

# PAPERMAKER NEWS



KIMBERLY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

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## OUR MISSION REMAINS THE SAME

The Kimberly Area School District continues to be a leader in Wisconsin and provides our community a high quality and low cost education. Our newest innovative course collaborates with local businesses to inspire our students to be entrepreneurs. I invite you to read about our great stories highlighting our student and staff success.

Sincerely,



Robert Mayfield, Ed.D.  
Superintendent



KHS BAND STUDENTS PERFORMING AT THE HOLIDAY BAND CONCERT ON DECEMBER 13, 2021

## LOW SPENDING AND HIGH ACHIEVING

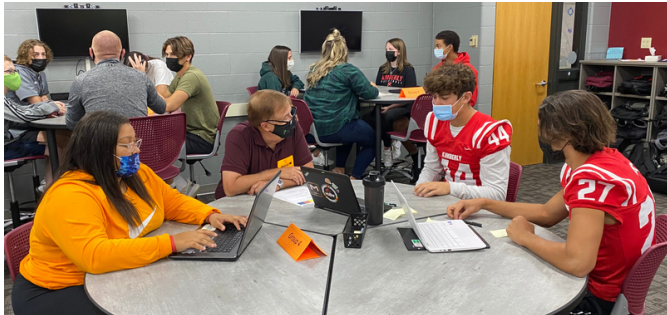
As a public school district, we strive to provide the best quality education to students while also being responsible stewards of taxpayer funds. Taxpayers' investment in the Kimberly Area School District helps the next generation prepare for life after graduation and positively impacts home values.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

Low Spending		High Achieving	
<b>Tax Rate</b> (Mill Rate) <b>\$6.06</b>	<b>REDUCED</b> 9 Years in a Row	<b>District Test Scores</b>	<b>ABOVE</b> State Averages
<b>Per Pupil Spending</b> <b>\$10,000</b>	<b>LESS</b> Than State Average	<b>Academic and Career Planning</b>	<b>IMPROVED</b> Students prepared for their future
<b>Private School Vouchers Cost Taxpayers</b> <b>\$1,831,997</b>	<b>INCREASED</b> \$1,831,997 paid by District taxpayers the last 7 years	<b>Tuition Savings</b> <b>\$1.3 Million</b>	<b>HIGH SAVINGS</b> Advanced Credit Coursework
<b>Tax Levy</b> <b>\$14,299,924</b>	<b>DECREASED</b> Due to State Aid	<b>Arts and Activities Recognition</b>	<b>MORE</b> Local, State and National Honors

Interested in reading more about District finances? Visit the Business Services website at [www.kimberly.k12.wi.us](http://www.kimberly.k12.wi.us)

# PROGRAM AIMED AT INSPIRING YOUNG ENTREPRENEURS LAUNCHES

Kimberly High School and Heart of the Valley Chamber of Commerce is teaming up to bring entrepreneurship to the classroom via a new class called INCubatoredu. INCubatoredu, a national program, offers an authentic entrepreneurship experience as students build a business in this semester-long course. Students trade out theory and simulation for real market experiences with processes that entrepreneurs use today.



Over 30 local entrepreneurs and business experts serve as volunteer coaches and mentors guiding student teams. The businesses that students build are real, which means students experience mistakes, take risks, and learn to pivot based on market needs. More importantly coaches and mentors empower students to identify an opportunity, create solutions, and embrace failure and change.

This semester's student teams have been busy researching their ideas and developing their business model canvas (BMC). As the course concludes, students will "pitch" their idea to a board of directors in a Shark-Tank style event. Take a look what the teams have chosen as their business ideas:

- **Port Pillow** - a seatbelt attachment for cancer patients to minimize the discomfort of the port when wearing a seatbelt.
- **LYFF Smart** - a device or app that helps correct weightlifting form and minimize back pain or other injuries.
- **Frontier Cooler Organizer** - designed for campers and tailgaters to maximize the efficiency of their cooler space.
- **SAGE Financial** - a website intended for young adults to help them learn about investing and planning for their future.
- **LineScope** - waiting in a line can result in unhappy customers. This app will reward customers, making it "worth the wait".
- **Gas Can Gadget** - designed for people who struggle and/or spill when filling their lawnmower, snowblower, or other tools. This device attaches to your gas can and simplifies the task.
- **RestaurHUNT** - a user-friendly app designed to help business travelers, people who are new to the area, or even local residents discover local restaurants, explore their menus and provide reviews.



### KHS Seniors Take Home First Place

Congratulations to Cole Brans (mason) and Nick Kobal (mason, tender) who recently took 1st place at the Spec Mix Bricklayer 500 Junior Competition!

For the 2020-21 school year, 147 KHS students were recognized by the Advanced Placement (AP) program. Of those 34 were named with Honors and 51 were named with Distinction.



### Students Selected for Statewide Art Exhibition

Congratulations to the following KHS student artists: Nathan Leder, Aiden Stoeger, Ale Bravo Garcias, Arthur Schinke, Brayden La Chance, Lilya Zoromski, Maeghan Wilkes, Matthew Zastrow, McKinley Killian, and Ruby Zoromski. Their drawings and paintings were selected by ARTS for All Wisconsin to be included in a statewide exhibition in the AFA Gallery in Madison.



### Fire Prevention Week 2021

Janssen Elementary students welcomed Firefighter Ristau in October. This year's campaign theme was "Learn the Sounds of Fire Safety™."



### 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.



# STUDENTS RECOGNIZE AND CONNECT WITH SERVICE MEMBERS

In honor of Veterans Day in early November, students across the district took time to recognize veterans and their families who have served our country past to present. Through their moving video messages, handmade cards and songs, students expressed their gratitude to our veterans for protecting our freedom.

Woodland Intermediate sixth-grade students participated in a video chat with Captain Sam Albiero who is currently stationed in Kuwait. Captain Albiero provides dental work for the military personnel at his base and also the K9 unit! Students were in awe of hearing about his journey into the military and what sacrifices and duty to our country means. After the video chat, students wrote thank you notes to send to Sam's unit.



In addition, students learned about Moira Belle Michael who launched a national campaign to establish the red poppy as a symbol for people to be reminded of the sacrifice and courage of American soldiers.

Sunrise Elementary students welcomed Veteran and staff member, Mr. Smits. He held the students' attention while reading an informational story and then fielded questions.

Students at J.R. Gerritts Middle School held a moment of silence following the Pledge of Allegiance in addition to focusing on the importance and history of Veterans Day. Tributes and Veteran-themed activities continued throughout the entire month of November. Thank you to our veterans, who have courageously served our country and to those still serving



## 2021-2022 Schedule

- January 20-22  
*Rose The Rime*
- April 1-9  
*Fiddler on the Roof*
- June 9-11  
*Love/Sick*

# KHS NAMED LEVEL 1 ADVANCED PLACEMENT PACESETTER SCHOOL

Kimberly High School (KHS) received a Level 1 Advanced Placement (AP) Pacesetter Award from the Wisconsin Advanced Placement Advisory Council. The Advanced Placement program allows students the chance to tackle college-level work while they're 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 higher education costs.

The Pacesetter Awards are unique to Wisconsin and are earned based on the percent 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 3 or above to receive Advanced Placement credit).

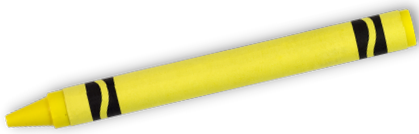
Of the 514 public high schools in Wisconsin, KHS is one of only 20 schools to be recognized with a Level 1 Advanced Placement Pacesetter Award.

## \$1.3 MILLION IN TUITION SAVINGS



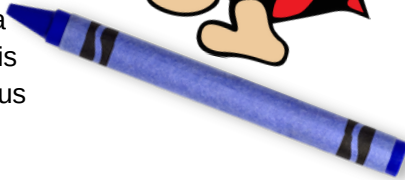


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## ENROLL YOUR NEWEST PAPERMAKER FOR 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR!

Is your child going to be 4 or 5 years old by September 1, 2022? 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](http://www.kimberly.k12.wi.us) for more information.



## BOARD OF EDUCATION

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

Upcoming meetings are scheduled for January 24, February 14, February 28, March 14, March 28, April 11, April 25, May 9, May 23 and June 13, 2022. View upcoming meeting dates, agendas and minutes online at [www.kimberly.k12.wi.us](http://www.kimberly.k12.wi.us).

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

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

### ABOUT THIS PUBLICATION




Welcome to the ninth 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](mailto:jpeeters@kimberly.k12.wi.us).

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