



STAY INFORMED!



At Kate Andrews High School, we strive to keep students and their families informed about what is going in and around the school. **However, we do not send paper notifications home with students.** Instead, you can always stay informed in the following ways:

EMAIL: *Every student has a student email account that the office and teachers will send information/ notifications to. We will also occasionally send notifications to parents via email regarding things that are going on around the school. Teacher email addresses are listed on our website, and we encourage you to stay in contact with your child's teacher if you have questions or concerns.*

KA Website: kateandrewshighschool.com

We strongly encourage parents and students to check it out often to see what is happening around KA. The Athletics Schedule (games, practices, etc.) are always posted in the calendar section on the Athletics page. We update the *CALENDAR* and the *SCHOOL NEWS* sections almost daily.

Like "Kate Andrews High School" on Facebook to stay informed!



DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS are made every day during *ADVISOR* so that students hear about important information pertaining to their day and also upcoming events. Students are also able to access *Daily Announcements* on the KA webpage.



KA NEWSLETTER: The KA Newsletter is published around the 1st of every month. The newsletter is posted to the KA Website, and is also emailed to students and parents.

Some teachers/clubs/teams use Apps like *REMIND*. (There are a few different Apps out there.) These apps are communication tools that help teachers communicate with students and parents.



TV Screens: There are TV Screen's throughout the school (in the MAIN ENTRANCE, the LUNCHROOM and just outside of the LIBRARY that display important announcements and information.



Follow @KAATHLETICS on twitter or KA Athletics on Instagram for game/practice reminders and up-to-date results and announcements from our athletic department!

Phone/School Messenger Voice Messages: If there is something that we need to speak with you about regarding your child, a teacher or administrator will contact you directly via phone. We also use *School Messenger* to distribute important voice messages to parents/guardians.

At Kate Andrews High School, we are excited that we can now offer the Power School Parent/Student Portal as a way to view student grades and attendance online, LIVE! This means that you can now see if your student is marked late or absent from class, and even have a notification sent right to your phone the instant that your student is marked absent by the teacher. You now have a live link to your student's current grades as well as seeing if they have any missing assignments.

As a LIVE record of student attendance and grades is now available through the Power School Parent Portal, **hard copy Report Cards will no longer be mailed to parents or handed out to students.** However, we will still be putting a printed copy of a report card into student files at designated periods throughout the school year. (1 midterm and 1 final report for each semester.) If a parent would like a copy of this report card, they can contact the office to request it, however we **STRONGLY** encourage all parents to sign up for the Parent Portal.

Students do not need to sign up for their Student Portal Account. They simply need to log in to the P.S. Student Portal *on a computer*, using their Palliser Computer Lab log-in. If they have any difficulty logging in, they can come to the school office for assistance.

The "Power School Portal" tab on our webpage includes detailed instructions for creating your account as well as linking additional students to your account (i.e. if you have more than one child in Palliser Regional Schools). The KA office is also happy to assist any parents to set up their account. We can usually help over the phone, however we also have a Chrome Book set up in the office for parent use for this purpose.

If you have a P.S. Parent Portal account for your child at R.I. Baker, this account should just roll over to KA, as the account follows the student.

*In the 2018-2019 School Year, KA implemented an **Advisory Class** into our schedule. On a daily basis, we ask our students to meet with a teacher for 8 minutes between classes in the morning. This structure allows for us to do many things as a school when we want to organize our students for various functions. This is also when we share information, such as daily announcements with students.*

More importantly, it creates a 'mechanism' which allows each student coming into grade 9 to have one teacher/adult in the building that would stay with that student for all 4 years in high school. The hope is that the student and teacher will have a connection, so as to ensure every child has at least one adult they can talk to when they really need it. This potential connection along with the Advisory Class can play a major role in providing opportunities to bolster student well-being in Kate Andrews. The benefits are huge and hopefully obvious to see. As our students build relationships with their advising teacher and other students, further opportunities will evolve which allow us to build school spirit. Building school spirit will be part of providing a positive social network for all students.

Kate Andrews High School uses **SchoolCashOnline** for almost ALL financial transactions. If you do not already have one, we strongly recommend that you sign up for an account before your child begins classes.

Base school fees are DUE BEFORE students will be given text books. Please see the School Fees schedule for a complete list and details about school fees.

