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Kelly Walsh Parent Newsletter

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AP Exams May 7th – May 18th

AP exams will be given **May 7th to May 18th**. Approximately 200 KWHS students will take an AP Exam. NCSD #1 offers all students enrolled in an AP course the opportunity to take AP exams at no cost. AP Exams are given at an off campus location to ensure a setting most conducive to testing. 2018 AP Exams will take place at **Troopers Bingo** located at 1801 East E Street. Troopers Bingo is generously donating their facility free of charge. They are excited to host and support our AP students again this year. Thank you to Mathew Krum and Troopers Bingo for supporting our AP students by providing an optimal test environment.

Last year's exams were very successful. 38 KWHS students were named AP Scholars in recognition of their exceptional achievement on AP Exams. 11 of the 2017 award recipients are current seniors: Andrew Ker, Thayne Macy, Irie Elliott, Drew Fiedler, Joseph Gilbar, Hunter Hasskamp, Bryanna Schiller, Abigail Schoup, Ana Shickich, Kiara Sims, and Owen Stevens. These students will possibly earn a higher-level AP Scholar Award in 2018,

Kelly Walsh High School students take AP Exams in May after completing challenging college-level courses at Kelly Walsh High School. AP teachers complete a rigorous training and audit process to be approved as an AP instructor. The College Board's Advanced Placement Program (AP) provides motivated and academically prepared students the opportunity to take college-level courses while still in high school, and to earn college credit or advanced placement and stand out in the college admission/scholarship process.

Thank you!

Marial Choma
KWHS Counseling



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Kathi Hawley Lines It Out!

May 4 Deadline to submit monetary awards (scholarships) to the Counseling office for recognition in the program at KWHS Senior Celebration Academic Awards Night

May 4 Deadline to order your cap and gown. Go to gotograd.com and order yours today!

May 14 KWHS Senior Celebration Academic Awards Night 7:00pm
KWHS Auditorium

May 15 Fines due! Not sure if you have one? Check the red posters in the Commons today or ask Mrs. Deacon in the attendance office or Mrs. Alvar in the cafeteria.

May 15th Last day to submit monetary awards to the Counseling office for print in the Casper Star Tribune

May 22nd BACCALAUREATE 7:00pm A nondenominational religious service will be held in the KW Auditorium for all seniors and their families

May 23rd COMPUTER CHECK IN for seniors

May 25th SENIOR'S LAST DAY Free burgers will be served!

BEFORE a senior can receive his/her cap and gown, all fines must be paid, graduation requirements must be met, computers must be returned and the green Graduation Participation Agreement must be signed by a parent (even if the student is 18 years old).

The green participation agreement will be exchanged for cap and gown on May 25th so bring it with you! Caps and gowns, yearbooks, and senior class t-shirts are just some of the items distributed at this time.

Make sure: fines are paid, computer is turned in, grade requirements are met, the green sheet is signed and with you on May 25th

QUESTIONS? Call or Kathi at 253-2091 or email at kathi_hawley@natronaschools.org or visit kellywalsh.org and click on "Graduation Info for Seniors."

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Graduation Information

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May 31st GRADUATION REHEARSAL 10:00am—Noon. Mandatory **DO NOT BE LATE!**

Students may use parking lots #9 and #11 at the Casper Events Center. Come in through the side doors on the upper level. Doors open at 9:45am. Wear street clothes, do not bring your cap and gown. Two gentlemen and two ladies will march together to form a row of four. Please have your marching partner selected before rehearsal. **YOU CANNOT MARCH IN GROUPS OF THREE!** If you do not have a marching partner a staff member will assist you.

May 31 Pre-Graduation Information: Doors will open to the public on May 31st at 6:30pm. The Casper Events Center prohibits the following-- glass of any kind including flower vases, pocket knives and airhorns. A security check of handbags, backpacks and other items will be done prior to entry to the graduation ceremony. Also, The CEC uses metal detectors. Thank you for understanding. If you have any questions about security measures at CEC or handicapped access please call them at 577-3030

May 31st GRADUATION CEREMONY 7:30pm

The 2018 Kelly Walsh Graduation Ceremony will be held at the Casper Events Center. Tickets are not required for the graduation ceremony.

SENIORS REPORT TO THE CASPER EVENTS CENTER AT 6:45 PM TO LINE UP!

Seniors may use parking lots #9 and #11 at the CEC. **DO NOT BE LATE!**

Pictures/Video: Parents will receive information for ordering graduation pictures and the graduation video. Order forms are available at the graduation ceremony. Pictures will be taken by LifeTouch. The video is produced by Video Works of Casper.

Last Blast: Last Blast is a celebration for graduating KW seniors in a safe environment. Tickets are required and only KW 2018 graduating seniors may attend. Last Blast takes place following the graduation ceremony at 11:30pm in the KW main gym and ends at 4:30am. Once you enter Last Blast there will be NO re-entry. **Ticket sales start May 14th during both lunches.** They will be on sale May 25th, and during graduation rehearsal May 31st. Tickets may also be purchased at the door. Have your KW ID with you. Tickets cost \$25.00

Again, if there are any questions, call or Kathi at 253-2091 or email at kathi_hawley@natronaschools.org or visit kellywalsh.org and click on "Graduation Info for Seniors."



Seniors, Stay Informed!

The Kelly Walsh Counseling Office set up a Google classroom-**Counseling Office Class of 2018**. Important information regarding graduation & post high school planning is posted to the classroom throughout the year. Your student has been sent an email to sign up for this classroom. You may also sign up to view information. Go to senior meetings. Sign up for "Remind" text messages and/or emails. Read Daily Announcements at www.kellywalsh.org. Read Infinite Campus notifications. Read all mailings sent to your home. Listen to "dialer" messages left on your phone.

American Sign Language Honor Society

American Sign Language club will be celebrating student achievement by inducting new members into the American Sign Language Honor Society on Monday, May 21 during 1st block. New ASLHS members will have the opportunity to do community service that benefits the Casper Deaf community, and earn honor cords at graduation.

Congratulations,
Maria Prioli
KWHS
American Sign
Language



KW Grad Yard Signs



The sign features a green background with a white silhouette of a Native American man in a feathered headdress on the left. To the right of the silhouette are the letters 'KW' in a large, bold, white font. Below 'KW' is the text 'Class of 2018' in a white, sans-serif font.

\$10
EACH

Purchase from:
Mr. Rose in the Band Room
Mrs. Carlson in 2328
Or in the Main Office

Proceeds go to support the KW BAND

SENIOR CELEBRATION AND ACADEMIC AWARDS

COMING SOON.....The **DEADLINE** for accepting awarded scholarships to be included in the **SENIOR CELEBRATION AND ACADEMIC AWARDS NIGHT** program. We realize scholarships continue to be awarded to our seniors after this date, but there must be a deadline to complete the program and send it to print. **The awards recognized are monetary scholarships.**

May 4, 2018: Last day to submit a copy of awarded scholarships to be recognized during the evening program on **Monday, May 14, 2018**

May 14, 2018: Senior Celebration and Academic Awards Night at 7pm in the Kelly Walsh Auditorium

May 15, 2018: Last day to submit a copy of awarded scholarships to be recognized in the Casper Star Tribune and Casper Journal. Submit to the Counseling Office by 4pm.

You may submit all awarded scholarships or just the scholarships awarded by the college in which the student will attend. **QUESTIONS?** Contact Mrs. Platt in Counseling.

Thank you,
Patti Platt
KWHS Counseling





Kelly Walsh High School

AUSTRIA

2018 A Cappella & Advanced Art Tour

Over Spring Break 2018, forty Kelly Walsh students, led by Miss Rooney (KW Choir) and Mrs. Kennedy (KW Art), and Mrs. Hanson (CJrHS Band), traveled across Austria.



The Kelly Walsh A Cappella Choir performed seven times in eight days. Their performances were held in the Stiftskirche in Laufen, Germany, Salzburg Dom, Mirabell Palace, and Kollegiankirche in Salzburg, Austria, Peterskirche and Minoritenkirche in Vienna, Austria, and in Melk Abbey. As performers, the students experienced performing Renaissance and Classical works in their original venues. In addition, these students toured the birth place of Mozart and the many filming location for the movie, "The Sound of Music."

The Kelly Walsh advanced art students and Mrs. Kennedy studied the sculptures and ceiling frescos in each cathedral, church, Schönbrunn Palace, and in Melk Abbey. In addition they visited the Salzburg Modern Art Museum, Albertina Museum and the Belvedere Museum both Vienna. These students were able to work by masters such as Monet, Renoir, Degas, Picasso, and Klimt.



In addition to performing and studying art, students and chaperones went on guided tours of Salzburg, Vienna, Melk Abbey, Schönbrunn Palace, and the Hallein Salt Mine.

They delved into the history, culture, art, food, and the different customs of Austria and parts of Germany. Speaking with their guides and audience members, students gained a global awareness and different perspective.

The Kelly Walsh students were excellent ambassadors of Kelly Walsh, Natrona County School District, Wyoming, and the United States. Returning home, they received an email from an audience member in Salzburg.

He wrote, "I was recently on holiday in Germany and Austria and happened upon your A Cappella Choir performing. Sadly I only caught the end of their performance which was outstanding. Even more impressive was their behavior and respect for others shown by your young people. I find it unusual that such a large group all demonstrate exemplary good manners and behavior even when left to their own devices." - Mark Guilbert

Congratulations!



Kelly Walsh Yearbooks

are on sale online at

www.kellywalsh.org.

Look for the link.

They are \$70.

Availability is limited, so

buy early!





Kelly Walsh High School is offering summer school opportunities for students to gain recovery credit for high school classes not passed during the regular school year. These classes are *only* for credit recovery. Courses are offered based upon sufficient demand. Classes are June 11-29, meeting for 4 hours daily, either 8 a.m. to noon, or 12:00 p.m. to 4:00. Lunch will be provided. Attendance at all classes is mandatory. No district transportation will be available.

Dates: June 11th - 29th Attendance is mandatory

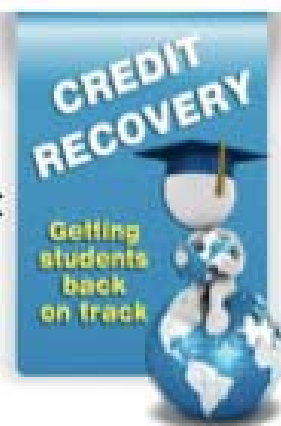
Morning session: 8 a.m. – Noon

Afternoon session: 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Required core classes available based on enrollment

Registration: May 15th – June 1st

Registration forms available in the counseling office



Driver's Education

Dates: June 18th-29th

Students begin driving the first day of class -Driving Permit or License is required when they enter the class the morning of the first day and will be lawfully required every day they drive.

Time: Students need to be available Monday through Saturday **7 a.m. – 8 p.m.** for classes and driving the first week. The students will arrange their scheduled driving times the first day of class.

Registration: Begins May 15th Starting at 7:00 a.m.

Cost for Driver's Education: \$175 due at registration

Registration forms available in the counseling office



HATHAWAY GPA QUICK FACTS

Changes have been made to the way high school GPAs are calculated for the Hathaway Scholarship. In accordance with **Senate Enrolled Act 0056**, the Wyoming Department of Education (WDE) established a **grade-weighting policy** that accounts for the increased academic rigor of certain high school courses.

All districts will be required to use the weighted Hathaway GPA starting in the 2018-19 school year. Hathaway-approved AP, IB, and Dual/Concurrent 1000-level and above courses will be weighted.

QUICK FACTS

- The Hathaway GPA will be based on a scale from 0 to 5.0. All courses taken will be included in the GPA calculation; however, only AP, IB, and Dual/Concurrent college courses 1000-level and above will be weighted. College courses below the 1000-level will not be weighted.
- All Hathaway courses must be approved by the WDE's Hathaway Team. Additionally, AP courses must be approved by the College Board, and IB courses must be approved by the International Baccalaureate program.
- Starting in the 2018-19 school year, all student transcripts must include the weighted Hathaway GPA.
- The weighted GPA does not apply to any students who graduate before the 2018-19 school year.
- Beginning in the 2018-19 school year, all AP, IB, and Dual/Concurrent Enrollment courses students are taking or have previously taken will be weighted.
- Students do not have to take an AP test in order to receive a weighted grade.
- Students taking Dual/Concurrent Enrollment courses do not need to receive college credit from those courses in order to receive a weighted grade.
- The Chapter 38 Rules have not yet been updated - the **Rules Promulgation Procedure** requires all new rules to be open for public comment before full implementation.



Wyoming High School Short Film Festival

The 20th Annual Wyoming High School Short Film Festival is May 25th, 2018 at the John F. Welsh Auditorium, NCHS at 7pm. Tickets are \$10 at the door, no pre-sale this year. Come support your Trojan Filmmakers!

Thank you,
Jeff Chavez
KWHS
Film and TV

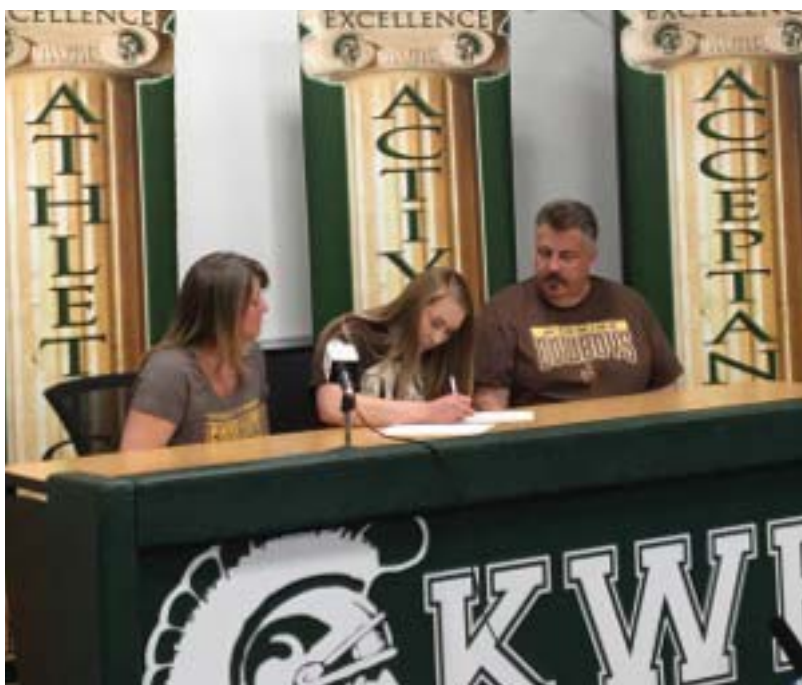




Above: Caige McComb signs his scholarship to the University of Wyoming.

Kelly Walsh Track Stars Sign Scholarships to the University of Wyoming.

Maddy Dedic (Throws) and Caige McComb (Hurdles) signed scholarship offers from the University of Wyoming.



Above: Maddy Dedic signs her scholarship to the University of Wyoming.

...From Our Athletic Department!

Need to check the date and time of a game? Need to know what time the play starts? Log on to 4aconference.org to get the latest updates on games, dances, meetings, drama productions, test dates, etc. You can even be added to a list to be notified when the Activities Office makes a change in the sports calendars. If you have any questions, please call Terri at 253-2159.

Right: (from left to right) Mr. Freymuth, Mr. Murdock, Mr. Diller, Mr. Reimer, Mr. Mahaffey, and Mr. Hebert entertain the crowd at Rodstock '18.

