



WELCOME  
KHS CLASS OF 2025

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HIGH SCHOOL CLASS RING COLLECTION





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# CLASS OF 2025 CELEBRATIONS

**95.13**  
**Attendance**

**25 & 13**

**South Tech &  
Early College**

**3.39**  
**Semester  
GPA**

**234 Students**  
**399 Classes**

**AP Classes**

**3.42**  
**Cumulative  
GPA**

**285 Students**  
**411 Classes**

**Dual Credit**

# ATTENDANCE POLICY

- **On time - all the time!**
  - Tardies - 5 (warning letter), 10 (after school detention), 20 (in school suspension), 30 (ISS and loss of privilege)
- **Unexcused absences**
  - After school detention for every unexcused absence
  - 3 & 5 = phone call; letter & meeting arranged
  - 6 = Attendance meeting / potential loss of credit
- **Excused absences**
  - 8 & 10 = phone call ; letter & meeting arranged
  - 11 = Attendance meeting / loss of credit
- **Off campus - means off campus**



# KHS 2024 PROM

Do you want to experience a glimpse of what we enjoy every day with your child?

Want to see some teenage dancing skills?

Excited to see your sweet teenage child dressing in something other than sweatpants?!

Need something to do on a Friday night?.....

<https://forms.gle/BTC9HYq3DP21AJax6>



**PROM**

**Friday, April 19  
7-10pm**

# GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

<u>Graduation Credits</u>	
English	4 Credits
Math	3 Credits
Science	3 Credits
Social Studies	3 Credits
Fine Arts	1 Credit
P.E.	1 Credit
Practical Arts	.5 Credit
Health	.5 Credit
Personal Finance	.5 Credit
Additional Electives	7.5 Credits
	<b>Total: 24 Credits</b>

## Additional Requirements:

- End of Course Exams (EOC's): ALGEBRA I/II, ENGLISH II, GOVERNMENT, & BIOLOGY
- U.S. & Missouri Constitutions and American Civics Test
- CPR & Heimlich



IS YOUR CHILD  
ON TRACK TO  
GRADUATE?

# SENIOR YEAR - COURSE SELECTION

**January 19 - Junior class in Keating during Science class to choose 12th grade classes. Students adjust their academic plan in Infinite Campus for 12th grade. These are the classes they want to take senior year. Students should choose alternates.**

**January 25 - Help session in cafeteria during Homeroom.**

**January 31 - Portal will close. Students no longer have access to make course selection adjustments. Must see counselor to make changes.**

# COURSE SELECTION OPTIONS

**KHS Courses:** Course Book

**PeLA:** Pioneer e-Learning Academy

**Alternative Learning:** Pioneer Pathways

STL CAPS

**\*Connect course choices with your passion and vision for the future. Create a unique schedule for your student's specific needs and interests.**



# ST. LOUIS CAPS

## CENTER FOR ADVANCED PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

**CAPS provides juniors and seniors the opportunity to test-drive their future in high-skill, high-demand careers.**

### **STL CAPS Application**

#### **Programs:**

- **Medicine, Health Care & Bioscience**
- **Global Business & Entrepreneurship**
- **Engineering & Technology Design and Development**

- **Credit Offered:**
  - **High School (3.0 Credits)**
    - **Dual Credit Options**
- **Length: Year-Long Course**
  - **Morning Session: 7:30-10:00 AM**
  - **Afternoon Session: 11:30-2:00 PM**
- **Location: Varies by Course**
- **Transportation: Student Must**

# A+ SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

**Students who graduate from a designated A+ high school may qualify for a state-paid financial incentive to attend any public community college or career/technical school in Missouri. Must meet criteria:**

**<https://www.kirkwoodschoools.org/aplus>**

- 3 consecutive years at KHS**
- Grades (min 2.5 cum GPA)**
- Attendance (95% rate after 4 years ~approximately 36 total days)**
- 50 hours of unpaid approved tutoring/mentoring**
  - \* 12.5 hours can be job shadowing**
- Good citizenship**
- Proficient/Advanced on Algebra End-Of-Course Exam**
- Signed A+ contract**



# SOCIAL EMOTIONAL SUPPORTS

## Social Emotional Resources

**Individual Counseling - Start with grade level counselors. They can refer to Intensive Support counselor, BJC - Educational Support Counselor, CHADS Coalition counselor, social workers, and/or alternative education counselor**

## Kirkwood Community Resource List

## Virtual Calming

# PEER TUTORING

**Tues & Wed**  
**3 - 4 PM in Library**

**Need help or want to be a  
volunteer?**

**Check out this link**



[kirkwoodschools.org/Page/520](https://kirkwoodschools.org/Page/5204)  
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# COLLEGE COUNSELORS

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**Kirkwood High School Counseling YouTube Channel:**

**<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCd8tqwI7oSYRShDYjNVyYkQ/playlists>**

# FUTURE PLANS

## **Our goals:**

- **Post-secondary planning is an individual process. Focus on what is best for your child.**
- **Now is the time to begin seeking out answers to the unknown pieces of the college/career search.**
- **The more options your child researches, the better educated your child will be when it comes time to make his/her/their final decision.**

# INDIVIDUAL/FAMILY MEETINGS

- **Creating senior year schedule**
- **Developing a testing plan**
- **Dual credit classes/AP classes/STL CAPS**
- **Develop good relationships with teachers**
- **Maintain grades**
- **Stay involved**
- **Take on leadership roles**
- **Begin to build a list and start thinking about visiting campuses**



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## AP COURSES vs. DUAL CREDIT COURSES

The chart below was created to help students and families make decisions about taking an AP Course versus a dual enrollment course.

	<b><u>Advanced Placement(AP)</u></b>	<b><u>Dual Credit</u></b>
<b>Description</b>	The AP Program allows students to take college-level exams, and potentially earn college credit or placement while still earning high school credits.	Dual Credit classes allow high school students to earn both high school and college credit by completing college courses at their high school.
<b>Credit</b>	College credit is earned when students pass the AP examination administered globally by the College Board. Individual colleges and universities grant credit based on their own minimum scores.	Credit is awarded by the partner university (Missouri State, University of Missouri St. Louis, STLCC) and their student letter grade is given by their high school teacher of record. The credit and grade is included on the college transcript when complete.
<b>Teachers/ Curriculum</b>	The course is taught by high school faculty using the rigorous curriculum provided by AP.	Dual credit courses are taught by high school teachers who also serve as adjunct college instructors using the curriculum approved by the university.
<b>College /University Acceptance</b>	Credit is accepted by many colleges and universities. Credit typically requires a score of 3 or higher out of a total of 5 on the exam. Verify with specific schools to be certain.	Dual credit classes transfer to most public colleges and universities in MO. Verify with specific schools to be certain.
<b>Eligibility</b>	Open to any students who take an AP class at KHS.	Open to any students who meet the prerequisites set by the partner university, including minimum GPA, and possible recommended ACT scores
<b>Cost</b>	The costs of AP exams are incurred by the student. Subsidies may be available for students demonstrating financial need. The 2024 expected exam rate is \$98	Students are responsible for tuition at the rate set by the partner university. The rate is typically much less than the on-campus rate per credit hour.

# ACT - KIRKWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

## **Purpose of the ACT**

- College Admission
- Scholarships

## **ACT at KHS**

- March 12, 2024
- Free to all students
- No writing
- Students can OPT OUT - an email will be sent to parents with this option

## **ACT Prep**

<https://www.kirkwoodschoools.org/Page/8925>

# NAVIANCE

- The “College” side of Naviance:
    - Super Match College Search
    - Gameplan
    - Scattergrams
    - Transcript Request Process (senior year)
    - Career/Search by potential major
  - Log in Information
- Email: [student#@kirkwoodschools.org](mailto:student#@kirkwoodschools.org)
- Password: student#

# JUNIOR YEAR PLANNING GUIDE

## January

- Prep for ACT &/or SAT
- Continue college exploration & campus visits
- College & Career counselor meetings cont

## February

- Prep for ACT &/or SAT
- Create list of colleges
- Focus on grades
- Start working on resume and gathering pertinent information

## March/April

- ACT given at KHS - 3/12
- College and Career Videos will go live for 2024

## May

- Sign up for ACT - April, June, or July
- Work on college essays
- Create a common app account
- Continue to make college visits
- Create an excel or google sheet listing each institution your student(s) is planning to apply to. Check requirements and deadlines.

# RESOURCES

- Visit the Guidance Activity Center to sign up for college visits and to schedule meetings with college counselors
- Use the Naviance Family Connection Website
- Follow us on Twitter: @KHS\_College
- Website: [www.kirkwoodschoools.org/khs/guidance](http://www.kirkwoodschoools.org/khs/guidance)

# WHAT TO DO!

## Create a Testing Plan

- When to take the ACT or SAT
- ACT or SAT Prep

## Create a List of Schools

- Cast a wide net
- College Visits
- Meet with College Reps at KHS - sign up through Naviance
- Use Naviance to research

## Prepare for the College Application

- Maintain Grades
- Continue to pursue a challenging curriculum
- Stay involved
- Get to know your teachers & college counselor



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# UPCOMING DATES

- **January 15 - No School**
- **January 19 - Course selection for Senior Year!**
- **February 10 - Junior Class Trivia Night**
- **Parent Teacher Conferences**
  - **February 12 - Virtual 4-7 pm**
  - **February 15 - In person 4-7 pm**
- **February 16 & 19 No School**
- **February 24 Winter Dance - 7-10pm**
- **March 12 - ACT at KHS**
- **March 15 - 25 Spring Break**
- **Friday April 19 7-10pm Jr/Sr Prom**
- **August 3-11 - No contact week (sports)**
- **August 12 - Fall sports practices begin**

# REALITY OF RAISING A TEENAGER

No need to worry about your teenagers when they're not at home. A national survey revealed that they all go to the same place – 'out' – and they all do the same thing – 'nothing.'" ~ Bruce Lansky

**I'll see your toddler tantrum and raise you a teen that just had their phone taken away. - Mommy Needs a Life**

You will teach them to fly, but they will not fly your flight. You will teach them to dream, but they will not dream your dream. You will teach them to live, but they will not live your life. Nevertheless, in every flight, in every life, in every dream, the print of the way you taught them will remain.~  
Mother Teresa

Raising a teenager is hard... But, being a teenager is hard, too, which is why our kids need someone they trust to lean on, to come to for advice, and to share their lives – the good, the bad and the ugly. Having a front row seat in our kids' lives is a far better place to be than sitting on the highest bleacher. ~ Raising Teens Today

# THANK YOU

*CLASS OF*

# 2025

**Thank you for everything you have done to help your child and thank you for sharing them with the staff, students and myself at KHS.**

# COMMUNICATION

- **KHS website -**
  - **Class of 2025 page**
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