



# The Viking Voice

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# ctober



## Every day counts: School success starts with attendance

Encouraging regular school attendance is one of the most powerful ways to prepare your child for success—both in school and in life. When you make school attendance a priority, you help your child get better grades, develop healthy life habits, avoid dangerous behavior, and have a better chance of graduating from high school.

When students are absent for fewer days, their grades and reading skills often improve—even among those students who are struggling in school. Students who attend school regularly also feel more connected to their community, develop important social skills and friendships, and are significantly more likely to graduate from high school, setting them up for a strong future.

When students are absent for an average of just two days of school per month—even when the absences are excused, it can have a negative impact.

Whether students are learning to read to reading to learn, they are three to four times more likely to graduate high school and attend college, post-graduate, or professional development classes than their peers who struggle with reading.

As a parent, you can prepare your child for a lifetime of success by making regular school attendance a priority. By figuring out the reasons for your child's absences—whether they're physical or emotional—and taking advantage of support services—such as free tutoring, student mentoring, and afterschool activities—you can help set your child on the path to success.

### Why is attendance and punctuality important in school?

Why are good attendance and punctuality important? A good education gives a child the best possible start in

life. We must ensure that all our students have an equal chance to make good use of the education that the school offers by providing a positive and encouraging atmosphere.

### Why is attendance important in high school?

The attendance rate is important because students are more likely to succeed in academics when they attend school consistently. It's difficult for the teacher and the class to build their skills and progress if a large number of students are frequently absent.

### Benefits of daily attendance

By attending class regularly, your child is more likely to keep up with the daily lessons and assignments and take quizzes and tests on time.

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## Northeast High School

# Vision, Mission and Core Values

## VISION

### *Building Our Purpose*

Northeast High School is a student-centered college and career readiness campus dedicated to ensuring a competitive education and transforming diverse scholars into eternal learners, productive citizens, and socially aware leaders in their communities.

## MISSION

The mission of Northeast High School is to collaboratively increase the academic and performance achievement of each scholar while enhancing their social development and their promise as global citizens.

## CORE VALUES

- Educate all educational partners to achieve their individual and collective academic goals.
- Engage all educational partners to be active in a community of learners and strengthen bonds with our diverse population.
- Empower all educational partners to provide support for continued academic and social emotional development.





**NORTHEAST VIKINGS**

**PROBLEMS WITH MATH?**

# MATH TUTORING

If you are interested in getting help for your math class or upcoming ACT test, have your parent or guardian complete the permission form. Tutoring will take place Tuesday and Thursday every week. Report to the cafeteria after school to get a snack before starting tutoring. Buses are available at the end.

**\*2:30pm until 5:00pm**  
 Parent permission form can be found here:  
[https://bit.ly/NEHS\\_tutoring](https://bit.ly/NEHS_tutoring)

Getting one-on-one help is a great way to better understand what you're learning!

# October

October 21	First Quarter Ends
October 24	Second Quarter Begins
October 27	Teacher Work Day (No School for Students)
October 28	Parent/Teacher Conferences (No School for Students)

Second Quarter: October 24-January 13



## Northeast High School Parent Involvement Policy 2022-23 SY

<https://tinyurl.com/mu58etdu>

# Dorothy SORRELLS

FOOD PANTRY

## TUESDAYS

### 5:30PM - 7:00PM

VICTORIOUS LIFE CHURCH  
 3400 PASEO BLVD KANSAS CITY, MO 64109

## SETON CENTER DENTAL SERVICES

RECEIVE UP TO A 60% DISCOUNT

Cleanings, X-rays, Screenings,  
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 Dentures, Bridges, Extractions

**816.581.4706**  
 2816 E. 23<sup>rd</sup> Street, Kansas City, MO 64127





ATTEND TODAY, ACHIEVE TOMORROW

DON'T LET ABSENCES ADD UP



NORTHEAST HIGH SCHOOL

# TITLE 1 ANNUAL Fall INFORMATIVE MEETING

## OCT. 11, 2022

5:00 PM

- TITLE 1 OVERVIEW
- PARENTS RIGHT TO KNOW
- SCHOOL PARENT COMPACT
- PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT
- PARENT SURVEY
- QUESTIONS

**IN-PERSON**  
Viking Media Center  
415 Van Brunt Blvd., KCMO

**VIA ZOOM**  
Meeting ID: 298 282 4527  
Passcode: wR6yyR

**DINNER WILL BE SERVED AT 4:30 PM**

Free childcare and Spanish translation will be available.

Contact Mr. Melvin Brown, Family and Community Engagement Liaison, at (816) 418-3316 or mbrown1@kcpublicschools.org for additional information.

NORTHEAST HIGH SCHOOL CELEBRATES

# HISPANIC Heritage Month

EXPERIENCE HISPANIC CULTURE, ART, MUSIC AND FOOD!

**OCTOBER 5 2022**

**11:00AM - 12:30PM**

Northeast High School  
{In the Gymnasium}  
415 Van Brunt Blvd.  
Kansas City, MO 64124

A Mexican fiesta will be served after the program.

For more information, please contact the Family and Community Engagement Liaison, Mr. Melvin Brown, at (816) 418-3316 or email mbrown1@kcpublicschools.org.



**Parent-Teacher Conferences**

**Friday 10.28.22**

**10am to 6pm**

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(816) 418.3300

**Commitment Encouragement Involvement**



# Look whoooo's here!



## School Attendance

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**The importance of good attendance:** Parents' commitment to school attendance will also send a message to their child that education is a priority for their family. Attending school every day is a critical part of educational success.

It is very important for students to develop habits of arriving on time at an early age, beginning from the time they start school. It helps students to learn about routines and commitment. Gives your child time to greet their friends before class and this can reduce the possibility of disruptions in the classroom.

### Parents: Set goals for your child

Arriving On Time for School and Class:

- Makes sure that your child doesn't miss out on the important learning activities that happen early in the day when they are most alert.
- Early morning learning activity is often reading or writing your child can lose so many opportunities to learn these critical life skills.
- Helps your child to learn about routines and commitment.
- Gives your child time to greet their friends before class and this can reduce the possibility of disruptions in the classroom.
- Class disruption can make your child feel uncomfortable and can upset other children.
- Arriving on time every day makes children feel good about themselves.

Are these some reasons why students do not get to school on time?

- They won't go to bed at night or get out of bed in the morning.
- They can't find their clothes, books, homework, school bag.
- Their homework is not complete.
- They were watching TV late at night when they should be getting ready for school.

Here are some suggestions based on setting regular routines:

- Have a set time to go to bed Have a set time to be out of bed.
- Set a time each day for homework.
- Try straight after school with the TV off so your child can relax for the rest of the night and have a reward when finished.
- Turn the TV on for set times and only if appropriate.
- Be firm that children must go to school.
- Give your child lots of positive encouragement and acknowledge they are organized and get to school on time.
- Be firm; a birthday does not equal a holiday.

The school day at Northeast High School is from 7:20 AM to 2:20 PM. Timelines are extremely important.

Please refer to our new Attendance/Tardy Policy that went into effect September 6, 2022.

**If you have any questions or concerns regarding your student's attendance, please contact Ms. Tina Swartz, Attendance Monitor, at (816) 418-3314.**





### KCMO EMERGENCY RENT & UTILITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

#### RENT/UTILITY ASSISTANCE

- CHES, Inc. - (816) 533-7417
- Mattie Rhodes - (816) 471-2536
- Community Assistance Council (CAC) (816) 763-3277 ext. 108
- Metro Lutheran Ministries (816) 285-3137 (North) (816) 285-3139 (South)
- Link to online application: [www.mlmkc.org/rent---utility.html](http://www.mlmkc.org/rent---utility.html)
- Community Linc - (816) 531-3727
- Greater KC Housing Information Center - (816) 931-0443
- Reconciliation Services - (816) 931-4751
- Guadalupe Center - (816) 421-1015
- reStart, Inc. - (816) 472-5664 or [rentassistance@restartinc.org](mailto:rentassistance@restartinc.org)
- Hope Faith - (816) 540-6915
- Journey to New Life (816) 960-4808 or [agrove@jtnl.org](mailto:agrove@jtnl.org)
- Save, Inc. - (816) 531-8340
- United Way of Greater Kansas City Call 211

#### LEGAL SERVICES FOR EVICTIONS

- Heartland Center for Jobs & Freedom (816) 278-1092
- Legal Aid of Western Missouri (816) 474-6750

#### OTHER SERVICES

- Mid America Assistance Coalition (MAAC Link) – Utility assistance only - (816) 474-5112
- Community Capital Fund <https://www.ccfkansascity.org/essential-services>

**NOTE:** Residents of the CCED Sales Tax District in Kansas City, Missouri—the area bounded by Ninth Street on the north, Gregory Boulevard on the south, The Paseo Boulevard on the west, and Indiana Avenue on the east— may apply for up to \$3,000 through the Essential Services Fund, to help cover rent, mortgage, utility, grocery, transportation, or quarantine-related hotel expenses.

Information regarding rent/utility assistance and legal services for evictions. Call (816) 513-3026 or Contact Tiffany Drummer

**APPLY FOR ASSISTANCE**  
<https://gkcassistanceprogram.org/>

For more info and other neighborhood services visit:  
[KCMO.GOV/RentHelp](http://KCMO.GOV/RentHelp)



Senior English are shown working on a Socratic Seminar in poetry, “*Eating Fried Chicken*”, and the symbolism of food. The students were 100% engaged. Post-it notes were swapped back and forth between the speakers and writers. Students were excited to participate while teachers were pleased with the outcome of this activity.



**GO VIKINGS!!!**

## PERFECT ATTENDANCE



Congratulations to Viking Junior **Kya Mwen**! She received a certificate and a \$25 gift card from KCPS Office of Student Success and Retention. **Kya's** name was randomly selected from a list of Northeast High School students with perfect attendance.



Our Northeast Vikings were wonderful during the college tour at the University of Missouri-Kansas City, sponsored by the Hispanic Development Fund. They behaved appropriately, asked great questions and maintained a positive attitude. They also listened to an admissions presentation, engaged in a fun game of *loteria*, participated in a campus tour, and watched an *Izcalli* performance. The Hispanic Development Fund is extremely proud of this new partnership with Northeast High School.



**Special thanks to our Counselor, Mr. J. Zaru, and College Advisor, Ms. B. Taylor, for taking our students to experience culture at Roo Nation!**





Thank you for our Northeast High School parents and/or guardians for attending our first School Advisory Committee (SAC) Meeting last night! Some SAC Officers were elected from the governing body. We appreciate two of our Student Ambassadors, Vanessa Romero and Alejandro Espino, for caring for and engaging with the smaller children, and community partner, St. Sgt. Alexander Ashley with the US Army for providing our dinner. Also, special thanks to Ms. Jami Evans-Arreola from Language Services for providing Spanish translation. Kudos to Mr. Melvin Brown for facilitating a great meeting! Let's keep up the momentum throughout the school year.



# CAMBIOCAMBIO

Change for Change



## Donate Today!

The money raised for our campaign goes toward our Latin/Hispanic/Undocumented students in a scholarship for college or trade school.



<https://bit.ly/nehscambio22>



## Order Food!

100% of funds raised from ordering our Mexican Tamales or empanadas will go towards the campaign.



<https://bit.ly/cambiofood>



## Graduation Recognition Incentive Program



All Seniors are eligible to earn The G.R.I.P. Award

As a senior in KCPS, you are automatically eligible to participate in the Graduation Recognition Incentives Program (G.R.I.P.). The purpose of the G.R.I.P. program is to encourage YOU to stay on track to graduation by successfully completing your credits in good academic standing, pass all EOC exam, take the ACT or ASVAB, and graduate on time.

The G.R.I.P. program will award a free Chromebook computer and up to \$325 to Seniors for maintain the following attendance goals:

- Base G.R.I.P. package - \$150
- 85% - 89% Attendance - \$200
- 90% - 100% Attendance - \$275
- Extra \$50 for the neighborhood high school with highest number of G.R.I.P. graduates

To qualify seniors to defray the cost of graduation fees: Cap and Gowns, Tickets/Programs, Stoles, and Yearbook.










**STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES**




A - L  
**Counselor**

**MRS. LANE**

**Room 301**



**Schedule to meet with me**

Email: [jlane@kcpublicschools.org](mailto:jlane@kcpublicschools.org)  
 Calendly: [calendly.com/meetmslane](https://calendly.com/meetmslane)  
 Google Voice: 816-535-8204

SCAN QR CODE TO SCHEDULE A MEETING



- Individual & Group Counseling
- Academic Guidance
- Social Emotional Support
- Career Development
- College Planning
- Safe & Responsive Environment
- Make Class Schedule
- Develop Coping Skills
- Problem-Solving
- Study Skills
- Time Management
- Mental Wellness

M - Z  
**Counselor**

**MR. ZARU**

**Room 418**



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 Office Number: 816.418.3309

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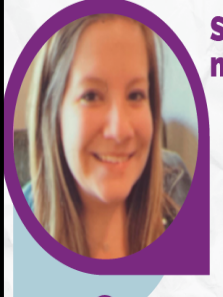


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- Safe & Responsive Environment
- Make Class Schedule
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- Problem-Solving
- Study Skills
- Time Management
- Mental Wellness

TRAUMA SENSITIVE SCHOOL  
**Clinician**

**MS. BISHOP**


**Room 330**



**Schedule to meet with me**

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 Calendly: [calendly.com/laurenbishop](https://calendly.com/laurenbishop)  
 Work Cell: 816-305-5777

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Hello all!  
 My name is Lauren Bishop, LCSW, and I am the Trauma Clinician at Northeast High School. My office is in room 330 and I am often in room 332 working with students and planning for Social Emotional Learning.

My job is to work with students and families to meet social emotional needs, assist in providing resources or referrals as needed, provide crisis management as needed, and support staff in providing social emotional and trauma informed support to the students.

Please come by and say hello or schedule a time to meet! I look forward to working with many of you this school year!

Lauren Bishop, LCSW

HOME SCHOOL  
**Coordinator**

BOYS & GIRLS SOCCER COACH

**MRS. FLORES-PRICE**

**Room 332c**



**Schedule to meet with me**

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 Calendly: [calendly.com/rfloresprice](https://calendly.com/rfloresprice)  
 Phone: 816-418-3337

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Hello everyone,  
 I am Rebecca Flores, HSC, e Home-School coordinator and I work alongside administration, attendance, and the counseling team.

I am also here to support teachers with students that need academic, behavior, or attendance intervention. The Home-School Coordinator works as the school connection between the school and the home to help improve student attendance and ensure academic success. The Home-School Coordinator works with students whose ability to function in the school environment had been affected by issues such as housing instability, truancy, poor attendance, substance use, and/or behavioral problems and deals immediately with the individual student problems in a constructive, supportive, non-judgmental manner.

If you have any questions or concern, please feel free to email me, stop by my office which is room 332, or set up a meeting using the QR Code.

COLLEGE ACCESS  
**Specialist**

**MS. TAYLOR**

**Room 255**



**Schedule a Meeting with me to plan for life after high school**

Email: [btaylor@kcpublicschools.org](mailto:btaylor@kcpublicschools.org)  
 Calendly: [calendly.com/bstaylor2022](https://calendly.com/bstaylor2022)  
 Google Voice: 816-514-4758

SCAN QR CODE TO SCHEDULE A MEETING



- College
- Military
- Workforce
- Resume Writing
- ACT /SAT Registration
- Trade School
- Financial Aid/FAFSA
- KC Scholars
- A\* Scholarship
- Scholarships
- Transcripts
- College Planning for 9th-11th graders

FAMILY COLLEGE PREP PROGRAM  
**Advisor**

**MS. CASTANEDA**

**Room 260**



**Schedule a Meeting with me to plan for life after high school**

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 Google Voice: 816-787-1713

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- Trade School
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- KC Scholars
- A\* Scholarship
- Scholarships
- Transcripts
- Campus Tours
- 1-on-1 Meetings
- Family Meetings

THE GREAT HISpanic DEVELOPMENT FUND



# DECA students attend Tucker Leadership Lab

Northeast High School DECA students had a blast at the Tucker Leadership Lab. They received an opportunity to network and interact with schoolmates from all over the city and completed missions and solved tasks. "It was a ton of fun!" said one of the students.

Mr. Andrew Corrao, DECA Sponsor, exclaimed, "I would highly recommend this for other groups and/or for teacher team-building."



# HALLOWEEN WORD SEARCH



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COSTUME  
GRAVEYARD  
CANDY CORN  
TRICK OR TREAT

EERIE  
CHILLY  
FULL MOON  
BLACK CAT  
HOT CIDER