



Weekly NEWSLETTER

Conchs Issue #12

Principal Mrs. Rebecca Palomino

November 3, 2023

Key West High School Mission Statement

To empower all students to maximize their potential and prepare them with the skills and experiences necessary to be college or career ready and to develop those character traits that will enable them to be productive members of society.



**Please wear red, white and blue
on November 9th to celebrate
Veterans Day at Key West High
School!!**

UPCOMING EVENTS NOVEMBER 2023

November 1st— Early Release, dismissal is at 11:30am

November 8th— Picture Make ups & Retakes and Band/Choir/Steel Pan pictures in the auditorium

November 9th— Club Pictures in the gym and Fall/Winter Pictures in the Courtyard

November 10th— No School—Veterans Day

November 14th— Herff Jones will be taking orders for class rings and senior announcements during lunch and in the library from 4:00-6:00pm

November 15th— Herff Jones will be taking orders for class rings and senior announcements during lunch and in the library from 4:00-6:00pm

November 20th-24th— No School—Thanksgiving Break

KWHS SOCIAL MEDIA:

Instagram— kwhs_news

Facebook—Key West High School Athletics & Student Activities

Twitter— @kwhsnews

Website— www.keysschools.com/kwhs

Students must show their KWHS ID when entering the campus and when a staff member asks to see it. Thank you for your support and effort in keeping our school safe!



Jessica Westbrooks, Area Controller of Isla Bella Beach Resort, revealed a check for a donation of **\$20,000** for the Key West High School Band's Trip to London, to perform in the London's New Years Day Parade.

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THE GENEROUS DONATION, Isla Bella Beach Resort!!!



SAT Test Dates and Registration Deadlines



<u>Test Date</u>	<u>Registration Deadline</u>	<u>Online Score Release</u>	<u>Format</u>
December 2, 2023	November 2, 2023	December 15, 2023	Paper
March 9, 2024	February 23, 2024	March 22—29, 2024	Digital
May 4, 2024	April 19, 2024	May 17—24, 2024	Digital
June 1, 2024	May 17, 2024	June 14—21, 2024	Digital



ACT Test Dates and Registration Deadlines



<u>Test Date</u>	<u>Registration Deadline</u>	<u>Late Registration Deadline</u>	<u>Photo Upload Deadline</u>
December 9, 2023	November 3, 2023	November 17, 2023	December 1, 2023
February 10, 2024	January 5, 2024	January 19, 2024	February 2, 2024
April 13, 2024	March 8, 2024	March 22, 2024	April 5, 2024
June 8, 2024	May 3, 2024	May 17, 2024	May 31, 2024
July 13, 2024	June 7, 2024	June 21, 2024	July 5, 2024



Don't miss out on
KWHS yearbooks!!
Purchases will be
accepted now till the
end of January!! Go to
www.yearbookordercenter.com
and enter job# 17196



Ms. Shoemaker's ESOL students are overcoming obstacles and persevering! They have been in our country no more than 3 years and some as little as 3 months.

The students have been working so hard on learning English (especially speaking it). They are reading a novel in English! They are learning the vocabulary and comprehension of the chapters (and taking and PASSING the quizzes). They use English when speaking to her. They are using English a little to speak to each other in class.

But, they are timid about speaking English in front of and to their American/English-speaking peers. She gave her students a challenge over the past 3 weeks for them to use English in their other classes. Every time they did, they got a punch card signed by the teacher. They had to get 12 signatures in 3 weeks; those who did got a pizza party.

Out of 19 students, 5 of them completed the task and they got their pizza party.

They will have the next 3 weeks to introduce themselves to the administration and office staff (getting signatures from them) in order to have an ice cream party on Dec. 1. This will help them meet the people who are essential to their success on campus (and who are not their teachers).

If you would like to help fund these incentives, please reach out to Ms. Shoemaker.
Her email is Kyla.shoemaker@keysschools.





ASVAB TEST

Monday, November 13th

in KWHs Testing Lab

Bldg. 4-117

8am - 11:30am

Designed to help students:

- Learn more about themselves and the world of work.
- Explore occupations in line with their interests and skills.

The **ASVAB** is not just a military entrance exam.

It tests a student's knowledge in eight areas: general science, mathematics, word knowledge, paragraph comprehension, electronics information, auto and shop information, and mechanical comprehension.



Open to 11th and 12th Graders

SIGN UP REQUIRED

SPACE IS LIMITED

To Sign up, email or see

Mrs. Estenoz:

Lydia.Estenoz@keysschools.com



Key West High School

SAC Meeting Dates—2023-2024

October 3rd

November 7th

December 5th

January 9th

February 6th

March 5th

April 2nd



All meetings are at 5:30 in the library.



Senior Links Worth Checking Out

Bright Futures Course Table

*Identify which courses meet BF eligibility



Florida Bright Futures

Scholarship Program 2023-24

*PDF view if Initial Eligibility Requirements



Federal Student Aid | FAFSA

*Complete the FAFSA Form through the U.S. Department of Education



Key West High School

College & Career Planning

*College & Career info from Mrs. Estenoz



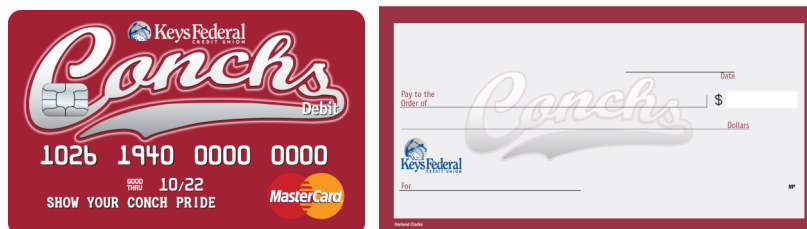
Florida SUS 2023-2024

Counselor Guide

*Current details about the 12 FL universities



Show your Conch Pride!



What are Conch Pride Accounts?

They are free checking accounts with Conch debit cards help raise money up to \$1,000 per month for Key West High School. Keys FCU donates:

\$5 to [KWHS for each account opened](#).

- \$2 to KWHS for each box of checks ordered.
- 1% of each account holder's debit card transactions, up to \$15 per month to KWHS during specific promotional periods like Back to School, Spring Break and Christmas season.

Conch Pride accounts include free adult and teen online & mobile financial education programs that teach them how to save and manage their checking account and credit history and more.

Who can get a Conch Pride Checking Account?

Conch Pride Checking Accounts and Debit Cards are perfect for KWHS students- 14 years and older, parents, teachers, staff, alumni, and fans-that live or work in the Florida Keys.

Where can you open a Conch Pride account?

In Keys Federal Credit Union at 3022 N. Roosevelt Blvd. in Key Plaza, 514 Southard St., and 5300 Overseas Hwy. in Stock Island.

How can KWHS raise more money?

Create awareness of, and encourage students, staff, parents, and fans to open a Conch Pride checking account by:

- Announce/socialize account at staff meetings, school assemblies, pep rallies, sporting events, parent encounters and in classrooms
- Send flyer out in weekly newsletter and Peach jar email service
- Hang posters and banners in school/visible areas

Partner with Keys FCU to promote account openings at school events like open house, [orientation](#), [college](#) fairs, graduation, sports events, meet the teacher

- Identify promotional/sponsorship opportunities on school materials/areas
- Circulate donation photos and information

Who creates and provides the Conch Pride marketing materials?

Keys FCU will create and provide all Conch Pride marketing materials. KWHS must distribute, hang, communicate, and publish them.

Info/Activities



NHS hosted a community service fair. Students were able to walk around and talk with organizations who need assistance running their events. This is a great opportunity for our students to give back to our wonderful community.

Info/Activities



Ms. Dannacker's
class having LOTS
of fun on
Halloween!!

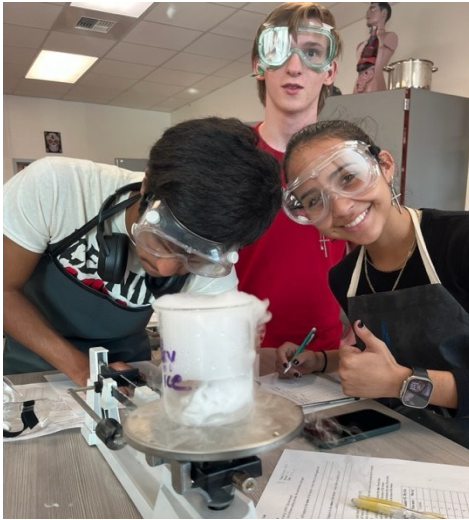


When your Mom is the
Government Teacher and she
forces you to dress up with
her!!

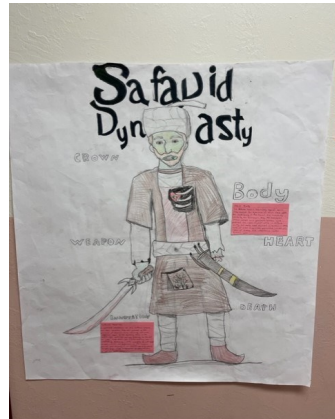
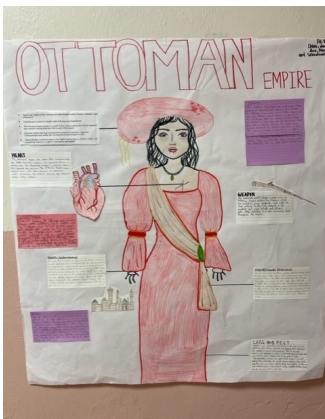


Coach Gordie with Coach
Colemans 1st period Biology
class had *SP00KY*
Halloween Fun!!

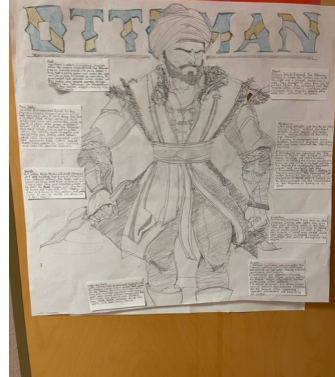
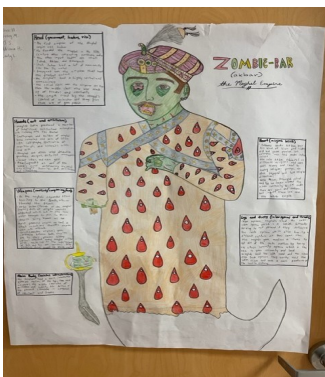
Academics



Mrs. Fink's
Chemistry students
learning about
mass change and
sublimation on
Halloween!!



In celebrating Halloween, Mrs. Laubenstein's class wanted to share a few pieces of spooky art that her students have created for their Anatomy of an Empire Project. The students were given instructions to illustrate a dominant leader of 5 of the major Land Based Empires during 1450-1750. Since the due date was Halloween, they decided to Monster Mash it up with some spooky, and gruesome details. Look closely at the photos attached. Can you find any gruesome tidbits hiding in their images?



The kids worked hard on this project, and recorded great details that they will be able to use on their test.

Information



The KWHS Book Club will be hosting a book fair at Books N Books on Saturday, December 2nd!!



Important Dates for KWHS students!

If you have any questions about these dates, please email Stacy.Saunders@keysschools.com



- ◇ **November 6th**— Herff Jones will be presenting class ring information to Juniors during 4th period, and senior announcements information to Seniors during 3rd period in the auditorium
- ◇ **November 8th**— Herff Jones will be here for make up pictures/retakes for all students. There will be a \$15.00 retake fee. If a student needs a make up picture, they are already signed up. If a student wants a retake, they will need to email Stacy.Saunders@keysschools.com to request a retake. All pictures will be taken in the auditorium. Mrs. Saunders will send out emails to all make up and retake students giving them their appointment time. Please tell students to check their emails at the beginning of November. Performance Groups will be taking their pictures also.
- ◇ **November 9th**— Herff Jones will be here to take Club Pictures in the gym. They will also take sports pictures in the courtyard for Fall and Winter sports.
- ◇ **November 14th & 15th**— Herff Jones will be on campus during the lunch shifts to take orders for class rings and senior announcements. They will also be taking orders in the library on both days from 4:00pm-7:00pm.

Athletics



The Fighting Conchs play away against Archbishop McCarthy today! We will be cheering you on!!

KW NCHS ATHLETICS



KWHS Swim competed at States today!!! Good Luck, Conchs!!!



KWHS Girls Soccer played Seminole on Thursday and Orange-wood Christian today!! Good Luck Girls!!



KWHS Cross Country competed at Districts on Wednesday!



Go
Conchs!!!



KEY WEST CONCHS

Activities

STAY INVOLVED!!!

SENIORS

- Senior Class of 2024 shirts can be purchased at Ramona's

President— Daniella Barroso
Vice President— Monaya Carey
Secretary— Siena Wardlow
Treasurer— Scarlet Niles
Historian— Yani Nodal

Class Sponsor: Mrs. Carnetra Carey

Student Council

Please join Student Council to get involved in the planning of our pep rallies, Homecoming, student government activities, Teacher Appreciation and so much more!!!

President— Monaya Carey
Vice President— Daniella Barroso
Secretary— Siena Wardlow
Treasurer— Brooke Biskupich
Historian— Yani Nodal

Student Council sponsor: Ayesha Osborne

#CONCHSTRONG!!

JUNIORS

Class of 2025 Executive Board would like you to join us at our next meeting! Every Junior is welcome to join!

President— Deanna Mercier
Vice President— Skye Sterling
Secretary— Haylee Brogli
Treasurer— Jada Franco
Historian— Peyton Zubieta

Class sponsor: Mrs. Kristen Condella

SOPHOMORES

Class of 2026 Executive Board would like you to join us at our next meeting! Every Sophomore is welcome to join!

President— Jake Ferguson
Vice President— Whitney Nervilus
Secretary— Ava Rivera
Treasurer— Chloe Blackwell
Historian— Audrey Smith

Class Sponsor: Mrs. Paula Mercer

FRESHMEN

Class of 2027 Executive Board would like you to join us at our next meeting! Every Freshmen is welcome to join!

President— Jordan Greene
Vice President— Victoria Gray
Secretary— Lily Smith
Treasurer— Josephine Clapp
Historian— Pilar Rivera

Class sponsor: Ms. Melissa Hargis



EDUCATIONAL
TOURS

Will you join us in Italy & Spain?

Summer 2024

Interested?

Check out our tour enrollment page (a.k.a. home base) to enroll or to find even more information like our detailed itinerary, everything that's included, FAQs and more:

eftours.com/2603120TT

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QR code:



Enrollment deadline: October 6, 2023

Spots available: 10

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Apply by December 31st

(Notification by February 15, 2024)



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Cómo aplicar

- Cree una cuenta gratuita en www.cirkledin.com.
- Haga clic en el botón “Solicitar ahora”.

Aplicar antes del 31 de diciembre

(Notificación antes del 15 de febrero de 2024)



Aplicar en: <https://www.cirkledin.com/scholarships>

KEY DEER ART CONTEST

Starting this year, National Key Deer Refuge is hosting a Key Deer Art Contest to provide students the opportunity to use art to reflect the importance of conservation.

Why?

The Key Deer Art Contest is an opportunity to learn about where art and nature meet, further develop artistic skills, and experience using art to highlight the importance of conservation.

How to Enter

- Learn about Key deer by observation and research.
- Get creative, you can draw buck, doe, fawn, or any combination!
- Winner may be featured at the 8th Annual Run with Deer 5k, so think about how it will look on a t-shirt.

Important Dates

- The Contest begins now!
- Art must be submitted to your teacher or group leader by November 11th.
- Winners will be announced December 8th. Winning art may be used promotional materials and featured on the 8th Annual Run with Deer 5k Walk and Run.

Requirements

- 8.5"x 11" paper.
- On the back, write Student name, teacher or group leader name, and school or location of entry. Please do not sign front of art.
- No brand names in the art.
- **BLACK AND WHITE ONLY.**

Top 3 Winners

Will be featured in the Nature Center and honored with prize at the Run with Deer 5k Walk and Run on February 17th, 2024

Overall Winner

Will be featured on the Florida Keys Wildlife Society's Facebook and newsletter. Art may be used on promotional materials and Run with Deer 5k t-shirt!



Zonta Club of Key West Presents the
31st Annual

ABC 5K & 10K WALK/RUN

SALUTE! IN KEY WEST, 1000 ATLANTIC BLVD

SATURDAY, NOV 4, 2023
8AM START FOR 5K
7:30AM START FOR 10K



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