

KIRKACADEMY

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Kirk Academy Raiders,

Let me say again how proud I am of how the 2024–2025 school year has started at Kirk Academy. To the students, the faculty/staff, and the families, I would say thank you for buying in to making this year great. As we've continually pushed forward our vision of "providing a quality education in a Christian environment," you have all responded and supported our efforts in exciting ways. As a way of reflecting and celebrating what we have accomplished as a school, I felt it important to share what I would call a report on the first 100–days of our school year going all the way back to the summer until now. What is so exciting to me is that the list below of what our faculty, staff, students, and community have accomplished in our first 100 days is just the beginning!

First 100 Day Events and Accomplishments

- Installation of front security gates
- Investment in Social Studies, Science, Mathematics, and English Curriculums for Elementary Students
- Completed textbook audit at High School and purchased any missing books to ensure each student has a book for their courses
- Reorganization and reintroduction of library activities
- Reintroduction of Music Programs and Choir
- Improvements to Biology Lab to allow for lab experiments and hands on activities
- School wide work day to prepare campus for first day of school
- Reinstituted the KA Grandparents Club
- Completed full website update to provide current information
- Implemented new communication strategy in hopes of improving flow of information
- Enhanced focus on campus improvements and cleanliness through expansion of Custodial/Maintenance staff

- Renewed focus on campus safety through parking registration and insurance for all drivers
- Scheduled MS Department of Homeland Security to conduct full security audit of KA Facilities
- Student Council is now leading the morning announcements, prayers/devotional, and pledge of allegiance
- Dr. Allen Smithers conducted Biblical Worldview Training at all-staff in-service
- Athletic Staff completed CPR/AED training and certification
- Organized College/Career Fair that currently has over 30 colleges and employers scheduled to attend
- Partnered with Ministry "Benny's Blankets" to provide care and support to cancer patients at St. Dominic's Hospital in Jackson

I am so grateful for the opportunity to be a part of the KA Raider community. Together, we have accomplished so much in just 100 days. The Lord truly has blessed our efforts to "provide a quality education in a Christian environment." We have many great days ahead and we will continue to need the support of each person in our community, but I have no doubt that the support and achievements that we have seen in just a short period of time will continue to take Kirk Academy to new heights.

As always, God Bless and Go Raiders!

Rob Shillito

Head of School