victims, but especially to empower bystanders to make a difference. We all have the potential to be someone’s hero.” The emphasis for this year's presentation is on cyberbullying and the television show “13 Reasons Why,” which focused on teenage suicide. Once again, there will be a parent presentation on Sept. 21 at 6:30 p.m. so the community can listen to the powerful messages from the Sweethearts & Heroes team. I know that the parents who attended last year were motivated and inspired by the presentation.

The television show “13 Reasons Why” is based on the book titled “Thirteen Reasons Why” by Jay Asher. The TV show, which premiered on Netflix on March 31, 2017, followed the fictional story of a teenage girl named Hannah Baker who left behind audio recordings explaining the 13 reasons why she killed herself. She addressed the package of recordings to a classmate she claimed played a role in her decision to commit suicide. In the recordings, Hannah identifies a chain of people she claimed were responsible for her death. Her directions detail that each person must listen to her audio diary before passing the package on to the next person in the chain. According to Wikipedia, “Thirteen Reasons Why’ is a young adult novel written in 2007. It is the story of a young high school student as she descends into despair brought on by betrayal and bullying, culminating with her suicide.”

In addition to this powerful presentation from Sweethearts & Heroes, students in grades 5-12 will attend the outdoor assembly Ride 4 Life on Oct. 6. Ride 4 Life was founded by an expert motorcycle stunt rider, Scott Caraboolad. For many years, Scott was one of the premiere stunt riders in the country. However, beneath all of the external success of Scott’s life was a man who was out of control. Over the years, he was in a downward spiral with an ever-growing drug addiction that nearly cost him his family, his freedom and his life. Today, Scott is a changed man. His life and family have been restored and he is living a totally drug-free life. With the worsening drug crisis in our community, Scott’s message is timely and relevant. His high energy stunt show will grab your attention and provide a great platform to share his message of hope and second chances.

Our students are growing up in a complex world. I am so thankful that we have the support of the community and access to motivating assemblies so that we can provide support and information that will help our students navigate through these challenging times.

Finally, please consider joining me Oct. 2 for Coffee with the HS Principal at 6 p.m. I receive my best ideas from parents and community members, and I look forward to visiting with you.

Sincerely,

Carol D’Agostino
Grades 9-12 Principal

Kendall Community Scarecrow Festival

The theme for this year’s Scarecrow Festival is “Your Favorite Song.” The lineup of events promises fun for all. There will be a chicken barbeque, music by the Hoodoo Daddies, pumpkin decorating, build your own scarecrow activity, a bounce house, a visit from the Wegmans ZooMobile, entertainment by juggler Jeff Peden, a scarecrow contest and much more. Don’t miss out on the fun! The festival runs from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Kendall Community Park. Registration forms for the scarecrow contest and other information can be found online at www.townofkendall.com. This festival is made possible by the generous donations and assistance from local businesses, community members, the Kendall Central School District and Town of Kendall. We are always looking for volunteers to help with the festival, so please call 585-370-8964 if you are interested in helping this year.

Visit our website at: http://www.kendallschools.org
Welcome New Employees!

Elementary School Faculty & Staff

Chelsey Barnett
2nd grade teacher

Kerry Bippes
Teacher Aide

Angela Cole
Teacher Aide

Kathy Crawford
Bus & Cafeteria Monitor

Sara Dellaquila
Cafeteria Monitor

Mackenzie Dude
1st grade student teacher

Natalie Fabretti
3rd grade teacher

Andrea Leal
Cleaner

Jessica Mault
2nd grade teacher

Wendy O’Hearn
6th grade teacher

Nicole Pettrone
Literacy teacher

Louise Reger
Library Media Specialist

Dorothy Reid
Long Term Substitute (LTS)
PreK-Gr. 4 Literacy teacher

Jacqueline Rode
PreK/Literacy teacher

Gabriella Watson
6th grade teacher

High School Faculty & Staff

Stephanie Barrett
Teacher Aide

Sarah Delmont
LTS Gr. 9-12 English teacher

Scott Marks
Cleaner

Mary Price
Teacher Aide

Chris Woods
Cleaner

District Employees

Kellie Gregoire
Driver

Valerie Maher
Account Clerk

Jacqueline Nielsen
Educational Technology Specialist

Debra Ryan
District Treasurer

David Steen
Driver

Not pictured: Anne Allaart, ES Library Aide; Nathan Bohn, Health/FACS teacher; and Tiffanee Robb, Cafeteria Monitor
Important Phone Numbers

District Office:
Superintendent, District Clerk, Personnel - 659-2741

Business Office:
Registrar, Purchasing, Tax Collection - 659-8930; Payroll - 659-8906

Pupil Personnel Office: 659-8906

Operations & Maintenance:
Buildings & Grounds - 659-8941, Cafeteria - 659-8956, Transportation - 659-8931

Athletics: 659-8963

Grades 9-12: 659-2706, Nurse - 659-8958, Psychologist - 659-2706, Guidance Office - 659-8649

Grades 5-8: 659-8317 (ES)/659-2706 (JSHS), Nurse - 659-8920 (ES)/659-8958 (JSHS), Psychologist - 659-8906 (ES)/659-2706 (JSHS), Counselor - 659-8317 (ES)/659-8649 (JSHS)

PreK-Grade 4: 659-8317, Nurse – 659-8920, Psychologist - 659-8906, Counselor - 659-8317

For specific phone numbers, please use the Staff Directory on the district website (www.kendallschools.org). A list of important phone numbers can also be found in the district calendar that was mailed to residents.

Tax Collection
Send payments for this year’s taxes to Kendall CSD, P.O. Box 1491, Buffalo, NY 14240-1491. To pay in person, go to the Brockport branch of M&T Bank at 6560 Fourth Section Road, Brockport, NY 14420. Only check payments are accepted (no cash). Beginning September 1, 2017 through October 31, 2017, no payments are accepted at the school in order to maintain the safety and security of our students.

There is no interest due on taxes paid by September 30, 2017. Beginning October 1, 2017, two percent interest is due on any unpaid school taxes. After October 31, 2017, no school tax payments are accepted.

If you have not received your tax bill, please contact the district’s Tax Collector, Katherine Spohr, at 585-659-8930.

SCHOOL MEAL PRICES
Lunch prices are $1.80 for students in grades K-8, and $2.05 for students in grades 9-12. The price of breakfast is $1.20 for all grade levels.

The menu for grades K-12 students continues to address state regulations, which include serving whole grains and fresh fruits and vegetables. The food-based menu includes five components to a meal: meat/meat alternate, grains, fruits, vegetables and milk. The five components must be offered and students are required to take three of the items (including a 1/2 cup vegetable or fruit) to qualify for a reimbursable meal.

When selecting milk, students may choose between skim or 1% white milk and fat-free flavored milk (chocolate).

If students have an allergy or intolerance to milk, a note must be provided by a physician, specifying a substitution for milk.

Please check the district website for monthly menus and a la carte pricing.

KCSD Policies on Website
Please refer to the Policies page under the District tab for more information on:
• APPR Notice
• Grievance Procedures of Non-Discrimination Policy
• Legal Residency Within the Kendall Central School District
• Notice Regarding Military Recruitment

You can also find more information about the district’s policies in the Kendall 2017-18 District Calendar, located online under the Calendars tab, School Year Calendar link.

Visit our website at: www.kendallschools.org
# Vacation Planner
for 2017-18 School Year

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## Community Read Book Event

Join us in reading “The Boys in the Boat” by Daniel James Brown and participating in a community book discussion on March 8, 2018. The Community Book Discussion will take place at 7 p.m. in the JSHS Library. This story is about nine Americans competing as a rowing team during the 1936 Olympics in Berlin. Please contact Kendall Librarian Alicia Charland at 659-8959 or acharland@kendallschools.org if you would like help obtaining a library copy of the book. Many copies will be available at the JSHS for those who want to participate. Happy reading!

## KCSD is on Social Media

Kendall Central School District maintains a district Facebook page and Twitter account. In addition to posting news on the district website, the latest information is also published on Facebook and Twitter. Please follow us on Facebook at Kendall Central School District and on Twitter @kendallcsd.

Some of our principals are also on Twitter. You can follow Grades 9-12 Principal Carol D’Agostino @KendallJrSrHigh or Grades 5-8 Principal and Athletic Director Kevin Watson @KendallEagles. The Counseling Department is also on Twitter @KCS_Counseling.
Kendall students entering grades 1-7 this fall learned more about agricultural science this summer. Forty-two students attended the Agricultural Science Camp that was held on Aug. 7-11 at Kendall Elementary. This camp was offered for free to Kendall students and made possible by a grant from the Cornell Cooperative Extension of Orleans County. Students also received a donated snack from nearby farms each day, highlighting the produce that is grown locally.

The Agricultural Science Camp focused on science, technology and agriculture, and demonstrated how the collaboration between all three fields has evolved modern farming. The camp combined classroom teaching from instructors Robert Batt, Missy Call and Molly Kotarksi with hands on experiences. Students participated in a cooking lesson using locally grown food, milked a goat, used a drone, took soil samples and analyzed them, met a llama, went on a GPS-led scavenger hunt and visited a working dairy farm. “By hosting this camp, we’re opening windows for students to see the future of careers in agricultural science,” said PreK-Grade 4 Principal Sharon Smith.

“It’s truly one of the most amazing partnerships we’ve ever had. I’m so glad we were able to offer this to students, and they’ve been so excited about the experience.”

Camp ran from 9 a.m.-noon on Monday through Thursday, but the hours were extended to 2 p.m. on Friday so students could journey to Lamb Farms in Oakfield. They observed how a modern dairy farm operates, watching the carousel milking parlor in action and interacting with the cows in the barn. Students also sampled milk and ice cream made from Lamb Farms dairy cows.

Many thanks to the following people who made the camp possible this summer: Harrington’s Produce, Barb Kurzowski, Natalie Mrzwyka, Kerri Richardson from the Agri-Business Academy, Jenna Buckwell from Orleans County Soil and Water, Katie Oakes and Master Gardeners volunteers, and Partyka, LynOaken and Lamb Farms.
Download the Orleans Aware Preparedness App

Orleans County residents can now download the Orleans Aware Preparedness App to their mobile devices. This free app helps residents prepare and protect themselves and their families in case of a disaster. The Orleans Aware app is available to anyone using an iOS or Android device and can be downloaded directly from the App Store or Google Play.

To download:
1. From your mobile device, go to http://readydl.com/orleans-aware
2. Select App Store if using an iPhone or Google Play if using an Android smartphone
3. Click GET icon
4. Launch the app

The app includes interactive and instructional guides to help users prepare for emergencies. Orleans County can use the app to send out news alerts, hazardous weather alerts, evacuation routes and emergency shelter information. The Orleans Aware app can also be used to transmit public information about health issues and emergencies.

Music Boosters News
by Heather Pyke, Music Boosters President

Music Boosters has a small group of new members this year and we would love more members to join. We need volunteers to help with events. Primary goals of this group are to support the music programs at Kendall CSD and assist students with participation in music activities and events. Contact Heather Pyke at hpyke@rochester.rr.com for more information about Music Boosters or join us at our next meeting on Thursday, Oct. 5 at 7 p.m. in the JSHS Commons. You can also visit the Music Boosters page on the district website to learn more about this organization.

Dessert Cabaret is a wonderful showcase of student talents and the biggest fundraising event of the year for the music programs. Dessert Cabaret will be held on Saturday, Nov. 4. Please consider volunteering or donating a basket for the raffle held during this event. Kendall Schools will also be hosting the All-County Music Festival this year in February. We are looking for volunteers to help with this event.

Homecoming Weekend

Please join us to celebrate Homecoming Weekend. Here are the list of events:

Sept. 29:
- Parade at 6 p.m.
- Carnival at 6:30 p.m.
- Alumni Soccer Game at 6:30 p.m.

Sept. 30:
- Boys V Soccer vs. Holley at 11 a.m.
- Girls JV Volleyball vs. Wheatland-Chili at noon
- Boys JV Soccer vs. Holley at 1 p.m.
- Girls JV and V Soccer vs. Oakfield-Alabama at 1 p.m.
- Girls V Volleyball vs. Wheatland-Chili at 1:30 p.m.
- Homecoming Dance at 7 p.m. in HS Gym
More First Day of School Photos

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Our Mission:
The mission of the Kendall Central School District is to provide the knowledge, skills, values and attitudes needed by students to live responsibly and to compete successfully in today’s and tomorrow’s world.

September

20 Board of Education Meeting, HS Library 6:30 p.m.
21 National Honor Society Blood Drive, HS Gym 9:30 a.m.– 4 p.m.
27 College Fair at Marketplace Mall 6:30-8 p.m.
28 College Fair at Greece Ridge Mall 6:30-8 p.m.
29 Homecoming Parade 6 p.m.
30 Scarecrow Festival, Kendall Community Park 10 a.m.– 2 p.m.

October

2 Rochester Area Colleges visit Kendall, HS Commons 1:15-2 p.m.
21 Clothing Closet, Concordia Lutheran Church 11 a.m.– 1 p.m.
23 Mod. Girls’ Basketball & Mod. Wrestling begin
28 ACT Exam

Board of Education
Nadine Hanlon, Board President
Charles Patt, Board Vice President
Lisa Levett, Board Trustee
Jason ReQua, Board Trustee
Chaley Swift, Board Trustee

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