



The Spark

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KHS Growth for the Future

“The ultimate goal of farming is not the growing of crops and livestock but the cultivation and perfection of human beings.”

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Our Ag students made their mark at the 70th annual Polk County Youth Fair last week. Our students competed in numerous events including: **Cattle** - Maggie Clark, Megan Cross, LeAnn Reese, Hannah Scionti, Hunter Dupre, Blair Buchanon-Grand Champion Angus Heifer, Grand Champion English Heifer and Purebred Showmanship Winner, Weslie Ritter- Grand Champion Rommaster Bull, Katie Harwell- Reserve Grand Champion Open Steer. **Goats**- Logan Jewell and Ariel Finley – Reserve Division Champion. **Rabbits**- Jaida Thompson, Christa Brinkman- Best of Breed, Logan Jewell. **Chickens**- Katie Harwell, Autumn Jackson. **Horse**- Maddie Dvorak.

Pigs- Weslie Ritter, Shelby Carlton- Class Winner, Amanda Lawson, Logan Bell, Elena Tovias, Autumn Jackson, Jake Yelvington. **Plants**- Delana McCaslin, Lyric Rudolph, Courtney Galbraith, Caitlyn Galbraith, Nick Chouqer, Lauryn Garner, Logan Jewell, Elena Tovias, Logan Bell, Sarah Stokes, Hannah Scionti, Shelby Carlton, Hayley Buchanon, Calista Estevez, Amber Hanna, Madyson Keim, Dalton Thomas, Jake Yelvington, Josie King. Rabbit Judging – First Place Maddie Keim- High Individual 1st place team: Madyson Keim, Lauryn Garner, Amber Hanna. 3rd place team: Kaitlynn Moffitt, Autumn Jackson and Maddie Dvorak.



Mr. Carlton, Mrs. Morse, Mrs Bennett, Mr. Harwell, Mrs. Drisdorn, Katilyn Harwell



Weslie Ritter

Logan Jewell



Blair Buchanon

Ariel Fenley

Upcoming Events at KHS

2/11	ACT Test Date (Saturday)
2/17	3rd Quarter Interims
2/20	President’s Day/Holiday
2/28	ACT School Day
3/1	FSA Writing Retake (Juniors & Seniors)
3/2	FSA Writing (9th Grade)
3/7	FSA Writing (10th Grade)
3/20-	Spring Break

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

“Teaching kids how to feed themselves and how to live in a community responsibly is the center of an education.”
 — Alice Waters

Singing To Success

Last Friday, six of our students went to Harrison School for the Arts to compete in a district-wide vocal competition. After weeks of hard work, I am pleased to announce that three of our students received superior ratings, two received excellent, and one received good. I am so very proud of them," said Mr. Poletis. Sarah, Courtney, and Gianna will now go on to compete at a state-wide level in March.

Sarah Pomella	Superior
Courtney Murphree	Superior
Gianna Azzaro	Superior
Michelle Pena	Excellent
Michael Faria	Excellent
Matthew Bell	Good



Tutoring Schedule

Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays 2:05-3:05

Subject	Mondays	Tuesdays	Wednesdays	Thursdays
ACT		Mrs. Gardner & Ms. Dellagnese Main Media Ctr		Ms. Dellagnese & Mrs. Huggins Main Media Ctr
Algebra 1			Mr. Taylor 40-113	
Reading/ English		Mrs. O'Sullivan 13-006		
ESOL			Mr. Gueiros-Neto 04-004	
Math				Mr. Davis 31-127
Science	Ms. Nicholson 14-036			

Trident Yearbook

Price=\$75.00.

Deadline to pre-order:
March 31, 2017

Click to order your Yearbook

www.yearbookordercenter.com
 order #1134

Seniors—Check it Out!

Need assistance with the financial aid process? Contact Office of Student Financial Assistance Outreach Team.

www.NavigatingYourFuture.org

Planes Meeting

The February meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 21st at 6:00 pm in the CFAA cafeteria.

We hope you will be able to join us on the 21st!



Spend Thursday and Friday with FCA

FCA weekly huddle meetings Thursday mornings with Coach Troutman at 6:30 am in Room 03-010 next to Culinary Arts. All students are welcome to come enjoy fellowship and prayer.

FCA huddle with Mrs. Sasser on CFAA campus every Friday morning at 6:40 in the media center. Hope to see you there!

PAY IT FORWARD Senior Class *Pays It Forward*

Senior Class Fundraiser held on Saturday, February 4 was a huge success. All proceeds were donated to Ruby Troche. The students and staff raised \$291.50. We Love You Ruby!



Maykayla Bernard

Ms. Weiss, Ms. Bass & Mrs. Gulley

Courtney Campbell, Chad Hall, Mireya Bautista, Karen Perez, Jo'Nashea Kelly

National Signing Day

By Alexis Davis & Azusena Rodriguez



National Signing Day takes place every year on the first Wednesday of February. Talented high school seniors are presented with the opportunity to sign a National Letter of Intent for college football. Recruiters from universities all over the country came to KHS for six of our Senior football players. Both Jurmeil Battle and Nick Shinn will be attending Union College in New York. Tobias Larry, known to many as Uncle Larry, signed with Purdue University in Indiana, Ventrell Miller will represent the Red Devils at FSU. Tyler Baggett will stay close to home at Southeastern University. Shelton "Pooh Bear" McNeal was chosen to attend Bryant University in Rhode Island. Most of the athletes received scholarships from the school they were signed to. Congratulations Men! Make us proud!

Jurmeil Battle was a quarterback and wide receiver this year. Battle has been playing football since he was a child, and his love for the sport continues to grow every time he steps foot on the field. His determination in maintaining his academics while supporting his team has led to his success. Battle's parents are equally excited about their son accepting this opportunity. They both agree that Jurmeil showed potential from the start since he developed an interest in the sport from an early age. Football has taught Battle skills that he will carry with him for the rest of his life. It has taught him about teamwork, time management, focus, and discipline. We are proud of Battle and hope he will further his career as a successful football player.



Jurmeil Battle, Nick Shinn, Ventrell Miller, Tobias Larry, Tyler Baggett and Shelton McNeal



Sci Fi Club
by Ray Ward and Sean Hutchinson

SCI-FI club brings all different personalities together to have fun with Science Fiction. Mr. Abdullah created this club about 3 years ago. During the last three years they have done many things including watching anime and science fiction based shows, played Dungeons & Dragons and Pathfinder, and have also played video games on occasion. The club meets every Thursday from 2-4 in Mr. Ali Abdullah's room. This club is free of charge and welcomes all students to join in the fun.

PEF Scholarships

When applying for scholarships this spring, note that a set number of community service hours or certain

GPA and SAT/ACT are required depending on the scholarship for which you are applying. When a senior applies for a scholarship through PEF, the first step is keying in your student ID#. This required first step by PEF will automatically population into your application your personal info, address, GPA, Testing Scores, Community Service Hours, etc. So it is important that you get in all your community service hours documented NOW so that your scholarship application will be complete.

CLASS OF
2017

Senior Reminders

No Smart Phone?
Sign up to get text message reminders through Remind101

**TEXT: 81010
MESSAGE:
@reddevil17**



March 20-24,
2017

Remaining Testing Dates for 2017

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

ACT Test Date	Registration Deadline
April 8, 2017	March 3, 2017
June 10, 2017	May 5, 2017
School Code: 100-830 Test Center Code: 235570	

SAT (Scholastic Assessment Test)
<http://www.SAT.CollegeBoard.org>

SAT Test Date	Registration Deadline
March 11, 2017	February 10, 2017
May 6, 2017	April 7, 2017
School Code: 100-830 Test Center Code: 10374	

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Senior Reminders

Smartphone?
Sign up to get push messages
Go to your browser and go to link:

rmd.at/reddevil17
Follow the instructions to sign up for Remind. You'll be prompted to download the app.

School Day—February 28, 2017



Mark your calendar for February 28, 2017. Seniors and juniors who wish to participate in ACT School Day must sign up by Friday, February 10. Please see your counselor to sign up. The testing fee for is \$42.50.

KHS seniors who haven't met the Reading Graduation requirement for FSA/FCAT can participate in the ACT School Day free as the district is paying the testing fee.



Opportunity \$500
Polk Co Retired Ed association offering scholarship to

any senior seeking education degree. See Ms. Sprouse for application. Deadline 3/17. Must include transcript and ACT/SAT scores. Scholarship to be awarded at Luncheon on 5/2.

College is 4 Everyone

Mrs. Brown from College is 4 Everyone will be on campus once a week on Wednesday at 2pm to assist our students with college applications, ACT/SAT HELP, resume help, scholarship help, financial aid, college essay help, career coaching etc. If you have students who can benefit from her services, please send them to the main media center on Wednesdays after school at 2pm.

Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Parade 2017 Winners January 14, 2017



Judges Choice Awards:

2nd Place – Kathleen High School Band

3rd Place – Kathleen High School JROTC Color Guard

Beatum me facit latin ... *Latin makes me happy*

On Saturday, Feb. 4th the Latin Club traveled to Winter Springs to compete in the Regional Latin Forum. The students did a wonderful job. We await the results of the Ludi(Olympics). We are so proud



Samantha Brandt

Kayla Jackson

of all of the students who participated. A special congratulations for Samantha and Kayla for their awards in the Academics and Creative,” said Mrs. Wells. Samantha Brandt, 5th place in Handicrafts and Kayla Jackson, 7th place in Drawings, 3rd place in Advanced Greek Literature, and 3rd place overall in Greek Literature.

SeaWorld® Orlando Environmental Scholarship Award \$5000 Scholarship

Available to Florida High School Seniors
 SeaWorld Orlando is pleased to announce the SeaWorld Orlando Environmental Scholarship Award for students who share our passion for protecting and preserving the world we share.
 Am I Eligible?

- Available to Florida high school seniors
- Must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- Representatives from the Education & Conservation Department at SeaWorld will consider applicants based on originality, creativity, content, organization, neatness and general presentation.

Winners will be notified by phone and/or email. All materials submitted become the property of SeaWorld® Parks and Entertainment. Award money is intended to provide funding for the winner’s college education and may not be used for other purposes. How do I submit an Application? For complete details visit SeaWorldOrlando.com/Scholarship

National Honor Society

by Eileen Gutierrez



National Honor Society is an organization that recognizes high school students who do exceptionally well in school. Being involved in this club will build a student’s character, leadership skills, service, and scholarship. Members of NHS encourage students who keep their grades and GPA high to join the club. Mr. Rob Miller is the faculty adviser of the club here at Kathleen High School. They hold meetings every Wednesday after school in his classroom, located in room 03-002. Being in this club gives members the opportunity to earn community service hours. For example, on February 25th, their first major after school activity will be a car wash held at Beer’s on North 98. Students should consider joining NHS because they will be helping out in their community and because it looks great on future college applications.



Class of 2017



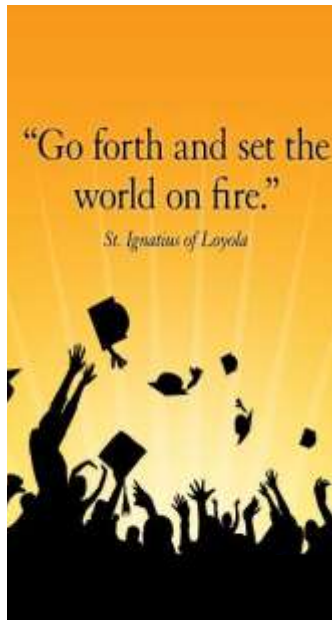
Senior Sponsored Basketball Event

Date: February 15, 2017
6th and 7th Period
Cost: \$2

Senior Dues Cost: \$50

Due: ASAP

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. If you submitted a partial payment for the senior panoramic shirt, you are required to pay the *REMAINDER* of the senior dues before you get the second senior shirt.



Talent Show:

Date: March 16, 2017
Periods: to be announced
Cost: To be announced
New round of auditions: to be announced



Prom — April 1, 2017
Location: Hyatt Regency Grand Cypress in Orlando

Cost: \$85.00 from March 13-17, 2017

After Spring Break—\$100



Grad Bash April 29, 2017 Universal Studio's Orlando

7:00 pm—2:00 am
Cost: \$ 100.00
All obligations must be paid before ticket purchase.



Run for Ruby

Date: April 22, 2017
Price: \$5 donation
Time: To be announced
Competition for best t-shirt – more details to come

Teacher Spotlight: Mr. Evanthyony MacKenzie

By Alexis Davis and Azusena Rodriguez

."Mr. Evanthyony Mackenzie teaches ESE at Kathleen High School. He was inspired to do so by his little brother, who has down syndrome. "We had a hard time finding a school that worked for him, said Mr. MacKenzie" He has been teaching for 10 years, and has been at KHS for three years now. He believes the best way to handle a misbehaving student is through communication, and the best way to help a struggling student is spending more time with the student. "Communication with the parent, communication with the student, that usually gets things under control." He suggests that students work hard, refuse to give up, and keep their future in their sights when they are struggling. His advice for aspiring teachers is to "Be dedicated, be firm, and love hard."



ACADEMY DAY

Hosted by the Office of Congressman Dennis Ross

Saturday, March 4, 2017 @ 10:00 AM

Hillsborough Community College
Trinkle Center

1206 N Park Rd, Plant City, FL 33563

U.S. Military Service Academy Information Session

Application Process, Academy Requirements, Congressional Nominations



Lunch Menu

Monday—February 13, 2017

Meatball Sub or Chef Salad or Turkey & Cheese Sub/Flatbread, Waffle Cut Sweet Potato Fries, Romaine & Tomato, Cole Slaw, Baby Carrots, Chilled Fruit, Seasonal Fresh Fruit Variety

Tuesday—February 14, 2017

Chicken Taco Meat, Shredded Cheddar Cheese, Steamed Rice or Harvest Chicken Salad or Ham & Cheese Sub or Buffalo Chicken Wrap, Seasoned Pinto Beans, Bean Salad, Romaine & Tomato, 100% Juice, Seasonal Fresh Fruit Variety

Wednesday—February 15, 2017

White Spaghetti or Asian Chicken Salad or Italian Pizza Sub/3 Meat Italian Flatbread, Cookie, Steamed Broccoli, Garden Salad, Fresh Veggie Combo, Spiced Fruit, Seasonal Fresh Fruit Variety

Thursday—February 16, 2017

Sloppy Joe, Tortilla Chips, Shredded Cheese, Chicken Caesar Salad or Turkey & Cheese Sub/Chicken Caesar Wrap, Steamed Blend Veggies, Garden Salad, Fresh Veggie Combo, Seasonal Fresh Fruit

Friday—February 17, 2017

Cheese Pizza Slice/Pepperoni Pizza Slice or Buffalo Chicken Salad or Ham & Cheese Sub/Flatbread, Corn on the Cob, Fresh Veggie Combo, Whole Fruit Frozen Juice Cup, Fresh Fruit Variety

Monday Feb. 13	
Tuesday Feb. 14	
Wednesday Feb. 15	Boys Varsity Baseball vs. Haines City @ Santa Fe @ 4:00
Thursday Feb. 16	Girls/Boys Track (Open) (Home) @ 5:30 Girls Tennis vs. GJHS (Away) @ 4:00
Friday Feb. 17	Boys Varsity Baseball vs. Tenoroc @ Santa Fe @ 4:00 Girls Softball vs. Tenoroc (Home) @ 7:30
Saturday Feb. 18	Girls/Boys Track-GJHS Invitational @ GJHS @ 8:00 a.m.

After School 2nd Quarter Grade Recovery Program



We are very excited to let you know that we have just received approval and funding for an after school 2nd Quarter Credit Recovery Program from Title One! We will run the program in the Main Media Center and it will be open till 5:00 p.m. to allow students to have a place to work on credit recovery work and on their current 3rd quarter assignments to avoid being in the same position next quarter.

Teachers can send their credit recovery packet to Title One and the tutors will make copies for the students who come to after school credit recovery. We will collect the assignments and return the assignments for the teachers to grade. Teachers who want their students to just make up missing assignments from their gradebook also don't have to do anything except tell the Title One tutors and the missing assignments report will be provided to any and all students who show up for after school credit recovery.

Our program after school is also not just for credit recovery. We will give students a place to work on their school work while they re waiting for their ride home, practice and/or any sports event. Parents, please encourage your child to come to the main media center any day from 2:00—5:00 for 2nd Quarter Recovery. We will be glad to help all students who attend.

Student Focus



Paola Gonzalez

By Tyler G. Johnson-Yates

Paola Gonzalez, a Senior, is originally from Puerto Rico. Paola was about 5 when her and her parents came over to the U.S. her parents wanted to get her away from the crime and corruption of Puerto Rico. For all of high school, she has stayed here at Kathleen. Her favorite teacher is Mr. Goff because, "He's really nice, caring, and gives great life advice." The greatest things about KHS for her was all her experiences, including working with the babies in Early Childhood, the field trips with the Success Team and being part of the Translation Club. She does regret not being more

involved in the clubs offered. She hopes to go to college and study to become a nurse. She isn't sure what college she wants to attend, just as long as it has a great medical program.



Paola Gonzalez

FSA Parent Night at Dream Center A Huge Success



Keiser College

Polk State College

Toi Speed

Pauline Simmonds-Brown

Sponsored by:



Translation Club Dancers

Thank you to everyone who contributed to FSA Parent Night. Fish Fry was great. Parents, students and community members were able to hear and receive a lot of good information and enjoy good fellowship and food!

**ATTENTION
HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS
SPECTRUM SPORTS WANTS TO
HELP YOU PAY
FOR COLLEGE**

SEE YOUR GUIDANCE COUNSELOR OR VISIT MYSPECTRUMSPORTS.COM FOR DETAILS

**SPECTRUM
SPORTS
SCHOLARSHIP**

IF YOU PARTICIPATE IN SPORTS AND EXCEL IN ACADEMICS YOU COULD BE AWARDED THE SPECTRUM SPORTS SCHOLARSHIP. APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE FROM YOUR GUIDANCE COUNSELOR OR AT MYSPECTRUMSPORTS.COM.



Spectrum Sports is dedicated to helping high school seniors pay for college. The Spectrum Sports Scholarship is awarded each year to four high school seniors who excel in athletics and academics. This one-time scholarship valued at \$2,500 will be given to one male and one female in the Tampa Bay market and one male and one female in the Central Florida market.

In order to select this year's scholarship winners, we need your help. Please share the information about the scholarship to students who meet the specified criteria below.

To be eligible for the scholarship, applicants must:

- Be a high school senior
- Attend a high school within the Spectrum Sports viewing area
- Have minimum GPA of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale (unweighted)
- Have participated in athletics while in high school

All applications must be fully completed and returned to Spectrum Sports with a postmark date of **February 25, 2017**.

The Spectrum Sports Scholarship application can be found and downloaded from the Spectrum Sports website by visiting www.myspectrumsports.com and scrolling down to the "SCHOLARSHIP" link in the middle of the page.



FCA are still selling hats. Show your spirit and support by purchasing a Kathleen snapback mesh hat.

Hats are \$10.00

Florida Aviation Historical Society 2017 Scholarship



The Florida Aviation Historical Society is pleased to provide one (1) \$1,000 scholarship to a deserving high school student that has excellent academic achievement and aspires to pursue aviation or aerospace as a field of study at a university, college, or trade school. This scholarship may be used for any educational expenses, including but not limited to tuition, books, fees, and any other educational costs. A check will be sent directly to your school of choice by June 9, 2017. The selected scholarship winner will be invited to attend the FAHS 2018 Annual Meeting to receive recognition for winning the scholarship. See Ms. Sprouse for more details.

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Final Office: Box 2753 • Lakeland, Florida 33806 • 888.604.2028
www.randyrobertsfoundation.org

2016 Scholarship Application

Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone Number(s): _____

High School: _____

Grade Point Average: _____ SAT and/or ACT Score: _____

College/University attending: _____

Please attach a resume of your activities, clubs, sports, community service, work, etc. Attach a wallet-sized photo to the top left corner of your application.

Essay Questions:

Please answer the following questions on a separate sheet.

1. What high school involvement was most meaningful to you and why?
2. Briefly describe your areas of interest - these can be potential college majors/minors, areas where you would like to serve your community and college, possible career path, etc.
3. Teachers, coaches, pastors, family members, and community volunteers can inspire us to do great things. Tell us about someone who has mentored you and how that relationship impacted your life.
4. Governing bodies and civic groups can make tremendous differences in a community. Please tell us how you plan to make a difference in your college community.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2017

@ THE COLEMAN-BUSH BUILDING

CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY

MONTH

10AM - 2PM

FESTIVAL 2017

**“We Remember~Educate~Celebrate~
Black History In Our Community”**

COME, LEARN & ENJOY

**Music Historical Activities
Youth Oratorical Performances**

MORE, MORE, AND MORE ACTIVITIES

It's

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CHILDREN AND ADULTS OF ALL AGES

BLACK HISTORY IT'S NOT JUST OUR HISTORY,

IT'S AMERICAN HISTORY