



The Kentucky School for the Deaf will celebrate its 200th Anniversary during the year 2022-2023. We plan to have the monthly events to celebrate starting July 2022 thru July 2023. The information on these monthly events will be announced at a later date.

On December 7, 2022 we will celebrate the historical facts about the Ky School for the Deaf as part of the National Deaf History week, December 5-9, 2022. The Ky School for the Deaf was formerly known as the Kentucky Asylum for the Tuition of the Deaf and Dumb which was signed into the law by Governor John Adair with the assistance of Henry Clay 200 years ago. KSD finally opened on April 10, 1823 with the first three pupils who enrolled. KSD was the first state supported of its kind in the United States and the first school for the deaf west of the Appalachian Mountains.

The American School for the Deaf at Hartford, Ct. opened the first permanent school on April 15, 1817. The New York School for the Deaf as the second oldest deaf school opened first classes in New York City in 1818 and the Pennsylvania School for the Deaf was founded in 1820 as the third deaf school. Each of these schools already celebrated its own events.

As you know the first two deaf schools already celebrated their anniversaries, and the third deaf school will be celebrating in March 2021 subject to the CDC guidelines regarding the Covid-19 pandemic and vaccinations. KSD will be celebrating "Kentucky 200th Anniversary" next year. This will be an exciting time for KSD students, staff, parents, retired teachers and employees, alumni, and friends to have the opportunity to value Deaf history and uphold its legacy.

In order to make this event a success we are requesting your support. Your donation, regardless of the amount, would make a significant difference to KSD students. Enclosed is the donation form that you can fill it out and make a check or money order payable to "Kentucky 200th Anniversary".

Please contact me at rhonda.bodner@ksd.kyschools.us if you are able to support our efforts to make a difference in the community. Thank you so much for your consideration of our request and we hope to hear from you soon.

Sincerely,

Rhonda S. Bodner

Co-Chair Kentucky 200th Anniversary

KSDAA Vice-President

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Kentucky School for the Deaf
Danville, Kentucky

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