**Principal’s Corner**

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Please note the important information and schedule variations coming up: Winter break, January Finals, and Academic and Elective Intensives Week. Additional information about electives is included in the newsletter below. Importantly, please note that during January Intensive Week there will be no school on Monday, January 13, for Blended Learning students. Instead, we will go all day on Friday, January 17. There is no early release that day.

**Carthage College / Reuther Literacy Project:** I am excited to share that for the third year in a row Carthage is partnering with us to create a wonderful literacy project for our students, focused on the importance of education and overcoming obstacles. All of us have to overcome obstacles to create success in our lives. Just before Thanksgiving, the entire school watched the movie, “Freedom Writers,” to kick-off our literacy project. Next, we are inviting students to participate in a lunchtime book club. Students who volunteer to participate will read the story of a 15-year-old girl, MalalaYousafzai, who refused to be silenced and fought for her right to an education. After being shot and nearly killed in Pakistan, she recovered and spoke of her ordeal at the United Nations. At 16, she became the youngest ever nominee for the Nobel Peace Prize. The book club group will read this book, along with a group of Carthage students and teachers. During the second semester, Carthage will host a field trip to the college for a shared, multi-generational book club. If there are any parents that would like to join us in reading the book and attending the related events, please let me know! Finally, for the second year, there will be a creative writing contest, which will kick off in Literacy classes second semester. Last year, we had over 100 entries, and we hope to expand the number of students participating this year. More information to come.

**Reuther Parent & Community Connection:** The survey that many of you completed at registration was reviewed, and so far we have held two meetings with parent and community representation to explore some ideas. We will start putting these ideas into practice as soon as the 3rd quarter parent conferences! Watch for updates!

Best wishes to you and your loved ones for the New Year.

Karen Walters, Principal

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**High School Graduation (ITED) Testing** is fast approaching. The Adult Education Lab would like you to know that testing will be coming up in December and January. See page 4 for more information.

**Elective and Academic Intensives — January 14th-17th**

Elective intensives are a 4-day, in-depth elective experience where students and staff divide into specific topics from January 14th through January 17th. To participate in an Elective Intensive, a student must have completed all of his/her course work from the 1st semester. Some of the great choices for students to enjoy this year are: Lunch Box Bistro; Local College Tour; Outdoor Winter Activities; Knitting, Sewing and Scrapbooking; Fundraising Event Planning; Ice Fishing; Volunteering; and Guitar Concert Tour!! Students will receive .25 credit for completing an Elective Intensive. If a student needs to complete 1st semester course work, then he/she will attend Academic Intensive. In Academic Intensive, students will finish work and set goals for the upcoming semester. See page 2 for more detailed intensive information.

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**UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES:**

- Winter Recess Begins — December 21
- School Reopens — January 2
- Graduation Test (ITED) — January 8 - 22
- Blended Learning Students Only, No School (Transition and Skill building will still have classes) — January 13
- Elective and Academic Intensives — January 14 - 17
- Martin Luther King Day, No School — January 20
- Final Exams—1/22 & 1/23 (Early Release @ 12:30)
- Second quarter ends, No School — January 24
- In-Service Day, No School — February 7
- Mid-Winter Break, No School — February 28
Promoting Student Success

Reuther provides continuous assistance for students to experience success!

Reuther grade requirements to help boost student GPAs: All students are required to obtain a C or better on their courses. This means they must complete work on assignments to demonstrate learning at that level. Final tests cannot lower grades by more than 1 letter grade. Therefore, a D would only appear on their grades if they completed all work before finals with a C and scored lower on their final. Students with incompletes (I) are given multiple opportunities to complete their work. Less than 2% of grades issued first quarter were failure grades (NG), which means that there was not enough work completed to continue toward completion, and the student will need to re-take the credit. Any student that has incomplete work in their direct instruction class are required to take an Academic Intensive, which are offered both in January and again in June.

Seniors with independent computer coursework needs who are credit deficient may take a Credit Recovery Intensive in January.

⇒ Students needing more time with independent computer coursework will be able to take advantage of extra help with certified teachers on Early Release Friday Lab Time (watch for more information on our start-up dates and times.)

Incomplete grades from first or second semester can be worked on in our 3-week summer school that runs in June/July. A student can avoid a failing grade by participating. Students can also take credit recovery courses during summer school, which will be recommended for students with credit deficiencies that appear to put them in jeopardy of not graduating.

Note: Students with high levels of credit deficiency can participate in the alternate graduation pathway—the ITED Graduation Test and requirements for the Kenosha Unified Diploma.

Success is not a destination, it's a journey.

Parents! We Need Your Help!

Please assist us by helping get your student to school on time. The school doors open at 7:35 a.m., and students need to be in their classrooms by 7:45 a.m. Studies have shown that students who are frequently tardy to class have lower GPAs, lower scores on standardized assessments, lower graduation rates, higher rates of suspension, and more frequent behavioral issues. So, please help your student successfully graduate on time by helping them get to school on time! If you are having a difficult time getting your student to school, please feel free to contact us, we would like to help! Contact Alyssa @ 262-359-7583.

Student Applications Are Now Being Accepted for 2nd Semester

Do you have a family friend or member who is interested in attending Reuther this year? Reuther is currently accepting applications for the Spring semester. Applications can be picked up in the Reuther Main Office, or they can be found on our Reuther Website @ http://reuther.kusd.edu/about/app_process.html. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Alyssa Sigman at (262) 359-7583.

High School Selection Deadline for all 8th Grade Students

✓ Do you have an 8th grader or know of an 8th grader interested in attending Reuther next year? This is a reminder that High School Selection forms are due to middle school counselors by Friday, January 24. If your student is interested in attending Reuther please make us your number one choice on the form! If you have any questions please feel free to contact Alyssa Sigman @ (262) 359-7583.

Intensives Week Coming to Reuther on January 14 - January 17!!

Elective Intensives

Beginning January 14th, students who have completed all first semester credits will have the opportunity to participate in an Elective Intensive. For four days, students will be with one teacher from 7:45 a.m. – 3:17 p.m. to complete .25 elective credits. The intensives being offered this semester are:

Polar Blast: Students will have the opportunity to participate in a variety of outdoor winter activities, such as skiing, sledding, and ice skating. There will be a cost to this intensive for the skiing portion.

Get Fish or Die Trying: Students will learn everything they need to know about ice fishing: from tying a fisherman’s knot, to landing a trophy fish, to cooking it!

Snowed in? Snow Problem!: Students will learn how to knit and crochet, how to perform basic hand stitching, and how to scrapbook!

Go Pink!: Students will work to design and implement a school wide fundraising event for Go Pink!, which will include a pep assembly!

Lunch Box Bistro: Students will design and cook a lunch daily that will be available for purchase by the Reuther staff!

Volunteer Kenosha!: Students will volunteer at several different Kenosha organizations, such as homeless shelters, food pantries, and nursing homes. This will be a wonderful opportunity for students to fulfill their 10 hours of community service towards graduation in place of the .25 credit.

Rock the District Tour 2014!: Students who currently participate in guitar ensemble will be visiting various KUSD elementary schools to play guitar and share a music lesson.

College Tour 2014: Students will visit area college campuses for three days and finish off the week planning, as well as looking at scholarships, financial aid, and WIScareers.

Academic Intensives

Students who have not completed all course work for first semester will be given an opportunity to complete all credits during full-day work time. Students who are unable to complete all missing work during Academic Intensive will be asked to attend summer school.

Over the course of the next few weeks, please encourage your student to complete missing assignments, so they have an opportunity to earn additional credits! Students will have the opportunity to select intensives when they return from break in January.
A Note from the Guidance Department

Guidance Staff

Listed below is the Reuther Counseling Staff. Please feel free to contact your child’s counselor if you have any concerns. There are a few changes. We are now located in Room 146.

Sue Nighbor  Secretary/Register  359-6134
Char Stachon  Sec/Immunizations  359-5911
Maria Del Real  Adult Education  mdelreal@kusd.edu  359-6102
Missy Werner  2014/2015  mwerner@kusd.edu  359-6113
Jessica Kapellusch  2016/2017/Transition  jchristi@kusd.edu  359-7548

Information for Seniors

College Application Deadlines
Any senior who is planning to attend college in the fall of 2014 should meet with his or her counselor for information, applications, letters of recommendation, admission requirements, etc. Many universities have application deadlines that you need to keep in mind. Please do not delay!!!

Community Service Requirement
This is a reminder that all students are required to complete at least 10 community service hours as part of their graduation requirements. Students will not be allowed to graduate until these hours are completed and documented. The Community Service Hours Verification Form can be found on our website and should be turned in to your counselor. Try to complete the hours before your senior year!

Cap and Gown Orders
Jostens will take cap and gown orders from 12:30-1:30 on Wednesday, January 29, at Reuther. In January, Seniors will be receiving information in the mail about ordering graduation cap & gowns, announcements, and class rings.

Scholarship Information
Scholarship information and applications come in to our office regularly as the school year progresses. Applications can be found in the Guidance Office. A scholarship listing is also available in Guidance and on the Reuther website. Please have your student see their counselor for assistance regarding scholarships. Seniors, please check & apply!

PARENTS AND/OR STUDENTS: If you want email notification of scholarships, send your email address to mwerner@kusd.edu and ask to be added to the scholarship list. Please write “Place in Scholarship Notification List” in the subject line.

Student Fees
Please remember that all student fees are due prior to graduating. Contact the school office at 359-6160 for current amount due. Be sure to plan ahead!

College Goal Wisconsin

Do you need help completing the FAFSA? Save the date! 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 22, at the Kenosha Gateway Technical College; 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 23, at the Elkhorn Gateway Technical College; and 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 26, at UW-Parkside or at the Racine Gateway Technical College. There will be $15,000 in Scholarship drawings.

ACT Testing

Attention all college bound students!

Seniors planning on attending college should register for the ACT to either take the test for the first time or to retake it. Juniors should plan to register to take the ACT in April or June. Universities require an ACT score for admission. Technical colleges do not. Registration packets are available in the Guidance Office.

We have ACT fee waivers available for any students with free or reduced lunch. Please see your counselor to get one.

Free booklets for ACT test prep are also available in the counselors’ offices. Sample test questions are also available at www.actstudent.org.

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The ACT website at www.actstudent.org allows you to register online. With online registration, you can complete your registration quicker and receive your admission ticket sooner. Test sites are decided on a first come, first serve basis.

Youth Options

All Kenosha Unified sophomores and juniors interested in learning more about the Youth Options Program are invited to attend an “Evening with the Counselors” presentation. This presentation will be held on Thursday, February 6th. Application materials for the fall 2014 Youth Options Program will be available at this informative meeting. The presentation will be held in the Indian Trail Academy and High School auditorium, 6800-60th Street, from 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Counselors from KUSD high schools and representatives from Gateway Technical College, the University of Wisconsin-Parkside, and Carthage College will share course information to eligible KUSD students and also work with parents and students so that they understand the policies, procedures, and paperwork required for taking Youth Options courses. For more information, see your counselor or visit the Youth Options website at http://www.kusd.edu/departments/talent-development/youth-options.

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Conferences were held in October. Although we will not be holding them again until March, please feel free to contact your child’s counselors or teachers at any time by calling or emailing them.

Reminder: Report Cards are Online

Report Cards are no longer mailed home. They are available online at kusd.edu with your Zangle Password and Pin. If you do not have a password, or if you have forgotten it, please stop by Reuther Guidance office in person to receive it. Please bring a photo ID. If you have any questions, feel free to contact our Guidance Department.
Important Events You Need to Know About!

High School Graduation (ITED) Testing
Attention! All High School Equivalency Diploma students and their parents/guardians - the Adult Ed Lab would like you to be aware that testing is coming up soon in both December and January. The test dates are:

- **WorkKeys Business Writing** December 9 & 10
- **Iowa Assessments (ITEDs)** January 6 - 20

Students eligible to test should visit room 236 with cash payment ($12.00 for ITEDs, $11.50 for WorkKeys) in order to reserve a testing spot.

Note: the ITED test dates have changed slightly since originally reported earlier this year.

If you have any questions please call 359-6162 or visit the Reuther website for more information.

Middle School Visits
We’re taking it on the road!
Reuther will be visiting with the Middle Schools in December!

- **Tuesday, December 3, 2013**
  9:00 - 10:00 a.m. at Bullen
  10:15 - 11:15 a.m. at Washington

- **Wednesday, December 4, 2013**
  9:00 - 10:00 a.m. at Lance
  10:30 - 11:15 a.m. at Lincoln
  11:30 - 1:00 p.m. at Malone

Parent Night Presentations
Monday, December 9, 7:00 p.m. at Bullen
Wednesday, December 11, 7:00 p.m. at Lance

8th Grade Parent Reuther Open House
Come and see what all of the excitement is about!
Check us out at the Reuther Open House and Parent/Student Information Session
**Monday, January 13, 2014**
6:00 - 7:00 p.m. at Reuther High School

Welcome to the 2013-2014 Reuther Basketball Season! We want to especially welcome our new boys’ varsity basketball head coach, Cliff McKenzie, our new girls’ varsity basketball head coach, Julia Hegler, and our new boys’ junior varsity basketball head coach, Montenia Nelson! Thanks also to the new boys’ varsity assistant coach, Julian McKenzie, and the new girls’ assistant coach, Booker Bennett!

Boys’ Varsity Basketball Schedule *

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*Any game listed above with two times shown indicates the JV game time first, and the Varsity game time second.

Girls’ Varsity Home Basketball Schedule

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Asthma

Asthma is the leading chronic illness for children in the United States and it accounts for 14 million absences from school each year. The number of people dying from asthma increases each year. The exact cause of asthma is not completely known, but symptoms tend to worsen if a person with asthma is exposed to substances that cause a reaction. Asthma attacks are caused when the airway becomes swollen and inflamed. The muscles that surround the airway tighten, and there is an increase in mucus production. Individuals who have asthma symptoms should be seen by a doctor for testing. If your student has been diagnosed with asthma, they should be seen routinely by their doctor and take medication as prescribed to help prevent and/or control asthma symptoms.

* An asthma episode may be triggered by:
  - Allergies, respiratory infections (colds, flu, sore throat), exercise, irritants (smoke, pollution, dust, aerosol spray, chemicals, perfume), stress (over-excitement), and weather (cold, humid, windy, heat).

* Early signs of an asthma episode are:
  - Coughing; feeling of not being able to get enough air; chest feels tight; stuffy or runny nose, sneezing; wheezing; itchy throat, chin, and/or eyes; feeling tired or irritable.

* Severe signs of an asthma episode are:
  - Continuous cough; pain or tightness in the chest; shortness of breath/gasping; wheezing; retractions, the skin and muscles around the collarbone, ribs, diaphragm sink inward when breathing in; flaring of nostrils; bluish or grayish color around lips, fingernails.

* Steps to follow for an asthma episode:
  1) Have the person focus on taking slow, deep breaths through pursed lips and sip water.
  2) Have the person sit upright with hands resting on their knees. Medication for asthma should be used if available.

SEEK IMMEDIATE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE FOR SEVERE SYMPTOMS, OR IF NO RELIEF FROM MEDICATION.

It is strongly recommended to have an individual’s medication, such as an inhaler, available for use during school hours.

Students who may need to use an inhaler during school hours must have a medication authorization form completed by the health care provider (required for all prescription medications) on file in the office. Medication authorization forms are available from the school office or on the KUSD website.

Student Medication

In order for medications to be administered to your student during school hours or school functions, according to the Wisconsin State Statute (law) 118.29, the following requirements must be met:

- All prescription and non-prescription medications must be supplied in the original container.
- Non-prescription medications must be in the original container with the directions on the container; including the student’s name.
- Prescription medications require the pharmacy label on the container.

Students requiring medication at school, including herbal and vitamin supplements, shall provide a completed “Medication Authorization Form”.

- One medication authorization form is required for each medication.
  - The medication provided to the school must be the medication listed on the medication authorization form.
  - All medication authorization forms must be signed by the parent/guardian.
  - Prescription medications require a signature from both a health care provider and parent/guardian.
  - For excursions lasting longer than the school day or overnight field trips all times that the medication(s) are to be given must be listed on the medication authorization form and must match the times listed on the prescription label.
  - An updated medication authorization form is required for all changes in medication, dosage, or administration time.
  - The parents must notify the school when the medication is discontinued or for any changes.
  - It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to provide and deliver to the school all authorized medication and replace expired medication.
  - All unclaimed medication at the end of the school year will be disposed of per policy.

Attendance Reminder!

**Attendance Phone Line: 359-6138**

If you are calling your child in absent, please speak slowly—spelling the child’s first and last name. Provide the student’s grade, reason for the absence, your name, your relationship to the child, and a phone number where you can be reached.

*It is critical to contact the main office if your student will not be in school. If you forget, please call the following day so we can clear up any truancy for your student.*

New this year! Our attendance secretary can take your attendance call in Spanish! Si llamas a su hijo en ausente, por favor hable despacio-deletrea el nombre y apellido de su hijo/a. También incluye el grado del estudiante, razón por la ausencia, su nombre, su relación y un teléfono donde se le pueda localizar. ¡Gracias!

Community Service Opportunity

Reuther has a great opportunity coming up for students that still need to complete the 10 hours of Community Service needed to graduate. In December, Reuther has been invited to help out at the Shalom Center. Please see Annie Azriel for more information and to pick up a permission slip for this event.

Help yourself by helping others.
**KUSD Inclement Weather Procedures**

In the event our schools are closed or the arrival/dismissal time is changed due to severe weather, an announcement will be made via local television stations, radio stations, KUSD website (www.kusd.edu), KUSD Channel 20, Facebook.com/kenoshaschools, Twitter.com/KUSD, or 359-SNOW (7669).

If schools are to be closed for the day, KUSD will make every effort to release this information via the aforementioned avenues by 5:30 a.m. If school is closed, all after school activities in the district, including sports and evening events, will also be canceled. Note: When KUSD schools are closed, no transportation will be provided to private and parochial schools.

**Attention Parents and Students!**

There is a new text messaging alert system being implemented for school closing notification. Please visit the KUSD School Closing Procedures page and click on the Sign-up to Receive Text Alert Today! button to fill out the online form.

**NOTICE!** There is a new support group starting in Kenosha and Racine called Wisconsin Upside Down. The group will meet monthly at Nashe Elementary.

Wisconsin Upside Down is dedicated to enhancing the lives of individuals with Down syndrome, while supporting their families and the community. Visit their website at www.wiusd.org or like them on Facebook.

**School Board Policy - Attendance**

1. The Executive Director of Educational Accountability is designated as the District attendance officer. The building principal/designee is designated as the school attendance officer.
   a. Absence Reporting
   b. An excuse from a parent/guardian is required for any student absence from school. For extended or excessive absence because of illness, a statement from a physician, dentist or other qualified professional may be required.
   c. It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to notify the school during the morning of the day that the student is absent.
   d. Students of legal age shall be responsible for providing absence excuses and school notification of such absences themselves.
   e. Unusual or frequent absence by a student shall be reported to the principal and/or school attendance officer, and/or the Executive Director of School Leadership.
   f. A record of attendance for each student will be kept and will be noted on the permanent record in accordance with established District procedures. Each teacher will keep an accurate daily record of each student’s attendance including tardiness, and shall submit a report as directed by the principal.
   g. A student sign in log will be maintained by the office staff for those students arriving to school tardy.
2. Under state statute 118.15 (3) ©, for any child excused in writing by his or her parent or guardian before the absence, the Board shall require a child excused under this paragraph to complete any course work missed during the absence. A child may not be excused for more than 10 days in a school year under this paragraph.
3. Extended absence is an absence that is four or more consecutive days. For extended absences due to illness, a statement from an authorized medical professional may be required by the principal.
4. Excessive excused absences are ten or more cumulative days of absence, consecutive or non-consecutive, within the school year. Principals may require medical documentation for any excessive absences to be excused. If appropriate medical documentation is not provided, the absence will be unexcused.
5. The time period for which any medical certification is valid may not exceed thirty (30) days.
6. Habitual Truancy: Students who miss part or all of five (5) or more days with in a semester without an acceptable excuse will be considered habitually truant. School officials will initiate District truancy procedures for those students identified as habitually truant. School officials will meet with parents/guardians, develop an intervention plan, evaluate the education learning status of the student and recommend appropriate interventions. Legal action, including referral to Kenosha County Juvenile Court and/or City of Kenosha or Village of Pleasant Prairie Municipal Courts, may be considered.
School Social Work Department Update

Surveys find that 1 in 5 teens have seriously considered suicide. Suicide is the second leading cause of death among youth ages 10-19 in Wisconsin, accounting for more than 17% of all deaths in this age group. At Reuther, we are committed to helping your child achieve their academic potential, as well as maintain a healthy social/emotional balance in their lives.

In early December, our 9th grade students will be participating in Crew lessons on depression and suicide prevention delivered by your school social workers, Annie Azriel and Laurie Bonnar. They will be learning SOS/ACT (Signs of Suicide/How to respond to someone by Acknowledging, Caring and Telling). SOS/ACT is a Wisconsin Department of Instruction recommended lesson for high school students. Below is part of the lesson students will be learning that spells out warning signs and ways to help. If you have questions or concerns about your student, please feel free to your school social worker or counselor at any time.

**Urgent Warning Signs**
- Threats about hurting self
- Talking about a specific plan
- Impulsive anger
- Rebellious behavior
- Hopeless, helpless, worthless
- Giving away possessions
- Decline in quality of school work
- Withdrawal and loss of interest
- Personality or mood changes
- Change in sleeping/eating habits
- Preoccupation with death

**ACKNOWLEDGE** feelings rather than minimize them. Telling a student “get over it” or “move on” is not realistic for a person with depression.
- “I’m sorry to hear about this. It sounds really hard.” “Tell me about how you feel.”

**Show Care and Concern** for the student by taking the next step.
- “I’m worried about you. I don’t want anything bad to happen to you or for you to be hurt.” “Who have you talked to?” “I want to help you.”

**Tell** a member of your counseling/social work team. They know how to work with students who have concerns like these.
- “Let’s go talk with someone in the counseling office.” “Let’s talk to your mom.”

Attention All Students:
If you do not already have your own head-phones, you can come to the main office at any time and purchase your own for $1.25.

Attention Anyone Interested in the Reuther Dance Team!!
The Reuther Dance Team will begin performing at all home games after December 13th. Practices begin Monday, December 2, from 3:30 - 5:30. Anyone still interested in joining the team should contact Ms. Hendren in room 140.

Please note! The Parent Initiated Transfer Request period runs from January 1, 2014 thru January 21, 2014. The form will be located on the KUSD website under Parent Information, and also listed on the KUSD homepage by the end of this week. All forms need to be returned to the school by January 21, 2014. No forms will be accepted after January 21st.

Kenosha’s Only Center for Teens!!!
For ages 13–18 (Free with Membership)
SCHOOL YEAR HOURS
Monday–Friday: 4:00–8:00pm
Open Gym • College Prep • Video Games
Job Readiness • Tournaments • Fine & Performing Arts

**High School Days Off**
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