



## Annual Coat Drive

The HS Student Council is running their ANNUAL WINTER COAT DRIVE. Please bring NEW or gently used coats to the main office, and help keep the community warm.



## Kittatinny Regional High School Winter Coat Drive



Winter is on its way! Help us keep our neighbors warm, safe and healthy in the winter months by donating new or gently used winter coats.

### November 1 through December 12

All styles and sizes are needed – infant through adult.

Coats will be distributed to neighbors in need by  Project Self-Sufficiency.

127 Mill Street Newton, NJ 07860 • (973) 940-3500 • [www.projectselfsufficiency.org](http://www.projectselfsufficiency.org)     

*Thank You for sharing your warmth & generosity!*

## Blanket Drive



KRHS will be holding its annual Miller/Mein blanket drive from now until Friday, Dec. 13th. You can drop off any new or gently used blanket, comforter etc. to Mr. Joyce in B-16 until this date. Blankets will be distributed to various shelters in the tri-state area to help those who are less fortunate.

## High School News

### Cougars Sing Their Way National Honors

Mr. Henke is elated to share the following 6 students who were selected to participate in the ACDA National Honors Choir from a nationwide pool of over 5000 applicants, this year, to represent KRHS in Dallas, TX in March! They are:

Mason Hull  
Nathaniel Kern  
Jonathan Kern  
Gianna Caruso  
Daniel Wallace  
Abigail Civil

This is an extraordinary honor and is the highest number of students we have had accepted at the national level in my time at KRHS. They will be attending rehearsals and the conference with me March 18-22, 2025 in Dallas, TX.

Any school would be thrilled to have one or two students accepted at the national level. This is a tremendous honor and very uncommon to have this many students represented outside of a fine arts magnet school. Congratulations to our Cougars!



## Jr High News



### Cougar CAT Award

Congratulations to the following Junior High students who received a CAT award (Caring and Thoughtfulness) Award for the month of November. Sometime during the course of each month, faculty members will nominate a student(s) they have observed doing something that was caring or thoughtful for someone else. Thank you to the following students for making a positive influence on those around you each and every day here at Kittatinny.

Carmine Battaglia  
Matthew DeLorenzo  
Wyatt Miller

### PAW Program

Congratulations to the following Junior High students who received a PAW (Positive Attitude Winner) for the month of November. The PAW Program allows teachers to nominate students as many times as they wish when they witness positive actions occurring in their classrooms.

Chloe Bello  
Arianna Bocchino  
Giada DeProspero  
Dylan Gordon  
Amelia Miller  
Addison Pritorch  
Alaina Rittweger  
Mackenzie Warth



### Junior High Winter Holiday Dance

Attention all 7th and 8th grade parent/guardians

The Junior High Winter Holiday Dance will be held on Friday, December 13th 2024 from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm in the Multi-Purpose Room. No outside guests allowed - only Kittatinny 7th and 8th grade students. This event is "Dress to Impress" by putting on their Sunday best!

The cost is \$20.00 per person which includes desserts, drinks, DJ and maybe even an appearance from Santa Clause.

The Junior High Student council will be pre-selling tickets to this event starting on Monday, December 2th thru Monday, December 6th during all lunch periods.

The Junior High Student Council is always looking for monetary donations or gift cards to ShopRite (and for this dance Dunkin Donuts!), to help offset costs. Please email Mr. Chiarello at [rchiarello@kths.net](mailto:rchiarello@kths.net) if you have any questions or concerns. Looking forward to a fun evening.

## Guidance News



Below are the High Honor Roll and Honor Roll lists for Marking Period 1.

High Honor Roll

Honor Roll



Check out this month's Scholarship Newsletter.

December Scholarship Newsletter

### 2025-26 FAFSA is Open for New Applications

Good news! FAFSA 2025-26 has just opened for students and parent contributors.

[FAFSA® Application](#) | [Federal Student Aid](#)

[www.studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa](http://www.studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa)

or just [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov)

Sussex County Community College offers FAFSA workshops. Click the link below to register for upcoming workshops.

<https://www.sussex.edu/admissions/paying-for-college/financial-aid/fafsa-workshops/>

### Kitatinny 4-Year College Application Deadline



Seniors:

Please keep in mind that the Kitatinny Deadline for 4-Year College Application is Friday, December 13. This ensures that your application materials will arrive at your colleges in a timely manner. Many colleges have a January 1st deadline and counselors are not in the office over the break to send your materials.

Please make sure you let your counselor and Mrs. Fuchs know where you have been accepted to!

Thanks!

Mrs. Morelli, Ms. Hegarty & Mr. DeMartini



Mr. DeMartini is planning on taking a group of students to the Universal Technical Institute (Bloomfield NJ campus) on December 17, 2024. The bus will leave at 7:45am and we will return at 2:00pm. The following programs are offered at UTI:

- Automotive
- NASCAR
- Diesel
- Motorcycle
- Marine
- Collision Repair
- CNC Machining
- Welding

If you think your child is interested in any of these areas as a potential career, or if you just want to see what UTI is all about, please have them sign up with Mr. DeMartini. He will only be taking the first 50 students to sign up. The sign-up sheet will be on his office door with permission slips.

If you have any questions please contact Mr. DeMartini at ext. 1240.

Thank you,  
Guidance Department

## Cougar Athletics



## NEWTON TROPHY – VARSITY JACKETS

10 BROAD STREET  
BRANCHVILLE, NJ 07826  
973-948-0613

Newton Trophy is coming to your school, to custom size you for your Varsity Jacket.

**DATE:** December 9, 2024

**TIME:** 10:30 – 1:00

**SCHOOL:** Kittatiny

**PLACE:** CAFETERIA

\$250.00 Deposit required on all orders. All Jackets are custom orders and take 12 weeks to complete.

Any Jacket ordered at school will receive a \$15.00 discount.

Please make all checks payable to: NEWTON TROPHY

*Please bring your varsity certificate or letter from your coach for your varsity jacket.*

### Newton-Kittatiny Wrestling Apparel

Please check out the Newton Kittatiny Wrestling apparel link below. Orders will be in before Christmas.

Wrestling  
Apparel

## 24.25 Testing Information

**STATE TESTING DATES:**

- NJGPA October Make Up Test:
  - October 7 -11, 2024
- NJGPA Spring Administration for Grade 11
  - March 10 -14, 2025
- NJSLA Spring Administration for Grades 7, 8, & 9
  - April 28 - May 23, 2025

#### RESOURCES:

<https://nj.mypersonsupport.com/practice-tests/>  
<https://nj.mypersonsupport.com/practice-tests/english/>  
<https://nj.mypersonsupport.com/practice-tests/math/>  
<https://nj.mypersonsupport.com/practice-tests/science/>  
<https://nj.mypersonsupport.com/practice-tests/njapa-english/>  
<https://nj.mypersonsupport.com/practice-tests/>  
<https://www.nj.gov/education/standards/ela/index.shtml>  
<https://nj.mypersonsupport.com/resources/reporting/>  
<https://nj.mypersonsupport.com/resources/reporting/ELAPerformanceLevelDescriptorsGrades3-HighSchool.pdf>  
[https://www.nj.gov/education/standards/math/Docs/2016NJSLA-M\\_K-12.pdf](https://www.nj.gov/education/standards/math/Docs/2016NJSLA-M_K-12.pdf)  
<https://nj.mypersonsupport.com/resources/reporting/MathPerformanceLevelDescriptorsGrades6-8.pdf>  
<https://nj.mypersonsupport.com/resources/reporting/MathPerformanceLevelDescriptorsHighSchool.pdf>  
<https://nj.mypersonsupport.com/tutorial/>  
<https://nj-results.pearsonaccessnext.com/login>  
[https://nj.mypersonsupport.com/resources/reporting/New%20Jersey%20Parent%20Portal%20User%20Guide\\_20200707.pdf](https://nj.mypersonsupport.com/resources/reporting/New%20Jersey%20Parent%20Portal%20User%20Guide_20200707.pdf)

Pearson Support

DATE	START TIME	TEST
MAY 5TH	7:30 AM	Drawing/2D Deadline 5/9/25 @ 8PM
	12:00 PM	Euro - digital
	12:00 PM	Microeconomics - hybrid
MAY 6TH	8:00 AM	Chemistry - hybrid
	12:00 PM	Gov - digital
MAY 7TH	8:00 AM	English Lit & Comp - digital
	12:00 PM	CSA - digital
MAY 8TH	8:00 AM	Stats - hybrid
	12:00 PM	World History:Modern -digital
MAY 9TH	8:00 AM	US History - digital
MAY 12TH	8:00 AM	CalcAB - hybrid
	8:00 AM	CalcBC - hybrid
	12:00 PM	Music Theory
MAY 13TH	8:00 AM	Precalculus - hybrid
	12:00 PM	Enviro - digital
MAY 14TH	8:00 AM	English Lang Comp - digital
	12:00 PM	Physics C: Mechanics - hybrid
MAY 15TH	8:00 AM	Spanish Lang & Culture
	12:00 PM	CSP - digital
	12:00 PM	Physics C: Electricity & Magnetism - hybrid
MAY 16TH	8:00 AM	Physics 1: Algebra Based - hybrid

## Business Office News

1) PaySchools Central is the District's online payment system for applying funds to your child's lunch account and/or to pay a school fee. You still have the option to send in a check or cash.

2) Voluntary Student Accident Insurance will aid in covering your child's medical expenses should an accident occur. There are different plans available depending on what coverage you are seeking.

Please review and reach out to the Business Office should you have any questions.

[PaySchools Information](#)

[Student Accident Insurance](#)

## Fundraisers

### CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT FUNDRAISER FOR JOHNNY

Giggling Platypus Co. 



This Sunday 12/8  
11 am  
American Legion  
Hall  
Branchville, NJ

\$25 to play  
\$12 spectators  
brunch  
included

JOHNNY STRONG

Signuppgenius

### T-Shirts for Johnny

Below is a link to a T shirt fundraiser for Johnny. These shirts were designed by some of Johnny's classmates. Proceeds will be donated to the Sebecke family. The deadline to order is Saturday, December 14. (This fundraiser is through the community and not affiliated directly with KRHS.)

T-Shirt Fundraiser

## KITTATINNY HOLIDAY ORNAMENTS



### GREAT PERSONALIZED KEEPSAKE



Images may slightly change when printed on ornament.

Ornaments are white, ceramic and flat. Complete the order form on back and and make check payable to KRHS Class of 2026. Please return with payment to Karen Ruitenberg by 12/9/24. All orders will be ready for pick up at KRHS on 12/17/24 near the Junior High Gym between 6:00-8:00 PM

*Proceeds Benefit the Class of 2026 with a portion of the money fundraised to benefit Johnny Sebecke*

Order Form

### Support The KRHS Green Team In Expanding Recycling Efforts

gofund.me/63aa3673

Scan the QR code to donate



Scan to donate



KRHS Student Council Fundraiser



Wish your favorite KRHS student or staff member

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

on the marquee message board in front of KRHS!

Donation: \$15

Your Name:	(first)	(last)
Your Phone Number:		
Name of Birthday Person:	(first)	(last)
Name to be posted on the marquee:	(Full name? Nickname? First name only?)	
Birthdate of Birthday Person:		Is this a half birthday? Y / N

**Details:** Birthday wishes for current KRHS students and staff only. Birthday wishes will be posted each Friday and will run for at least 7 days. Birthdays will be confirmed prior to posting. Summer birthday? No problem- Do a half birthday! Cash or checks accepted. Make checks payable to KRHS. Submit orders to Ms. Bitondo's school mailbox or mail to:

Kittatinny Regional HS  
 Attn: Dana Bitondo  
 77 Halsey Rd., Newton, NJ 07860

[Order Form](#)

KRHS Weight Room Fundraiser

SCAN TO SHOP



24  
 KRHS WEIGHT ROOM FUNDRAISER

online ordering  
 all year round



VISIT OUR WEBSITE  
[TWENTYFOURINK.COM/COLLECTIONS/KITTATINNY-WEIGHT-ROOM](http://TWENTYFOURINK.COM/COLLECTIONS/KITTATINNY-WEIGHT-ROOM)

Community Events



**FAIRVIEW LAKE YMCA CAMPS**  
1035 Fairview Lake Rd.  
Newton, NJ 07860

## TREE LIGHTING

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6  
5-7 PM

**FREE!**

We'll sing festive songs, create a seasonal craft, enjoy indoor camp activities and have a visit from Jolly Old St. Nick!



KINDLY REGISTER ONLINE  
[FAIRVIEWLAKEYMCA.ORG/COMMUNITY](http://FAIRVIEWLAKEYMCA.ORG/COMMUNITY)

NOT A SCHOOL SPONSORED EVENT

**FREE**  
*Community event!*

**TREATS**  
*With Santa*

HOSTED BY THE KITTATINNY PLAYERS  
**SAT, DECEMBER 14, 2024**  
**9:00 TO 11:00 AM**

**YUMMY TREATS**  
**PHOTO WITH SANTA**  
**FESTIVE CRAFTS**

Kittatinny Regional High School  
77 Halsey Rd. Newton, NJ 07860

This is Not a School Sponsored Event



# Camporees

FAIRVIEW LAKE YMCA CAMPS

1035 FAIRVIEW LAKE RD  
NEWTON, NJ 07860

**JAN 3-5 & JAN 10-12**

### INFO:

Let's hear it for the Girls! We're hosting two winter experiences in nature for girls of all ages! We'll have something for everyone at camp. Groups are paired with specialized staff to facilitate your programming. We can also accommodate individual Parent/Daughter registrations.

**Arrive:** Friday Evening, after 6pm (evening snack provided)

**Depart:** Sunday Morning, before Lunch.

**Price:** Friday-Sunday: \$180, Saturday Only: \$97  
You'll be staying in our year-round cabins, which have heat, bathrooms, and bunk beds for everyone. Meals and snacks are served in our dining hall, and we'll have plenty of indoor and outdoor activities for you to try.

### BADGE WORK:

**Grades K-1:** Camper, Trail Adventure, Snow or Climbing Adventure, Eco Learner, Outdoor Art

**Grades 2-3:** Camping, Dance, Eco Friend, First Aid, Friendship, Hiking, Games, Outdoor Art, Outdoor Adventure, Scientist, Snow or Climbing Adventure, Snacks, Senses

**Grades 4-5:** Camping, Outdoor Art, First Aid, Geocaching, Habitats, Leave-No-Trace, Writing, Snow or Climbing Adventure

**Grades 6-8:** Animal Husbandry, Archery, Camping, First Aid, Hiking, Leave-No-Trace, Night Programs, Outdoor Art, Outdoor Games, Snow or Climbing Adventure, Woodworking

**Grades 9-10:** Adventurer, Explorer, First Aid, Games, Sky Studies, Textile Arts

**Grades 11-12:** First Aid, Outdoor Art, Outdoor Challenge

### REGISTRATION:

**LEARN MORE & REGISTER AT**  
[WWW.FAIRVIEWLAKEYMCA.ORG/CAMPOREE](http://WWW.FAIRVIEWLAKEYMCA.ORG/CAMPOREE)

Not a School Sponsored Event



## COMING SOON!

### NEW! YMCA PICKLEBALL CENTER

Imagine a pickleball paradise nestled at 11 Millpond Rd, the first of its kind in Sussex County! This gem boasts 6 courts decked out in the finest PickleRoll surface fit for the pros. With cozy heating and cooling systems, it's game on all year round. Dive into lessons, clinics, league play, and Round Robins. Get your game ranked, all while staying connected through the Pickleball Den website. Book your court up to 15 days in advance, with membership options tailored just for you. Mark your calendars for the grand opening this fall and get ready to serve up some serious fun!

#### YMCA Pickleball Center features:

- 6 Courts
- PickleRoll - Tournament - Standard Professional Surface
- Heated/AC
- Group and Personal Lessons
- Clinics
- League Play
- Round Robins
- Player Evaluations/Ratings
- Reservations through Pickleball Den
- Reserve court time up to 15 days out

Located at 11 Millpond Dr., Lafayette  
Not a School Sponsored Event



**Nov. 1-30:**  
\$0 Joiner Fee +  
1/2 off First  
Month  
FREE



[ypickleballcenter.org](http://ypickleballcenter.org)

SCAN ME

### Optical Academy is Coming to KRHS!

The KEA is hosting an Optical Academy event on Jan. 13, 2025, to coincide with the "Community Awareness Night" event. Optical Academy will be set up in the old weight room just outside the HS gym, to provide eye exams, contact lens fittings, and/or eyeglasses. They work with all insurance plans and offer a self-pay option. A flyer is attached, and the link below must be used to sign up for the event, which is open to all local residents. We need a minimum of 50 people signed up in order for Optical Academy to come.

Based on the number of eye exams and eyewear sales from this event, Optical Academy will donate free exams and free eyewear to KRHS community members in need.



**OPTICAL ACADEMY**

**KITTATINNY REGIONAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION VISION DAY!**

<https://optical-academy.com/events/kittatinny-regional-education-association>

Monday, January 13th 2025  
4:30 PM - 7:30 PM  
To Register:  
Use Link or Scan QR Code Below



EYE EXAMS \$30  
CONTACT LENS FITTING  
ADD \$30

EYEWEAR STARTING  
AT \$29 FRAME &  
LENSES

**WE ACCEPT ALL INSURANCES!**

1-800-530-2730    [www.Optical-Academy.com](http://www.Optical-Academy.com)

Optical Academy Sign-Up  
Link

## Reminders

### Please Check the Parent Portal for Student Obligations

Dear Kittatinny Parents/Guardian:

Please log onto your Parent Portal to see if your child has any outstanding obligations, including negative cafeteria balances, for the 2024-2025 school year. If the obligation is not met the following will be withheld until any and all obligations have been fulfilled:

- Student's grades and report card information (withheld)

You can access your Parent Portal using the following URL:  
<https://www.fridayparentportal.com/kittatinny> or through the Kittatinny website @ [www.krhs.net](http://www.krhs.net), click on the Parent tab and then the Parent Portal.

- Outstanding Fees: Once on the Parent Portal, scroll down under Menu and click on "Fines." If your child has an outstanding obligation, it will be displayed on the "Fines" page.
- Negative Cafeteria Balances: Once on the Parent Portal under Menu, click on "Food Services" to view your child's account. If your child has a negative cafeteria balance, you have been receiving weekly notifications on the amount due.

You can either send in a check made payable to KRHS for the outstanding obligation or pay online with PaySchools Central @ <https://payschoolscentral.com/>. If you have not registered for a PaySchools account, you will find the PaySchools Central account setup guide through Kittatinny's website @ [www.krhs.net](http://www.krhs.net), click on the Parent tab, Parent Resources then Payschool.

**\* Technology fee cannot be paid online through PaySchools. Please send in payment of cash or check made payable to KRHS.**

Any questions, please feel free to contact:

Colleen Chiariello, x1610: Activity fee/Negative Cafeteria balances  
Rob Erlenmann, x1550 (IT Department): Technology fee  
April Orozco, x1440: Athletic fee  
Cindy Bizik, x1290: All other fees

### Free & Reduced Lunch Application 24.25

Click [here](#) for information regarding the Federal Free and Reduced lunch information, along with the application.

If you do not qualify for *Federal* Free and Reduced lunch, you may qualify under the *State of New Jersey* Working Class Families Anti-Hunger Act.

You do not need to complete an application if you received a letter via US Mail stating you have already qualified.

Applications are due back as soon as possible.

### No Aerosols and Perfumes Please



It is important that our students do not bring aerosols and perfumes to school, as we have people in the building as well as students who have asthma and may be affected by the spraying of such products. Thanks for your understanding.

### Chromebook Insurance

## SCHOOL DEVICE COVERAGE

Insurance for Your School Issued Device

Accidental Damage, Loss, Theft | No Deductible | No Hidden Fees | No Waiting Period For Claims



Student Device Insurance Coverage: Purchases can be made before or during the coverage term during open enrollment. Coverage is active from the start of the term August 1, 2024 until July 31, 2025. Purchases made after the start of the term will be covered from the date of purchase until July 31, 2025

Does not cover accessories, unless specified. Coverage excludes known damage/losses which are present at the time of purchase. If you are paying via credit card or PayPal, there is a 4% processing fee

### Insurance Premium

Device	Replacement cost Without Insurance	Insurance Cost
Dell Chromebook	\$330.00	\$25.00

Scan QR to sign up!



### Kittatiny Regional School District

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Level: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email (Mandatory): \_\_\_\_\_ Unit Serial Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Policy Documents are emailed)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Sign Up Online Now at [schooldevicecoverage.com](http://schooldevicecoverage.com) or Mail a Check to the Address Below!

#### Customer Service

888.978.3515  
support@schooldevicecoverage.com

Create Account & Purchase  
[schooldevicecoverage.com/signup](http://schooldevicecoverage.com/signup)

Claims  
[schooldevicecoverage.com/login](http://schooldevicecoverage.com/login)

#### Mail a check with this form to:

School Device Coverage  
3390 Auto Mall Drive  
Westlake Village, CA 91362

Please make your check payable to School Device Coverage. Mail must be postmarked prior to close of open enrollment.

#### We also accept



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Printable Form

## New School Store Items Available Online

Show your Cougar spirit with this amazing new collection of items from the online school store!

**KRHS SCHOOL STORE**  
online ordering

SCAN TO SHOP

VISIT OUR WEBSITE  
[TWENTYFOURINK.COM/COLLECTIONS/KRHS](http://TWENTYFOURINK.COM/COLLECTIONS/KRHS)

Click here to shop the new collection or scan the QR Code above

## Important Upcoming Dates

December 9: Mid MP 2  
December 10: Parents View Grades  
December 13: KRHS College App Deadline  
December 20: Noon Dismissal  
December 23-January 1: Holiday Recess

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[www.krhs.net](http://www.krhs.net)



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