The Viking Voice

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Happy Thanksgiving



Greetings VIKING NATION!

The first part of the 2022-2023 school year has gone by quickly, and it has been an exciting time. Parents have met with their children's teachers during Parent-Teacher Conferences in October, we have completed our First Quarter, and are well into our second.

As we reflect on the many things for which we are thankful, I want to take this opportunity to share just a few of them with you: We are thankful for our students who come to school every day ready to learn; they give us all a daily reminder of what is important and why we are here. We are thankful for the support of the parents in creating an outstanding partnership for our students. We are thankful for the administrators, teachers, paraprofessionals, security officers, bus drivers, secretaries, the nurse, cafeteria staff, the social worker, and other support staff who really care about student achievement and have the best interests of our students at heart.

We are also thankful for our volunteers who enthusiastically contribute so much to our school.

In these most difficult and challenging times, we see dedicated and tireless individuals going above and beyond to make sure that great things happen in our school. They do make a difference, and the children, in their own individual ways, benefit from those efforts.

Most importantly, we are thankful for the parents that have kept the faith in us. They continue to share their most valuable possession with us and-in most caseswork hard and advocate to be a partner in their children's education, safety, and well-being. For this, we are ever so thankful

From all of us at Northeast High School, I would like to wish our families and stakeholders a happy, healthy and relaxing Thanksqiving holiday!

Yours in Education.

Dr. Waymond Ervin Principal

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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.

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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Life is cool in the pool



Sophomore Andre Malagon, whom has been on Northeast High School Boys Swim Team for two years and has improved each Swim Meet. Andre has come in 3rd at the Warrensburg Invitational for the 50-yard Freestyle and 2nd in the 100-yard Freestyle. Andre's main goal is to be able to reduce his times and make it to State by his junior or senior year. When asked why he enjoys swimming, he stated, "I love swimming! It takes me away from all the things I have to do...like my schoolwork or dishes at home. Swimming is soothing for me."

Northeast High School

Parent Involvement Policy
2022-23 SY

https://tinyurl.com/mu58etdu







HISPANIC HERITAGE CELEBRATION 2022

Northeast High School hosted its Annual Hispanic Heritage Celebration October 5, 2022, in the gymnasium. There were student and staff performances followed by a Mexican Fiesta afterwards. Special thanks to administrators and other staff members: Sgt. Rudd, Mr. Kinworthy, Ms. Carter, Mr. Maltbia, Ms. Castaneda, Ms. Truax, Ms. Le, Ms. Byrd, Mr. Brown, Ms. Posivak, Ms. Brock, Ms. Flores, Mr. Hollins. We appreciate Mr. Victor Aguilar, KCPS Language Services Access Manager, who did an excellent job as Master of Ceremony. Hats off to Senior Eva Gachuz, whose uncle and mom prepared the Mexican cuisine, and our Viking Pantry Manager Ms. Roberta Holt-Kipper, for her contribution. Thank our Northeast families and KCPS leadership who attended the celebration!









Going 360: Kansas City-area colleges, universities explore future of standardized testing

Written by Dre Bradley, KSHB 41 News

Earlier this fall, the University of Central Missouri in Warrensburg announced changes to the university's largest scholarship program, placing less emphasis on standardized test scores.

UCM is one of several institutions around the Kansas City area transitioning away from the test-required model that has long been a staple of the college application and scholarship process.

KSHB 41 is taking this story 360, talking to:

- Senior high school students
- A college access coordinator
- College admissions officers
- An ACT board member
- A standardized test tutor

Rayonna Gibson and Alejandro Espino are several months into their final year at Northeast High School in Kansas City, Missouri. Both students are involved in activities around the school and do well with class work.

Gibson says just the idea of taking the ACT gives her a heightened level of anxiety.

"I actually haven't taken it yet because I'm scared to take it," Gibson said. "But I hear it's really hard to even get an 18. I just haven't taken it just because I don't want to see the score yet. Everyone I've met has taken it multiple times, and it's still a lower score, but they practiced for it and practiced for it, and they just don't get a good score."

Espino is one of those students. He considers the ACT to be the final barrier to getting into college.

"Some students, basically kind of like me, they have a good GPA, they're a great student," Espino said. "I think the ACT shouldn't count into getting into college based [on] your score. I think it should count more like your academic work, what you did here, what stuff you were associated with, [and] what programs you were in. Basically, saying that any type of student that is a good student, even though they

don't have a good ACT score, can go to college."

Espino didn't know what to expect the first time around, but he still struggled in his second attempt even though he was more prepared.

"Even though I do study, I kept getting the same score," Espino said. "I think the ACT is just a little bit too hard. I don't know if it's too hard for other students, but I think it's basically hard on me."



Rayonna Gibson



Alejandro Espino







SAVE A TURKEY! FEAST ON A BOOK!

See Ms. Truax in the Viking Media Center and join the feast this holiday.

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- Greater KC Housing Information Center - (816) 931-0443

- Reconciliation Services (816) 931-4751
- Guadalupe Center (816) 421-1015
- reStart, Inc. (816) 472-5664 or rentassistance@restartinc.org
- Hope Faith (816) 540-6915
- Journey to New Life (816) 960-4808 or agrove@jtnl.org
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- United Way of Greater Kansas City Call 211

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For more info and other neighborhood services visit: KCMO.GOV/RentHelp













COMMUNITY CHATS Blueprint Continuing THE CONVERSATION KANSAS CITY 2030

On Wednesday, Oct. 12, KCPS presented a bold plan for our students' future to the Board of Directors. These recommendations are the culmination of years of engagement with students, staff and families. At its core, Blueprint 2030 is an academic vision for KCPS that gives students the experiences they deserve. We can expand access to the fine arts, create new project-based learning opportunities and even build new schools.

View the presentation slide deck

https://resources.finalsite.net/images/v1665612583/kcpublicschoolsorg/ynwpitnm6yrvktj668m8/BP2030PRESENTATION.pdf

Learn more about Blueprint 2030

https://www.kcpublicschools.org/about/blueprint-2030

We hope you'll join us to review this plan. Throughout November, we will host community conversations to gather feedback on our plan. We encourage you to attend any meeting that works with your schedule.

TUESDAY, NOV. 1

5-6:30 p.m. Northeast Public Library 6000 Wilson Ave., KCMO

SATURDAY, NOV. 5

9-10:30 a.m. English 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Español Manual Career and Technical Center 1215 E. Truman Rd., KCMO

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 9

4-5:30 p.m.
Paseo Academy of Fine and Performing Arts
4747 Flora Ave., KCMO

Meals and childcare will be provided at all engagement sessions. Interpretation services in Spanish, Somali, Swahili and Burmese will be available at all in-person chats with the exception of the Nov. 5 session en Español. This conversation will be conducted entirely in Spanish.

We know that these will be tough conversations to have as a school district and as a community. But if we dare to believe in our students' limitless potential, we can build a brighter future for all Kansas City children.

18 Things to be Thankful for in High School

Our crazy and tumultuous lives often cast a shadow over the simpler virtues in life. It's so easy to take things for granted but, with Thanksgiving right around the corner, we have a chance to reflect on everything we should be grateful for. Given that as teenagers our lives revolve around our school, friends, study — here are 18 things to be thankful for in high school.

Friends – For adding color and fun to our days

Clubs - The intersection of our hobbies and academia

Sports – The igniting of team-spirit and time spent playing with friends

Community – The opportunity to become a part of something bigger than ourselves

Trips – The joy of traveling with our peers and exploring new places

Teachers – The ones who inspire and add value to our lives

Freedom – The ability to shape ourselves in any way we wish and to create a better future for ourselves

Experiences – The life-enhancing experiences we're given throughout our high school career

Diversity – The experience of studying and living with people who come from all walks of life

Collaboration – The ability to work alongside our peers and create something new and innovative

Weekends – The days we live for more than anything

Privilege – The access we have to a good quality education

Gym – The facilities for workouts and weightlifting that make us more active and healthier

Hostel – The extended family we live and spend our time with

Library/Media Center – The go-to place to study or to hang out with friends

Snow Days – The thing we most look forward to during the winter (other than Christmas!)

Preparedness – The work-life balance that has prepared us for the future

Global Citizenship – The journey of becoming global citizens who will bring about positive change in the world



Philanthropist MacKenzie Scott gifts \$1M to Kansas City Youth Nonprofit

Written by Nicole Dolan Kansas City Business Journal



Billionaire philanthropist MacKenzie Scott selected Junior Achievement of Greater Kansas City to receive a \$1 million slice of her \$38.8 million national gift to the nonprofit.

The nonprofit, in the Northwood Shopping Center near 47th Avenue and Mission Road in Kansas City, Kansas, will use the money to launch 3DE by Junior Achievement, an education model that connects core academic lessons to real life through the mentorship of local business leaders.

Northeast High School of Kansas City Public Schools and Olathe East High School of Olathe Public Schools will be the first in the metro to try the model. The first cohort of 3DE students will be under the mentorship of leaders from Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas City, Mark One Electric Co. and VMLY&R.

The model will begin in ninth grade and grow consecutively each year until 12th grade. 3DE implements real-world case methods and challenges from case partners — local or national companies with a Kansas City office who design problems for students to solve. The program takes existing high school curriculum and relates it to real-world concepts.

Megan Sturges Stanfield, CEO of the local chapter, said the schools were chosen because of their districts' established relationships with Junior Achievement and their inevitable influence on surrounding districts to follow their lead and implement the 3DE model.





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No 'turkey talk' with the Viking Debate Team

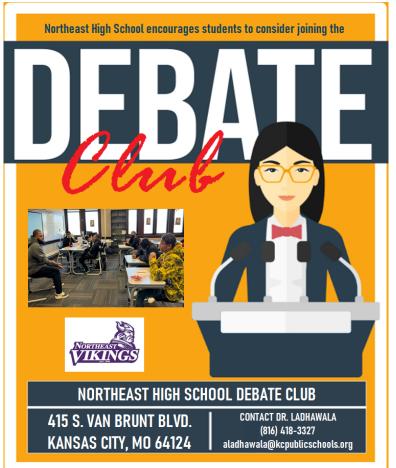
Speech and debate are life-changing activities that should be available for all students. Students build reading comprehension skills by exploring challenging literature and dense research. In addition, they learn to master the claim, find evidence, and reasoning model, the cornerstone of writing argumentation in public speaking and debate. This skill directly transfers to state assessments that measure student proficiency in writing.

Our Vikings are participating in Debate Kansas City (DKC) competition this year. The team meets every Thursday weekly with Dr. Ami Ladhawala, Debate Team Sponsor, and practices their speech. We have Erika Nelson, Jaydah Moses, Snow Hla, Wyatt Terrill, Tyryn Nelson, and Kaysen Warfield, who participated in their first workshop.

On October 6th, the students visited UMKC and tasted the first challenge of a debate. They participated in workshops and practiced their speech in front of their peers. One of our students, Jayda Moses, was challenged to represent NEHS on the stage. She was hesitant initially, but she stood up and gave a speech. The entire workshop was for three hours.

Jaydah expressed that she was nervous; however, she could do it again now easily. I am very proud and excited that our students have such a fantastic platform to shine their gift of speaking in front of an audience.

Dr. Ladhawala invites all students to join Northeast High School's Debate Club and take advantage of all it offers.









NEHS students participated in the 2022 "Si Se Puede" Art Competition

Congratulations to Northeast High School students who participated in the 2022 "Si Se Puede" Art Competition! They are Esmeralda Espino, Fatima Tejada, and Angel Stivers. Their digital artwork was creative, colorful, and culturally appropriate.

There were 300 entries from all KCPS schools. The winner of the High School category was Viking Junior, Fatima Tejada. During the Board meeting October 26th, Fatima shared with the Board and community how she got inspired to create her art piece. Fatima has been in the United States for only two years. She is part of the Seal of Biliteracy and R.I.S.E. programs. She received a \$100 gift card. This is the second year in a row that Northeast High School students won this competition. *Way to go, Vikings!*







2022 "Si Se Puede" Art
Competition

HS Winner: Viking Fatima Tejada

Other Viking entries by Esmeralda Espino & Angel Stivers



New funding brings music back to Kansas City Public Schools

Written by Kevin Barry, Reporter, FOX 4 News

KANSAS CITY, MO. — This school year, a long effort to increase education around the arts in Kansas City Public Schools is hitting its stride.

New funding over the last two school years is part of the reason why Northeast High School has a band after roughly a decade without a band program.

"I went to school in Kansas City, Kansas and I remember being in high school in Kansas and there weren't programs in Missouri and Kansas is flourishing with band programs," said Northeast High School Band Director Ricky Maltbia.

He came to the newly created position before last school year, with new instruments thanks to funding through the district, but no students.

"It was tough because here I am, new, trying to start a band program and they're like, 'What is band," Maltbia said.

His band of 25 is sometimes smaller during their 3-4 practices a week because the students are involved in other activities. Pictures around the room work as Maltbia's own resume, showing his time in the band at Alcorn State University.

"It helps a lot because most of the kids don't know that's me," Maltbia said. "So, when I tell them, they're like, 'That's you? So that's a big part of my recruiting process, just letting the kids know that they can get to college through music and academics."

So far, it's working for students like sophomore Adrian Walker, the band's drum major, who thought he'd focus on sports in high school until he found band.

"It feels like harmony to be honest," Walker said. "All the instruments playing together, it sounds pretty cool."

Brisa Lorenzo Narvaez was right there with him.





Ricky J. Maltbia, Director of Bands



Northeast High School Band

"When we first began, there were barely any students joining," said Lorenzo Narvaez.

The startup band has given all the students a chance to expand their horizons musically, but trips like the one they take Friday expand it in other ways. Maltbia is taking the group to William Jewell College's Music Department to see the campus and learn about what it would take to play in college.

"It's just all about exposure," Maltbia said. "For a lot of the kids, this will be their first time ever stepping foot on to a college campus...I want them to leave tomorrow knowing that, 'I can do this. It's available to me. I may not choose to do this, but the opportunity is there for me."



Northeast comes in 4th Place in CAMBIO PARA CAMBIO

Our 2022 Cambio Para Cambio (Change for Change) fundraiser has officially come to an end. Last night we celebrated with the Hispanic Development Fund and the other teams that participated. This was a community effort that involved High Schools, Colleges, Professional Divisions, and Named Scholarships. It was Northeast High School's first year participating and our team did a wonderful job. I am very proud of our Viking students for pushing through and working very hard to help raise dollars towards the scholarship. A big thanks also go to the teachers, staff, and students that donated and contributed to our fundraising activities such as tamale and empanada sales, movie party, and the fun-fundraising party. Every dollar went to our fundraiser and every dollar was matched. Below you will find a collage of photos from our month of fundraising.

Northeast High School's Total Amount Raised + Matched Dollars = \$13,181.96

The Hispanic Development Fund Scholarship opens December 1st and the deadline is February 1st. Please continue supporting by encouraging our Latinx/Hispanic Students to apply!

CAMBICEAMBIO 2022





	HIGH SCHOOL DIVISION	
	Bishop Ward High School National Honor Society	\$26,968.30
	East High School	\$22,231.00
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>	Lincoln College Preparatory Academy	\$15,575.00
200	Northeast High School	\$13,181.96
	Olathe North High School	\$12,643.50
	Rockhurst High School	\$14,000.00
	Sumner Academy Latino Student Union	\$17,084.66
	Van Horn High School	\$8,927.12
	Washington High School	\$6,677.16
	Wyandotte High School Student Council	\$7,060.00













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My name is Lauren Bishop, LCSW, and I am the Trauma Clinician at Northeast High School. My office is in room 330 and I am often in room 332 working with students and planning for Social Emotional Learning.



My job is to work with students and families to meet social emotional needs, assist in providing resources or referrals as needed, provide crisis management as needed, and support staff in providing social emotional and trauma informed support to the

Please come by and say hello or schedule a time to meet! I look forward to working with many of you this school year!!

C Lauren Bishop, LCSW

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I am Rebecca Flores, HSC, e Home-School coordinator and I work alongside administration, attendance, and the counseling team.

I am also here to support teachers with students that need academic, behavior, or attendance intervention. The Home-School Coordinator works as the school connection between the school and the home to help improve student attendance and ensure academic success. The Home-School Coordinator works with students whose ability to function in the school environment had been affected by issues such as housing instability, truancy, poor attendance, substance use, and/or behavioral problems and deals immediately with the individual student problems in a constructive, supportive, non-judgmental manner.

If you have any questions or concern, please feel free to email me, stop by my office which is room 332, or set up a meeting using the QR Code.



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