KINGS LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

February 14, 2014



The Warren County Sherriff's Office in cooperation with the Kings School District will be conducting A.L.I.C.E. Training at Kings Junior High School today from 7:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Because of the training, the junior high will be closed to all staff and students. There will be a number of first responders participating in the training so there will be emergency vehicles parked at KJH. Please do not be alarmed if you drive by and see the emergency vehicles.

Due to missed school days from the inclement weather this year, the Ohio Department of Education has added one week to the OAA testing schedule.

Testing at Kings will begin on 4/29 and run through 5/8. Makeup days will be the week of May 12.

Happy Valentine's Day!

Upcoming Events

February 17—No School.

February 18—Kings Board of Education Meeting, 6:30 p.m., KEC Conference Room 2.

February 22—KME Extravaganza, 11:00-3:00 p.m., KME.

March 3—Kings/Hoxworth Blood Drive, 10:15-noon, 1:30-4:15 p.m., KJH Multipurpose Room.

March 5—Kings Community Meeting, 7:00-8:30 p.m., KJH Multipurpose Room.

March 7—SLE Bingo Night, 5:30-7:30 p.m., SLE Cafeteria.

March 22—KJH Mattress Sale, 10 a.m.-5:00 p.m., KJH Gym.

More event information can be found at: http://www.kingslocal.net/Calendar/Pages/default.aspx



Kings to Utilize Blizzard Bags

In an effort to reduce the number of calamity days students will be required to make up at the end of the 2013-14 school year, the Kings Local School District Board of Education voted Tuesday, February 11th to approve the use of a "Blizzard Bag" – or take

-home assignment option. The district may use "Blizzard Bags" instead of requiring students to make up days in June. At this point in the year, the Kings Local Schools have exceeded the number of snow days/calamity days provided by law, by two days. So, in an effort to make up those days, we will use the "Blizzard Bag" option today, Friday, February 14th, and Monday, February 17th. Students received their "Blizzard Bag" assignments yesterday, prior to the 4 day weekend. It is suggested that students do the work over the holiday weekend. Each classroom teacher (K-12) has developed a sufficient number of lessons requiring, in the judgment of the teacher, the amount of time equal to the amount of instructional time the student would receive in his or her class. Students must complete all assignments within a two-week period from the date of posting. In this instance, all assignments given on Thursday will be due on Tuesday, March 4. If the student does not complete the lesson within this time period, the student will receive an unexcused absence and will not receive credit for the assigned work. A third "Blizzard Bag" will be available in the event of another snow day/calamity day. This third option will be posted online at www.kingslocal.net. Grades 7-12 assignments will be posted on Progress Book the morning of the snow day/calamity day. Parents will be notified via the rapid notification phone call whether to use the "Blizzard Bag" option for that day.

> Just a friendly reminder-NO SCHOOL on Monday, February 17, 2014. Enjoy your long weekend!

100 Days of Kindergarten!

Mrs. Shepherd's first grade class at KME celebrated the 100th day of school on Monday. The children made crowns with 100 stickers and necklaces with 100 pieces of fruit ring cereal. There were stories, games and fun projects throughout the day.



Power of the Pen Winner

Kings Junior High Power of the Pen students participated in the Power of the Pen district tournament at Summit Country Day on Saturday, February, 1. There were approximately 135 area seventh graders participating in the writing competition. Students wrote in three separate 40-minute rounds. In each round, students were given a random prompt, and then they were expected to write a narrative involving that prompt demonstrating originality on the development of the topic, voice, and creative use of language. KJH 7th grader

Mo Juenger, placed first at the competition! Mo will go on to the regional tournament at Princeton Community High School on Saturday, March 15th. Way to go, Mo! Good luck at regionals!

SLE Adds More Perks to Their Castle Day!

At South Lebanon Elementary, they use a Positive Behavior System where the students earn "knights" (tickets) for good behavior like being kind and helpful to others. Each month, the students have the opportunity to spend the "knights" they have earned on fun prizes, games, movies, and books at an event called Castle Day. Something new that has been added to Castle Day are teacher raffle prizes. Students can win lunch with a teacher, indoor recess with Mr. Heagan, and even be a librarian for a class. SLE third grader, Hailey Gandert is shown here helping SLE Librarian, Mrs. Burkhholder. Hailey enjoyed lunch with Mrs. Burkholder and then helped with the first graders during their library time.



KJH Mattress Sale

Are you in the market for a new mattress?
Kings Junior High is



sponsoring their third annual mattress sale on Saturday, March 22. This very successful fundraiser will offer brand new, name brand mattress sets such as Simmons and Restonic, with full manufacturer warranties at 30%-50% off retail. All sizes, price ranges, delivery, and free layaway will be available. The products are much higher quality for the price than a retail store. There will floor models on display at Kings Junior High from 10:00-5:00 p.m. that day. Orders will be ready for pick-up or delivery within 2 weeks. There will also be sets available for immediate pick-up. Every sale will benefit Kings Junior High.

Extra Savings of \$50 off Mattress Purchase over \$500.

For more information about the sale, contact Ultimate Fundraising Solutions at berghar-bin@yahoo.com.



KHS Swimmers Move to Districts

The Kings swimmers had a strong showing at their Sectional Swim Meet on February 7-8 at Mason High School. Below are the individuals who earned spots in the District Swim Meet, along with their events and district seeds heading into next weekend.

Megan Sichterman - 100 Butterfly/3rd and 500 Freestyle/3rd

Ben Matheus – 50 Freestyle/4th and 100 Freestyle/4th

Kate Etter – 50 Freestyle/5th and 100 Freestyle/ 11th

Tara Fears – 100 Butterfly/7th and 100 Freestyle/13th

Jimmy Koloseike — 100 Backstroke/10th and 200 IM/21st

Calvin Dailey – 500 Freestyle/18th

Carl Schlehr – 100 Breaststroke/19th and 500 Freestyle/21st

Kyle Glennon – 200 Freestyle/32nd

Teddy Schlehr - 100 Breaststroke/32nd

Jessica Longheinrich – 100 Breaststroke/32nd

Alex Allee – 100 Breaststroke/34th (2nd Alternate)

Joining these swimmers in relays are Luke Schriever, Jay Wilhelm, Joy Ficke, Olivia Hare. The District Swim meets are held at Miami University on February 14-15. The boys swim on Friday at 5:45 p.m., and the Girls swim on Saturday at 5:45 p.m.

The Kings Firecrackers are Jumping Away!

The Firecrackers performed at the halftime show at the Loveland Boys Varsity Basketball game last Saturday, February 8th. The Firecrackers have been very busy. They jumped at Indian Hill this week and they hit the road to perform at the University of Illinois and Northwestern University this weekend.

Pictured is J.F. Burns Principal Mrs. Cheryl Montag with the Kings Firecrackers who currently attend or previously attended JF Burns Elementary. Thank you to Mrs. Montag for coming to the amazing show at Loveland HS!



Please join us for a Kings Community Meeting

Wednesday, March 5, 2014 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Kings Junior High Multipurpose Room

Superintendent Dr. Valerie Browning and Treasurer Mr. Mike Mowery will present:

- The district's current financial situation
- The district's financial future
- How the district is working to control costs
- Update of permanent improvement fund expenditures
- Safety and security measures

A brief Question and Answer session will immediately follow the presentation.

Board Members and District Administrators will be in attendance to help answer questions.

Questions? Call 513.398.8050 Dr. Browning EXT. 92

Mr. Mowery EXT. 94

OMEA District 13 Honor Band, Choir, and Orchestra

Congratulations to the students listed below for auditioning and/or being selected for membership in their respective OMEA District XIII Honor Ensembles! The Ohio Music Education Association's District 13 includes schools in Butler, Warren, Clinton, and Preble Counties. This prestigious honor is reserved for the best musicians from schools in south-western Ohio including Mason, Lakota, and Fairfield.

OMEA DXIII 2014 Honor Band participants auditioned and were selected to participate in early December and performed either on January 12 or January 19 at Mason High School. Kings had representation in six out of the seven bands which include two jazz bands and five concert bands ranging in skill from the 7th grade group all the way up to the High School Wind Symphony.

OMEA DXIII 2014 Honor Choir will be held next weekend at Kings High School. The concert is on Saturday, February 22nd at 3 p.m. in the auditorium (free admission). There will be three choirs: Elementary (5th-6th grade), Junior High (7th-8th grade), and High School (9th-12th grade). They will be directed (respectively) by Mrs. Robyn Reeves Lana (founder/conductor of the Cincinnati Children's Choir, ensemble-in-residence at the University of Cincinnati, College-Conservatory of Music), Mrs. Cynthia Gray (local composer and music educator), and Dr. Deen Enstminger (choral music education professor at Belmont University in Nashville, Tennessee).

O.M.E.A. District 13 Honor Orchestra Concert will be held this weekend at Kings High School. The concert is on Saturday, February 15th at 2:30 p.m. in the KHS auditorium and is free and open to the public. There will be two orchestras; Concert Orchestra (6th-8th grade) under the direction of BettyAnne Gotleib, Professor in Music Education (Strings) at the University of Cincinnati and College-Conservatory of Music and Symphonic Orchestra (8th-12th grade) under the direction of Richard Wright, Director of Orchestras at Kettering City School District.



KHS Participants:

Choir (back row)-Leah Ball, Sophia Moriarty, Sara Mosteller, Julia Tarter, Katrina Kessler, Kallan Harshbarger, John McMullen, Jared Williams, Evan Pringle, Isaac Mayersky, Bryson Wires, Olivia Wright, and Stephanie Bennett.

Band (middle row)-Casey Ryan, Ryan Echols, Emily Swanson, Joe Song, Ben Baker (alternate), and Kyle Ward (alternate).

Orchestra (front row)- Marysa Addis, Nicola Campoamor, Loren Cook, Dustin Dezarn, Claire Galberg, Andrea Montenegro, Sarah Onega, Samantha Paulson, Madeline Reeves, and Erin Ryan.



Junior High Participants:

Choir: Alec Freeman, Regan Brashear, Shelby Malburg, Grace Pansch, Zoey FitzGerald Kidwell, Miaella Cudnohoske, Maddie Feltner, Amy Helms, Dane Doebereiner, Mallory Marchal, Sabrina Sharpe, and Amber Mitchell

Band: Matthew Gerstner, Andrew Naughton, Dorothy Nie, Josh Hamilton, David Wynn, Casey Jantzen, Sarah Fleck, Faith Shield, Evan Wheeler, Grace Nunns, Nicholas Braun, and Andy Maier.

Orchestra: Skylar Carr, Cody Cooke, Claire Cunningham, Jess Harmon, Hunter Henn, Nathan Hutzel, Mo Junger, Calvin Meeker, Evan O'Brien, Sari Purkiss, Darby Schussel, Erin Schuster, Katey Schuster, Samantha Schutte, Destiny Stuck, and Megan Yoder.



Elementary Participants:

Choir: Ashlyn Garter, Sydney Mader, Kaylee Hutzel, Toree Mohr, Francesca Deacon, Jaci Sagel, Maddy Stewart, and Brooke Garter.

Congratulations to all of our talented musicians!





To access the Preschool Registration Forms and for more information <u>click here.</u>

2014 Outstanding Teacher-Miss Wendy Flynn

J. F. Burns 4th grade teacher, Wendy Flynn was recognized Tuesday night at Xavier University for being selected as the 2014 Outstanding Teacher in Ohio Public Schools in the Cincinnati area. On Tuesday afternoon, the entire J.F. Burns 4th



grade surprised Miss Flynn with a party to congratulate her on her achievements! Congratulations on this great honor!



BINGO!!!

Mark your calendar for South Lebanon Elementary's 8th annual Spring Bingo Knight fundraiser on Friday, March 7th from 5:30-8:30 p.m. This exciting event is open to the community.

Your family will enjoy amazing bingo prizes, a huge silent auction, raffle baskets, pizza dinner, face painting, kids candy bingo, and a vast student art exhibit! More details to follow in EBBN.

If you have questions or wish to volunteer at this event, please contact Emily Liu at emmygiggles@msn.com.



Kings Dance Team Heading to Nationals

The Kings Dance team attended the Oak Hills Invitational Dance Competition last weekend and brought home third place in the pom category, improving their placement from previous competitions, and beating teams they had previously scored lower than. In addition, they again placed first in the hip hop division with their superhero themed routine. The varsity dancers will be attending JamFest Super Nationals this weekend at the Northern Kentucky Convention Center. It's a huge event, with over 300 teams from across the nation competing in various categories.

Next weekend, the KHS Dance Team is hosting a Pajama Jam. Girls in grades K-6 are invited to wear their pajama's and have a night of fun with the high school Dance Team. The fun takes place on Saturday, February 22nd from 6:00-8:30 p.m. in the Kings Junior High School Gym. The evening includes a pizza dinner, dessert, fun dance routines, and games. Wear your pajamas and the dance team will provide the fun! The cost is \$25 and includes a t-shirt if pre-registered by February 18th. Click here for the registration form and more information.





The KME Extravaganza is approaching fast! All information on ticket pre-sales, volunteer sign ups, games, basket themes, silent auction and a schedule of events and any links can be found on the KME PTO website at http://kme-pto.blogspot.com. Please contact Erin Deutsch with any questions at erin@springdot.com. Thank you for your continued support!

Volunteers Needed!

We are in need of volunteers for:

- Basket Wrapping
- Donate Baked Good
- Games/Inflatables
 - Concessions

Please sign up at www.signupgenius.com and search the KME Extravaganza sign up by using kmevolunteer@yahoo.com.

You may also visit http://kme-pto.blogspot.com for the direct Sign Up Genius link. Contact Darin Bowling at dbowling1@gmail.com with any questions.

KME Extravaganza Pre-Sale Ticket Order Form

If you have any questions, please contact Jessica Scott at jessica@carriertech.com.

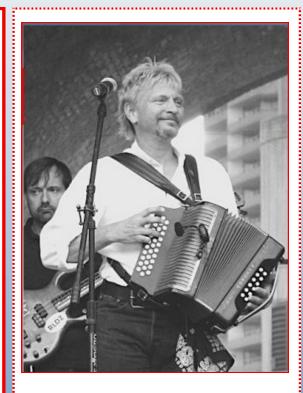
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Parent's Name: _____ Phone Number: ______

Number of Tickets: _____ Amount Enclosed: ______

Number of Basket Raffle Tickets: _____ Amount Enclosed: ______

Number of Wristbands: _____ Amount Enclosed: ______



The KJH and KHS Jazz Bands will be holding a concert on Thursday, February 27th in the KHS Auditorium. Special guests will be ROB-IN LACY & DeZydeco, a six-piece group who have been performing together since 1989. They have been set apart from the mainstream with their unique instrumentation that includes the accordion, saxophone, and rub board. The concert begins at 7:00 p.m. and admission is FREE!

KHS DMA Students State-Bound



Congratulations to the following students in Mrs. Shields and Miss Mahan's Digital Media Art classes at KHS on their outstanding achievement at the 2014 Regional Business Professionals of America Competition. Good luck to the 12 students who qualified to continue on

to the State Competition in Columbus in March.

State Qualifiers: Alex Thomas-*Digital Media Production*, the team of Joel Burns, Logan Kirby, and Jack Young-Computer Animation, the team of Cassidy Foley, Paige Schlosser, Hannah Smith, and Anna Ventre-*Broadcasting*, Stewart LeVan-Computer Modeling, Hannah Smith-Fundamental Desktop Publishing, Elliot Waissbluth-Graphic Design Promotion, and Paige Schlosser-Digital Publishing with InDesign.

Other outstanding achievers at the competition include: the team of Bo Firstenberger, Emma FitzGerald, and Emily Vogt-Broadcasting, Marcus Jones-Computer Modeling, Frederick Schweinlin, Collin Cooper, Sam Parrett, Sam Huber, Alex Thomas, Emma FitzGerald, Leslie Bonzella, and Kelvin Yeoh-Fundamental Desktop Publishing, Joe Craig, Kylie Gay, Leslie Bonzella, Carrissa Kloeker, Graham Catton, and Eddie Baumann-Graphic Design Promotion, the team of Gabe Mattaridi, Liam O'Day, Fredrick Schweinlin, the team of Collin Cooer, Sam Huber, Sam Parrett, and Ryan Maguire, and the team of Frankie Burress, Kailynn Clark, Grant Holt, and Jensen O'Dell-Video Production.



Kings Junior High Lacrosse 2014

There will be a parent meeting for junior high boys who are interested in playing Lacrosse this spring. The meeting will be held in the junior high cafeteria on Thursday, February 20th at 7:00 p.m. The first day of practice is Monday, February 24th.

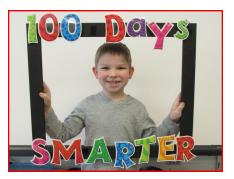
J. F. Burns First Graders Celebrate 100 Days Smarter!

On Monday, the students in Miss Contratto's first grade class celebrated their 100th day of school! Many students came dressed as a 100 year old person. Throughout the day they did many fun activities with the number 100. They started their morning off with counting to 100 using fruit loops. Students filled in a 100's chart with fruit loops to

make a necklace. In the afternoon, students went to different centers in their classrooms with activities centered around the number 100. They also wrote stories about what they would buy if they had \$100 and made a self portrait and story about what they will do when they are 100 years old. It was a fun filled day with many fun learning activities. The students had a blast!



Griffin Uhrig works on his 100 days Fruit Loop picture.



Diesel Dickhaus shows that he's 100 days smarter!



Pictured Front: Aryana Springer, Olivia Hahn, Emily Shivener, Griffin Uhrig, and Brayden Schaeper.

Pictured Back:Eden Shepherd, Annie Foster, Kaylee Thompson, Nate Schlake, Matthew McMahon, and Danica De La Crus. Kings Men's Tennis Fundraiser

Share the L\ve!

Swing on by:

Skip's Bagel Deli or Cheezburger Café 12092 Montgomery Rd. Feb. 14 – Feb. 23

*20% of your tab will benefit the Kings Men's Tennis Team. Must present flyer at time of purchase for team to receive credit. Coupons or other discounts can't be used with fundraiser. <u>Click here</u> for the flyer.







Kings High School is partnering with the Hoxworth Blood Center to host a blood drive on Monday, March 3.

Appointments are available every 15 minutes from 10:15 a.m. to noon; and from 1:30-4:15 p.m., in the junior high multipurpose room, 5620 Columbia Road.

Donors should be at least 17 years old, or 16, with parental consent. They must weigh a minimum of 110 pounds and should bring photo identification.

Appointments can be scheduled at www.hoxworth.org/groups/kings



Remember - For up-to-date information about the Kings Local School District please feel free to "like" us on <u>Facebook</u> and follow us on Twitter!

2014 KYO Football Registrations Start Soon

Students in grades 1-6 who are interested in playing KYO Football will have the opportunity to register Wednesday, February 26th or March 11th in the KME Cafeteria from 6:00-7:30 p.m. This year's cost to play is \$185. Bring a completed registration form, updated picture, and a copy of the player's birth certificate (new players only). This year, there is no weight limit for players.

For registration forms and more information about KYO click here.



KHS Men's Lacrosse



The 2014 Kings High School Men's Lacrosse season is almost here. If you are interested in playing and have not attended lifting, please contact Coach Cheek at

roncheek@hotmail.com. The annual kick-off luncheon is on February 23 at 1:00 in the KJH Cafeteria for all players and their families. Practice begins on February 24. The first home game will be on April 4 against Fenwick. Follow Kings Lacrosse on Twitter: @KINGSHSLAX.

Appointments Still Available for UC Health Mobile Mammography Van at Kings

The UC Health Mobile Diagnostic Van will be in the Kings Local School District to offer screening mammograms to our female associates and community members. Mammography screening takes approximately 10-15 minutes and will be available at our schools. The mammogram van will be at:

Kings Mills Elementary Tuesday, March 4 12:30 PM — 4:30 PM

Kings Junior High Wednesday, March 5 6:30 AM – 3:00 PM

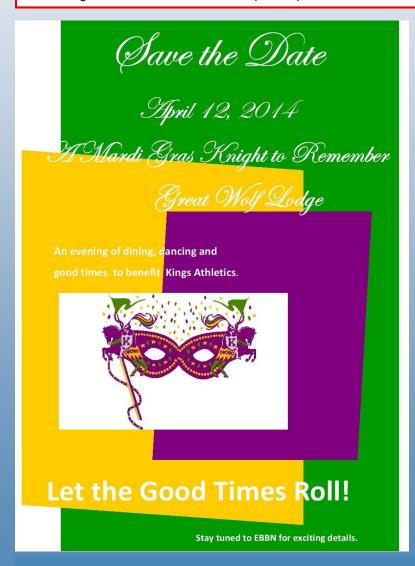
Columbia Intermediate Thursday, March 6 7:00 AM – 11:00 AM

JF Burns Elementary Thursday, March 6 12:30 PM – 3:30 PM

Please call 585-8266 to schedule an appointment.



Screening mammography is usually a covered benefit with most insurance carriers. Your insurance will be billed directly for the service, therefore please make sure that UC Health is an "in network" provider with your insurance carrier. You will need to bring your insurance card and a photo ID with you on your scheduled appointment day. The results of your examination will be reported directly to you and to the physician you designate and will not be reported to the Kings Local School District or any of its personnel.



Project Excellence - Excellence in Teaching Educator Award Nomination



The Project Excellence Committee of the Area Progress Council of Warren County, Inc. seeks to recognize and honor innovative or excellent teachers within the public schools in Warren County. They are asking for your assistance in identifying exceptional educators who demonstrate excellence in instruction, or innovative teachers who have pioneered a teaching method. The educator must hold a current teaching certificate and work for the public school system.

Consideration of your nominee will be based on the information you provide. Completed nominations are due by February 28, 2014. For a copy of the nomination form <u>click here</u>.

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KHS Student Becomes U.S. Citizen

Congratulations to KHS Senior Sancar Unal, who just became a U.S. citizen last week. His mother and brother Kaan became citizens back in September. His family moved here from Turkey in 2010. Since Sancar wasn't a minor when he moved to the United States, he had to wait until he had lived here 5 years before he could take the citizenship exam. He helped his mother study for her exam and now he has passed on his own.

Pictured are Sancar, his parents, his brother Kaan, and the judge who performed the ceremony. Way to go Sancar!



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