

HILANDER TIMES

JUNE 2023

IMPORTANT DATES:

- **June 7**
==> Last Day of School for Seniors
==> Scholarships & Awards Night
- **June 8**
==> Awards Assembly
==> Baccalaurette
- **June 9**
==> Graduation Rehearsal
==> Grad Parade
- **June 10**
==> 2023 Graduation
- **June 14**
==> Last Day of School (Grades 9-11)
Early Dismissal @ 10:05 a.m.
- **June 21**
==> Main Office closed for the Summer
(office will reopen August 16)

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MAIN OFFICE HOURS:

MONDAY - FRIDAY 7:30 A.M.-3:30 P.M.



A Letter from Principal Walker

Hilander Families,

It's hard to believe that we are nearing the end of the school year, and yet here we are. Graduation is just around the corner, Saturday, June 10 at 1:00. We hope you plan on joining us to celebrate your graduate and their first steps toward their future. The next couple of weeks is full of senior events highlighting student achievements (see senior events list).

Past tradition has included the publication of the top 5% in The Daily News. The Daily News has elected not to include the top 5% list in the publication this year; as a result, we will include those honors in this Parent Newsletter.

As we approach the end of the school year, please check in with your student's progress in Skyward. Attendance is critical to student success; please encourage your student to attend school, be on time, and engage in their learning activities in class. In order to meet our goal of 100% graduation, we all need to support each student's academic success.

All Chromebooks will be collected at the end of the school year for maintenance. Seniors will turn in their devices June 6, and all other grade level students will turn in their devices the next week, June 12 & 13. Please make sure that your student brings their device to turn in, or a fine will be submitted for a Chromebook replacement.

Thank you for your constant support of our students and school. We hope you have a wonderful summer break, and we look forward to supporting your students next school year.

Sincerely,

Sheri Walker

Principal, Kelso High School



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SAVE THE DATE

2023

GRADUATION

KELSO HIGH • KELSO VIRTUAL ACADEMY • LOOWIT



Saturday, June 10 • 1:00 pm

Attend: Laulainen Stadium at Schroeder Field

IMPORTANT DATES:

- Last Day of Class for Seniors June 7
- Scholarships & Awards Night June 7
- Awards Assembly & Baccalaureate Practice June 8
- Baccalaureate June 8
- Graduation Rehearsal (Mandatory) June 9
- Grad Parade (following rehearsal) June 9
- Graduation June 10

CLASS OF 2023

Valedictorian



ANGELINE EUGENIS

Salutatorian



JOLENE POLLICH

Salutatorian



JASON TRAN



Top 5%



BANNICK ALLEN



JOHN ALLISON



MARA BRIDGES



ANGELINE EUGENIS



CLAUDIA GIPSON



DAWSON GREEN



Top 5%



KAYTLYNN HONGA



MAGGIE MCGHEE



JOLENE POLLICH



GUILLERMINA RIOS RIOS



JACK ROBARGE



RUBY SEREDAY



Top 5%



JOSIE SETTLE



VIOLET TAYLOR



EMILY THOMPSON



JASON TRAN





KHS *Registrar* SUMMER HOURS

- We will have limited office hours from June 15th to 30th.
- The Registrars will return for the 2024 school year starting August 16th, 2023 from 8am -3pm.

Please call to set up at appointment at:

360-501-1850

Transcript requests are done online through
this google form:



For any questions please email us at:
janelle.henderson@kelsosd.org
sarah.williams@kelsosd.org



KHS May Student Core Values Spotlight

Congratulations to these students who demonstrate our core values in their actions, words, and service to our school community.

Kelso Rotary is highlighting academic standing, positive, representatives of our school, participation in extra-curricular activities, community involvement, and leadership and service to others. Two of these students will be chosen as Kelso

Rotary Students of the Month for November and will attend a luncheon with Superintendent Tack and receive a \$50 certificate commemorating this honor.

**Destinee Boggs
Kamaile Correa
Carver Doehne
Neveah Gingerich
Claudia Gipson
Kalen Gorley
Madalynn Kratzer
Alyvia Lile
Naiser Lukas**

**Kamren Mattison
Kim Ochoa-Ramirez
Darius Ogren
Makoa Perez
Jacob Rivera
Darson Ruben
Angela Stoor
Betty Ward**



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May Kelso Rotary Students of the Month



Naiser Lukas



Kamaile Correa

Kelso
Rotary
Club



Letter from the Athletic Director



Hilanders,

What a tremendous year it was for Kelso athletics. All topped off with a Girls Track and Field State championship. We had so many incredible accomplishments, both in team sports and as individuals; too many to mention individually. The dedication and individual sacrifice by our coaches and our athletes is truly remarkable. Overall, we had:

- 1 State Champion – Girls Track and Field
- 1 Academic All-State Champion – Girls Wrestling
- 5 State placers – Girls Track and Field (1st), Volleyball (7th) , Boys Wrestling (8th), Cheerleading (3rd), Bowling (Individual 2nd)
- 9 State playoff appearances – Football, Cross Country, Swimming, Volleyball, Slow-Pitch, Wrestling, Cheerleading, Bowling, Track and Field, Baseball, and Golf.
- 8 Athletes of the Year
- 4 Coaches of the Year
- 43 – 1st Team All- League selections
- 40 – 2nd Team All-League selections
- 12 Senior Athletes continuing the academic and athletic career at the next level.

As stated, we had so many amazing accomplishments; I wish we could recognize every single one of them. However, their contributions to Kelso and their families have not been overlooked. All of our athletes, coaches and community members deserve high praise.

Even though we have had remarkable results on the field, court, and pool, what truly sets Kelso athletes apart is their dedication and commitment to prioritizing their academics. Our programs (with the exception of two), including sub-varsity, maintained a 3.00 GPS or higher. This is a remarkable accomplishment and really identifies the culture you have created. Athletic success is great, but to be a true student-athlete, one must be dedicated to ensuring academics are a priority.

As the year comes to an end, I want to take a moment to share my appreciation for you and everything you do that allows Kelso to be as successful as it is. During my time at Kelso, I have had the privilege to develop such deeply meaningful relationships. Many of which I will cherish for many years to come. Kelso “does it right.”The support and encouragement you provide is second to none. I know I spend a lot of time praising our student-athletes, but the praise surely extends to you as well. Without your support and dedication, Kelso would not be what it is.

Thank you so much for your unwavering commitment. I am honored and privileged to have had the opportunity to be the athletic director at Kelso High School, and I am thankful to be part of such a great school and community.

Thank you,

Ryan Aldred
Athletic Director

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ATHLETE OF THE MONTH

Fastpitch – Kaydence Mackin

Kaydence had an incredible softball performance for the month of May. At the plate she went 14 for 25 with a .560 batting average and 11 RBI's. But she didn't just dominate the plate, she also dominated the pitching mound. Kaydence threw 28 innings, hurling 16's strikeouts and only allowing 10 earned runs giving her a 2.47 ERA with no committed errors. She is not only a force on the field but also a team captain and a true leader. Kaydence was selected as a unanimous first team, all-league outfielder. She will continue her academic and athletic career at Lower Columbia Community College next year.



Kelso Girls Track and Field – State Champions

What an amazing spring our Lassies had on the track. Undefeated in league, they won the GSHL 3A district championship, the West Central Regional Championship, and capped it off with a 3A State Championship. Congratulations to all the girls with PR's and for all their contributions along the way. A special shoutout to the three lassies who combined for 53 points at the state meet.

- Josie Settle - 3A GSHL All League 100 HH/ 3A GSHL All League 300 H./ 3A GSHL All League Long Jump/ 3A GSHL All League Triple Jump/ 3A GSHL All League Track & Field Athlete of the Year, State 3rd Place Triple Jump, State 3rd Place Long Jump and State Champion in 100m and 300m hurdles also setting a KHS record.
- Ruby Sereday - 3A GSHL All League Shot Put/ 3A GSHL All League Javelin/ 3A GSHL All League Discus, 5th Place State Shotput and State Champion Javelin
- Reilee Gourde - 3A GSHL All League Javelin/ 3A GSHL All League Pole Vault, 6th Place State Pole Vault and 5th Place State Javelin

May 2023



KHS LIBRARY

June

Fine Reminders

Do you have unpaid library or Chromebook fines? Thanks to a generous grant from the KPSF, we can help you with that! Contact the Library Clerk about the Library Fees Assistance Form, & get some financial help paying those fees down!

Book Return

All books were due back to the library by May 31, **BUT** if you still have a book checked out, you can still return it! Put your book into the drop box in the library vestibule, or in the book slot in B hall. If you have questions about late fees, please contact the library clerk.



Thank you!

Thanks to your suggestions, the KHS library has added more than 200 new books to the library in the 2022-2023 school year! Keep your suggestions coming!



KHS LIBRARY

GOT LIBRARY FINES?

WE CAN HELP!

Active and current KHS students can get an application from the Library Clerk, and apply for assistance funds to help pay off those fines before graduation.

Talk to the Library Clerk for more info, and to get your application!

[SITES.GOOGLE.COM/KELSO.WEDNET.EDU/
KHSLIBRARY/HOME](https://sites.google.com/kelso.wednet.edu/khslibrary/home)



Kelso's Free Summer Meals



For ages 18 and younger. No enrollment required. All meals must be consumed on site.

Our Locations

Site	Dates	Breakfast	Lunch	Location
<u>Kelso High School</u> 1904 Allen Street	June 20th- August 10th* Mon-Fri	8:15am-8:45am	11:00am-12:30pm	Inside main doors, cafeteria at end of Main St, and to the left
<u>Kelso Public Library</u> 351 Three Rivers Dr.	June 21st- July 28th* Tues-Fri	N/A	12:00pm-1:00pm	Inside Kelso Mall
<u>Lexington Elementary School</u> 200 Boardwalk Way	June 26th- July 28th* Mon-Thurs	N/A	11:30am-12:30pm	Inside main doors, cafeteria to the left
<u>Wallace Elementary School</u> 1213 S 5th ave	June 26th- July 28th* Mon-Thurs	8:15am-8:45am	11:30am-12:30pm	Inside main doors, cafeteria straight ahead

No meal service on July 3rd or 4th

✱Kelso students enrolled in Summer Education will be provided meals on a separate schedule.✱

For information including menus and more, visit our site at
kelso.wednet.edu under Departments, Nutrition Services
Call: 360-501-1807

Email: nutrition.resource@kelsosd.org

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SWIM LESSONS



OFFERED ALL YEAR

MON, TUES, THURS, FRIDAY 4-7PM

KELSO HIGH SCHOOL

1901 Allen Street, Kelso, WA 98626

2 WEEK SESSIONS \$45

For more information, please contact 360-501-1855

www.gaitherpool.com



GOOGLE DRIVE

AS PART OF THE DISTRICT'S "CAREER, COLLEGE, AND COMMUNITY READY" GOAL, OUR STUDENTS WILL BE UTILIZING GOOGLE DRIVE ACCOUNTS THAT ALLOW THEM TO PRODUCE, SHARE, AND EASILY ACCESS ASSIGNMENTS, DOCUMENTS AND PROJECTS USING ONLINE TOOLS.

GOOGLE DRIVE PROVIDES FREE WORD PROCESSING, SPREADSHEET, AND PRESENTATION SOFTWARE THAT STUDENTS CAN USE TO CREATE DOCUMENTS FROM ANY COMPUTER THAT HAS INTERNET ACCESS. THE DISTRICT HAS ITS OWN GOOGLE DRIVE PORTAL THAT ALLOWS FOR THE CREATION OF ACCOUNTS FOR OUR STUDENTS. THESE ARE NOT TO BE TREATED AS PRIVATE ACCOUNTS, BUT ARE PROVIDED FOR THE PURPOSE OF SCHOOL RELATED WORK AND COMMUNICATIONS. THE BENEFIT OF GOOGLE DRIVE IS THAT STUDENTS WILL HAVE ACCESS TO THEIR DOCUMENTS BOTH AT HOME AND SCHOOL ON ANY COMPUTER THAT HAS ACCESS TO THE INTERNET. IN ADDITION TO FAMILIAR TOOLS LIKE GOOGLE DRIVE, CLASSROOM, KEEP, AND SITES, SECONDARY STUDENTS WILL ALSO HAVE ACTIVE GMAIL ACCOUNTS THAT CAN BE USED FOR SCHOOL RELATED PURPOSES. WE ARE USING A MONITORING TOOL CALLED BARK THAT ALERTS US TO INAPPROPRIATE OR DANGEROUS CONTENT. FLAGGED ACTIVITY WILL BE REVIEWED AND FOLLOWED UP ON IF NEEDED. WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO DISCUSS WITH YOUR CHILD HOW HE/SHE IS USING GOOGLE DRIVE IN SCHOOL.



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All Kelso schools take the Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying (HIB) of students very seriously. According to the most recent Healthy Youth Survey, the majority of students in Kelso schools indicate that they feel safe at school. Any student, parent or other interested adult can report an incident of HIB using the Kelso Incident Report Form (which is available on the website and in the main office of all schools).

Harassment, Intimidation or Bullying (HIB) is an intentional electronic, written, verbal, or physical act that:

- Physically harms a student or damages the student's property.
- Has the effect of substantially interfering with a student's education.
- Is so severe, persistent, or pervasive that it creates an intimidating or threatening educational environment.
- Has the effect of substantially disrupting the orderly operation of the school.

If you have any questions about this policy please contact the principal of your child's school, or the Director of Student Services,, Gunnar Guttormsen, at the Kelso School District office.

Kelso School District #458 complies with all federal rules and regulations and does not discriminate in any programs or activities on the basis of sex, race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, veteran or military status, sexual orientation, gender expression or identity, disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups listed in Title 36 of the United States Code. The following employee(s) has been designated to handle questions and complaints of alleged discrimination: Holly Budge, Director of Human Resources, the school district's Title VII Officer and ADA Coordinator. People of disability may request reasonable accommodation in the hiring process by contacting, Holly Budge, Director of Human Resources, 601 Crawford Street, Kelso, WA 98626 or (360) 501-1924.

Inquiries regarding compliance procedures regarding students may be directed to Gunnar Guttormsen, Director of Student Services, the school district's Title IX & Section 504 Coordinator, 601 Crawford Street, Kelso, WA 98626 (360) 501-1900.

KELSO SCHOOL DISTRICT IS A DRUG AND TOBACCO-FREE WORKPLACE