



Kenmore West HSA - Meeting Notes  
Thursday, April 13, 2023

1. Welcome
  
2. Technology/Engineering Department - Kevin Day <https://www.ktufsd.org/Page/18121>
  - Spoke about Pre-Engineering Academy <https://www.ktufsd.org/page/168>
    - KenTon brought 1st and 2nd year college courses from various technical colleges, like RIT, to the Academy so students could be exposed to more advanced courses - all the instructors have gone through training
    - Many colleges take the credits earned in the academy
    - Brought a student to talk about his positive experience in the program - very informative
    - Graduating 24-28 kids/year
  - They offer 7 college credit courses
  - Enrollment for all classes next year so far is 550 students - brought in examples of what students in the program have been doing
  - They are constantly getting feedback from students to make the courses better
  
3. Administration Report - Mr. Johnson
  - Newsletter coming out this week <https://www.smore.com/e4j5t>
  - Aware of “swatting” calls made to various schools in the area and state
    - Swatting: the action of making hoax phone calls to report serious crimes to emergency service which in turn would require a SWAT response from authorities
    - The District and buildings work closely with police and other organizations to evaluate & assess threats - all are investigated
    - Depending on the threat they would go into lockdown mode (no one in or out of the building or classroom) - in an actual lockdown situation no one (including school admin) would leave their current location except for the SRO who would assess the situation
    - In an emergency evacuation, they would go to the Kenmore Middle building and prepare for reunification
  - Have been working with restorative circles (identity/acknowledge the harm done & then repair damage) since 2nd marking period to help with student behaviors
    - they have worked especially well in mitigating student conflict, in some cases they have brought in students and parents to discuss the situation
    - Almost all of the student conflicts begin outside of school and then spill over into the building

- Next year will be using community-building circles which allow the students to learn more about each other
  - they will start doing this monthly with consistent groups within the same grade
  - will expand as the year goes on
  - also, look into cross-grade circles in the future
- Each hallway has been divided into a Neighborhood where the staff in that area connect and monitor the students
  - Gives them the ability to have positive interactions but also to look for any issues
- Door 1 will be ready to use by the start of the next school year
  - After the school day begins, visitors & students will enter Door 1 to a vestibule, from there identification will be checked, and then they are allowed to enter the building or will drop off any items
  - Current procedures except go to Door 2  
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Ydzy-aqIdvevFAK4oLFSVQcgyrDBloFC/view>

#### 4. HSA Business

- Scholarship (3, \$250 awards) - application in guidance - deadline 4/17
  - Have 3 volunteers read and score
- Staff Appreciation - Friday, May 5
  - 180 faculty/staff
  - Outside vinyl sign
  - 7 sheet (24 squares) breakfast pizzas (5 meat/2 vegetarian) - \$33/each - \$231 + tax
  - WHAT ELSE?
    - 5 Tops Breakfast pastry tray (36 pastry) - \$13.99/each @ \$70?
    - BYOB beverages because after discussion too hard to figure out what everyone would want
    - Need tablecloths, napkins, plates, building permit
    - Prepare an invitation
- Happy Hour during the Combined Band Concert was a success
- Decided will not hold a Happy Hour during the Art Night & Orchestra concert, Thursday, May 18, 2023

Last meeting date of the year: Wednesday, May 10, 2023