



WELCOME
KHS CLASS OF 2025

KHS PUBLICATIONS

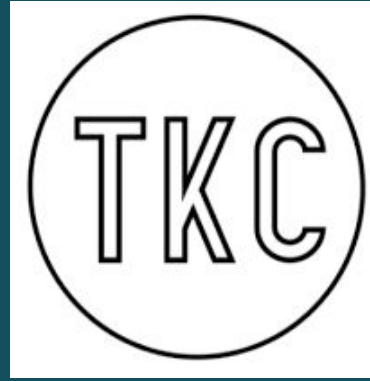
THE KIRKWOOD
CALL

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**PIONEER
YEARBOOK**

WHAT IS CALL?

TKC is a nationally recognized, award winning journalism program. We are a free publication, meaning our administrators do not engage in censorship or prior review, and we are supported by advertisements from local businesses and patrons from local families. Our program is entirely student-run. Mrs. Meyers, our adviser, oversees the program.



16 schools awarded 2023 First Amendment Press Freedom Award

[Lindsay Porter](#) [JEA News](#) February 23, 2023 | 0



PIONEER YEARBOOK



- To buy a yearbook go to [Jostensyearbooks.com](https://jostensyearbooks.com) or scan the QR code, click “Find my school,” type in Kirkwood, select “shop” and then enter your information.

- If your child is interested in joining Pioneer or any KHS publication stay tuned on our instagram and sometime in the future we will announce the date of an informational meeting they can attend to get more information about how the journalism program works! We highly recommend joining!

- If you have any questions regarding ordering your yearbook, joining staff, or the yearbook itself please email: Katie.Meyers@kirkwoodschoools.org



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Class of 2025 Trivia Chairs

- **Many Chairs**
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SUPPORT THE KHS PPO!

Donate to the Pioneer Challenge

MySchool Bucks



PayPal
@KHSPPPO



Volunteer for Committees

GET INVOLVED



CLASS OF 2025 FUNDRAISERS

Key takeaway - the time for YOU to get involved is NOW.

We have around \$7,000: about ½ of what is ideal at this point.



- **Scavenger Hunt** this fall - please attend & bring your friends!
- **Turkey Day Tents** this fall - blind bid &/or raffle sales will begin soon
- **Trivia Night - 2/10/24 at Ursuline (Party Like it's 1999!)**
 - Our biggest fundraiser by FAR for the After Grad Party (AGP).
 - Goal is to net a minimum of \$40,000



Volunteers Needed

- Donation requests
- Donation pickups
- Gift basket assembly
- Set up & take down
- And more!!!!



Next Meeting

Wed, October 11 @ 7 pm
749 Gabriel Court (Kleins')

11TH GRADE SUPPORT TEAM

Dr. Seth Harrell, Principal

Mrs. Stephanie Owens, Assistant Principal, Class of 2025

Mrs. Rachel Cosic, School Counselor, Class of 2025

Ms. Laura McAvoy, Office Professional, Class of 2025

Ms. Colleen Card, Special School District Area Coordinator

Ms. Sara Gibbs, Intensive Support Counselor

Ms. Christina Zibart, Class Sponsors

Mr. Joshua Jaworowski, College and Career Counselor (A - K)

Ms. Abby Peterson, College and Career Counselor (L - Z)

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
	Total: 24 Credits

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?

COURSE SELECTION OPTIONS

KHS Courses: Course Book

PeLA: Pioneer e-Learning Academy

Launch: Online courses

Alternative Learning: Pioneer Pathways

South Tech High School

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.**

SOUTH TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

<https://www.ssdmo.org/southtech>

- **26 Career and Technical Education majors explore their career interests while earning certifications, college and high school credit**
- **3 hours per day at South Tech and 3 hours at KHS; students still partake in activities/sports**

****Seniors can apply for most programs (the application will filter out what a senior is not eligible for when they go to select a program). South Tech will give priority to incoming juniors since they would be able to complete the 2-year programs. We do not have any 1-year programs but will allow a senior to take a program for one year if we do not get enough junior applicants. Typically, that only happens in construction and design/entrepreneurship.***

**** Applications due by April 1***

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 Provide**

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)**
- 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 - ESC, CHADS Coalition counselor, social workers, and/or alternative education counselor

Kirkwood Community Resource List

Virtual Calming

KHS PARENT BOOK CLUB

NEXT MEETING: OCTOBER 2ND

@ 6:30PM KHS LIBRARY

AGENDA:

Review reading pages 1-114
Discuss adolescent development &
behavior

All parents/guardians is welcome!

Book: The Teenage Brain: A Neuroscientist's
Survival Guide to Raising Adolescents and Young
Adults.
By Frances Jensen

BOOK CLUB FOR PARENTS

Book Club for Parents: The Teenage Brain,
A Neuroscientist's Survival Guide to Raising
Adolescents and Young Adults by Frances E.
Jensen, MD

PEER TUTORING

Tues & Wed

3 - 4 PM in Library

Need help or want to be a
volunteer?

Check out this link



kirkwoodschools.org/Page/5204



NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY



Attention 11th and 12th grade Pioneers!

- Do you have a 3.3+ GPA?
- Are you interested in participating in service opportunities independently and with peers to better the local community?

If so, apply to join
National Honor Society (NHS)!!



Applications are open 9/5 and are due 9/29.

Join the Schoology Course:

HRNC-8WR9-8RJTG

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Application due tomorrow, Sept 29, 11:59 pm.

Faculty Council reads all applications

Meet and decide 2nd week of October

Decisions will be mailed out 3rd week of October

Induction November 2

***You can apply senior year!!!**



COLLEGE COUNSELORS

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Kirkwood High School Counseling YouTube Channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCd8tqwI7oSYRShDYjNVyYkO/playlists>

COLLEGE & CAREER COUNSELING

Our goals:

- To guide and support each family through the post-secondary planning process
- To help each student find the best “fit” possible- academically, financially, and personally
- Individual Student/Family Meetings begin December

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



<https://forms.gle/C8WAc9VWf5iDa6N57>

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.

	<u>Advanced Placement(AP)</u>	<u>Dual Credit</u>
Description	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.
Credit	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.
Teachers/ Curriculum	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.
College /University Acceptance	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.
Eligibility	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 
Cost	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.

JUNIOR YEAR PLANNING GUIDE

September

- Explore Naviance
- Meet college reps
- *sign up on Naviance
- Practice ACT
- Join clubs
- Take on leadership
- Focus on grades

October

- Oct 4: Collaborative College Fair @ 6 pm Lindbergh HS
- Start visiting college campuses
- Oct 17: Career & College Presentation
- Create list of colleges
- Oct 24: PSAT

November

- Focus on grades
- College & Career counselors start ind. Juniors meetings
- Watch KHS College & Career Info Sessions on YouTube

December

- Dec 1: Course selection begins
- Focus on grades & exam prep
- Course selections must be finalized before winter break Inf Campus

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

March/April

- ACT given at KHS -3/7
- Watch KHS College & Career Info Sessions on YouTube
- Visit campuses

May

- Sign up for ACT - April, June, or July
- Work on college essays
- Strengthen resume
- Prep for exams

THANK YOU

Thank you for coming tonight. Enjoy these moments with your child - time goes by too fast and missing what is important to them makes such an impact on our young people. You are doing a great job - parenting is not easy! 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.

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UPCOMING DATES

- Laptop Insurance Deadline - October 1
- Friday, October 6-Saturday, October 7
 - Ford Drive 4 UR School Event
- Parent Teacher Conferences
 - October 18 - 20
- End of 1st Quarter - October 19
- NHS Induction - November 2
- Friendship Dance - November 4
- No School for Students - November 7

4 question
Parent Survey



COMMUNICATION

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 - Class of 2025 page
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