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### Kings Local School District has a new Web site!

Please visit [www.kingslocal.net](http://www.kingslocal.net) to view the new site where you will find Kings news, easy to navigate pages, curriculum information and much more!

On the site you also will be able to subscribe or unsubscribe to the Electronic Blackboard News (EBBN). The format for the EBBN also is changing, it is now be viewable as an Adobe PDF attachment.

### Kings' Carlo Biedenharn Qualifies for State

Congratulations to KHS Swimmer Carlo Biedenharn. He will compete at State in the 200 & 500 free style on Feb. 25.

Coming off an amazing Sectional meet, Kings had a lot talented swimmers qualify for Districts! Kings had four relays make it and all 16 of those swimmers had best time splits at the District Meet!

Congratulations on a great season swimmers!

Good luck at State, Carlo!

### Upcoming Events

**Feb. 26:** The KHS Dance Team will host a Pajama-Jam 6-8:30 p.m. in the CES gym. Girls in grades k-6 are invited to an evening of fun dance routines, games, pizza and dessert. Wear your pajamas and we'll provide the fun! The cost is \$25. Registration forms can be found at [www.kingsdanceteam.com/pajama-jam.html](http://www.kingsdanceteam.com/pajama-jam.html).

**Feb. 27:** Kings Mills Elementary invites you to their annual Extravaganza, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Events will include carnival games, giant inflatable's, balloon animals, face painting, cake walk, concessions and of course the giant basket raffle. This year KME will have 20+ baskets included in the raffle. It's a great way to chase off the winter blues and have a wonderful time with your family and friends!

**Feb. 28:** Eat at TGI Friday's on Fields Ertel Road and help support the Kings Theater at the same time! When you eat at TGI Fridays on Feb. 28, 20 percent of all sales will be donated to the Kings Theater. You must present a flyer to your server for the donation to be applied. For a copy of the flyer please e-mail [stagelighters@gmail.com](mailto:stagelighters@gmail.com)

**March 5:** The SLE Annual Spring Bingo Knight is 5 - 8:30 p.m. There will be prizes, class baskets, raffle prizes, silent auction, art show, snack bar and a spaghetti dinner.

**March 6:** J.F. Burns Elementary will host its popular Krazy Karnival 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. The money raised at this event sponsored the JFB PTO, which provides enrichment programs, supplies and equipment to the school.

**March 11:** The 4th Annual KHS Student Dodgeball Tournament is in the Kings High School gym. Any KHS student is eligible to play. The cost is \$25 per team. For more information or to register, sign up in the Athletic Office or contact Coach Bonner at [mebonner@cinci.rr.com](mailto:mebonner@cinci.rr.com).

**March 16:** The Kings Board of Education will have its regular meeting 6:30 p.m. in the Kings Education Center, 1797 King Ave.

**March 18:** The KHS/KJH Night of Knights is 6 p.m. throughout the high school.

**March 19:** The 4th Annual Spring Sports Spectacular is 7:30 p.m. in the Kings High School gym.

**March 20:** The Elementary Physical Education Expo is 10 a.m. in the Kings Junior High gym.

### Mammogram Van Coming to Kings

The Jewish Hospital Mobile Mammography Van will be in our district to offer screening mammograms to our female associates and community members over the age of 35. The screening takes approximately 10-15 minutes. The Mammography Van will be at Kings buildings on the following days:

\* South Lebanon Elementary: 7:30-11 a.m. Monday, March 1.

\* Kings Mills Elementary: 12:30-4 p.m. Monday, March 1.

\* Columbia Elementary: 7-11 a.m. Tuesday, March 2.

\* J.F. Burns Elementary: 12:30-3:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 2.

\* Kings Junior High/High School: 6:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 3.

**Please call the Alliance Woman's Health at 686-3300 to schedule your appointment.**

You will need to bring your insurance card and a photo ID with you on your scheduled appointment day. Your insurance company will be billed directly. Please check with your carrier for confirmation of coverage.

For women who are uninsured or underinsured (high deductible), financial assistance programs are available. Call 686-3310 for more information. If you have any questions, call Eva Garchar RN at 398-8050 ext. 10038.

**Jump Rope Clinic**  
Presented by the Kings Firecrackers Jump Rope Team

Do you enjoy jumping rope? Would you like to learn some amazing tricks with the rope? Then please join us at the upcoming Firecracker jump rope clinics!

The clinics are open to all 2nd-5th grade Kings students and are hosted by Coach Lynn Kelley and the Kings Firecrackers Jump Rope Team. Check out the Kings Firecrackers Web site at [www.kingsfirecrackers.com](http://www.kingsfirecrackers.com).



**DATES:** Wednesday, March 10 and Wednesday, April 14

**TIME:** Check-in is 4:15 p.m. The Clinic is 4:30-5:45 p.m.

**PLACE:** South Lebanon Elementary School Gym

**WEAR:** Gym clothes (shorts) and tennis shoes

**BRING:** Water bottle, completed permission slip, & a jump rope

**COST:** \$15 per clinic; Jump Ropes cost \$7

**SIGN UP:** To save your spot and/or to pre-order a rope, please call or e-mail Elizabeth Parish at 314-9162 or [eparish333@gmail.com](mailto:eparish333@gmail.com).

The Firecrackers will perform their show at 5:45 p.m.  
Parents are welcome to come and see the show. We hope to see you there!

\*if you don't have a rope, you may buy an official Firecracker jump rope for \$7. Pre-paid rope orders will be handed out at the 4:15 check-in.

**KINGS FIRECRACKERS JUMP ROPE CLINICS**  
at South Lebanon Elementary

My child \_\_\_\_\_ has my permission to attend the Kings Firecrackers jump rope clinic(s).

Parent signature \_\_\_\_\_

Grade \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

# of students attending the March 10 clinic \_\_\_\_\_ x \$15 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# of students attending the April 14 clinic \_\_\_\_\_ x \$15 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# of jump ropes pre-ordered \_\_\_\_\_ x 7 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Total Amount Due = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(please make checks payable to: Kings Firecrackers)

**Kings Café**

Kings Café will be open all evening featuring a catered pulled-pork sandwich dinner for \$6 (includes sandwich, chips, dessert and drink). If you would like to buy this dinner, please send a card with your name, phone number, number of dinners requested, and payment to:  
Trish McLennan, 1190 Marion Ave., Maineville, Ohio 45039.  
Call 774-7851 with any questions.

The Kings High School PTO proudly invites you to

**A Night of Knights**

Thursday, March 18  
6 p.m.  
Kings High School

A celebration of the Fine Arts Programs offered at Kings High School and Kings Junior High

**Featuring:**

Student Artwork Displays  
Short films by the Digital Media Arts Academy



**Performances By:**

- Kings Orchestras
- KHS & KJH Theatre Groups
- KHS & KJH Jazz Bands
- KHS & KJH Dance Teams
- KJH 8th Grade Concert Band
- KHS Drumline
- KHS Symphonic & Concert Bands
- KHS & KJH Winter Guards
- Kings Firecrackers
- Kings Choral Department
- Kings Kokorodza Marimba Ensemble
- and many Small Group Ensembles & Soloists

**Admission:**

- Students/Senior Citizens—\$1
- Adults—\$2
- Family—\$5

## Important Foreign Language Information of Prospective 8th Graders

### What are my scheduling options for foreign language in the 8th grade?

#### Spanish:

High School Spanish I (see recommendation process below) or Exploratory Spanish (2nd Year) \*continuation of 7th grade Spanish.

#### French:

High School French I (see recommendation process below) or Exploratory French (2nd year) \*continuation of 7th grade French.

### What is Spanish/French I?

Simply put, Spanish/French I are high school classes that are offered at the junior high. These classes are taught at an accelerated/honors level and the curriculum is the same as that which is taught at the high school. Students have class every day for the entire school year, as opposed to a total of half a year in the 7th grade. The benefits of taking Spanish/French I at the junior high level are:

- Enrollment in Spanish/French II as a high school freshman (assuming all requirements are met).
- Opportunity to continue onto Spanish/French V Advanced Placement as a senior, with the possibility of earning college credit (designed for the highly motivated student).
- The acquisition of one high school credit.

### How do I get recommended for Spanish/French I?

There is a recommendation process involved in taking the high school Spanish/French I classes at the junior high due to limited class space. Therefore, in order to be fair, the following qualifications determine whether or not a student will be recommended:

- 97% (or better) average for the first 3 quarters of 7th grade (this excludes non-academic bonus points, test corrections, etc.). If a performance deteriorates in the 4th quarter, the recommendation will be withdrawn.
- Consistency in turning in homework and projects on time.
- High amount of class participation.
- Top notch behavior.

From year to year, this has proven to be a very competitive process for students and an extremely difficult decision for teachers. Thus, students must fulfill the requirements above to be recommended.

#### Notes:

- There is a maximum cap of 75 Spanish/25 French students recommended (determined by the students with the highest averages).
- If there are not 75/25 students that meet the requirements above, teachers will use their discretion to add extra students based on special circumstances (for example, a native speaker, a move-in from another district, a student who is out for an extended period with an illness, etc.)

Please contact your child's Spanish or French teacher with any further questions regarding this process:

- Aaron Bunker at 398-8050 ext. 12019 or [abunker@kingslocal.net](mailto:abunker@kingslocal.net).
- Franny More at 398-8050 ext. 12055 or [fmore@kingslocal.net](mailto:fmore@kingslocal.net).

### Dayton Dragons to Host South Lebanon Elementary Day

The Dayton Dragons baseball team will host "South Lebanon Elementary Day" at 2 p.m. Sunday, June 6, at Fifth-Third Field. Tickets are \$7. A section will be reserved for SLE students and families. SLE students will have their picture taken on the field prior to the game, they will be eligible to participate in the between-innings skits and games, and they will be able to get autographs from players! SLE will even be recognized as a Blue Ribbon School of Excellence on the jumbo-tron scoreboard!

Order forms were recently sent home in the Friday Flyer. Please return the order forms by Thursday, April 1.



## SLE Student Council to Team up with KHS Honor Society

The South Lebanon Student Council has had a busy year! They raised more than \$500 this year for several charities. Pop tab collections benefit the Ronald McDonald House and money raised at two bake sales and a candy gram venture benefited Kids Against Hunger.

Now the group is getting ready to pair up with the Kings High School National Honor Society to raise money and volunteer at Circle Tail, a non-profit organization that provides service dogs to people with mobility, hearing, neurologic or psychiatric disabilities. The dogs benefit from socialization with the students, enjoy being groomed and having a nice walk in the woods.



Circle Tail also provides dogs for adoption. Visit [www.circletail.org](http://www.circletail.org) for more information.

Chris Johnson really likes being on student council. Volunteering and fundraising "is fun. It makes me feel like a good person," Chris said.

The SLE Student Council is planning even more fundraisers for the Spring. After Circle Tail, the group would like to raise money for the South Lebanon Summer Library, opened by Peggy and Dave Allen.

The South Lebanon Elementary Student Council is: Zane Middleton, Cameron Rutz, Madi Schowalter, Alex Geisy, Chris Johnson, Cam Iuni, Tanner Wyatt, Calvin Meeker, Mikayla Rohrig, Madelyn Lewis, Ryan O'Connor, Jack Reagan, Devin Biesbrock, Noah Knific, Kevin Lewis, Will Johnson, Sammy Reagan and Ryan Tekavec. They are led by teacher Brooke Blount.



### Celebrating Black History Month

Students at South Lebanon Elementary celebrated Black History

month with the help of Kroger. In Mrs. Teitelman's class students wrote reports that are on display at Kroger. They also listened to stories from Thomas Turner, a member of the old Negro Baseball League.

In Mrs. Blount's class students wrote essays about their future dreams. Three students won \$50 savings bonds from Kroger: Ryan O'Connor, Malina Werner and Jagger McKenzie.

### Stories Old Upon the Land

On Friday, Feb. 12, Rev. Fred Shaw, an internationally acclaimed storyteller, transported students back in time through the mysterious power of storytelling.

Rev. Shaw is a member of the Shawnee tribe. He came to J.F. Burns Elementary to teach students about Shawnee legends, history and contributions.

The crowd was full of eager first and fourth graders as Rev. Shaw told students that his people have given us sign language, medicine, vegetables and even some words.



### Help Save the Dying Art of Photography

Through DonorsChoose.org, KHS Art Teacher Carrie Cooke is trying to raise money for classroom supplies. Visit [www.DonorsChoose.org/donors/proposal.html?id=345343](http://www.DonorsChoose.org/donors/proposal.html?id=345343) for more information.

"I am privileged to teach 9-12 grade studio art at a small community school. I enjoy working with students in a wide variety of art courses; such as: drawing, painting, sculpture, and photography. The students have convinced me that this is where I want my children to go to school and my husband and I hope to live in the school district some day."—Carrie Cooke, KHS Art Teacher.



On Saturday, Feb. 20, Columbia Elementary hosted its annual Puttin' on the Hits lip-synching competition. Students performed in front of a sellout crowd. Pictured are David

Weed, Zach Douglas, Jacob Irwin, Wyatt Frazier, Jack Johnson, Drew Lindholm and Kyle Taylor performing "Love Train."

# SPRING SPECTACULAR

## SAVE THE DATE

Come and show your support for your school and all spring athletes  
Friday, March 19  
7:30 p.m.

*Performances by The Cheerleading Squad and The Dance Team*

Hosted by the Fabulous Mr. Tilton

Fun Games & Prizes; Chance to Win iPod Touch!!

Great Door Prizes:

Showcase tickets, Gift Cards, DVD movie packages!

## MEET THE SENIOR ATHLETES

### SPLIT THE POT!

Dodgeball Tournament  
Thursday, March 11

Mary Ellen Bonner  
Kings HS Varsity Softball Coach  
[mebonner@cinci.rr.com](mailto:mebonner@cinci.rr.com)

ORDER FORM FOR T-SHIRTS

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

T-Shirt Size: Youth M Youth L Adult S Adult M Adult L Adult XL Adult XXL

Cost of Tshirt is \$10. Quantity \_\_\_\_\_ Total enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete the order form & return to your teacher, school front office or mail to:

KABC: 8027 Spyglass Lane, Maineville, OH 45039

PURCHASING A T-SHIRT WILL GIVE YOU A FREE ENTRY TO THE  
SPRING SPECTACULAR!!!!

### Upscale Treasure Sale

The KHS Dance Team is hosting an Upscale Treasure Sale, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, March 6, in the Kings High School Café.

There will be name brand items from clothes, electrical, household items, furniture and much, much more!

#### Stop—Shop—Win!

Secret treasure attached to select items!

The café is located at the main entrance of the high school, which is the left side of the building.

For questions or directions, please contact us at [kingsdanceteam@gmail.com](mailto:kingsdanceteam@gmail.com) or visit our Web site [www.kingsdanceteam.com](http://www.kingsdanceteam.com).

### Prom Ticket Sales

#### Special Senior Only Day:

March 26 (only)—\$65 per person

#### Early Bird Ticket Sales:

March 29-April 1—\$64 per person

#### Regular Ticket Sales:

April 12-16—\$70 per person

#### Last Chance Ticket Sales:

April 19 (only)—\$75 per person



### Senior Prom Surprise

Junior Prom committee members are planning a couple of surprises at prom for the seniors. They are requesting that each senior submit **two individual photos** of themselves.

One should be from Kindergarten or 1st Grade and the other should be a senior photo. **These photos will be scanned and returned to the seniors.** Photos can be turned into Mrs. Contratto (room 243) or to Mrs. Shields (room 142).

## Knights To Remember - Save the Date, April 17

You can make April 17, 2010 a Knight To Remember. You can help support Kings' Junior and Senior High Athletic programs. This year, the event will be held at The Great Wolf Lodge Conference Center. There will be fabulous food, games, amazing silent auction items, and exciting live auction opportunities.

Talk to your friends and put together your table of ten people. Details will emerge over the next few weeks, letting you know about special offers and prizes. We'll tease you with info about some of the party events that will be offered, so you can chat with your friends and organize your groups to participate in those.

Live music will be provided by Soul Pocket, an energizing and charismatic group that plays a mix of Motown, R&B, Soul, Disco, Funk and Rock. You'll be grooving all night! Special rates will be offered by The Great Wolf Lodge if you'd like to spend the night.

Invitations will be mailed the first week of March. The buzz is starting, so plan to be part of this really fun evening.



### Kings Football Annual Mulch Sale

The Kings Knights Football team will have its annual Mulch Sale now through March 2.

The team provides more bang for the customer's buck as the players and coaches take orders AND deliver the mulch directly to the customer's home! For sale are Dark Supreme and Hardwood mulch for just \$3.75 per bag, delivered. Delivery dates are March 13-14.

If you are not contacted by a football player, please contact Coach Olds at [aolds@kingslocal.net](mailto:aolds@kingslocal.net) or 398-8050 ext. 12021; or place your order by e-mailing [kingsfootballmulch@gmail.com](mailto:kingsfootballmulch@gmail.com).

### KHS Accounting Students Earn College Credit While at Kings

This year, Kings High School introduced a new course to juniors and seniors called Financial Accounting I & II. This yearlong course offers students the ability to receive up to six T.A.G. hours of college credit from Cincinnati State Technical College. The acronym, T.A.G., stands for Transfer Assurance Guide and gives students the ability to take these credit hours to any university or college of their choice in the State of Ohio. However, most schools outside of Ohio will also accept these into their institution as well.

I am proud to announce that 18 students have passed Financial Accounting I and have now earned three T.A.G. credit hours. These 18 students will now have the opportunity to obtain another three credit hours for Financial Accounting II, which started the second semester. This is one of three T.A.G. classes at Kings and the business department has another two in the pipeline that should take affect over the next two school years.

We at Kings are very proud of our students and are excited to be able to share these achievements with the community. If you have any questions concerning the business courses offered at Kings, please email Rob Robison at [rrobison@kingslocal.net](mailto:rrobison@kingslocal.net).

### The Children's Theatre of Mason Presents:

#### "Cinderella"

March 12-14  
Mason High School Theatre

For ticket information and show times visit: [www.childrenstheatreofmason.com](http://www.childrenstheatreofmason.com).

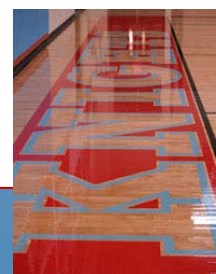
12 Kings students will appear in this production: Abby Lebowitz, Lauren Abernathy, Sam Mullen, Zach Middleton, Shelby Hilderbrant, Taylor Reece, Hunter Doebereiner, Krista Morford, Ashley Mustard, Ryan Dilts, Morgan Reece and Caroline Mott! Kings Parent Dirk Doebereiner is directing.



Congratulations to the Kings High School Men's Freshman and Junior Varsity Basketball Teams on Winning the FAVC Championship Friday, Feb. 19!

The Freshman finished 15-5 and 9-1 in the FAVC.

The Junior Varsity finished 16-4 and 9-1 in the FAVC.



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# Kings Baseball "Spring Training"

**Date:** Saturday, March 6

**Time:** 9-11 a.m. (Grades 3-5); 12-2 p.m. (Grades 6-8)

**Where:** KEC Activity Center

**Cost:** \$30

*Our baseball program will offer a one day clinic teaching the proper techniques and fundamentals of baseball. We encourage all young players to come and learn the "Kings Baseball" way. This is a fun camp where each player will receive instruction and learn drills to develop them into a better player. They will also receive a Kings Baseball t-shirt.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

T-shirt Size: (circle one) Youth S M L XL

Adult S M L XL XXL

*\*Make checks payable to Kings Baseball and mail to Kings Athletics, c/o "Spring Training" 5500 Columbia Road, PO Box 913, Kings Mills, Ohio 45034*

### KME Dance Recital Flower and Candy Sale

Forms for the KME Dance Recital Flower and Candy Sale Forms may be handed into office until Friday, Feb. 26. Forms are available in the office. Please make checks payable to KAPP. Your flowers or bags will be available for pick up at the high school prior to the dress rehearsal on Friday, March 5, or before the show on Saturday, March 6.

### JFB/CES Dance Recital Flower and Candy Sale

Forms for the JFB/CES Dance Recital Flower and Candy Sale Forms may be handed into office until Friday, March 5. Forms are available in the school office. Please make checks payable to KAPP. Your flowers or bags will be available for pick up at the high school prior to the dress rehearsal on Friday, March 12, or before the show on Saturday, March 13.

### Donate Your Unwanted Cell Phones

Kings After Prom Party (KAPP) is collecting unwanted cell phones at every school building. Please have your student drop off cell phones (no accessories, please) in the boxes provided at each school. All proceeds directly benefit After Prom.

### Kings Music Association Spring Flower Sale

What goes well with mulch purchased from the Kings football program? Spring flowers of course! The annual spring flower sale conducted by Kings band students will be March 5-26, with flowers delivered in late April, just in time for Mother's Day!



Greenfield Plant Farm in Maineville will once again provide a wide variety of beautiful flowers and plants and some new things this year. Contact any band student or check out [www.kingsmusicassociation.org](http://www.kingsmusicassociation.org) for more information.

The Kings High School Journalism Class has a Web site! Stories and pictures are updated weekly. Check it out at [www.kingshighschool.net](http://www.kingshighschool.net).