

Scottie Newsletter

**May/June
2022**



Highlands Middle School, Kennewick School District

Principal Message

At Highlands we offer:

- Summer Academy starting June 21st
- Back to school Open House August 25th 5-7 pm

Parents/Guardians,

It has been refreshing to see our school back to some form of “normalcy”. Kids are engaging in dialogue, working in groups and having some fabulous academic discussions.

As we finish the school year, you can help your child with a strong finish and be prepared for next school year by doing the following:

- Check student’s grades and talk to them about what projects/ tests or other assignments they have coming up or need to complete to meet the objectives of the course.
- If they are in 8th grade they can sign up for several enrichment programs over the summer. Check in with the high school they will be attending for more information.
- We still have room in our Summer Program for our current 6th and 7th grade students. It is AMAZING, FUN and educational! Check out the link below for more information.
- Make sure your address, e-mail and phone number are updated so we can contact you about before school activities and other important information.

Upcoming Dates

Drama Field Trip	5/24
Band Trip to Silverwood	5/28
NO SCHOOL	Mon 5/30
Spring Orchestra Concert	6/1
Spring Band Concert	6/2
ATP Author Visit	6/7
Last Day of School	6/15

After several tragic incidents this past few weeks, especially the Texas school shooting, I want to assure you that the safety of students and staff is our top priority. We work closely with the Kennewick Police Department on all aspects of safety and security.

Our counseling team is available to assist students who need someone to talk to. Don’t hesitate to reach out with any questions or concerns.

It is my pleasure and honor to be your child’s principal.

My Best,

Mrs. McCord

WEB Selections

Current WEB leaders went into 7th grade classes to encourage them to apply for WEB! We were excited to see a huge turnout of students who want to make sure that everyone feels at home here at Highlands!

If you have any questions please contact School Counselor Ms. Piceno.

High School Help-8th Graders

Is your 8th grader in need of help getting ready for high school? Each high school is offering Algebra Readiness and Washington State History credit retrieval!

For more information see Miss Piceno, Mrs. Davis or Mr. Sandoval!

ATP– Author Visit– June 7th 5:30-7pm

The Wonders of Weird

Author Kelly Milner Halls will be here in person to tell you all about the fun students can have with writing! We will have tons of fun and prizes!

Dinner will be provided by 21st Century!

We will be in PERSON so that there can be fun for everyone!!

Talk to your ELA teacher to get more information as well as the link for fun!



HIGHLANDS

Scotties Summer Program

Please Join us for 4 weeks
of STEM Activities and Fun!



- Solving Murder Mysteries
- Robotics Units
- Rubik's Cube Mastery
- Building Solar Powered Boats

Who: Your Student
When: June 21st - July 14th
Monday - Thursday
8:00 am - 11:00 am



Scan this with a smartphone or your Chromebook to register your child. Registrations are first come first served so complete the registration ASAP!

Registration ends Wednesday, May 19th!

If your family needs any assistance or needs some help this month or
ANYTIME do not hesitate to contact us.

8th grade band and orchestra students traveled to Silverwood on Saturday, May 28th to perform in the park! After their performance students were able to enjoy some free time on their own.



Future 7th & 8th Graders don't forget your sports physical. Make sure you have it at the beginning of School in Sept. 2022. Don't wait until the last minute.



You need a
yearbook!
(just sayin'...)

YEARBOOKS: There are 20 extra yearbooks available for purchasing. The yearbook publishing company has sent 20 over-run, extra copies of the 2022 yearbooks for students to purchase. Bring \$25.00 cash only to room 18 and Mrs. Fow will put you on the list. Don't wait these will go fast!

Drama Club: On Tuesday, May 24th students that were in drama club from September to December were eligible to attend a live performance of "Moana, Jr." prepared and performed by the Vibe Music and Performing Arts Center company.



Our very own Michael Craig, anchor of the Scottie News was a member of this play!

How the **MIND** of a **MIDDLE SCHOOLER** works

Middle school students typically have an attention span of **10-12** minutes.

The brain growth that occurs between the ages of **10-15** is the greatest in human life.

Teens learn best through **interaction** and activity.

Adolescents misinterpret emotions and instructions up to **40%** of the time.

Middle schoolers retain **5-7** bits of information at a time.

Adolescents need **9-13** hours of sleep per night to function best.



National Junior Honor Society students will be selling Italian Sodas will be available during ALL lunches starting June 6-10th. Cost is \$3.00 per drink.

Introducing our New Assistant Principal: Mr. Jordan Pies

We are excited to announce that Mr. Jordan Pies is moving out of Room 9 and into the front office as our Assistant Principal starting July 1st, 2022

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The Scottie Way—Impact each other in a positive way, every day.

***Our KSD Mission:** To provide a safe environment in which every student reaches his or her highest potential and graduates well prepared for success in post-secondary education, work, and life.*

We are on
the WEB!!

Find us on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCUSzVcbikuPnQGHyS-EMsOg>

Find us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/HighlandsMiddleSchool>

Find us on Instagram: [highlands_ksd](https://www.instagram.com/highlands_ksd)

Website: www.highlands.ksd.org

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communities of
support that
empower students
for lasting success**

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