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Welcome to this edition of the Papermaker News

It is hard to believe that just a few short months ago we were battling the Omicron surge. Our staff did a tremendous job providing in-person instruction throughout the Pandemic despite having 450 students and 70 staff members absent each day.

Two years of Covid resulted in significant learning loss for our students. However, it is a true celebration to see the impact our staff had last year as many of our students were able to close their learning gap. A special thank you to the students, parents and staff that trusted our plan!

We remain a low spending and high performing public school district and a great value to our community. Our comprehensive plan provides services for all students regardless of income or ability level. You can be proud of the many academic, art and athletic achievements made by our students.

As always, I encourage you to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

Robert Mayfield, Ed.D.
Superintendent



Update on Your Investment in Public Education: Kimberly Area School District is High Achieving and Low Spending

As a public school district, we strive to provide the best quality education to students while also being responsible stewards of taxpayer funds. Taxpayers' investment in the Kimberly Area School District helps the next generation prepare for life after graduation and positively impacts home values. Here are a few key takeaways regarding the District's finances:

Low Spending		High Achieving	
Tax Rate (Mill Rate) \$5.56	↓ REDUCED 10 Years in a Row	District Test Scores	↑ ABOVE State Averages
Revenue Limit \$10,000	↓ Approximately \$1,700 LESS Than State Average	Academic and Career Planning	↑ IMPROVED Students prepared for their future
Private School Vouchers Cost Taxpayers \$2,633,785	↑ INCREASED 41% in the last year	Tuition Savings \$1.2 Million	↑ HIGH SAVINGS Advanced Credit Coursework
Tax Levy \$14,709,422	↑ 57% of the tax levy INCREASE is due to private school vouchers	Arts and Activities Recognition	↑ MORE Local, State and National Honors



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GOLD CROSS GIVES STUDENTS CAREER INSIGHT



The Health Careers Exploration class had the opportunity to learn about careers in EMS from Gold Cross. Our speakers shared information about the knowledge, skills, and tools needed to work in prehospital care.

NATION'S BEST FOR MUSIC EDUCATION

KASD was named one of the Nation's Best Communities for Music Education by the National Association of Music Merchants.



FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

The 4K Center welcomed the Kimberly Fire/Rescue Team in observance of the 2022 Fire Prevention Week. This year's campaign theme was "Fire Won't Wait! Plan Your Escape!"



143 STUDENTS RECOGNIZED

For the 2021-22 school year, 143 KHS students were recognized by the Advanced Placement (AP) program. Of those, 49 students were recognized as an AP Scholar with Distinction, 31 as an AP Scholar with Honor and 63 as an AP Scholar.



DECALS NOW AVAILABLE

Proud to be a Papermaker decals are now available at all KASD school and Administration offices.

KASD Planning for Excellence

The Kimberly Area School District is updating its 5-year Plan for Excellence in an effort to improve the KASD educational experience. Recently, the District offered five parent listening sessions across the District to clarify student graduate outcomes, referred to as Life Ready Skills. Below is a list of the top 12 skills identified by parents. A survey will be sent to all parents in January to get their opinions on these skills and many other District priorities.

Top LIFE READY Skills Identified by September Parent Focus Groups (in alphabetical order)

- Collaboration
- Communication
- Conflict Resolution
- Cultural Awareness & Competence
- Empathy & Perspective Taking
- Fostering Inclusiveness
- Growth Mindset
- Integrity
- Perseverance
- Self-Advocacy
- Self-Control & Regulation
- Time Management & Prioritization



KASD Students Named All-State Choir 2023

Congratulations to the following KASD students selected to be a part of the prestigious 2023 WCDA (Wisconsin Choral Directors Association) All-State Children's Choir! Nothing compares to the life-changing experience of making music with the best singers in the state led by some of America's best teacher-conductors!



- Dominick Copeland, KHS
- Rowan McClure, KHS
- Kaitlynn Moore, KHS
- Sam Oestreich, KHS
- Anya Riabov, KHS
- Brooklyn VanGompel, JRG
- Kashia Yang, JRG
- Derek Zou, JRG
- Tucker LeClair, JRG
- Owen Weidert, JRG
- Addysen DePrycker, MAP
- Sofia Riabov, MAP
- Eli Baker, WDLI
- Annalyn Smith, WDLI
- Bianca Soto, WDLI
- Fletcher Retzlaff, WDLI
- Addison O'Rourke, WLDI
- Alexis Roberts, WLDI
- Sihaya Derks, WLDI



Kimberly High School Trade Program Announces Expansion



It's official, the Kimberly Area School District recently broke ground on an expansion to the Tech. Ed. Department. Student enrollment in Career and Technical Education (CTE) courses has more than doubled in the last ten years. The expansion will provide the opportunity to meet the needs of our learners and grow in the specific areas of building and construction, welding, and electrical work. It will also provide current KHS students with a unique learning experience since they will be

constructing the expansion. "We don't go to the classroom, we build it," said Steve Masanz, KHS ACE Academy Coordinator. Construction has begun and is estimated to be complete by the 2024 school year.



Upcoming Productions

April 14-21
Jesus Christ Superstar

June 15-17
Three by Tenn



KHS Named Level 1 Advanced Placement Pacesetter School

Kimberly High School (KHS) received a Level 1 Advanced Placement Pacesetter Award from the Wisconsin Advanced Placement Advisory Council. Of Wisconsin's 514 public high schools, *KHS is one of only 14 schools to be recognized with a Level 1 Advanced Placement Pacesetter Award.*

The Advanced Placement program allows students to tackle college-level work while still in high school. By taking AP Exams, students can earn college credit and placement. There is also a financial advantage to earning AP credits while in high school, which helps students and families lessen the costs of higher education.

The Pacesetter Awards are unique to Wisconsin and are earned based on the percentage of students participating in college courses combined with each student's AP Exam scores. To be recognized as a Pacesetter Level 1 School, more than 30% of students at the school must take AP exams and more than 70% of those test-takers must receive a score of 3 or higher (students must receive a three or above to receive Advanced Placement credit).

\$1.2 MILLION
IN TUITION SAVINGS



KHS GRADUATE RETURNS TO THE CLASSROOM

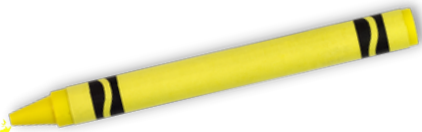
Former Kimberly High School (KHS) graduate Ty Van Sambeek returned to the classroom. Ty recently completed Marine Corps Recruit Training in California and took some time while on a short break to speak to students. Van Sambeek, along with family members, visited Westside and Woodland Elementary Schools. He shared his experiences during his training with the Marine



Corps and told the students what it was like being away from home. The students gained insight into his grueling yet rewarding 13-week training. He also shared his plans for the future. Sambeek answered students' questions, including why he decided to join the Marine Corps, the length of his commitment, and if he was able to call home while in training. Upon his return to California, he will begin training for the Aviation Fire, Crash and Rescue Unit within the Marine Corps. Thank you to Private Van Sambeek for taking the time to share with our students and for your service to our country!



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Enroll your Newest Papermaker for 2023-2024 School Year!

Is your child going to be 4 or 5 years old by September 1, 2023? Kindergarten registration for Kimberly residents is now open. At Kimberly schools, every student is given the opportunity to reach their potential through academics, the arts and cocurricular activities. Our 4-year old kindergarten students have their own full-service 4K Center (including a wrap-around daycare option). Registration is quick and easy! Visit www.kimberly.k12.wi.us or scan the QR code for more information.



Board of Education

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- Dr. Montgomery Elmer
- Tim Handrich
- Penny Hoh
- Mary Pribbenow
- Deb Roberts
- Brad Siebers

Upcoming Meetings

November.....	28th	April	10th, 24th
December	12th,	May.....	8th
January.....	9th, 23rd	June.....	12th
February.....	13th, 27th	July.....	10th
March.....	13th, 27th		

View upcoming meeting dates, agendas and minutes online at www.kimberly.k12.wi.us.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

ABOUT THIS PUBLICATION

Welcome to the tenth edition of this publication from the Kimberly Area School District. Contact Jill Peeters, Marketing & Community Coordinator with questions or concerns at (920) 788-7900 or jpeeters@kimberly.k12.wi.us.

OUR VISION: *Students will grow as problem solvers to reach their potential in academics, arts and co-curriculars.*

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