

Kent Island High School Families,

August has arrived and the countdown until the first days of the 2019/2020 school year has officially begun!

I sincerely thank all of you that have updated your Back to School forms/Emergency Information using InfoSnap. We are currently 70% complete which means 30% of us have yet to update the forms! If you have not, please use the link, provided on our website, www.kihigh.org, soon to update your information. As you know, I am unable to activate your Parent Portal account nor am I able to distribute your student's laptop until this information is updated. Parent Portal accounts will be turned on for those who have completed their Back to School forms on August 19. And, I am very excited to share that those students with up to date forms, will receive their brand new laptop on their first day of school!

I am very excited to introduce our new staff members:

- **Billie Brice (Ricketts), who taught Science at both Matapeake Middle School and Sudlersville Middle School joins our main campus as an Assistant Principal. Billie replaces Krystal Chambers who is now the principal of Centreville Middle School.**
- **Carrie Mitten, who has most recently served as an Assistant Principal at Sudlersville Middle School joins our 9th Grade Annex as our full time Assistant Principal. Conrad Judy is once again enjoying retirement.**
- **Megan Palmer, a KIHS alumni, has spent the past 11 years working in our community within the Stevensville branch of Queenstown Bank, and now will fill our position of financial secretary. Megan replaces Katrina Gascot who took a position at the Board of Education.**
- **April Leone joins us with extensive experience from Anne Arundel County along with Madison Margas a 2019 graduate of Bowie State University. Both will be joining our special education department within our Life Skills Program.**
- **Jennifer Huffman, also a KIHS alumni, and a 2019 graduate from Towson University joins our world language department as a Spanish teacher replacing Ashley Luecking.**
- **Connor Farrell, a graduate of Towson University joins our social studies department replacing Tim Kerr who took a position out of state.**
- **Kevin Valenti, who brings a wealth of math teaching experience in Anne Arundel County joins our math department.**

And, as many already know, Melissa Osborn, from our school counseling office, has taken a counseling position in Anne Arundel County. We are presently interviewing for her replacement.

Juniors and Seniors who wish to park on campus must complete the Parking Permit Application and receive a permit. Our students can save \$5.00 by submitting their application before August 26. By September 6, all students must have a permit in order to park on the lot. The updated Parking Permit Application is available on our website, kihigh.org. Students must have cleared all obligations and have had a 2.0 GPA at the end of Q4, 2018-2019 in order to apply for their permit.

Students can check kihigh.org under the “student tab” to check for Summer AP Assignments. Information pertaining to the English Summer Reading assignment can be found on the Queen Anne’s County website, qacps.org.

Each year, our PTSA welcomes our teachers and staff back to KIHS with a catered luncheon and mailbox treat. This year, the back to school luncheon will be held on Friday, August 30th and mailbox treats will be delivered on the first day of school.

In order to make both events successful, they are in need of your support in the form of donations. Please use the signup genius list below to indicate what you would like to contribute towards the luncheon and/or mailbox treats.

[2019 KIHS PTSA Back to School Lunch and Mailbox Treats](#)

Please have all donations at the KIHS Main Office by 3:00PM, Thursday, August 29th.

I have also attached the 2019-2020 PTSA membership form. You can drop off completed forms and dues at the Main Campus office at any time. Thank you for your support.

Fall Play Audition: KIHS 2019 Fall Play auditions will take place on Monday August 19th and Tuesday August 20th. Both dates are from 9AM - 11AM and you only need to attend one audition date. At your audition you will be asked to present 1- 2 memorized monologues from the 12 Angry Jurors Audition Monologues Google Doc found within the 12 Angry Jurors Google Classroom. Callbacks will take place Wednesday August 21st. If you would like to audition please join the Google Classroom site using the code **15y29v1** and complete the 12 Angry Jurors Audition Information Google Doc by August 15th. Once logged in to the classroom please review the 12 Angry Jurors Audition Information Google Doc for more details. All Kent Island students are welcome to audition - no acting experience required! For questions, please contact Mr. Reagan at Kevin.Reagan@qacps.org.

Important Dates:

- | | |
|-------------------------|---|
| Week of August 5 | Student schedules emailed with room numbers, teacher name, locker information. |
| August 14 | Fall sports begin. Please see www.kihigh.org for details. |
| August 22 | Open House for 9th graders, 4:00PM-6:00PM. |
| August 26 | Our faculty and staff returns. |
| August 29 | Back to School Night. All classes meet at the Main Campus 6:00PM |
| September 3 | The Bucs are Back in Action! 9th Graders report. |
| September 4 | Sophomores, Juniors, and the Class of 2020 return. |
| September 6 | Picture Day. Smile! |
| September 16-19 | Senior Portrait Make-ups |

October 7 Interim Reports Home

October 11 Homecoming Dance 6:00-9:00PM

October 12 Homecoming Parade 11:00AM Kickoff 1:00PM

We will send additional information prior to the opening of school so please stay tuned. As always, please contact us if we can provide assistance.

John R. Schrecongost