

Catch Up with Caroline!

Area 1 Newsletter: January 2022

"There are two ways of spreading light:
to be the candle or the mirror that
reflects it." - Edith Wharton



SAVE THE DATE!

- "Be The Spark" Letter of Intent
 - Due March 1, 2022
- KAY Leadership Camp Registration
 - Due May 1, 2022
- Unit Conference, click the link to see which location your club is attending!
 - <https://www.kshsaa.org/Public/KAY/PDF/UnitConfSitesAndDates.pdf>

ABOUT ME!

Hi, my name is Caroline Chiddix and I am your 2022-2023 Area 1 President! I am a junior at Carbondale- Santa Fe Trail HS. I am very involved at school in KAY and many other groups such as band, NHS, StuCo, Green Team, cross country, and cheer! Outside of school, you can find me painting my nails, reading books, or hanging out with my cats! Thank you for electing me as your Area 1 President and I can't wait for a **superfantastic** year with you all!



Your 2022 Area President

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- Link to find more information on KAY
 - <https://www.kshsaa.org/Public/KAY/Main.cfm>

Unit Conference

Unit Conferences are approaching fast, so talk to your sponsor about attending! This is a great opportunity to meet other KAY members and bring home new ideas and service projects!

Winter Service Project Ideas

As we get into the new semester, it is important to keep motivated in our clubs! Here are a few winter service projects ideas that are simple!

- Have a coat or winter clothing drive
- Write cards and send them to a nursing home, hospital, or children's hospital
- Reach out and work with a local organization to help your community



AREA 2 REVIEW!!

UNIT CONFERENCES.

Unit Conferences start on the January 19th and running through February 21st.. Now is the time bring KAY club members to kick their 2nd semester. There will be fun activities and service projects to do while building new friendships.

Hi! My name is Aly Murphy. I'm your Area 2 President for this year, and i wanna tell

Some things about myself! I'm a freshman this year at Independence High School IN Independence KS. I am in STUCO, KAYS , Drama Club and Color Guard. I have been in KAY's for two years and i love singing, acting and spending time with the the people i love and i hope i get to see you at Camp this summer!



COMMUNITY SERVICE CORNER

BE THE SPARK!

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Kansas is partnering with KAYAN to give out a \$100,000 grant to KAY clubs across Kansas

CAMP INCOMING

*Get ready now! Camp is incoming this summer July 25-29th.
SIGN UP NOW!*

- Donate your old clothes.*
- Volunteer at a soup kitchen.*
- Donate blankets to a homeless shelter.*

To handle yourself, use your head; to handle others, use your heart." Eleanor Roosevelt

Kyra's Key to KAY

January 2022

Upcoming KAY Events

Unit Conferences will be held in schools around the state during January and February. KAY members will have the opportunity to come together to share ideas and projects. This will be a half day event. Please check the link below to locate when and where your club will be attending.

<https://www.kshsaa.org/Public/KAY/UnitConferences.cfm>

The deadline for **Be the Spark** letters of intent is approaching quickly on March 1st. Clubs should be brainstorming ideas to help their community "live a healthy lifestyle" and connect with one another. Visit this link to learn more about **Be the Spark** and upcoming deadlines.

<https://www.kshsaa.org/Public/KAY/BeTheSpark.cfm>

The **Wanda May Vinson Scholarship** is awarded every spring to high school seniors who have been active members in the KAY organization. Scholarship deadlines will be April 1st. See more here:

<https://www.kshsaa.org/Public/KAY/Scholarships.cfm>

KAY Leadership Camp will be held this summer at Rock Springs 4-H Center south of Junction City from Monday, July 25 to Friday, July 29. Any members of a KAY club are welcome to attend. Sign-up forms and details will be passed out at Unit Conferences. Enrollment will be open from now until May 1st. For more information:

<https://www.kshsaa.org/Public/KAY/LeadershipCamp.cfm>

"One person can make a difference – and everyone should try." –John F. Kennedy

Project & Activity Ideas:

- Break apart into small groups and determine the meaning of the KAY pledge, motto, slogan, and mission statement.
- Hold a social hour event with Alumni to learn about past projects and different ideas for your club's next projects.
- Contact your local businesses for partnership ideas for fundraisers, contests, and services to them.



About Me:

Kyra Bergman

As your 2022 Area 3 President, I am excited to serve you and your school! I am a junior at Centralia High School and the Centralia KAY club President. In my free time, I enjoy dancing, swimming, spending time outdoors, playing sports, and relaxing with family and friends. This past summer, I attended KLC and had a blast meeting new friends, working in large teams, and learning more about the KAY organization. Two of my favorite parts of camp were my color team's performance at fun night and the staff morning reports at breakfast!

For any help or questions your club may have, feel free to contact me here:

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Or visit the KAY section of the KSHSAA website at <https://www.kshsaa.org/Public/KAY/Main.cfm>

HARLIES HEADLINES



GET TO KNOW ME

Hey everyone! I am Harlie Bittel a Junior from Ellis High School. I am so excited to be serving as your Area 4 President this year! I have been in KAY for 5 years now and have attended camp for 4 years. I love being involved in everything, especially KAY! Here are a few fun facts about me. I am a huge K-State fan, if I could go to every football game I sure would. Secondly I love puzzles, they are so relaxing. Last fun fact is that I am obsessed with ice cream, Cookies and Cream is the best! Being your Area President has been a dream of mine for a very long time and I can't wait for you all to be on this journey with me!

WHATS GOING ON IN KAY?

Unit Conference

- The unit conference shall be attended by student delegates from each club. At the unit conference students will learn many things from community service projects to what KAY truly is. It is a half day full of fun and laughter. I can't wait to see some of you!

DEADLINES

- April 1: Wanda May Vinson Scholarship Applications and all the Letters of Support
- May 1: KAY Leadership Camp Registration
- May 15: End of the Year Report

KLC

- Interested in having a great time, making new friends, and learning more about KAY? Join us at KLC Camp this summer! You will have a fantastic time with fantastic people! If you want to learn more visit this site:

<https://www.kshsaa.org/Public/KAY/LeadershipCamp.cfm>

Be the Spark

- It is time for the third round of Be the Spark. Be the Spark is a great opportunity for students to focus on mental and physical health and to really do something about it. If you would like to learn more about it visit this site:

<https://www.kshsaa.org/Public/KAY/BeTheSpark.cfm>



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NEVAEH'S NIFTY NEWSLETTER



INTRODUCING... ME!

Hello! I'm Nevaeh McVey and I am very proud to say that I am your Area 5 president. I attend Otis-Bison High-School as a Sophomore. I am involved in KAY as well as Forensics, SADD, FCA, Scholars bowl, 4-H, Cheerleading, Volleyball and Track.

UNIT CONFERENCES

Unit Conferences are sneaking up here pretty soon. You can always go to the KAY section of the KSHSAA website and there is a section specifically for unit conferences and any information tied to them. Here is where some of our Area 5 clubs are headed to:

January 26th, Meade HS

February 2nd, Quinter HS

February 11th, Otis-Bison HS

KLC CAMP

This past year I got the opportunity to attend KLC camp, held at Rock Springs 4-H Center, for the first time. It was an amazing experience and I am so excited for this summer to come. At KLC you get to meet so many new people, learn more about KAY, come up with ideas to share with your club, and overall get to have some fun. I hope to see you there this year!



DEADLINES

Semester Report
Due: January 15th, 2022

Wanda May Vinson Scholarship
Application and Letters of Support
Due: April 1st

Be The Spark Letter of Intent
Due: March 1st, 2022

Camp Registration
Due: May 1st, 2022

"Live your beliefs and you can turn the world around."

— Henry David Thoreau

CONTACT INFO

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The Area 6 Mix

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Hello!

First off, I would like to thank you all for electing me to be your Area 6 President. I am beyond excited to be given this opportunity. I am currently a Junior at Maize High School and besides KAY club, I am involved in NHS, SAFE, and Teens as Teachers. I also swim competitively on my high school team and year-round. Feel free to message me at anytime if you ever need anything!



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Unit Conferences

KAY unit conferences are a great way to keep your KAY club motivated, share and get new project ideas, focus on club leadership, and get to know other clubs! Unit conferences are also great because anyone in your club can attend, and they are based on your geography so there is a chance you will get to meet clubs from a different area.

Service Project Ideas

- ❖ Make dog toys out of old t-shirts for shelter dogs
- ❖ Paint rocks that say uplifting messages hide around a park or school property
- ❖ Stress balls made from balloons and flour for the counseling staff to give out



UPCOMING DEADLINES

Be the Spark letters of intent- Due **March 1st**

Wanda May Vinson Scholarship
Applications- Due **April 1st**

KAY Leadership Camp Registration-
Due **May 1st**
Camp Dates: July 25-29

“It always seems impossible until it’s done”

-Nelson Mandela