



# Weekly NEWSLETTER

Conchs Issue #13

Principal Mrs. Rebecca Palomino

November 9, 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.*



## UPCOMING EVENTS **NOVEMBER 2023**

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:

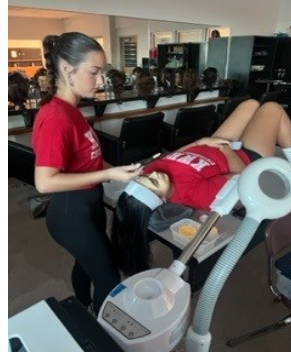
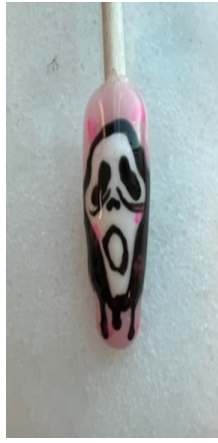
Instagram— [kwhs\\_news](#)

Facebook—Key West High School Athletics & Student Activities

Twitter— [@kwhsnews](#)

Website— [www.keysschools.com/kwhs](https://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!



Mrs. Pam Oropeza's  
Cosmetology students  
had Facial Fun Friday  
last week!!

**Please Congratulate  
Shakena Raymond!  
Our 2<sup>nd</sup> year in a row Fall  
Nail Art Winner!!**



### 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



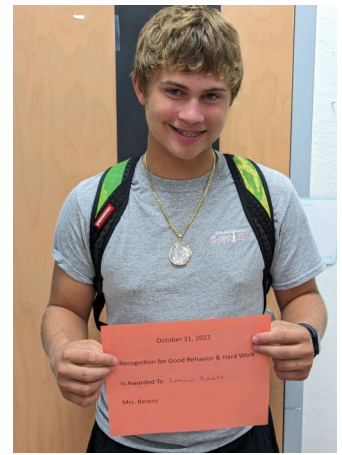
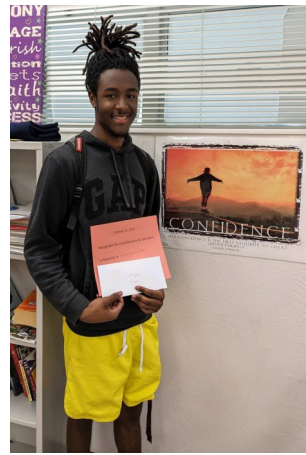
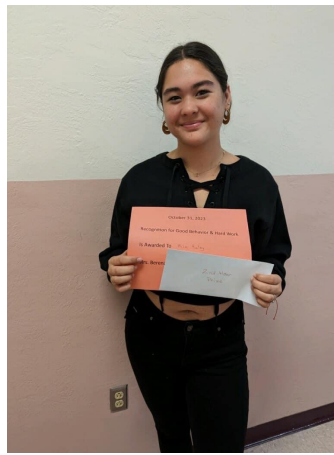
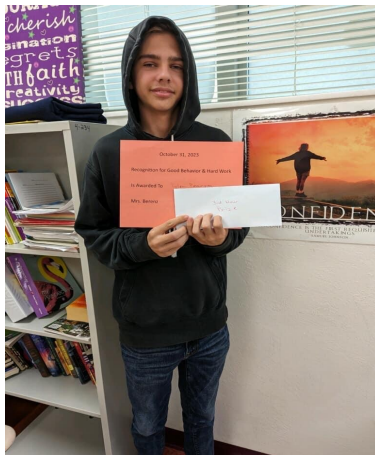
### ACT Test Dates and Registration Deadlines



<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](http://www.yearbookordercenter.com)  
and enter job# 17196



The following Students in Mrs. Berenz's Learning Strategies Class won a Reward for Positive Behavior & Hard Work. Pictured from left to right: Tyler Pearson, Mia Raley, Zentavious Carey and Lemuel Roberts. Way to go, Conchs!!





## 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 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Graders

**SIGN UP REQUIRED**

**SPACE IS LIMITED**

To Sign up, email or see  
**Mrs. Estenoz:**

[Lydia.Estenoz@keysschools.com](mailto: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.

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YOUR STUDENT IS INVITED TO

# COSTA RICA & PANAMA

RSVP TO THE 11/16 MEETING



Our very own Conchs participated in the Breast Cancer Awareness 5K Walk/Run!! You Ladies Rock!!!!

# *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

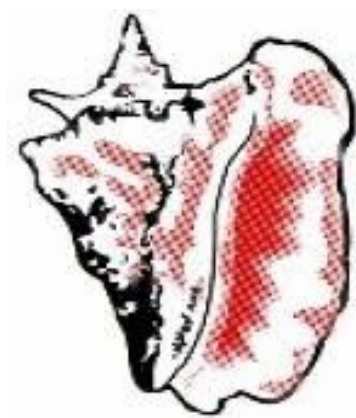
- Identify promotional/sponsorship opportunities on school materials/areas
- Circulate donation photos and information

## **Who creates and provides the Conch Pride marketing materials?**

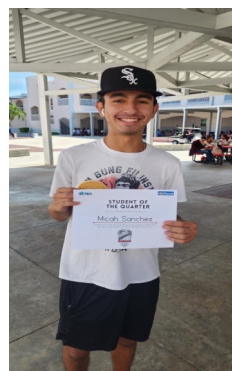
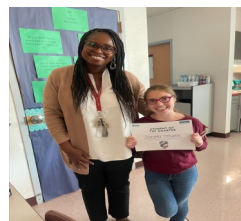
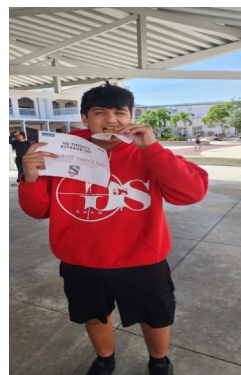
Keys FCU will create and provide all Conch Pride marketing materials. KWHS must distribute, hang, communicate, and publish them.



## Info/Activities



We have a STATE  
Champion in the 50  
Meter Freestyle relay  
with a time of 20.89!!  
Congratulations to AJ  
Smith! We are so  
proud of you!!  
Congratulations to  
Coach Lori Bosco!!



KWHS recognized over 90 students for being students of the quarter. Teachers nominated students and wrote a message to them explaining why they were chosen. Students received a snack at lunch. Keep up the great work, Conchs!!

## Information



The girls cross country team placed 4th at districts and will be moving on to Regionals.

On the boys team, Colbin Hill and Jerven Louis qualified individually to advance to Regionals.

Go CONCHS!!!!



### Important Dates for KWHS students!

If you have any questions about these dates, please email  
[Stacy.Saunders@keysschools.com](mailto: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](mailto: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

# KW CONCHS ATHLETICS



KWHS Boys  
Soccer play  
Ransom on  
Saturday!



KWHS Girls Soccer  
played Coral Shores on  
Wednesday and will  
play Doral on  
Saturday!!



KWHS  
Cross  
Country had  
Regionals  
on  
Thursday!



# 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  
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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



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# 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:

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We're going to...

# Costa Rica & Panama

Summer 2025



Dear Parents & Guardians,

I am so excited to invite your student on this upcoming educational travel opportunity! Learn more about this culturally immersive tour at an information session where we'll discuss:

- What we'll see and do, from ziplining to whitewater rafting!
- Travel logistics
- How to earn high school or college credit
- Affordable payment options
- How to enroll on this trip (before it fills up!)

Please register for the meeting by Wednesday, November 15<sup>th</sup>.

I look forward to seeing you there!  
Kimberly Rein

P.S. Can't make the meeting but want more information?  
Register using the QR code or link below and select "No but send info."

**NOTE: This is a  
community trip and  
unaffiliated with  
Key West High  
School**

**Register below & join us for more details!**

**Meeting date & time:**

Thursday, November 16

6:00 PM

**Location:**

Media Center

**Contact information:**

kimberlyrein83@gmail.com

Register with this QR code  
to attend the meeting!



<https://bit.ly/3tYzRtf>

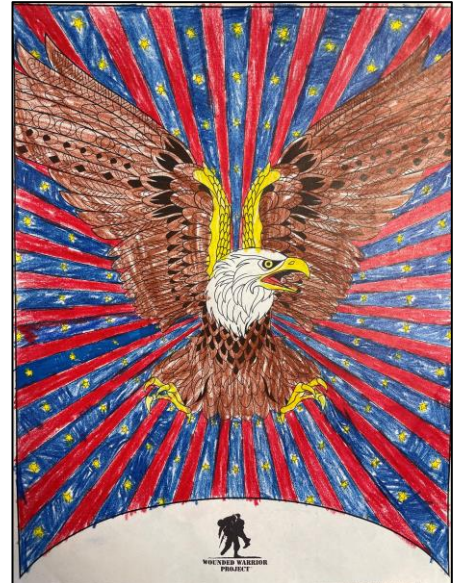
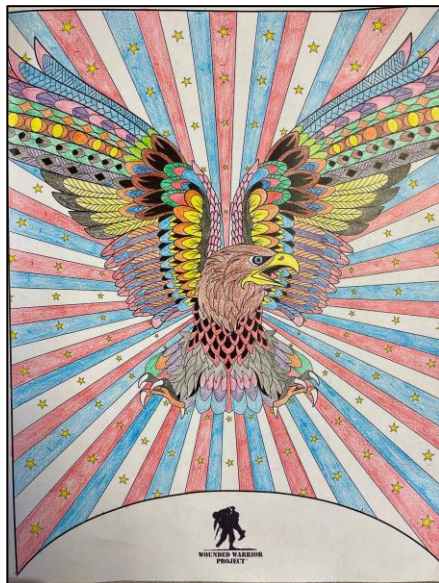
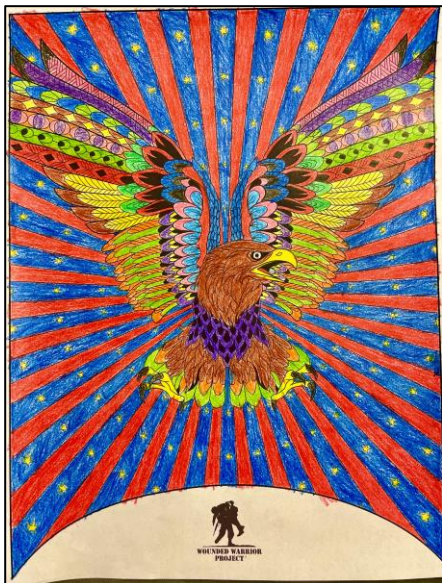
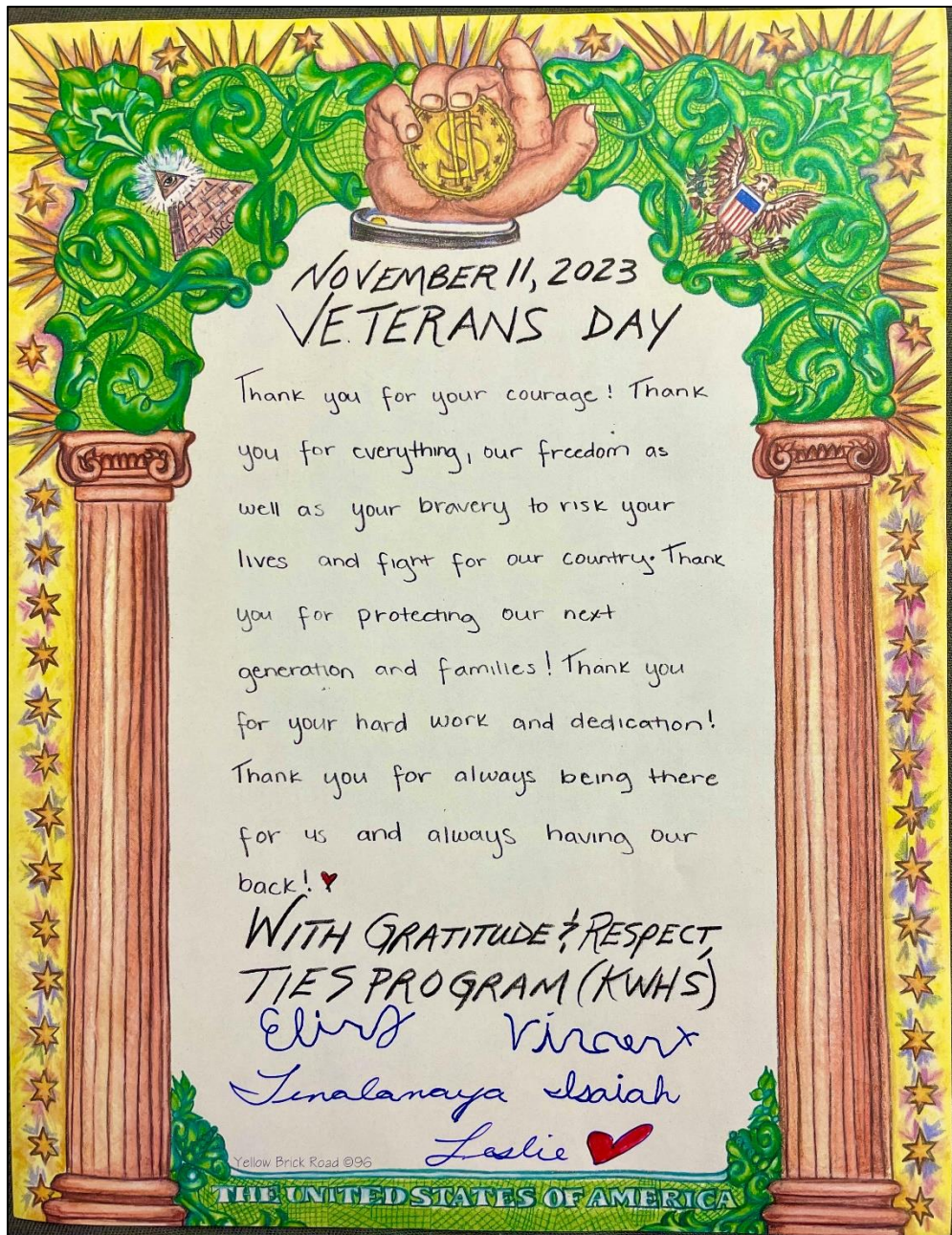
# 2023-2024 SENIOR DATES



<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>CONTACT</u>
August 15, 2023	ALL DAY	Senior Pictures	Auditorium	Herff Jones
August 18, 2023	2:00pm	1st Pep Rally	Gym	Student Council
September 1, 2023	ALL DAY	College Color Day--wear college shirts or colors	Campus	n/a
August 28--September 1, 2023	ALL DAY	<u>Homecoming Nominations</u> --in order to be nominated, senior girls must have been in 3 clubs or performance group during her Junior AND Senior year	Nomination forms will be in the front office. Please submit the completed Nomination form back to the front office.	Mrs. Saunders
September 5, 2023	ALL DAY	Voting for your Homecoming Court	History Classes	Mrs. Saunders
October 23, 2023	6:00pm	Homecoming Parade	KWHS	Mrs. Saunders
October 26, 2023	ALL DAY	Homecoming Queen Voting	Auditorium	Mrs. Saunders
October 26, 2023	2:00pm	Homecoming Pep Rally	Gym	Student Council
October 27, 2023	7:00pm	Homecoming Game & Crowning of the Queen	Backyard	Mrs. Saunders
October 28, 2023	TBD	Homecoming Dance	TBD	Student Council
November 14 & 15, 2023	lunch time & 5:30pm	Order Senior Announcements	Library	Herff Jones
November 8, 2023	ALL DAY	Senior Pictures--Make ups and Retakes	Auditorium	Mrs. Saunders
November 9, 2023	ALL DAY	Club Pictures and Sports Pictures	Gym/Courtyard	Mrs. Saunders
TBD	8:30am	Senior Panoramic--please wear your red Senior shirt	Gym	Herff Jones
TBD	7th period	National College/Military/Vocational Signing Day	Courtyard	Mrs. Estenoz
TBD	TBD	Junior/Senior Luau	TBD	Mrs. Carnetra /Mrs. Condella
TBD	ALL DAY	Junior/Senior Field Day	Backyard	Mrs. Carnetra /Mrs. Condella
May 16, 2024	ALL DAY	Last Day for Seniors	Campus	n/a
May 16, 2024	7th period	Ring of the Bell for Seniors	Courtyard (Bell)	KWHS
May 16, 2024	6:00pm	Senior Banquet	Cafeteria/Auditorium	Mrs. Carnetra/Mrs. Saunders
May 17, 2024	8:00am	Investiture Practice-- Cap & Gown Distribution	Auditorium	Mrs. Saunders
May 17, 2024	7:00pm	Investiture Ceremony-- Dress Code	Auditorium	Mrs. Saunders
May 19, 2024	11:00am	Baccalaureate-- Dress Code	St. Mary's Church	n/a
May 19, 2024	11:00am	Baccalaureate-- Dress Code	5th Street Baptist Church	n/a
May 20, 2024	TBD	Prom	TBD	Mrs. Carnetra
May 22, 2024	6:00pm	Class Night-- Dress Code	Auditorium	Mrs. Estenoz
May 23, 2024	6:00pm	Graduation Practice	TBD	Mrs. Saunders
May 24, 2024	7:00pm	Graduation-- Dress Code	TBD	Mrs. Saunders

<b>Dress Code for Graduation Ceremonies, Yearbooks and Graduation Fees:</b>			
<u>Boys</u> -- white button up shirt (long or short sleeve), black pants, black socks, black shoes, black clip on tie	<u>Girls</u> -- white dress (no color on the dress), white shoes	Yearbooks are \$85.00. You can purchase a yearbook by going to <a href="http://www.yearbookordercenter.com">www.yearbookordercenter.com</a> and enter KWHS code #17196	Graduation fees are due by the end of 2023. The fees are \$80.00 and it includes the cap and gown, tassel, and diploma cover. Please see Mrs. Saunders to make your payment. You can pay with cash or by check made payable to "KWHS".









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# Costa Rica & Panama

Summer 2025



Dear Parents & Guardians,

I am so excited to invite your student on this upcoming educational travel opportunity! Learn more about this culturally immersive tour at an information session where we'll discuss:

- What we'll see and do, from ziplining to whitewater rafting!
- Travel logistics
- How to earn high school or college credit
- Affordable payment options
- How to enroll on this trip (before it fills up!)

Please register for the meeting by Wednesday, November 15<sup>th</sup>.

I look forward to seeing you there!  
Kimberly Rein

P.S. Can't make the meeting but want more information?  
Register using the QR code or link below and select "No but send info."

**NOTE: This is a  
community trip and  
unaffiliated with  
Key West High  
School**

**Register below & join us for more details!**

**Meeting date & time:**

Thursday, November 16

6:00 PM

**Location:**

Media Center

**Contact information:**

kimberlyrein83@gmail.com

Register with this QR code  
to attend the meeting!



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# 2023-2024 SENIOR DATES



<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>CONTACT</u>
August 15, 2023	ALL DAY	Senior Pictures	Auditorium	Herff Jones
August 18, 2023	2:00pm	1st Pep Rally	Gym	Student Council
September 1, 2023	ALL DAY	College Color Day--wear college shirts or colors	Campus	n/a
August 28--September 1, 2023	ALL DAY	<u>Homecoming Nominations</u> --in order to be nominated, senior girls must have been in 3 clubs or performance group during her Junior AND Senior year	Nomination forms will be in the front office. Please submit the completed Nomination form back to the front office.	Mrs. Saunders
September 5, 2023	ALL DAY	Voting for your Homecoming Court	History Classes	Mrs. Saunders
October 23, 2023	6:00pm	Homecoming Parade	KWHS	Mrs. Saunders
October 26, 2023	ALL DAY	Homecoming Queen Voting	Auditorium	Mrs. Saunders
October 26, 2023	2:00pm	Homecoming Pep Rally	Gym	Student Council
October 27, 2023	7:00pm	Homecoming Game & Crowning of the Queen	Backyard	Mrs. Saunders
October 28, 2023	TBD	Homecoming Dance	TBD	Student Council
November 14 & 15, 2023	lunch time & 5:30pm	Order Senior Announcements	Library	Herff Jones
November 8, 2023	ALL DAY	Senior Pictures--Make ups and Retakes	Auditorium	Mrs. Saunders
November 9, 2023	ALL DAY	Club Pictures and Sports Pictures	Gym/Courtyard	Mrs. Saunders
TBD	8:30am	Senior Panoramic--please wear your red Senior shirt	Gym	Herff Jones
TBD	7th period	National College/Military/Vocational Signing Day	Courtyard	Mrs. Estenoz
TBD	TBD	Junior/Senior Luau	TBD	Mrs. Carnetra /Mrs. Condella
TBD	ALL DAY	Junior/Senior Field Day	Backyard	Mrs. Carnetra /Mrs. Condella
May 16, 2024	ALL DAY	Last Day for Seniors	Campus	n/a
May 16, 2024	7th period	Ring of the Bell for Seniors	Courtyard (Bell)	KWHS
May 16, 2024	6:00pm	Senior Banquet	Cafeteria/Auditorium	Mrs. Carnetra/Mrs. Saunders
May 17, 2024	8:00am	Investiture Practice-- Cap & Gown Distribution	Auditorium	Mrs. Saunders
May 17, 2024	7:00pm	Investiture Ceremony-- Dress Code	Auditorium	Mrs. Saunders
May 19, 2024	11:00am	Baccalaureate-- Dress Code	St. Mary's Church	n/a
May 19, 2024	11:00am	Baccalaureate-- Dress Code	5th Street Baptist Church	n/a
May 20, 2024	TBD	Prom	TBD	Mrs. Carnetra
May 22, 2024	6:00pm	Class Night-- Dress Code	Auditorium	Mrs. Estenoz
May 23, 2024	6:00pm	Graduation Practice	TBD	Mrs. Saunders
May 24, 2024	7:00pm	Graduation-- Dress Code	TBD	Mrs. Saunders

<b>Dress Code for Graduation Ceremonies, Yearbooks and Graduation Fees:</b>			
<u>Boys</u> -- white button up shirt (long or short sleeve), black pants, black socks, black shoes, black clip on tie	<u>Girls</u> -- white dress (no color on the dress), white shoes	Yearbooks are \$85.00. You can purchase a yearbook by going to <a href="http://www.yearbookordercenter.com">www.yearbookordercenter.com</a> and enter KWHS code #17196	Graduation fees are due by the end of 2023. The fees are \$80.00 and it includes the cap and gown, tassel, and diploma cover. Please see Mrs. Saunders to make your payment. You can pay with cash or by check made payable to "KWHS".