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Spark Your Imagination

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# The Spark

## 2017 KHS Teacher of the Year and Employee of the Year



Chief Master Sergeant  
Thompson

Congratulations to Chief Master Sergeant Thompson, our 2017 Teacher of the Year. Chief Thompson is one of our three AFJROTC instructors who leads our students with a kind heart, pride and wisdom. He is truly an old-fashioned gentleman who is well respected by everyone. We love him and appreciate his passion for KHS. He has been teaching for over 14 years, 4 years in northern California, 6 years as a community college professor, and this is his fifth year at KHS. He enlisted in the Air Force in 1985 as a Police Officer. He has an MS degree in Criminal Justice from Faulkner University. In December he will complete a MEd degree in Educational Leadership from the University of West Florida. His deployments and temporary duty assignments date back from 1986—2010 and include Honduras,

Venezuela, Cyprus, Puerto Rico, Panama, Italy, England, Hungary, Niger & Chad, Afghanistan, and Oman. Thank you Chief for your leadership and devotion to KHS students.

Mrs. Elaine McLeish was voted by the staff as our 2017 School Related Employee of the Year. Mrs. McLeish has over 15 years with our district, 11 years at KHS. She works non-stop in our guidance department, maintains student records, organizes our records room, processes all student transcript requests, and assists with enrolling and withdrawing students. She is instrumental during graduation every year as she maintains the diploma order, list, senior surveys and commencement program. She is a backup to all of the other secretaries and truly understands the meaning of customer service. Mrs. McLeish adores our students and always goes above and beyond in her duties. We love and appreciate you Mrs. McLeish!



Mrs. Elaine McLeish



### Homecoming Dance

October 22, 2016  
Cafeteria  
8:00 p.m. — 11:30 p.m.

**KHS Administration**  
KHS Principal, Donna Drisdorn  
Assistant Principal, Lia Maffett  
Assistant Principal, Tony Williams  
Assistant Principal, Mario Jenkins  
Assistant Principal, Javon Smith  
Assistant Principal, Keith Smith (CFAA)

### Important Dates to Remember

9/16/16	1st Quarter Interims
9/19/16	Student/Paraeducator Holiday Data Day
9/28/16	Bring Your Dad to Work Day/CFAA & Main Media Center @ 7:15 a.m.
10/11/16	Title One Dream Center—Financial Aid Night @ 6:00—7:00 (Fish Fry)
10/27/16	Title One Scholarship Night @ 6:00—7:00
11/1/16	1st Quarter Report Cards



## OPEN HOUSE

Join us  
for our 1st Title One Meeting for  
2016  
Monday, September 26 @ 5:00 p.m.  
Main Media Center  
Kathleen Senior High  
Open House @ 6:00  
Follow your child's daily schedule  
and meet their teachers

# CFAA Wins Lakeland Cardboard Boat Race



Pictured on left: Cody Witter and Erin Corbett crossing the finish line. Pictured on right: Cody Witter, Erin Corbett, Adrian Rodriguez, Adam Saoud, Israa Saoud, Thang Dang and Tyler Bragg.

Students from CFAA won the high-school category of the Lakeland Cardboard Boat Races on Saturday September 10. Erin Corbett, Cody Witter, Maegan Bridges and Tyler Bragg designed and constructed the winning vessel. Additionally, several



other CFAA students, from the Interact Club, volunteered their time as the pit crew dragging water-soaked boats out of Lake Hollingsworth. Thank you to all of our students who participated in the local event. "We were very proud of the way our students represented CFAA, and look forward to defending our title next year" said Mr. Bresler.

## Lunch Menu

Monday—September 19, 2016

No School/Data Day

Tuesday—September 20, 2016

Taco Tuesday (Korean) or Asian Chicken Salad or Ham & Cheese Sub/Green Chick Wrap, Sweet Potato Fries, Veggie Combo, Juice, Seasonal Fruit Variety, and Chocolate Chip Cookie

Wednesday-September 21, 2016

Chili, or Harvest Chicken Salad, Breadstick or Italian Pizza Sub/Flatbread, Cauliflower, Veggie Combo, Spiced Fruit, Fresh Fruit Variety

Thursday—September 22, 2016

Chicken N Waffles or Chicken Caesar Salad or Turkey & Cheese Sub/Chicken Salad Wrap, Green Beans, Broccoli Salad, Veggie Combo, Juice, Seasonal Fruit Variety

Friday—September 23, 2016

Cheese or Pepperoni Pizza Slice or Buffalo Chicken Salad or Ham & Cheese Sub/Flatbread, Corn, Popeye Salad, Corn Salad, Veggie Combo, Frozen Juice Cup, Seasonal Fresh Fruit

## Spirit Week

Homecoming October 17—21, 2016

Monday No School	Tuesday Twin Day	Wednesday Nationality Day	Thursday Throwback Day	Friday Spirit Day
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Dance Prices: September 26-30 = \$25.00  
 October 3-7 = \$30.00  
 October 10-14 = \$35.00  
 October 17, 18, 19 & 21 = \$40.00  
 At Door = \$45.00

Tickets Will be sold 1st and 2nd Lunch and after school!

Dance  
Oct 22

## Benefits of Tutoring

 Encourage Higher Level of Thinking	 Increase Subject-Specific Knowledge	 Promote Self-Regulated Learning	<b>TUTORING SESSIONS</b>
 Enhance Academic Success	 Improve Communication Skills	 IT'S FREE!	

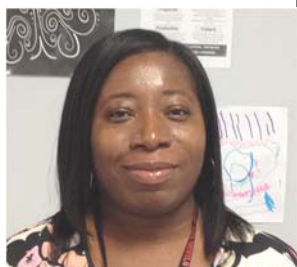
## Tutoring Schedule

Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays

	Tuesdays	Wednesdays	Thursdays
ACT	Mrs. Gardner Main Media Ctr		Ms. Bass Main Media Ctr
Algebra 1	Mr. Hammonds 40-111	Mr. Taylor 40-113	
ESOL		Mr. Gueiros-Neto 04-004	

# KHS Welcomes New Staff Members

Sharmaine Duncan-Pryce is one of the newest members of our Reading Department. Mrs. Duncan-Pryce has recently relocated to Polk County from Miami. She graduated from Kaplan University. She has two children, 9 and 4. In her spare time, she enjoys reading, baking and crafts. "I am thrilled to be at KHS and look forward to a great year," said Mrs. Duncan-Pryce.



Sharmaine Duncan-Pryce



Lori Whitener

Lori Whitener is our Testing Coordinator and is excited to be at KHS. She has a BS in Organizational Management from Warner University and an MS in Educational Leadership from Nova Southeastern University. She has worked for PCSB for 12 years. In her spare time she enjoys travelling and spending time with her 3 children.

Mr. Williams attended Southeastern University in Lakeland, Florida where he received his Bachelors degree in Business and went on to complete his Masters

degree in Business at Warner University in Lake Wales, Florida. After graduation, he was awarded the Head basketball coaching job at KHS and since then, he's been committed to positively impacting both the community and the student-athletes at KHS. He was born and raised in Lakeland and grew up within walking distance of the campus. He is a proud graduate of KHS and has returned to the school this year as both a teacher and head basketball coach. He has a genuine love and passion for the students at KHS and he is dedicated to making a difference and creating lasting change within the KHS family.



Thomas Williams, III

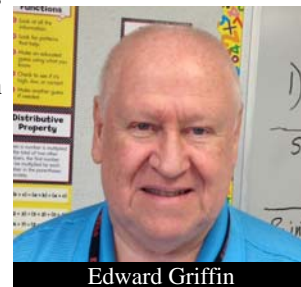


Jennifer Redd

Jennifer Redd transferred from Lakeland High School. She is a Florida State University graduate, with a BS in Economics. She has taught reading for 11 years in Polk county and is excited to

bring her experience to KHS in the role of Reading interventionist. She is happily married with two kids. In her spare time she enjoys working out and playing basketball with her kids.

Mr. Griffin teaches Algebra 1 in our 9th Grade Academy. He graduated from Framingham State College, Framingham, MA,



Edward Griffin

in 1981 with BS degrees in Mathematics and Computer Science. After spending six years in the industry as a Software Engineer, he decided to enter the world of education. He taught Electronics, Data Processing, Computer Programming, Computer Repair, Electronics, Electronic Assembly, and Intensive Math. He also taught Electronics and Robotics at VA Beach Technical in Virginia Beach. He has been happily married for 37 years and is blessed with one son, two daughters and four grand-daughters. He also has a guard dog (a 5lb Chihuahua named 'Lady').



## SAT Testing Dates

Test Date	Registration Deadline
November 5, 2016	October 7, 2016
December 3, 2016	November 3, 2016
January 21, 2017	December 21, 2016
March 11, 2017	February 10, 2017
May 6, 2017	April 7, 2017
June 3, 2017	May 9, 2017



**Open House**  
**CFAA of Kathleen Senior**  
**CFAA Cafeteria**  
**Tuesday, September 27**  
**5:30—7:30 p.m.**

PLANES will be providing dinner on a first come, first serve basis. Funds collected will go to support students and staff. Pizza slice, chips and drink = \$4.00. Candies = \$1.00. We look forward to serving you. During Open House, you will be invited to follow your child's schedule, meet their teachers and get an overview of their coursework.



CLASS OF  
**2017**

## Senior Reminders

Sign up to get text message reminders through Remind101

**TEXT: 81010  
MESSAGE:  
@reddevil17**

## Want Push Notifications for your Smart Phone?

Visit:  
[rmd.at/reddevil17](http://rmd.at/reddevil17)  
Follow instructions to sign up; you will be prompted to download the mobile app.

## Smile Pack Backpack Program

Attention Parents/Guardians: The Catholic Charities of Central Florida sponsors the Agape Food Bank program to help feed hungry families of Polk County. If you have a need, please contact [joaquin.reyes@polk-fl.net](mailto:joaquin.reyes@polk-fl.net) so that we can provide a backpack full of food items for your child to bring home. Backpacks are to be returned each week so that it can be utilized again for your family or other families in our county.

## SENIOR ADS

Seniors! If you or your parents are wanting to purchase a page of the 2017 KHS Trident dedicated to you, be sure and purchase your Senior AD Space today. They are going fast and you don't want to miss this opportunity to be immortalized forever. Some of the packages include the yearbook.

1/4 Page = \$50.00  
1/2 Page = \$100.00  
Full Page = \$150.00  
Deadline: December 16, 2016  
See Mrs. Mahmood in 16-006 for more info.

SENIOR ADS



Benefiting:  
Central Florida Aerospace  
Thursday, September 22  
5:00—8:00 pm  
Dine-In or Drive-Through  
Both N. & S. Locations

\*Mention this organization at the register or in the drive-thru for them to receive 20% of the value of your purchase.

S. Florida Ave.  
4625 S. Florida Avenue

N. Lakeland  
4132 US Highway 98 N

## What Makes a Good Senior Portrait?

Are you a KHS Senior who missed having your Yearbook portrait taken this summer? Well your in luck, retakes will be November 14, 15, and 17 here at KHS. To Register, please visit the website in Mrs. Bass's remind or see Mrs. Mahmood (16-006) for the link. Failure to sign up means that you won't have an appointment and you won't be in the 2017 KHS Trident! So make your reservation today! There is a \$10 sitting fee for this service.

## The Freshman Experience

1. Get off to a good start with your grades. The grades you earn in 9th grade will be included in your final high school GPA and class rank.
2. Join/continue extracurricular activities!
3. Start thinking about reasons for attending college!
4. Google your favorite colleges and check out their requirements now!
5. Research college costs!
6. Explore careers on the web.
7. Stay focused on and organized in your classes, homework and school projects!
8. Turn in homework, assignments early or on time.
9. Study by reviewing classroom materials, creating flashcards, rewriting notes and quizzing yourself.
10. Take advantage of tutoring or your media center on campus.



## Senior Dues

### Senior Dues

Cost: \$50

Due: November 1<sup>st</sup>

Student will receive two (2) t-shirts: a white one with a red K for the senior panorama and a t-shirt with all of the names of the seniors printed on the back.

HJ eShare is a simple way for people to upload pictures for use in the yearbook. Visit <http://www.hjeshare.com/eShare/index.html> and use our school code of "KHStrident" to upload your photos that you would like to maybe see in the 2017 KHS Trident.



1. Work hard all year—semester grades can affect scholarship eligibility.
2. If you haven't already, register and take the SAT or ACT.
3. Meet with your counselor and make sure you are on track for meeting all graduation requirements.
4. It is a graduation requirement to take a course online, so if you haven't already done so, take a course on FLVS ([www.flvs.net](http://www.flvs.net)).
5. After December 1st, register for Bright Futures at [www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org](http://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org).
6. After October 1, complete and submit your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and the Florida Financial Aid Application (FFAA).
7. Narrow down your list of colleges and prepare applications carefully. Follow the instructions and get scholarship info. from Ms. Smith.
8. Write essays for your college applications and ask your teachers for recommendation letters. Watch all scholarship and college app deadlines.
9. Stay involved in after school activities, and seek leadership roles if possible.
10. Congratulations. We love you and are so very proud of you!

## Join FCA

FCA and Coach Troutman invite you to the FCA Huddle Meetings every Thursday at 6:30 a.m. All meetings are held in the old PE Weight Room! Hope to



## Save SAC Dates



Tues, Nov. 29, 2016 @ 5:00

Tues, Feb. 14, 2016 @ 5:30

Tues, May 2, 2016 @ 5:30

All Meetings will be held in Main Media Center/Main Campus



### 2017 KHS Trident Yearbooks on Sale!

\$65.00 Preorder the 2017 KHS Trident Yearbook through January 6, 2017

Preorder it online at <https://www.yearbookordercenter.com/>  
Code: 1134

After January 6, 2017, pre-order price is \$75.00

Deadline to pre-order:  
March 31, 2017

### Senior Pictures/ Yearbooks

\$10 sitting fee for all senior pictures.



When: Senior Portrait Retakes will be November 14, 15, & 17

Sign ups will be the week of October 31<sup>st</sup> in the Cafeteria at Lunch.

When: Club Pictures/Senior Panoramic – December 8<sup>th</sup>

See Mrs. Mahmood in 16-006 for more information.



The ACT multiple-choice tests are curriculum based. The ACT is not an aptitude or an IQ test. Instead, the questions on the ACT are directly related to what you have learned in your high school courses in English, mathematics, reading, and science. Testing time: 2 hours and 55 minutes (plus 40 minutes for the essay (optional)). Scores based on the number of correct answers. No penalty for incorrect answers. Components include 60 Math items, 40 Reading items, 40 Science items and 75 English items. ACT Writing (optional) includes 1 prompt, 40 minutes. Free Practice Tests: <http://www.actstudent.org/sampletest/>

## What is the ACT?

ACT (American College Test)  
<http://www.ACTstudent.org>

ACT Test Date	Registration Deadline
October 22, 2016	September 16, 2016
December 10, 2016	November 4, 2016
February 11, 2017	January 13, 2017
April 8, 2017	March 3, 2017
June 10, 2017	May 5, 2017
School Code: 100-830 Test Center Code: 235570	