



# Kennett High School



Principal's Report  
October 13, 2015

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## Identified Improvement Targets in Progress

1. The leadership team has worked to create a new common PLC format to be used throughout the high school. A weekly reporting document will be completed on Google Docs and posted within every PLC binder. The standardization and organization will also be a big benefit with the future NEASC accreditation review in 2018.
2. We have ordered 100 graphing calculators for the Math Department. Students will be exposed to and learn graphing calculator skills in every math class at Kennett and this year all our juniors will be able to use the technology on the SAT standardized test.
3. School Counselors visited all Economic and Civics classes over the last week to discuss with seniors their plans after high school and the college application process. Next week, school counselors will be going into all the freshman classes to discuss the importance of transcripts, selecting the right classes, getting involved, and creating a 4 year plan with every freshman. Counselors will invite all freshmen to individual interviews to get to know them on an individual basis and explain how the school counseling office can help them over their four years here.
4. The PSAT test is being administered to everyone in our junior class on Wednesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>. This test is no charge for our juniors and is excellent preparation for the SAT test to be administered by the state next April.

## Student & Staff Accomplishments

- Penny Kittle's freshman class will be forming a partnership with an English class at Magnolia High School, which is located in Anaheim, CA. As part of this collaboration, students from both sides of the country (Anaheim and North Conway) will interact with one another throughout the school year as they work to deepen their literacy skills. Both classes will read and study William Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet* at the same time, and students will share their thinking with one another across the country as they read the play; (2) Students from both schools will read and comment on each others' essays--feedback will help students from both schools to improve their writing skills. The partnership class in California is taught by Mr. Kelly Gallagher, who is the author of a number of books about literacy. Parental permission slips have been sent to parents to keep everyone informed of this exciting digital age learning opportunity.

- Kennett continues to promote health and wellness by offering free flu shots for our students in the nurse's office every Thursday morning during PLC time during the month of October. This is a continuation of a program which we have offered families during the past few years.
- The total enrollment of Kennett High School as of October 1<sup>st</sup> is now at 819 students, an increase of 11 students over last year. Also, as of October 1<sup>st</sup> we have 35 full time students enrolled in Eagle Academy which is the same as the previous year and we have an additional 14 credit recovery students. We expect these numbers in Eagle Academy to continue to rise during the second semester.
- Bella Branham and nine other Kennett students are working with Allison Izard the new english teacher to create and publish a new student Kennett newspaper. This will be a digital newspaper and will be hosted on the KHS website and the plans are to publish several times per year.
- The KHS Job Prep Program, during the Unified Wellness class, worked to clean up and weed the Millen Stone beds in front of the stadium entrance. They completed everything in time for the homecoming game! I estimated they contributed over 20 hours of work for the KHS community!



Community Service

