



Kinkora Regional High School

Home of the Blazers

Kinkora Blazers September Newsletter

*Tomorrow is always fresh,
with no mistakes in it.
~ L.M. Montgomery ~*

*One learns by doing a thing:
for though you think you know it,
you have no certainty until you try.
~ Sophocles ~*

DATES TO REMEMBER

Sept. 4 – ‘Welcome to Gr. 9’ BBQ & School Tour
Sept. 7 - Labour Day. No classes.
Sept. 8 - First day of classes for all students
Sept. 15 - K.R.H.S. Open House @ 6 p.m.
Sept. 17 - Animal Safe Handling Training for all Gr. 10 ADP students
Sept. 18 - Blue & Gold Day and Annual Blazer Blitz Pep Rally (Block D)
Sept. 20 - P.E.I. Open Farm Day
Sept. 24 & 25 - Eastern P.E.I. Agricultural Tour for all Gr. 12 ADP students
Sept. 28 - The Atlantic Association of Registrars and Admissions Officers (AARAO) Post-Secondary Opportunities Expo for Gr. 11 & 12 students in the p.m.
Sept. 29 - Annual Terry Fox Run (in the p.m.)
Sept. 29 - Orange Shirt Day @ K.R.H.S.
Sept. 30 - National Truth & Reconciliation Day. No Classes.
Oct. 2 - School Photos
Oct. 3 - Annual Blazer Beef Fundraising Supper
Oct. 6 - Gr. 9 Vaccinations
Oct. 12 - Happy Thanksgiving! No classes.
Oct. 26 - Canadian School Library Day
Nov. 5 & 6 - Annual P.E.I.T.F. Convention. No classes.
Nov. 6 - Grad photos at Heckberts in Summerside
Nov. 11 - Remembrance Day. No classes.
Nov. 16 - Teacher Administrative Day. No classes.
Nov. 26 - Parent/Teacher Interviews from 3:30-8 p.m.
Nov. 27 - Parent/Teacher Interviews from 9 a.m.-12 noon. No classes.
Dec. 18 - Last day of classes for 2026
Dec. 21 - Professional Learning Day. No classes.

WELCOME!

Welcome to all K.R.H.S. students, especially our new Gr. 9 students. We have 158 students plus 14 teachers, 4 educational assistants, 1 youth service worker, 3 support staff, 3 kitchen staff, and 6 bus drivers. Here are all our staff members and their contact information:

Lori Allen (laallen@edu.pe.ca) ~ Youth Service Worker
Daniel Arsenault (darsenault@edu.pe.ca) ~ Custodian
Leanne Arsenault (leannearsenault@edu.pe.ca) ~ Educational Assistant
Chantelle Beaton (cdbeaton@edu.pe.ca) ~ Vice-Principal, Math, Physics
Ethan Boyd (eboyd@edu.pe.ca) ~ ESAP, Science/Robotics, Economics
Traci Campbell (tdcampbell@edu.pe.ca) ~ Educational Assistant
Lesley Cousins (lkcousins@edu.pe.ca) ~ Peer Helping, Resource, Social Studies
Elmer Croken (ecroken@edu.pe.ca) ~ Custodian
Matt Killeen (makilleen@edu.pe.ca) ~ Principal, Leadership, Math, Chemistry, Biology
Amanda Lefurgey-McCarville (ajlmccarville@edu.pe.ca) ~ Educational Assistant
Jessica McCarthy (jlmccarthy@edu.pe.ca) ~ School Counselor
Amanda Moffatt (almoffatt@edu.pe.ca) ~ English, Canadian Studies, Ancient & Medieval History, Civics
Jill Parker (jparker@edu.pe.ca) ~ English, Canadian History, Foods & Nutrition, Career Explorations & Opportunities
Rebecca Paynter (rjpaynter@edu.pe.ca) ~ Math
Trent Ranahan (tjranahan@edu.pe.ca) ~ Athletic Director, Physical Education, Health, Site Technology Contact
Jessica Reeves (jsreeves@edu.pe.ca) ~ Agri-Science/Animal Science/Agriculture, Math, Culinary, Foods & Nutrition, ADP in Agriculture & Bioscience
Tasha Sherry (tsherry@edu.pe.ca) ~ Educational Assistant
Peter Stone (pkstone@edu.pe.ca) ~ Exploratory Arts, Design Technology, English, Law, Math
Tracy Thomson (ttthomson@edu.pe.ca) ~ Administrative Assistant
Shelley Tremere (sdtremere@edu.pe.ca) ~ Library, Life Skills, Co-op Work Studies, Distance Education
Dylan Voth (dlvoth@edu.pe.ca) ~ Science, Biology, Chemistry
Kirk White (kdwhite@edu.pe.ca) ~ Music, History of Popular Music, English
TBD ~ Core French, 2nd semester
Bus Drivers:
Ron Drummond ~ Bus Driver
Pat Flood ~ Bus Driver
Victor Martin ~ Bus Driver
Chris McCardle ~ Bus Driver
Pat McIver ~ Bus Driver
Bethany Smith ~ Bus Driver
Food Service Team:
Michelle Gibson ~ Kitchen Manager
Michelle MacPhee ~ Kitchen Assistant
Emily Temple ~ Kitchen Cook
The following T.O.S.H. & Holland College staff also teach some of our students:
Richard Beaulieu (rxbeaulieu@edu.pe.ca) ~ Welding

Rob Corkum (rtcorkum@edu.pe.ca) ~ Carpentry
Nathanial Croken
(njcroken@hollandcollege.com) ~ Transitions
Coordinator
Donnie Gallant (dbgallant@edu.pe.ca) ~
Automotive Technology
Steve Tessier (sttessier@hollandcollege.com) ~
Transitions

WARM BLAZER WELCOME!!

A warm Blazer welcome to the following staff,
new to K.R.H.S.:

Chantelle Beaton ~ Vice-Principal, Math,
Physics
Amanda Lefurgey-McCarville ~ Educational
Assistant
Peter Stone ~ Exploratory Arts, Design
Technology, English, Law, Math

FAREWELL & GOOD LUCK

Goodbye to the following valued staff members
from last year: **Jordana Birt**, **Ryan McAleer**,
Norah Pendergast, **Mark Russell**, and **Kevin
Stewart**. Your contributions to students & staff
were certainly appreciated and you will be missed.
Many thanks to you all!!

WE WILL MISS YOU

EXCHANGE STUDENT FROM SPAIN

Kinkora Regional High School is thrilled to host
exchange student **Maya Saez Sandoval** from
Spain this year.

K.R.H.S. OPEN HOUSE

The **K.R.H.S. Open House** will be held on Tues.,
Sept. 15 @ 6 p.m. All parents/guardians are
encouraged to attend. Great chance to meet the
teachers, find out about courses & school goals,
and tour the school.



K.R.H.S. STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

Our **Student Council President for 2026/2027** is
Addyson Rogers and our **Vice-President** is **Davis
Cassell**. **Evan Longuepee**, **Abigail Ross**,
Alessandria Recio, **Jack Pickering** & **Liam
Arsenault** will serve as **Executive Members**.
Thanks to all of you for taking on these **leadership
roles** for our school. Special thanks to **Teacher
Advisors Amanda Moffatt, Jill Parker & Rebecca
Paynter**.

student
COUNCIL

AARAO TOUR SEPTEMBER 28

The **Atlantic Association of Registrars and
Admissions Officers (AARAO) Post-Secondary
Opportunities Expo** offers Gr. 11 & 12 students
and their supporters opportunities to learn about
multiple educational options in one convenient
location. Students will have access to **booths from
50 universities, colleges, and complimentary
educational programs and resources**.

Exhibiting institutions and programs are located in
the Canadian provinces of Newfoundland and
Labrador, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Ontario,
Quebec, and Prince Edward Island.

All are welcome to participate. We encourage you
to explore widely and consider deeply. You may
just make the best biggest decision of your life...

College and University Day @ TOSH

Grade 11 and 12 students will have the opportunity
to attend a post-secondary school fair Tuesday,
Sept. 28 from 1-2pm at Three Oaks Senior High
School. Representatives from various post-
secondary schools will be set up in the gym and will
be available to answer questions and provide
information to students. This is a great opportunity
for students to start planning their life after high
school. We will be travelling by bus to TOSH,
departing KRHS at 12:30pm and will be returning
to the school by 2:30pm.

Parents and guardians will also have an opportunity
to visit this fair with your student the evening
prior. The gym will be open for visits between
5:30-7pm. There is often more time to explore
schools more in depth during this time period.
Should you have any questions please feel free to
contact Jessica McCarthy, jlmccarthy@edu.pe.ca.

NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

Our school will honor the National Day for Truth
and Reconciliation, formerly known as Orange
Shirt Day – Every Child Matters, on September 29.
Students and staff are **encouraged to wear orange
on this day in school to show support for the
healing journey of the survivors of the residential
school experience**, and to show our support of the
National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.



ACADEMY DIPLOMA PROGRAM IN AGRICULTURE & BIOSCIENCE

Jessica Reeves is in charge of the **Academy
Diploma Program in Agriculture & Bioscience**
here at K.R.H.S.

Important Upcoming ADP Dates:

Sept. 17 - Animal Safe Handling Training for all
Gr. 10 ADP students

Sept. 20 - P.E.I. Open Farm Day

Sept. 24 & 25 - Eastern P.E.I. Agricultural Tour
for all Gr. 12 ADP students

BLAZER BEEF SUPPER

The **Annual Blazer Beef Take-out Supper**, a major
K.R.H.S. fundraising event, will be held **at the**

school on Saturday, October 3 from 4-6 p.m. Cost is \$20 for adults & \$10 for children 12 & under. **Take-out ONLY.**

This is a long-standing fundraiser for the school dating back to the 1970s. Meal consists of roast beef, potatoes, carrots, turnips, gravy, roll, and pie. ***Tickets can be purchased at the door on Saturday.*** This is a joint initiative involving parents, students, staff & the community. The supper is one of the major fundraisers carried out by K.R.H.S. and all funds generated from this activity will be used in support of our schools. Funds help purchase band equipment, sport jerseys and equipment, maintenance of outdoor classroom, and various other things.



2027 GRAD NEWS

- *Grad photos* will take place on **Fri., Nov. 6, 2026** at *Heckbert's Photography* in Summerside. A \$20 sitting fee is due that day. A sign-up sheet will be posted outside Room 205. If that date does not suit, just call 902-436-4241 and make another appointment.
- Remember to check out the *K.R.H.S. Grads 2027 Google Classroom* and *K.R.H.S. school website* regularly for updates.
- Please submit your baby pictures for the yearbook to Mrs. McCarthy.
- The Grad Executive members are responsible for planning & organizing all grad activities throughout the year. Meetings most often take place at lunch once a month. There are 33 potential graduates for 2027.



SCHOOL CLOTHING/ BLAZER SPIRITWEAR

Anyone interested in ordering school clothing can do so at any time using the website: <http://kinkora.entripyshops.com/>

ALUMNI UPDATE...

Where are those K.R.H.S. grads now?

~ **K.R.H.S. Grad of 2025 Cole Schofield** is in his 2nd year Pre-Vet at *Dalhousie University Faculty of Agriculture*. He recently won a **\$3,000 McDonald's Canada Future of Agriculture 4-H Scholarship**. Fifteen post-secondary scholarships worth \$3,000 each are awarded to *senior 4-H members across Canada* who are pursuing *careers in sustainable agriculture and food*

systems.

~ **K.R.H.S. Grad of 2024 Kate Bell** recently graduated from the two-year *Early Childhood Education* diploma program at *Holland College*.

~ **K.R.H.S. Grad of 2021 Madison Jessome** is a *Mechanic Apprentice* at *Charlottetown Mitsubishi*.

~ **K.R.H.S. Grad of 1994 Mary Beth (Cormier) MacDonald, RN** is the *Clinical Leader* for *Public Health Nursing, Summerside Community Health Centre*.



ANNUAL K.R.H.S. TERRY FOX RUN

Our **46th Annual K.R.H.S. Terry Fox Run** will be held on **Sept. 29** with all funds raised going to *cancer research*. We thank the Student Council for their tremendous efforts in organizing this event.



K.R.H.S. LIBRARY

If there is interest, *Blazer Book Club* will meet every Friday from 11:45- 12 noon in the K.R.H.S. Library. All are welcome!!

October is *Canadian Library Month!* The K.R.H.S. Library is open *every day* before school, during class, at breaks, at noon, and after school. Special thanks to Teacher Librarian Shelley Tremere.



REMEMBRANCE DAY CONTEST

The *Royal Canadian Legion Borden-Carleton Branch #10* is inviting students to enter the *Annual Remembrance Day Poster & Literary Contest*. Gr. 9 falls under the intermediate category while Gr. 10-12 is senior. Students may submit *poetry, essays, black & white posters and colour posters*.



PAGE PROGRAM

The P.E.I. Legislative Assembly is once again looking for high school students to participate in the **2026/2027 Legislative Assembly Page Program**. This is an opportunity for a Grade 11 or 12 student from K.R.H.S. to work in the Assembly as a paid *Page*. If you are interested in how government

works and want to apply, please give your name to Mrs. McCarthy.



**K.R.H.S. BREAKFAST
& SNACK PROGRAM**

Lori Allen, our Youth Service Worker, as well as several student volunteers are busy every morning supervising and preparing for our *breakfast/snack program which is offered free for all students daily* from 8:15-8:30 a.m. There are smoothies, yogurt, granola bars, cereal, milk, bagels, cream cheese, and fresh fruit available every morning.



BLAZER BUDS BAKING CLUB

Blazer Buds Baking Club is held on Mondays after school from 3-4 p.m. in the *Foods Lab*. Everyone is welcome! See Lori Allen for more information.

NUT BAN

Our school has a **TOTAL NUT BAN** due to students with severe allergic reactions to nuts.

COMMUNITY SERVICE BURSARY PROGRAM

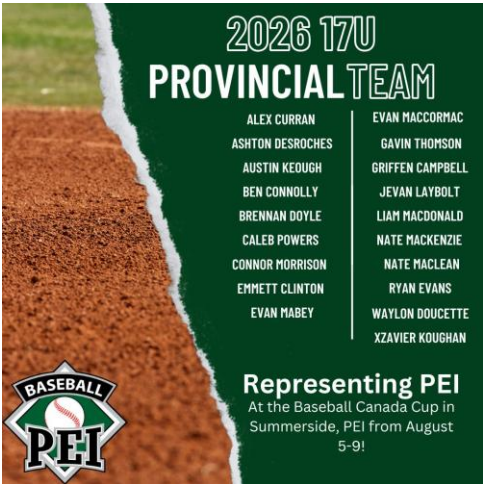
Did you know that you *can earn money towards a bursary at the end of Grade 12 by volunteering in your community?* Students can register with the program after their Grade 9 year and can *collect credit for up to 150 hours of volunteer work*. For more information please visit their website at <https://www.princeedwardisland.ca/en/information/education-and-lifelong-learning/community-service-bursary>

A reminder to all students that we are looking for student volunteers for the *Breakfast Program, as Intramurals Co-ordinator, and as Peer Tutors*. If you are interested, please see Mr. Killeen in the office. Community Service Bursary hours are available for all of these positions.



BASEBALL PEI

Congratulations to *Gr. 12 student Austin Keough* who represented *P.E.I.* with the *17U Selects* at the *Baseball Canada Cup* from August 5 to 9, 2026 in Summerside.



BLAZER BOARD GAME CLUB

Blazer Board Game Club takes place in the K.R.H.S. Library every day at lunch break. We have a great collection of board games and puzzles, as well as art supplies for colouring.



K.R.H.S. CAFETERIA

The *School Food program at K.R.H.S.* offers nutritious lunch options all year long with a *3-week menu rotation*. Thank you to our amazing **Food Service Team**:
Michelle Gibson ~ Kitchen Manager
Michelle MacPhee ~ Kitchen Assistant
Emily Temple ~ Kitchen Cook

SADD CHAPTER

Welcome back, Blazers! The SADD Committee is so excited for a fun and safe school year! Stay tuned for how you can get more involved to *make our school community a safe place for all!* Many thanks to Teacher Advisors Jill Parker & Rebecca Paynter.



BLAZER SPORTING NEWS

Try-outs have started for Fall Sports - Volleyball, Soccer, Baseball, Cross Country, Golf.



P.E.I. HOME AND SCHOOL NEWS

 **Questions?** Contact the Federation office at:
902-620-3186/1-800-916-0664/peihsf@gov.pe.ca
Follow PEIHSF on Twitter @peihsf and Facebook
at: PEI Home and School Federation



*Life is not meant to be easy, my child;
but take courage: it can be delightful.*

~ George Bernard Shaw ~

*The fight is won or lost far away from witnesses
- behind the lines, in the gym, and out there on
the road, long before I dance under those lights.*

~ Muhammad Ali ~

*Three rules of work:
Out of clutter, find simplicity;
from discord, find harmony;
in the midst of difficulty lies opportunity.*

~ Albert Einstein ~

*The past can't see you, but the future is
listening.*

~ Destin Figuiere ~

I am still learning.

~ Michelangelo ~

Smooth seas do not make skillful sailors.

~ African proverb ~

A day without laughter is a day wasted.

~ Charlie Chaplin ~

*To accomplish great things,
we must not only act, but also dream;
not only plan, but also believe.*

~ Anatole France ~

The wisest mind has something yet to learn.

~ George Santayana ~

*Time is the coin of your life.
It is the only coin you have
and only you can determine
how it will be spent.*

~ Carl Sandberg ~

*Twenty years from now you will be more
disappointed by the things you didn't do than by
the ones you did do. So throw off the bowlines.
Sail away from the safe harbor. Catch the trade
winds in your sails. Explore. Dream. Discover.*

~ Mark Twain ~

*If you want to go fast, go alone.
If you want to go far, go together.*

~ African Proverb ~

