

# **The Viking Voice**

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**Greetings Viking Nation!** 

As you already know, statewide testing, known as the EOC, is in April. Our students will take computer -based tests in the areas of reading, writing, math, science. These subjects will include:

- 11th grade Biology ٠
- 9th grade Algebra ٠
- 9th / 10th grade English Language Arts (ELA)
- American Government

With the recent reporting of our 2022 state testing results, I am happily encouraged by the continued achievement level and growth of our students. I am also proud of our staff in being able to address the challenges of preparing students for the rigors of meeting the state standards. I continually reflect on how best communicate to to parents about all-school testing, and my leadership direction when it comes to state tests.

We will use the results of the EOC test to figure out ways to support students.

It is most helpful that we have maximum attendance on those days, so please consider scheduling appointments outside your child's testing schedule.

With Viking Pride,

**Dr. Waymond Ervin Principal** 





NORTHEAST HIGH SCHOOL

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### Northeast High School

### Vision, Mission and Core Values

### VISION

Building Our Purpose

Northeast High School is a studentcentered 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.

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### **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.



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I make toys in Santa's workshop.



# Science Lab: Effect of Temperature and Surface Area on Reaction Rate

Dr. Chukwudi Udokwu's science class participated in a hands-on lab activity where they learned about the effect of temperature and surface area on reaction rate.

The objective of the experiment was to demonstrate a chemical reaction and the impact of temperature and surface area on the rate of the reaction. Students placed different sizes of seltzer tablets in three different temperatures of water to observe the different reaction rates. Students also used sugar cubes, and powdered sugar to measure the effect of surface area on different water temperature. After students completed their analysis, they presented their conclusions. Great lab experience while Vikings demonstrated how real science works!





## 3DE Freshman Challenge: Education for Every Dimension of Life

Throughout the first semester, students have engaged in two business cases, working in conjunction with VMLY&R and Mark One Electric. While working on these cases, students have developed and demonstrated the competencies of self-direction, effective collaboration, and critical and analytical thinking.

It has been amazing to witness just how far students have come in their short period of time participating in 3DE. Students are stepping out of their comfort zones, crafting unique solutions to real-world problems, and communicating their ideas to not only their classmates but to the community at large.

3DE students' freshman year is about establishing a firm foundation of 3DE's six core competencies—critical & analytical thinking, creativity & innovation, cultural agility, selfdirection, effective collaboration, and engaging communication. These skills are essential to career success in every industry and job.

Students build and practice these skills by developing solutions to case challenges, which are real challenges our business partners are facing.

We are very excited to see what second semester has in store!



**9.3 Case Challenge Theme:** Collaborating & Building Teams **Competency:** Effective Collaboration

The Case: VLMY&R, is a well-known marketing and advertising company passionate about Creating Connected Brands. The company asked 3DE students to pitch ideas for creating a better talent pipeline. Business coaches from VMLY&R came to Northeast to help students finalize their presentations and again for the final presentation judging.

*Congratulations to challenge winners Sonta Mahamed, Samaya Valladares and Mar'Tanice Jones!*  9.4 Case Challenge Theme: Creating the Customer Experience Competency: Cultural Agility Analytical Tool: Survey

The Case: Arby's has the meats, but they don't have enough teenaged customers! Arby's is one of 3DE's national partners and they asked students what the company can do to create a customer experience that will attract more teens to their restaurants. Students could suggest changes to advertising strategies, additions to the experience, or even the layout of the restaurant space.

Business coaches help business meetings with teams to hear their pitches prior to creating their final presentations.



### 9.4 Case Challenge

**Theme:** Making Effective Decisions **Competency:** Critical & Analytical Thinking

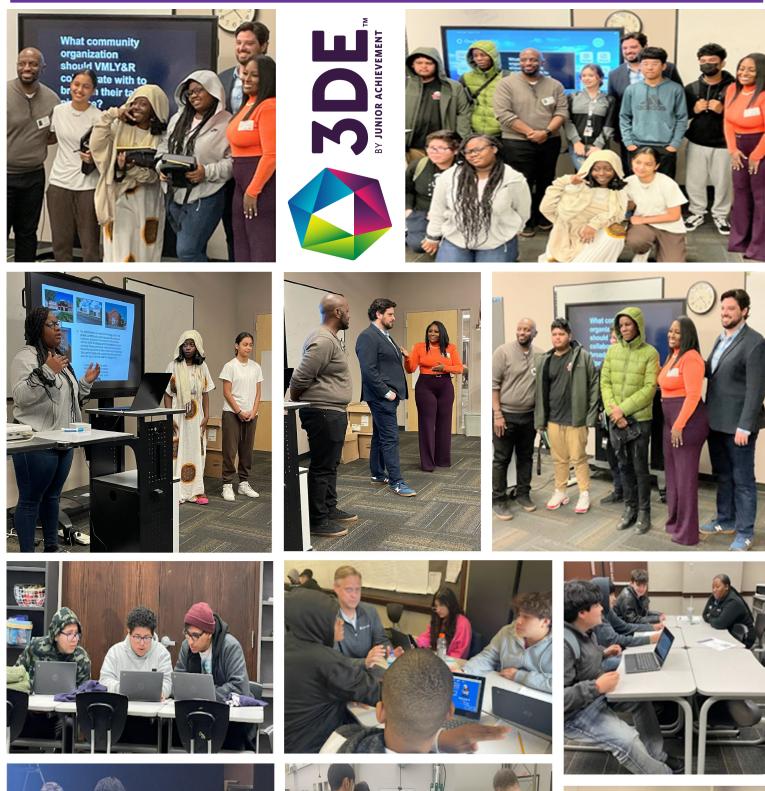
The Case: Mark One is a major electrical company providing an array of electrical construction services from design/build and pre-construction to underground, data/comm and specialty systems. Mark One asked 3DE students to help them figure out what to do with leftover materials from the many job sites in the greater Kansas City area.

In 9th Grade Literature, students tied power and control to something in their life while analyzing the mystery they are reading in class. In Physics First Science, students learned about kinetic energy. They applied their learning by analyzing the Black Panthers suit and tsunamis.

Mark One associates came to Northeast to give more details about their problem and help students think through their solutions during business coaching. Students went on a field trip to the Mark One offices to learn more about their operation, careers in the field, and the top 5 teams presented to Mark One their solutions.

Congratulations to Justice Stanley, Ty Stivers, Chastity Spencer and Sa Nar for winning the challenge!



















**High School** 

8am-2:30pm



APRIL 14

#### WILL TRANSPORTATION BE PROVIDED? Yes, transportation is provided to your student's Summer WILL BREAKFAST AND LUNCH BE PROVIDED? Yes, breakfast & lunch will be provided to all KCPS Summer IS BEFORE AND AFTER CARE PROVIDED? Before and After care will be provided at all elementary

sites. Registration is required through LINC. You can sign-up with LINC at your student's school.

Middle School

Traditional

**Bell Schedule** 

2023 PARENT FAQ

#### WHAT SCHOOL WILL MY STUDENT ATTEND FOR SUMMER ACADEMY?

Summer Academy Site	Feeder Schools Garcia, Whittier, Knotts	
Garfield		
Gladstone	Rogers, James, Trailwoods	
Phillips	Wheatley, Longfellow, Faxon	
Banneker	Hale Cook, Hartman	
King	Melcher, Pitcher, Troost	
Holliday	Border Star	
FLA	Carver	
Lincoln Middle School	LCPA, Paseo	
Northeast Middle	Central Middle	
Northeast High	CHS, East, SEHS	
ACE	Will attend school closest to physical home addres	

REGISTER TODAY THROUGH MAY 1ST ON THE INFINITE CAMPUS PARENT PORTAL Please visit www.kcpublicschools.org/schools/summer for more information.

### FREE COMMUNITY LAUNDRY DAYS **FREE LAUNDRY**

SUPPLIES TO BE USED DURING EVENT

**FREE WASHERS** AND DRYERS

**3PM-6PM** 

### EVERY 3RD MONDAY IN 2023

**MAY 15 MAR 20 APR 17 AUG 21 SEP 18 JUL 17** NOV 20 **DEC 18** OCT 16

### FULLY VACCINATED STAFF





### **Northeast participates in FBLA District Competition**

On Monday, February 6th, Northeast High's Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) attended their Annual District Competition at UMKC Bloch School of Business in Kansas City, MO. Out of 25 members that participated, many were first time FBLA members and had never experienced competing in public speaking events. FBLA competitive events help prepare students for successful careers in business by providing opportunities to apply classroom concepts in a workforce-simulated competitive environment and compete for awards, scholarships, and recognition.

NEHS competitors included, Blue Springs, Excelsior Springs, Grain Valley, Kearney, Lawson R-XIV, Lee's Summit, Lee's Summit North, Lee's Summit West, Oak Park High, Platte County Raytown, Raytown South, Rockhurst, Smithville, St. Theresa, Staley, West Platte RII, and Winnetonka. Although this was NEHS first competitive event, 15 students placed in

Name	Event Name	Membership	Top Winners
Abdi, Shukri (11)	Human Resource Management	2nd Year	
Davis, Je'Marah (09)	Client Service	1st Year	5th Place
Espino Rojas, Alejandro (12	Publication Design	2nd Year	7th Place
Hidalgo, Sara (12)	Hospitality & Event Management	1st Year	
Holera, Awake (09)	Business Communication	1st Year	
Leach, Rainie (10)	Public Service Announcement	1st Year	6th Place
Lopez, Kim (11)	Hospitality & Event Management	1st Year	
Mejia, Devin (12)	Management Information System	1st Year	
Mpole, Amisi (12)	International Business	1st Year	
Mukanye, Famille (10)	Intro to Financial Math	2nd Year	
Ngyuen, Bao (12)	Advertising	2nd Year	
Oliver, Savana (11)	Sales Presentation	2nd Year	10th Place
Ramirez, Bryan (10)	Personal Finance	2nd Year	
Santamaria, Gabriela (11)	Sales Presentation	2nd Year	10th Place
Simpson, Talia (12)	Publication Design	1st Year	7th Place
	Introduction to Social Media Strategies	1st Year	5th Place
Snow, Hla (10)	Introduction to Social Media Strategies	1st Year	5th Place
Stivers, Angel (11)	Job Interview	2nd Year	7th Place
Stivers-Abbott, Bryce (12)	Public Speaking	2nd Year	7th Place
Stivers-Abbott, Bryce (12)	Sports Entertainment Marketing	2nd Year	8th Place
Thompson, Amare (10)	Cyber Security	1st Year	7th Place
Vaquez, Robert (09)	Business Ethics	1st Year	5th Place
Walton, Michael (09)	Introduction to Business Presentation	1st Year	2nd Place
War, A (10)	Graphic Design	1st Year	6th Place





# VIKINGS REP!!! VIKINGS RULE!!!



# Northeast Vikings celebrate <mark>Black History Month</mark>

There was a nice showing from Northeast families who attended the school's Black History Celebration. Everyone seemed to have enjoyed watching our students perform and the delicious food catered in part by Game Day and Sweet Peaches Cobblers. Special thanks to our keynote speaker, Mr. Ossco Bolton III, Founder and CEO of The P.O.S.S.E.; recording artist, Lil' Cupid, for performing your hit song "Alright"; to the student volunteers and support staff for their assistance in serving; to Ms. Hunley-Sutton for her creative poster designs she displayed along the gymnasium walls; and our special guests, the African Dancers and Drum Ensemble from Southeast High School. Special thanks to Assistant Superintendent of School Leadership, Dr. Lloyd Jackson, for providing the funding for this event! Kudos to Mr. Melvin Brown and the Planning Committee!





# **More photos from our Black History Celebration**





































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DAYLIGHT



Thank you Northeast High School Alumni Association for providing lunch for our teachers and staff during Parent-Teacher Conferences. Special thanks to Ms. Karole Zinger (President), Ms. Roberta Holt-Kipper (Secretary), and all of the Viking volunteers who helped to make this possible.



MARCH

14.2023



















#### Jane Austen (1775 – 1817)

Jane Austen was an English novelist known primarily for her six major novels, which interpret, critique, and comment upon the British landed gentry at the end of the 18th century. Austen's plots often explore the dependence of women on marriage in the pursuit of favorable social standing and economic security. Her works critique the novels of sensibility of the second half of the 18th century and are part of the transition to 19th-century literary realism. Her novels have inspired many films, from 1940's Pride and Prejudice to 1995's Sense and Sensibility and Love & Friendship in 2016.

#### Anne Frank (1929 – 1945)

Anne Frank, in full Annelies Marie Frank, (bom June 12, 1929, Frankfurt am Main, Germany died February/March 1945, Bergen-Belsen concentration camp, near Hannover), Jewish girl whose diary of her family's two years in hiding during the German occupation of the Netherlands became a classic of war literature. On June 12, 1942, she received a red-and-white plaid diary for her 13th birthday. That day she began writing in the book: "I hope I will be able to confide everything to you, as I have never been able to confide in anyone, and I hope you will be a great source of comfort and support."

#### Maya Angelou (1928 – 2014)

Maya Angelou is one of the most influential women in American history and was a poet, singer, memoirist, and civil rights activist, whose award-winning memoir I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings made literary history as the first nonfiction best-seller by an African-American woman. Angelou had a difficult childhood. As a black woman growing up in Stamps, Arkansas, Maya experienced racial prejudices and discrimination all throughout her life. At the age of seven, Angelou was assaulted by her mother's boyfriend, who was then killed by her uncles as revenge. The incident traumatized Angelou to the point that she became a virtual mute for many years.

#### Queen Elizabeth I (1533 – 1603)

Elizabeth called herself 'The Virgin Queen' because she chose to marry her country instead of a man. It might seem like ancient history now, but Queen Elizabeth I is one of the most successful monarchs in British history, and under her, England became a major European power in politics, commerce and the arts. Elizabeth I proved all the naysayers wrong and has become one of the greatest female leaders. Known for her intelligence, cunning and hot-tempered, 'The Virgin Queen' was one truly one of the great women in history.

#### Malala Yousafzai (1997 - Present)

Malala Yousafzai was born in Pakistan on July 12, 1997. Yousafzai's father was a teacher and ran an all-girls school in her village, however when the Taliban took over her town they enforced a ban on all girls going to school. In 2012, at the age of 15, Malala publicly spoke out on women's rights to education and as a result, a gunman boarded her school bus and shot the young activist in the head but Malala survived. Yousafzai moved to the UK where she has become a fierce presence on the world stage and became the youngest ever recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize in 2014, at 17 years old. Malala is currently studying Philosophy, Politics and Economics at the University of Oxford.

#### Dr. Jennifer Collier

Dr. Jennifer Collier has served as an educator in Kansas City Public Schools for 22 years. She's been a teacher, assistant principal, principal, Chief Human Resource Officer and Deputy Superintendent. Recently, the Board of Directors officially elected her as the new Superintendent.

Dr. Collier has built long-lasting relationships during her tenure with the district. A classically trained vocalist, she taught music at Northeast High School for a decade before stepping into building leadership roles.

Dr. Collier delights in the opportunity to lead the district that she loves and has served over the last 22 years. She believes that KCPS' best days are yet to come!



# Northeast S.A.C. hosts a Paint & Sip for families

Attendance at the previous School Advisory Committee (S.A.C.) meetings have been low and one parent suggested we do something different to draw more participation. So, on February 22<sup>nd</sup>, Northeast High School's S.A.C. hosted a Paint & Sip for families. This was one of many efforts to garner extra parental support in the school. It was well attended by students and parents! Everyone enjoyed the lasagna from Waldo's Pizza and had several choices of juices and sodas to sip as they painted their canvases. Mr. Melvin Brown, Family and Community Engagement Liaison at Northeast, wants to give special recognition to student, Angel Stivers, for her assistance in preparing for this event!





## Vikings visit Brown vs. Board of Education Museum in Topeka, KS



On Tuesday, February 21, 2023, Northeast High School students were afforded the opportunity to visit the Brown vs.Board of Education Museum in Topeka, KS. This experience allowed studentslearn about "*The Road to Justice*" and the dedication and commitment of several African Americans to carry out one common goal "*True Equality*."

"This trip gave students insight into the struggles faced by parents, teachers, secretaries, welders, ministers and students and how they ended segregation in schools," said Ms. Joneisha Williams.



# Vikings participate in KC Storytellers event; meeting the youngest Mayor in the United States

A group of Viking students, along with their sponsor, Mrs. Carmen Truax-Toledo, attended the first workshop sponsored by KC Storytellers. They had a busy day at the Black Archives where they met Jaylen Smith, the youngest mayor in the history of the United States. They also visited the Negro League Baseball Museum and the American Jazz Museum where they searched for inspiration to write stories to present next week at the KC Storytellers community event Saturday, March 11 at the Kansas City Public Library Plaza Branch, 4800 Main Street in Kansas City, Missouri, at 3:00pm. This event is presented by the Greater Kansas City Writing Project.







In February, Mr. Melvin Brown, Family and Community Engagement Liaison at Northeast High School, had a bright idea to have a Black History Month Door Decorating Contest. There were **7** participating teachers but Ms. Shelia Witt, Reading Interventionist, won the **Golden Apple** and received a \$50 Walmart gift card. All contestants received a *Certificate of Participation*. They were so excited that they decided we should do another contest for Women's History Month in March. Stay tuned...



Ms. Byrd - Rm 406



Ms. Reynolds - Rm 422



Ms. Spearman-Kaki - Rm 410 Ms. Teacher Kat - Rm 414





Ms. Hutton - Rm 322



Ms. J. Williams - Rm 210



Ms. Witt - Rm 420







### St. Patrick's Day Wordsearch

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Lucky March Parade Patrick Pinch Rainbow Saint Shamrock Shillelagh Wishes