November 18, 2008

Dear Middle School Parents/Guardians:

By the end of January, your middle school student, with your guidance, will need to make a decision about his/her high school career. Your student will need to choose the right high school for them. Please complete the enclosed High School Selection Form and have your student return it to their middle school guidance counselor. The High School Selection form covers the 2009-2010 school year and is due on or before January 30, 2009.

Your student may choose to attend the high school in your attendance area (Bradford or Tremper) or he/she may choose to attend Lakeview Technology Academy, Indian Trail Academy, Harborside Academy, Kenosha eSchool or Reuther Central High School. However, it is important to note that once a decision is made, a one-year commitment to that school is required. Transfers will only be allowed after a full year of attendance and must be requested during the guidance transfer window in January of 2010.

Informational meetings relating to all the choice high schools will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 9, 2008, from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Bullen Middle School and on Thursday, Dec 11, 2008, from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Lance Middle School. This is a great opportunity to obtain information regarding all of the wonderful choices that our district has to offer.

You can also take a first-hand look at the various high schools and the programs offered when you visit any of the open houses the six high schools are hosting. Both you and your student are cordially invited to tour the schools, talk with current students and staff, and have your questions answered. The dates and times for the high school open houses are listed below:

- Tues. January 6, 2009
  • Harborside Open House/Parent Information Session, 7:00 p.m.
  • Lakeview Open House/ Parent and Student Information Session, 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- Wed. January 7, 2009
  • Reuther Open House at 6:00 p.m.
- Thurs. January 8, 2009
  • ITA Open House at 6:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.
  • Lakeview Open House/ Parent and Student Information Session, 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- Sat. January 10, 2009
  • Lakeview Open House/ Parent and Student Information Session, 10:00 a.m.
  • Lakeview Open House/ Parent and Student Information Session, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon
- Mon. January 12, 2009
  • Harborside Open House/ Parent Information Session, 10:00 a.m.
  • Harborside Open House/ Parent and Student Information Session, 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- Tues. January 13, 2009
  • Parent Night @ Bradford for incoming students, 7:00-9:00 p.m.
- Wed. January 14, 2009
  • Harborside Open House/ Parent Information Session, 7:00 p.m.
- Thurs. January 15, 2009
  • Parent Night @ Tremper for incoming students, 7:00 p.m.
- Thurs. January 22, 2009
  • Harborside Open House/ Parent Information Session, 7:00 p.m.

Additional programming relating to the choice high schools can also be found on Kenosha Cable Channel 20 or by accessing each school’s web site at http://www.kusd.edu/schools/schools.html.

Please take advantage of these opportunities to learn more about the high school choices the Kenosha Unified School District now offers. Both you and your student should make an informed decision about which high school they will attend before submitting your Selection Form. I wish you well as you consider all of the options available.

Sincerely,

Dr. Joseph T. Mangi
Superintendent of Schools