



# KNIGHTWATCH

February 24, 2023

## FROM PRINCIPAL KIRSCH . . .

### Harmony through Humility & Empathy

A few years ago, when I served as an Athletic Director, I wrote an article for the school community where I was serving about the importance and value of the role player. Some of our students had developed the mindset that if they weren't the best – or at least getting the recognition – that they were going to be upset or quit. We had to share the message that sometimes, in a wide variety of situations, we are all called to humble ourselves. Just as important, is also valuing those who aren't necessarily thrust into the limelight, and instead carry themselves with humility.

This can be a difficult message for all of us. While we strive to be our best, we are also instructed to humble ourselves and avoid being prideful. We must help our young people understand that sometimes the best harmony is achieved when there is no dominant individual. When we truly humble ourselves, our eyes are opened. We begin to recognize the value of others rather than just focusing on our own accomplishments or needs. We begin to view the circumstances of others with compassion and empathy. We begin to understand that life is less about what we can achieve individually, but how we can use those gifts to faithfully serve our Lord and others around us.

*When pride comes, then comes disgrace, but with humility is wisdom. (Proverbs 11:2)*

*Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you. (James 4:10)*

*That there may be no division in the body, but that members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together. (1 Corinthians 12:25-26)*

While this concept is challenging, Scripture shows that God works to bring us into this mindset. At times he will need to humble us when we are too prideful. At other times he will lift us out of our brokenness for His glory. At times he will give us the opportunity to minister to those around us. At other times He will bring the right individual to provide the words we need to hear. This is what it means to be in harmony. This is what our God is continually working in each of our lives to draw us closer to Him.

Greetings,

It was quite the weather we had this week. With the snow, wind, and ice, I hope everyone enjoyed their time at home and stayed safe! A reminder that we have our Parent Teacher Conferences on Thursday night (5-7:30) and Friday morning (7:30-9:30). We hope to see you all there. If you do have any questions regarding school policies, please call me at 461-6000x205 or email me at [jkalkopf@milwaukeeelutheran.org](mailto:jkalkopf@milwaukeeelutheran.org).

We have instituted 2 changes to school policies:

**IDs**

- Students are required to wear their ID to enter the building in the morning. There will be staff members at entrances to ensure that this is happening.
- If the ID was left at home, the student will have to go home and get it. We will not be issuing temporary IDs.
- We are requiring that students wear their IDs around their neck and that they are visible throughout the school day.
- Our hope and prayer are that students and parents realize the necessity behind wearing the ID. Please have conversations with your child about the importance of wearing the ID in regards to safety and security.

**PHONES**

- Phones are not to be visible or on a student (not in pockets). The phone needs to be in lockers, backpacks, or pouches in the classroom. Phones are not used from 8-3:20.
- If you have to contact your child, please call the attendance office (461-6062)
- If your child needs to use their phone, they need to come to the office.

Every month we recognize students who have been selected by teachers as the Student of the Month. The following comments were made regarding the January Students of the Month: she makes my day with her upbeat personality, always on task, striving to do her post, super polite, leads discussion making real and valid points, etc. Below are the January Students of the Month:

**Jeriana Lewis-Thomas (Spanish)**

**Elijah Jones (PE)**

**Kieran Conner (Transition)**

**Micael Nash (Business)**

**Kalani Roberts (Social Studies)**

**Jamarion Huffman (Religion)**

**Richard Osuji (Tech Ed)**

**Alesiah Davis (English)**

**Jaedyn Jackson, Jermaine Thomas (Math)**

**Lamari Jobe (Music)**

**Mariah Parker-Smith (Art)**

**Jordan Wright (Science)**

The verse of encouragement this week comes from Proverbs 3:5-6 "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him and he will make straight your paths." Have a great weekend!

God's Blessings,  
Mr. Joe Kalkopf  
MLHS Dean of Culture

# Testing Days

## March

Tuesday, 7th - **ALL JUNIORS** - ACT Exam, 8:00am-1:00pm.

## April

Friday, 21st & Monday, 24th - **ALL FRESHMEN AND SOPHOMORES** - PreACT Secure Testing 8:00am- 12:30pm

Please see more specific information under upcoming testing dates below

### **Upcoming Testing Dates**

Our junior ACT testing day is coming up on Tuesday, March 7th, 2023. All juniors will be in the building completing their ACT and should report to school no later than 8:00am. Freshman and Sophomores will have a virtual day as planned and should complete their online work for their classes. Testing will be completed by 12:30, please plan for rides.

On April 21 & 24 Freshman and Sophomores will be taking the PreACT Secure Spring test in building. Students will be assigned one of the two dates according to last name. More information will be sent out closer to the date. Juniors and seniors will have remote days as planned.

### **End-of-Semester Grading Information from Academic Advising:**

Student reports cards are ready! In Skyward, please click the "Portfolio" tab. Current and historical report cards are viewable.

Paper copies will be mailed the week of January 23. If you have any questions about Skyward or need your login information, please contact Heidi Ebben at [hebben@milwaukeeelutheran.org](mailto:hebben@milwaukeeelutheran.org). Thank you!

## FROM STUDENT ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR VONDERHEIDE . . .

**Student Council:** Our next Student Council Meeting will take place on Tuesday February 28<sup>th</sup> during RKI.

**Prom Details:** Prom details were emailed to all Junior and Senior parents this week. Information sheets and guest passes are also available in the main office. Please keep the following eligibility requirements in mind:

- **Attendance** – Students with 15 or more unexcused absences this semester and/or 25 tardies this semester are ineligible to attend Prom.
- **Grades** – All students must be academically eligible to attend Prom. Two or more F's will cause a student to be ineligible to attend Prom.
- **Behavior** – Students who have received more than 10 discipline forms this year may not attend Prom. Students who have been suspended two or more times this year may not attend Prom. Students who were asked to leave the school for behavior related issues may not attend Prom.
- **Financial Obligations** – Unmet financial obligations will cause a student to be ineligible to attend Prom. This includes all sports/gym fees, book fees, apparel purchases, drama, music, or balances for any other school-related accounts.

### Save the Date:

- March 13 – Staff vs Student Basketball Game
- April 4 – Spring Blood Drive
- April 18 – Skate Night @ Butler
- May 6 – Prom
- May 19 – Fellowship Day
- May 19 – Senior Farewell

**Yearbook Orders:** Yearbooks can be ordered by going to [www.jostens.com](http://www.jostens.com)

**Juniors and Seniors** – every Wednesday morning, Mr. Hantak will be in the cafeteria from 7:15-7:45 to meet with any students who want to get involved with Urban Education Academy. This does allow you to “double up” between your own Academy/Advisory group and Urban Ed Academy! If your career plans involve teaching, coaching, or simply working with kids in general, come on over for a chat.

**JUNIORS AND SENIORS** – Now is the time to start thinking about COLLEGE!! The following colleges will be visiting our school in the near future. You MUST sign up with Mrs. Ebben in the Advising Office at least 2 days prior to the college visit.

- Tuesday, March 14<sup>th</sup> during advisory period - **MATC**

**SOFTBALL**- Softball will continue to lift weights on Tuesdays and Thursdays February 28 through March 9th. Open Gyms will also happen both Tuesdays and Thursdays, February 28, March 2, March 7 and March 9th from 4:30pm to 5:30pm in the gym. These open gyms are important to attend if you would like to try out for softball this year. Tryouts will be held March 14 to 16 with regular practice time on the 17th. Please be sure to check TEAMS for any messages from Mrs. Tonn

On Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM, the band program will be putting on their March concert. All MLHS community members are invited to this free concert! All bands and drumlines will be performing; we would love to see you in the Old Gym!



# SNOW DAYS

In the event severe weather conditions would occur, please check one of the local media outlets for information on school closings. **Our recommendation is that you check the WTMJ website ([www.todaystmj4.com](http://www.todaystmj4.com)) for the earliest and most up-to-date information.** Other media outlets broadcasting school closings include:

Television: WTMJ-4, FOX-6, WISN-12, CBS-58

Radio: 94.5 KTI Country, 620WTMJ

Internet: [fox6now.com/weather](http://fox6now.com/weather), [WISN.com](http://WISN.com), [cbs58.com](http://cbs58.com)

Since our students come from many parts of the metropolitan area, weather conditions may vary from one area to another. Please use discretion in sending your child to school even though school may be in session. A guideline to use in making your decision would be the decision that your local public school district has made. (Example: If you live in Cedarburg and the Cedarburg school district has closed due to the weather, consider keeping your child home from school that day.)

In the event that a sudden snowstorm forces school to close before the regular closing time, make certain that your child knows exactly where to go and what to do should no one be home during the school day.

## \*\*\*\*\*ATTENDANCE POLICY for the 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR\*\*\*\*\*

Please contact Ms. Adams in our attendance office at [attendance@milwaukeeelutheran.org](mailto:attendance@milwaukeeelutheran.org) or by calling the attendance line at 414-461-6062 to report any absences. Please **LEAVE A MESSAGE** on the attendance line with **YOUR NAME, YOUR CHILD'S NAME, and REASON FOR ABSENCE or TIME OF PICK UP**. To request an early pick up, we kindly ask for you to call at least **ONE HOUR** prior to picking up. Calls made less than one hour to pick up will result in a **DELAY** in releasing your child. We do understand that there may be extenuating circumstances that do not allow you to provide at least one-hour notice for early pick-up. If this is the case, **PLEASE BE PATIENT** with us as we are trying our best to accommodate you. **YOU ARE ENCOURAGED TO LEAVE A MESSAGE AS THE ATTENDANCE PHONE LINE IS CONSTANTLY BUSY**. Please allow time for messages to be checked and for students to be dismissed.

## NEXT WEEK'S BREAKFAST AND LUNCH MENU

<b>27</b> <b>Gyros w/ Side Salad</b> Steamed Carrots & Cherry Tomatoes Oranges & Chilled Pears  <b>Breakfast:</b> Omelets /w Bacon	<b>28</b> <b>Chili Mac / w Bread Stix</b> Steamed Peas & Fresh Cauliflower Melon & Chilled Peaches  <b>Breakfast:</b> Scrambled Eggs /Sausage	<b>March 1</b> <b>Pepper Steak w/Rice</b>  Veggie Eggs Fortune Cookie  <b>Breakfast:</b> Breakfast Burrito / Churros	<b>March 2</b> <b>Pizza Puff w/ Marinara</b>  Fresh Veggie w/ ranch Cookie  <b>Breakfast:</b> Corn Dog / Hashbrowns	<b>March 3</b>     <b>No School Parent -Teacher Conferences</b>
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**DO YOU HAVE A CURRENT 8<sup>th</sup> GRADER WHO IS INTERESTED IN ATTENDING MLHS NEXT YEAR???**

If so, please make sure that you have submitted an Academic Application for them. (This is different than the choice application you will fill out in February). If you haven't submitted this yet, please visit [www.milwaukeekeelutheran.org/get-started](http://www.milwaukeekeelutheran.org/get-started) and click on the red, "Apply Now" button to apply and sign up for our required placement test ASAP.



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**Free To Apply Now!**



[www.milwaukeekeelutheran.org/get-started](http://www.milwaukeekeelutheran.org/get-started)

**Choice Application**  
MPCP - February 1-20, 2023 & April 1-20, 2023  
WPCP - February 1 - April 20, 2023



<https://dpi.wi.gov/choice>

If you have any admissions questions, please feel free to reach out to our Director of Admissions, Mrs. Rachel Janousky at [rjanousky@milwaukeekeelutheran.org](mailto:rjanousky@milwaukeekeelutheran.org)



**School Hours**

8:00 am – 3:20 pm

**School Office Hours**

7:30 am – 4:00 pm



Telephone: (414) 461-6000

Attendance: (414) 461-6062

Fax: (414) 461-2733

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## Milwaukee Lutheran H.S. 2022-2023 Calendar

August

- 15 New Family Orientation
- 17 Freshmen Orientation
- 22 First Day (Soph to Seniors Only)
- 24 First Day of Classes (All Students)

September

- 5 No School – Labor Day
- 26-30 Homecoming Week

October

- 7 6 Week Progress Point
- 13 Open House
- 20 Parent-Teacher Conf. (PM)
- 21 No School – Parent-Teacher Conf.

November

- 3 Open House
- 4 No School – Prof. Dev
- 11 12 Week Progress Point
- 23-25 No School – Thanksgiving

December

- 19-21 Final Exams
- 22-30 No School – Christmas Break

January

- 2-4 No School – Christmas Break
- 5 First Day of Second Semester
- 16 No School – MLK Day

February

- 3 No School – Professional Dev.
- 10 6 Week Progress Point
- 24 No School – Professional Dev.

March

- 2 Parent-Teacher Conf. (PM)
- 3 No School – Parent-Teacher Conf.
- 20-24 No School – Spring Break

April

- 6 12 Week Progress Point
- 7 No School – Good Friday
- 10 No School – Easter Monday

May

- 25-26 Final Exams
- 27 Graduation (9:00 AM)

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Red – All 8 Periods
Yellow – Block Days
Blue – Remote Learning Day
Green – Finals
Black – No School

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6.15.21