From The Principal

Hello Harborside students and families! I hope your summer is going well! Things here at school are moving along nicely!

This summer has been another great learning experience for the new staff here at Harborside. Our new teachers have been to Portland, Oregon for a full week training on Expeditionary Learning methodology. They also participated in a 2nd full week national conference that was hosted right here in Kenosha!

Some Announcements:

Our 9th and 10th grade classes are full and a waiting list still exists for both grades. However, we do have space for 3 more juniors to transfer in. We are communicating this to you first in case you have a friend/relative that might be interested in attending our school.

Our Governance Board has recently approved a change in our Spanish class policy. Some students will be eligible, by choice, to get extra support in English, reading and writing as opposed to taking Spanish as a class. Parents, if you would rather have your student spending extra time working on English and reading (for credit), please call the school office or talk to us during registration if you are interested. We will explain the details of the program and qualification criteria. (There will be a table set up for this at registration if you would like to ask questions about this exciting new program.)

This year at registration students will have the opportunity to sign up for an ACT Prep program that is being offered exclusively to Harborside Academy 11th graders. This program is being offered through a partnership with the Kenosha Sylvan Learning Center. This past year, we were able to negotiate a partnership with Sylvan Learning to offer a winter ACT Prep program. This program normally costs Kenosha students $800.00 per course to sign up. At Harborside, the Sylvan staff will teach this class in small groups at a cost of $250.00 per student. It will be offered in the evenings and will cost you as a family $125.00. Harborside will pay the remaining $125.00 fee. Help is also available for families that are interested in the program but need financial help. Look for the sign up forms at registration as space will be limited.

Mr. Haithcock

Registration

School Registration will take place at the school following days:

Monday, August 10th from 7:00am – 12:00 pm
Thursday, August 13th from 12:00 pm – 7:00 pm

We have enclosed with this newsletter the following school registration forms – Enrollment, Emergency/Health, Medication, Scout’s Youth Membership, Field Work Permission and Student Dismissal Permission forms. Please complete these forms and bring with you on Registration Day. At registration, student fees will be collected and student schedules received (student fees will be around $100 unless your student has a lost book or lock fine). Fees may be paid by check, credit card or cash.

Also, Harborside apparel will be for sale & advanced yearbook orders will be taken during registration. Parents will be able to pick up their Parent Connect login information; city bus passes/school bus schedules; and lunch account information.

1st Day of School

Remember, the 1st day of school is Tuesday, September the 1st. All students are asked to wear comfortable walking shoes to school at least the first two weeks. There are planned activities where extensive walking is necessary. Bring an extra pair of shoes. (The Harborside Dress Code will be enforced on the 1st day. Please make sure you read it over closely. – No denim!)

Summer Kick Off! August 16th

Harborside Academy’s 3rd Annual Picnic will be held on August 16th. It will be a pot-luck gathering at Lake Andrea from 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. Freshmen & Sophomore classes are asked to bring a salad/side dish or fruit to pass; the Junior class is asked to bring desserts. And, everyone, please bring your lawn games!

There will be information shared, volleyball, canoeing, and kayaking! It will be a fun day!

Get in Touch - Stay in Touch

We would like to encourage all parents to visit the Harborside website and sign up for the list serve. This is a critically important way to gain access to the current information at Harborside. Remember, if you change your email address to update the list serve.

Go to http://harborside.kusd.edu

Scroll to the bottom of the page and enter your email address.

Also, all KUSD telephone numbers have been changed. See left column for our new numbers!
**Grading Policy**

The Harborside grading policy is mentioned here simply to remind everyone that it is different than the policies at the other high schools. We are a college prep school. We want our students to strive for the best academic success that they can. Our staff does not believe that a “D” will help a child to be prepared for post secondary education. Therefore, please remind your students that there is no “D” in the Harborside scale.

Letter grades at Harborside shall be based on the following:

- **A+ = 98-100%**
- **A = 93-97%**
- **A- = 90-92%**
- **B+ = 86-89%**
- **B = 83-85%**
- **B- = 80-82%**
- **C+ = 76-79%**
- **C = 73-75%**
- **C- = 70-72%**
- **F = 0-69%**

**Please note:** Exceptions to this rule may be allowed in special cases, as approved by the principal. Nothing in this policy intended to conflict with approved programming for a student with an Individual Education Plan (IEP), a Section 504 plan, or a Limited Language Plan (LLP).

**Character grades:**

Students are reminded that a character grade will be given to each student for all of their classes. Character grades will be determined by progress on established character traits, effort, attendance, and punctuality with assignments. Trouble in the hallways, lunch, before or after school will be reflected in the CREW character grade.

Students, please remember, if you fail a character grade at Harborside, credit for that course will not be assigned until you have completed a corrective plan of action.

**Harborside Traffic Plan**

Cars pulling in to drop students off in the morning should not stop on the North side of 49th Street (in front of school) or the east side of 8th Avenue. Those areas need to remain clear for buses. When dropping students off it is recommended that you park in the lot on the west side of the school. When leaving school, we highly recommend that you do not drive west on 49th St. as you head back to Sheridan Road. It is not a safe intersection. Visibility is VERY poor!

Harborside students who will be driving to school will park in the lot on the west side of the school. They will need to purchase a parking permit at registration. The cost of each parking permit is $50.00.

**Parking on the street is NOT ALLOWED**

**Physical Education**

All students at Harborside will be taking physical education at some point this year. Some students will have gym fall term; others will have it during the spring term. Harborside does have a gym, but like Indian Trail and Lakeview, we do not have locker rooms. Students that bring a change of clothes will be allowed to change in the bathrooms near the main office. We highly recommend that all students plan to change for gym as nobody will enjoy sitting in class being sweaty the rest of the day. We will provide a laundry bag for students so that they can put their street clothes in the bag during gym. There will be space available to store the clothes on shelves during gym.

PE class is a 90 minute period, so there will be time to change. Also, it is a good idea to bring non-aerosol deodorant that can be kept in the student’s regular school locker. It is recommended that all students keep their valuables locked in their regular school locker during PE class.
2009-2010 STUDENT DRESS CODE

Harborside Academy requires that students adhere to what is commonly referred to as “business casual” attire. All students are expected to exemplify appropriate dress standards in a manner that projects an appropriate image for the student, school, and District. Harborside will not require specific brands of clothing. It shall be left to the discretion of the principal/designee whether or not a student is in compliance with the student dress code policy. Students will be required to wear student identification (ID’s) during the day and have them easily accessible during all school activities (academic, extra-curricular, co-curricular).

Every Friday will be considered a Spirit Day and jeans will be acceptable if student wears anything with Harborside logo on it (does not include hand-drawn logos) If 4 students per grade level violate a Friday dress code, there will be NO Spirit day the next week.

Appropriate Attire includes: Bottoms - corduroys, dickies, capris, shorts, skirts, jumpers, skorts, dresses, and cargo style pants are all acceptable and all bottoms should be neat, clean and in appropriate repair; no holes or tears or patches; all bottoms should be touching or extending above the belt line and appropriately fastened at the hip. Belts are required if necessary. Undergarments must be covered at all times, when standing or seated. Dresses, skirts, jumpers, shorts and skorts must be at least fingertip length when standing or seated. Bottoms must fit appropriately and may not be more than one size larger, may not be extremely baggy, tight, or drag on the floor.

No jean style pants, stretch denim jeans, athletic pants, wind pants, athletic shorts, and pajama type pants; No jeans to be worn under pant. No changing of clothing before 2:34 pm, including Wednesday, if student remains in the school.

Tops: Collared shirts must be worn by all students. Button-up shirts must have no more than 2 opened buttons (3 opened buttons maximum if higher neckline shirt is worn underneath) or a sweater is required. Dress sweaters, mock turtle neck and turtle necks count as collars. Tops must be neat, clean and in appropriate repair; neckline on tops must cover chest at all times; must be long enough to be tucked in, cover the mid-section and past belt line when seated; and must fit appropriately and not be tight. No thermals, henley’s, no t-shirts or tank tops over collared shirts; no sweatshirts or fleece – without a collar on underneath.

Footwear: Athletic shoes, laced shoes and/or shoe boots, loafers, dress shoes, flip flops or sandals (Tennis shoes are required for gym class.)

Other inappropriate attire includes: See through fabric without opaque fabric lining; bedtime attire, such as pajamas, undershirts or undergarments as outerwear; attire that may be considered weapons, including but not limited to chain belts or wallet chains; jewelry, piercing, tattoos or similar artifacts that are obscene or may cause disruptions to the educational environment; hoods, hats, caps, bandanas, sweatbands, skullcaps, plastic hair bags, hair nets, hair curlers or do-rags, except headwear worn for legitimate religious purposes; house slippers, or any other type of footwear that could constitute a safety hazard; steel-toed boots or shoes; any type of footwear with wheels; and hobnails, spurs or cleats on boots, shoes, or shoes are not permitted. No gang or gang-related activity (including gang-related colors if for purposes of gang identification), or clothing that contains pictures and/or writing referring to alcoholic beverages, tobacco products, sexual references, profanity, illegal drugs, bigoted epithets, harassment/hate messages, or messages of hostility toward race, ethnicity, religion, or sexual orientation.

PLEASE NOTE: Any student in violation of dress code will be required to wear school-issued attire (NO CALLING HOME) with issued attire being returned or a $8.00 charge will be issued. Also, any student late to class in the morning due to changing, it will be recorded as a violation.

Repeated violations of school attire rules, per quarter, will constitute disciplinary action as follows: 1st Violation – will be a warning; 2nd Violation – Character grade will be dropped one letter grade; 3rd Violation – Character grade will be dropped to a C- maximum; More than 3 Violations – Student will fail their Character Grade for the quarter. New quarter is a fresh start.

Violations will occur if a student fails to follow any of the standards listed above. Additionally, if student late to class in the am due to changing, it will be recorded as a violation. Clothes may be brought to the school store to be sold “On Consignment” for $5 (or $10).
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### BULLYING/ HARASSMENT/ SEXUAL HARASSMENT

Harborside Academy is very serious about maintaining an emotionally and physically safe learning environment. This will be a priority for all Harborside students, staff, and parents. Communication between home and school is critical. The staff at Harborside wants to help! No teasing, harassment, or bullying will be tolerated in any way. It is critical that all students understand the significance of this behavior. Consequences for harassment or bullying of any kind will be significant.

#### Harborside Bully Prevention Rules:
- We will not bully others
- We will defend students who are being bullied
- We will include students who are easily left out
- When we know someone is being bullied, we will communicate with an adult at school and at home

(Olweus, 2002)

- It is critical to note that harassment is identified through the eyes of the harassed. Defending one’s behavior by downplaying the significance of the behavior or describing it as friendly teasing between friends will not be accepted as an excuse for any kind of harassment.
- All students must understand it is inappropriate to negatively confront a victim (or witness) of bullying. No student accused of bullying another may approach an alleged victim. (Even just to talk or ask questions.) If communication is necessary, it must be conducted by a staff member. Intimidating a witness or intimidating a victim will be considered an extremely serious behavioral infraction.
- Students accused of harassment or bullying may also be asked to sign a harassment agreement form. This form asks for a commitment to discontinue, or avoid, any further harassment or bullying directed towards a specific student and the other students at the school. Consequences administered to those who violate this agreement will be progressive in nature.

### Harborside Supply List

Needed by the second day of school (Wed, Sept 2nd)

- ONE 3-ring binder (2" preferred)
- Page dividers (need 6 individual dividers)
- Loose leaf (college rule preferred)
- Pocket folders that fit in 3-ring binder (need 8)
- Highlighters (multiple – any color)
- Pencils (#2 lead preferred, mechanical pencils are okay) & pens (blue & black ink)
- Jump drive (flash drive) 2GB is the preferred minimum
- Graph Paper
- TI-30X IIS Scientific Calculator – for Algebra 1A, 1B, Algebra 1 & Geometry OR
- TI 84 Plus Graphing Calculator – for Pre-Calculus & Algebra 2
- Spiral notebook for each elective (4)
- PE clothing and required athletic shoes. (Plain color shorts and t-shirt.)

Note: Any additional supplies needed, will be communicated at the start of each class.

We will allow students to have their own lap tops in class. However, they do NOT need one! Harborside can not be responsible if something is lost, stolen or damaged. Make sure you can identify your machine! — There will be strict rules for using the computers in class. Internet access on personal computers is not allowed by district policy.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who donated supplies last year. We used everything that was given to us. Teachers were particularly grateful for the kleenex donations during the year. If you’re out shopping for supplies and can, please think of the students and purchase some additional supplies for this year. Kleenex, spirals, 3 ring binders, pencils, pens, pocket folders... etc., it would be appreciated!
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**Frequently Asked Attendance Questions**

- **When my child is absent, what should I do?** Call school (359-8440) any time within 24 hours of the absence. If you must leave a message, please identify yourself by name and then be sure to include the student’s name, grade, and reason for their missing school. If a parent or guardian comes late to school, he/she MUST sign in at the Main Office whether or not a call has been previously placed. Absences not cleared by a parent or guardian within five days will not be excused unless formal documentation is provided by a doctor, court, etc.

- **What should my child do if he/she becomes ill at school?** Students must go to the Main Office either during passing time or with a pass from their classroom teacher. The secretary will contact a guardian, verify permission to go home, and require the student sign-out on the appropriate form in the office before leaving the building.

- **What does my child do if he/she has an appointment during the day?** The student should bring a note from a parent/guardian regarding the appointment and time to the Main Office before school begins on the day of the appointment. The student will be given an Office Pass that will allow the student to leave class at the time indicated. Your child should then go to the Main Office for proper sign-out before leaving the building. A timely return is expected with the student signing back in at the Main Office unless otherwise specified. NOTE: State law does not allow the school to excuse students for job interviews or any appointments that are not specific to that student. Prearranged absences of one day or less may be excused by phone or note.

- **How does KUSD’s attendance system work?** The classroom teacher takes attendance daily present, absent, or tardy for each student. Parent phone calls resulting in an excused absence or prearranged absences/field trips/school sponsored activities are entered in the Attendance Office computer. The next day, a list of absences is given to each teacher for their specific classes so that they can double check accuracy and make corrections. For those students still not excused, a system of personal or automated phone calls is then made to the student’s residence as a follow-up and as notification of the truancy. A parent, guardian, or student then has a FIVE-DAY WINDOW to correct any mistake that may still exist in the attendance record.

- **What happens if my child is tardy to school and/or class?** Students must sign in at the Main Office when they arrive to school tardy. They will be issued a pass to report to their appropriate class. Repeat occurrences of tardiness will not be tolerated and will lead to additional follow-up, including detentions, potential counseling, parent meetings, interventions, or disciplinary actions.

- **Is the attendance expectation the same for athletic participation?** Athletes must be in school all day beginning at 7:30am for all periods of the school day in order to practice or compete. The only exception is a verified medical/dental/court/etc. appointment.
New Staff at Harborside!

This year, we have hired another group of teachers and we have moved some people to different positions. Hopefully this will help catch you up to speed!

Mr. Amacher has taught English at Tremper High School for over 20 years! He is a real veteran that knows his trade well! Mr. Amacher has spent an amazing amount of time this summer working with his new teaching team here at Harborside. (Actually, he and I have been planning since about the middle of May together!) His excitement to come to Harborside is amazing. I am also excited about his true knowledge and passion for history and science. Mr. Amacher will also be teaching Journalism here at Harborside. He is going to create some really great learning experiences while working with Mr. Winden and Mrs. Bohning!

Mrs. Caloni-Hughes comes to Harborside as one of our two new Spanish teachers! She has taught three different languages while working abroad these past several years. Mrs. Caloni-Hughes will teach half of our Juniors Spanish classes at Harborside in the afternoons after working at Brompton Charter School in the mornings. Her travels and life stories will excite everyone - she has a wealth of knowledge that she brings to our teaching team!

Mr. Gottfredsen has been a teacher the last five years at Bullen Middle School where he taught 8th grade science. This year, he is transferring into Harborside as our 9th grade Biology teacher. Those that know him understand his true passion for science. It is impossible to be around him and not have his enthusiasm excite you. He is a talented teacher that has already spent a ton of time working with Mrs. Bohning and the other 9th grade teachers so that he is ready to hit the ground running. He is going to be an amazing addition to our staff!

Ms. Kuehl is our 2nd Spanish teacher! Mrs. Kuehl will be at Harborside full time. Ms. Kuehl is a recent graduate that comes very highly recommended from Carthage College. She student taught last year at Bradford High School and she has attended both EL training sessions with our staff this summer. She is young, energetic, and excited to get started working with our students. Those on her interview committee could see right away that our students are really going to like taking her class. Ms. Kuehl will teach all of our freshman and sophomore Spanish classes and half of our Juniors.

Mr. Naylor will join the Harborside staff as Dean of Students. (This will make Mr. Buschmann our full time counselor.) Mr. Naylor is extremely well educated holding three different psychology degrees. He started his career in KUSD as a school psychologist. After a few years he took on the lead role at the Hillcrest School time program. From there, he served as the Dean of Students at Nash Elementary before joining our team here at Harborside. Mr. Naylor is another team member who has already put in a ton of time here at school getting ready. He is a hard worker that truly cares about the students and families that we serve!

Ms. Wheeler will take over Ms. Wambold's math position in 9th grade. Ms. Wheeler has an amazing resume which includes teaching math at Phillips Academy in Boston Massachusetts. (Phillips Academy is a nationally known college preparatory academy in Boston.) Ms. Wheeler has also worked as a part time professor at Carthage College. She is going to be a wonderful addition to our team. We are excited to have her!

Mr. Winden is another veteran teacher that comes to us from Bullen Middle School. Mr. Winden is one of those teachers that the students love to have. He is a fantastic teacher with a great sense of humor. We are thrilled that he has asked to be a part of our staff. Mr. Winden has spent his summer working with the new teachers preparing for the US Government (AP) and (Non AP) level classes. Mr. Winden will also be teaching World Issues and our Student Partnership course. We are thrilled to have him at Harborside!

Ms. Zange-Schmidt is new to teaching this year, but has some great experiences that she brings to our school! She has been in the Coast Guard and she has worked teaching Taekwondo for several years. She has also had some great experiences in her teacher education program and student teaching while a student at Northeastern Illinois in Chicago. Ms. Zange-Schmidt will help to work supporting students in the inclusion setting. She is extremely bright and talented. Like many of our teachers, she had her choice of a few places that she might want to work at she chose our school! She has a bright future in teaching and we are extremely excited to add her to our team!

Staff Assignment Changes:

Dr. Beaullieu, Dr. B, will become the Harborside "Instructional Guide" this year. This means that his role will be to work with all of our teaching staff on their lessons and expedition development. He is, as his title suggests, here to work full time with our teachers to help achieve our instructional goals. He will still be in classes helping to team teach, and he will still lead his own CREW. However, behind the scenes, his role will change a little bit.

Ms. Wambold and Ms. Bohning - As you know, they are moving to the 11th grade teaching team. Ms. Wambold will handle all of the 11th grade math and she will teach the Personal Finance course. Ms. Bohning is taking over the AP Environmental Science class and the Ecology classes. She will also teach all of the 11th grade Health classes.

Mr. Buschmann will be our fulltime counselor this year. Please see the From the Counselor section of this newsletter for important information from him!

I am sorry to inform you that Ms. Edwards is still not feeling well and will not be returning as our art teacher this year. Our position is posted and interviews will happen probably before you receive this letter.

The 10th grade team will be returning as it was for next year! They have had a great summer of planning and are excited to get started with their new students! Ms. Renaud and Ms. Eckert will also be here, excited to work with a new group of 9th graders! Mr. Nepper, Ms. Lewis, Mr. Warnecke, and Mr. Underwood will also be here, eager for classes to start!