



2026 Alumni Reception and Program Details

Honoree Guide

Event at a Glance

DATE	LOCATION
Thursday, November 12, 2026	HomeField KCK Showcase Center 9250 State Ave. Kansas City, KS 66112

Your Event Day Schedule

TIME	WHAT TO EXPECT
4:45 p.m.	Honoree arrival, check-in, final instructions, and review of stage procedures
5:00 p.m.	Pre-Event reception begins
6:20 p.m.	Please take your program seat and prepare for the ceremony
6:30 p.m.	Awards ceremony begins
7:30 p.m.	The program concludes at approximately 7:30 p.m.

RSVP and Complimentary Tickets

- **Your invitation includes** two complimentary tickets: one for you and one for a guest.
- **Your nominator** will receive the same information and may bring one complimentary guest.
- **Please RSVP by November 1, by emailing us and confirming the name of your complimentary guest.**

Additional Guests and Sponsorships

- Friends and family are welcome to join you with a purchased ticket.
- Program-only tickets are available for guests attending the 6:30 p.m. awards ceremony and **do not include** admission to the pre-event reception.
- Children are welcome to attend the awards ceremony only with a purchased ticket.
- **The pre-event reception is reserved for adults.**
- **Tickets and sponsorships:** [Purchase tickets or explore sponsorship opportunities](#)

What to Expect

Pre-Event Reception

- The pre-event reception begins at 5:00 p.m. and is open to honorees, nominators, their guests, sponsors, and guests whose purchased ticket includes pre-event reception admission.
- Enjoy spirits, appetizers, beverages, photo opportunities, and time to connect before the ceremony.
- Honorees should arrive by 4:45 p.m. for check-in, final program instructions, and a brief review of the stage process.

Program Seating

The awards ceremony begins promptly at 6:30 p.m. Seating will be theater-style.

- Reserved honoree seating will be located within the first three rows. Please remain in this area until your name is called so the program can move smoothly and stay on schedule.
- After receiving your award and completing the official photo, you may return to the honoree seating area or join your family and guests if a seat has been reserved for you.
- Some front-row seats will be labeled and reserved for KCKPS and KCKS Foundation leadership and program speakers.

Your On-Stage Recognition (will be reviewed in person at 4:45 Pm same day as the event)

STEP	WHAT TO DO
1	Walk onto the stage when your name is called.
2	Receive your award and pose for a photo. You will then walk to the opposite side of the stage and answer one brief question.
3	Exit the stage and proceed to the designated photo backdrop for a photo with KCKPS and KCKS Foundation leadership.
4	Return to the honoree seating area or join your family and guests if you would like.

Program Overview

The ceremony will include welcome remarks, honoree video clips and award presentations, sponsor and community remarks, and closing reflections.

Turn Your Recognition Into an Opportunity for Students

As we celebrate your accomplishments and the example you have set, we invite you to extend that impact by supporting KCKPS graduating seniors. We know fundraising is a meaningful task, and we are incredibly grateful for your consideration and support of the next generation of KCKPS graduates.

Participation is encouraged but optional. AT your media day interview will or have shared the below information with you.

- Each participating honoree will receive a personalized fundraising page featuring their photo, biography, and unique donation link.
- Each participating honoree will have a suggested fundraising goal of \$1,000. Once your page is ready, we will send your personal link, campaign dates, and information to help you share it with your network.
- The honoree who raises the most will be recognized with a scholarship awarded in their name to a graduating KCKPS student in spring 2027.
- Every dollar raised, including funds beyond the named scholarship will support the KCKS Foundation's spring 2027 scholarship funds. The Foundation awards approximately 35–38 scholarships each year, ranging from \$1,000 to \$5,000 per student.

Past honorees have shown what is possible: Suzanne Hale Robinson raised \$2,100 to fund a scholarship, and Aaron Moore raised \$1,000 the previous year.

Thank you for helping us celebrate the success of KCKPS alumni while opening doors for the students following in your footsteps.

Parking, entrance, and final check-in details will be emailed before the event. Please reply to the email accompanying this guide with questions or accommodation needs.

We look forward to celebrating you and your accomplishments.

