



KHS Rocket Review

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Counseling Comments:

Check out the school counseling and Senior Class 2023 webpages on the KHS site that includes updated information on scholarships, financial aid, employment and career resources!

FAFSA! FAFSA deadline is March 1 in order to maximize scholarships/grants and loans. The official date has been extended to May 1, but the longer you wait, it's possible to not qualify for as much aid. Check out the videos on the counseling website for FAFSA information.

Scheduling for 2023-24: The scheduling process for the next year will begin soon! Your child will be reviewing which classes he/she needs and select courses to take. If you have questions about class requirements or options available, please visit the counseling webpage or contact the counseling office.

Dual Enrollment: Kelloggsville offers three classes through GRCC here at Kelloggsville, for a total of eight college credits.

Kelloggsville has also allowed students to attend classes at local colleges or universities while attending high school, in an effort to meet students' needs and interests. This is called dual enrollment.

*The student must be a high school junior or senior with a 2.5 cumulative GPA.

*The post-secondary courses for which state school-aid funds are used must not be offered by the district.

*A student will have one course paid for by the district per semester.

*A district shall pay tuition and fees not to exceed the lesser of (1) the actual charge; or (2) the foundation allowance adjusted for the proportion of the school year that the student attends the district.

*Students are responsible for any balance of tuition costs.

*Students are no longer eligible for early college when all the high school requirements are met.

*Students are reminded that transportation to any of these sites is the responsibility of the student and family. Kelloggsville Public Schools does not provide busing for dual enrollment classes.

*Students must reimburse Kelloggsville Public Schools for failure to complete a course for any reason.

*Textbook costs are covered by the district. Contact Ms. Craft with your questions or decision to participate. Students should apply now for the fall.

Scholarships: Although much more money is available in financial aid than in scholarships, there are scholarship opportunities. When the counseling office is made aware of opportunities, they are posted on the Senior Class 2023 webpage on the KHS site and the senior google classroom so that students may see if they qualify. Local scholarships offer more opportunities for students than national scholarships.

Graduation: Seniors need 22 credits in order to graduate. Students must have all credits, including recovery classes, completed by **May 11** in order to participate in graduation activities. If you have any questions regarding graduation credits, please call Mr. Polestra at 532-1593.

Attention Senior Parents: Many seniors have completed their college/trade school applications and have heard back regarding admissions. If your son/daughter has not completed an application, please encourage him/her to do so as soon as possible. Starting college/trade school right after high school gives students the best chance of finishing. If your student gets accepted to college or trade school, be sure to have them share the news with the counseling office so we can celebrate with them on the wall outside of the KDL!

Sometimes, if a student waits, he/she may never attend. Even taking one class helps. Grand Rapids Community College has an open admission policy so all students who graduate from high school will be admitted. GRCC may require additional testing for placement. Go to grcc.edu to apply.

After the application has been submitted, students should request a transcript via Parchment.com. There is a video with instructions on our school website. The college will let the student know if he/she is accepted. The letter/email will give very specific information regarding the next steps that must be taken to ensure admission.

FAFSA: College is expensive so it is imperative that your son/daughter file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). This is a standard form that collects demographic and financial information about the student and family. Students must apply every year. Students might miss out on scholarships if they don't complete the FAFSA. Aid is based on the income of the parent

with whom the student lives. The form is also available in Spanish. The FAFSA must be completed by March 1 for the best chance for qualifying for the most financial aid. Otherwise the official deadline was extended to May 1. The application is available at www.fafsa.gov. Several resources are available on the Senior Class 2023 webpage on the KHS site.

**A new alternative exists to complete the FAFSA – “FAFSA Made Easier”. You can access this at www.goingmerry.com, create an account, and get started!

Michigan Merit Curriculum high school graduation requirements: Students earn .5 credit per semester per class if a class is successfully passed. Students must earn a minimum of 22 credits to graduate (18 in required areas and 4 in electives). See the core requirements below:

Mathematics – 4 Credits

- Algebra I
- Algebra II
- Geometry
- One math credit in final year of High School

English Language Arts – 4 Credits

- English 9
- English 10
- English 11
- English 12

Science – 3 Credits

- Biology
- Science Elective (i.e. Earth Science, AP Biology, etc.)
- Chemistry or Physics

Social Studies – 3 Credits

- World History and Geography
- US History and Geography
- Civics/Economics

Physical Education - .5 Credit

Health - .5 Credit

Visual, Performing and Applied Arts (VPAA) – 1 Credit

World Language – 2 credits (May replace second year of world language with a VPAA or KCTC.)

Minimum Classes Required: All students will be scheduled for a minimum of six (6) classes each semester.

Announcements:

December Students of the Month:

Freshman: Sam Du
Sophomore: Albert Cruz Gonzalez
Junior: Amie Nguyen
Senior: Jadin Taylor

Freshman Class Ring Meeting: Tuesday, February 2nd during Pride class.

Parent Teacher Conferences: Tuesday, February 14th 4-7:30PM. and Wednesday, February 22nd 4-7:30pm.

2022-2023 Senior yearbook ads: A senior ad is a great way to let your senior know how proud you are of them. Capture this special moment in a way that lasts a lifetime! The 2022-2023 yearbook is making available a very affordable opportunity to recognize the achievement(s) of your senior. If you did not receive this information or would like to place an order, please contact Mr. Fron at 532-1570 or email at rfron@kvilleps.org. Deadline for orders is Thursday, March 30th.

Southeast Little League Sign Ups: Serving Wyoming and Kentwood boys and girls ages 4 – 16 years old. Registration is now available at <https://kelloggsvillelittleleague.sportngin.com/register/form/776527882>

Fees for Baseball & Softball:

Ages 4-8 yrs \$30.00

Ages 9-12 yrs \$40.00

Ages 13-16 yrs \$50.00

Registration will be open until March 14th. Waiting list and double fees begin March 15th. For more information, call (616) 262-6821

Sports Scoop!

District Tournaments: Tickets for all MHSAA District tournaments must be purchased from <https://gofan.co/app/school/MI10340>. KHS is proud to host Wrestling (team) on February 9, Competitive Cheer on February 18 and Girls Basketball starting February 27.

Spring Sports – The official start date for spring sports is Monday, March 15 for Boys Golf and Girls Tennis. Baseball, Softball, Girls Soccer and Boys & Girls Track & Field will begin on Wednesday, March 22. All athletes must have a physical on file in order to participate in practices and/or tryouts. Please check in with the Athletic Office if you are unsure of your status.

Social Media- Visit the Athletics web page at www.kvilleathletics.org for schedules, scores and more! Follow us on Facebook and Instagram for the latest updates!