



KINGS LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

January 9, 2015



Upcoming Events

Jan. 9—End of 2nd Grading Period.

Jan. 13—Kings Board of Education Organizational Meeting, 6:30 p.m., KEC.

Jan. 19—Martin Luther King, Jr. Day-**NO SCHOOL**

Jan. 20—Board of Education Meeting, 6:30 p.m., KEC.

Jan. 21—Kings Celebration, 7:00 p.m., KHS Auditorium.

Jan. 22—KJH/KHS Parent Teacher Conferences, 4:00-7:30 p.m.

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



January is School Board Recognition Month. We would like to thank our Kings Board of Education for their dedication and personal sacrifice. The Kings Board of Education will hold their Organizational Meeting on Tuesday, January 13, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. at the Kings Educational Center, 1797 King Avenue, in Conference Room 2.

Join us!



That's My Boy Finalist, Tommy Bruns

Kings High School Senior Football player, Tommy Bruns has been named a finalist from the "That's My Boy" Committee as the lone representative from the Eastern Cincinnati Conference. He will be recognized at the 48th National Football Foundation's "That's My Boy" Award banquet. This "black tux affair" will take place at the Westin located in downtown Cincinnati on Tuesday, March 3rd. This award is considered to be one of the highest honors in all of Ohio high school sports.

The nominees earn points accumulated in three areas: football achievement (s), academic achievement, and extracurricular / community activities. Tommy was the fall Scholar-Athlete for Kings this past fall. He is also a 2-time All ECC performer and an All-City selection in 2014. Tommy served as a Captain on the 11-1 Knights Football Team which ended the season ranked #6 by the Associated Press in Division 2.

Tommy joins several other former Knights to have won this honor including Zac Murphy (09), Sean Horan (13), Jessie Imes (04), Chris Maxwell (07). Brad Maurer (03), won the award.

Kings Football Coach Andy Olds said, "Tommy is well deserving and he will be stiff competition to the other 12 nominees from across southwest Ohio."

Tommy is the son of Tom and Pam Bruns. Tommy committed to the United States Air Force Academy late this summer to further his education and play football in the fall of 2015.

Congratulations on this great achievement, Tommy!



Kings Preschool Registration 2015-2016

It's time to register for Preschool! The Kings Preschool & Childcare will be accepting registrations for the 2015-16 school year beginning January 20th. The preschool/childcare program meets in the King Local School District's Kings Education Center (KEC) located in Kings Mills. Kings Preschool offers both preschool and childcare for 3-5 year olds. Two, three, four & five day classes are available. All programs are licensed by the Ohio Department of Education.

More information may be obtained on the Kings Local School District website at www.kingslocal.net. Click on the "Departments" heading at the top of the page, and then follow the Childcare/Preschool link. [Click here](#) to obtain the registration forms. To schedule a tour or ask questions regarding the program, call Susan Guckert at 398-8050 ext. 10043.



Outback Steakhouse KJH Staff Member of the Month

Congratulations to Kings Junior High 8th Science teacher Matt Knott, on being named the **Outback Steakhouse Staff Member of the Month** for December. Outback recognizes outstanding KJH staff members who demonstrate excellence in and out of the classroom.

Mr. Knott was nominated by co-worker Mike San Marco. In his nomination Mr. San Marco wrote, "Matt is a fun and creative teacher. He is an exemplary middle school educator, a team player, and leader who understands the developmental needs of junior high students. When asked why Mr. Knott deserves the Outback Steakhouse Staff Member of the Month Award, San Marco wrote, "Matt is student-centered and connects with the kids."

Mr. Knott will receive a gift certificate to Outback Steakhouse, a prime parking spot, and Kings Knights Award. Congratulations Mr. Knott!

KHS Students Compete This Weekend

Each year the Cincinnati Arts Association hosts the Overture Awards Scholarship Program, a competition for very talented students in the creative and performing arts. This year, Kings High School selected nine outstanding arts students to represent us at the Overtures. Morgan Reece will compete in the area of vocal music. Alexa Murray and Miranda Schooler have submitted pieces for the creative writing competition. Submitting portfolios in the visual art competition are Cassidy Foley, Olivia Hare, Carissa Kloeker and Nicole Parish. Bradley Berg will perform on piano in the instrumental music category. Performing in musical theater is Madison Kilgore. These students compete in the Regional level tomorrow, Saturday, January 10th.

Semi-finalists will be posted on the Cincinnati Arts Association's website (www.cincinnatiarts.org) on Monday. Students advancing to the Semi-finalist competition have a chance to be named as one of four finalists in their category. These students will be invited to perform at the Aronoff Center on Saturday, February 28th and will each take home a scholarship. Last year, Class of 2014 senior Paige Schlosser won the Visual Art category and took home \$3500.

Pictured L-R: Carissa Kloeker, Madison Kilgore, Morgan Reece, Miranda Schooler, Bradley Berg, Olivia Hare, Nicole Parish, Cassidy Foley, and Alexa Murray.



NJHS Toy Drive



The Annual National Junior Honor Society Toy Drive was a great success! The group collected over 200 toys, which have been distributed to children in our Kings Community, as well as various surrounding communities. Mrs. Hindersman's home base students collected the most toys, gifting 90 toys. What a great way to give back!

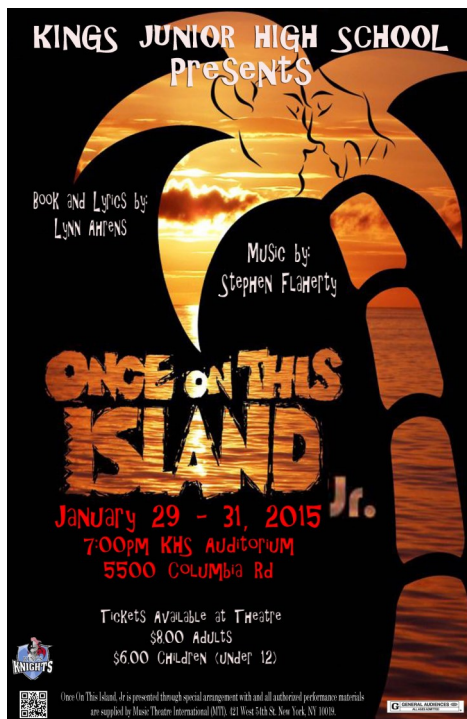
Pictured Back Row: L-R: Mallory Marchal, Gracie Bloomfield, Mrs. Linda Hare, Brooke Howard, Jessica Wright, Caroline Mettey, Samantha Foster, and Casey Jantzen.

CIS Knights of the Round Table

"Knights of the Round Table" are students who are responsible, courteous, respectful, truthful, and who show initiative. Each month teachers at Columbia Intermediate School nominate students for this honor. We are proud to announce that the "Knights of the Round Table" for December are: Amrith Akula, Ethan Allen, Jacob Atkins, Noah Bowman, Dominic Corradini, Ella DeVage, Allison Escamilla-Martinez, Ella Handcock, Kaden Haskell, Josh Klasmeier, David Lawson, Peyton McKinney, Shhiro Mwaura, Kaylee Neikirk, Rayna Quentin, Maxwell Smith, and Ellie Toadvine. Congratulations!



KJH Musical Once on This Island



Kings Junior High will present "Once on This Island" on January 29, 30, and 31st. This is a story about Ti Moune, a peasant girl, who rescues a wealthy boy from the other side of the island, Daniel, with whom she falls in love. Unbeknownst to Ti Moune, the pompous gods who preside over the island make a bet with one another over which is stronger, love or death, the stakes being Ti Moune's life. When she pursues Daniel, who has returned to his people, Ti Moune is shunned because of her lowly status. Her determination and capacity to love, though, is not enough to win Daniel's heart and Ti Moune pays the ultimate price; but the gods turn Ti Moune into a tree that grows so strong and so tall, it breaks the wall that separates the societies and ultimately unites them."

Tickets will be available during one advanced ticket sale on Wednesday, January 28th from 5:30-6:30 p.m. in front of the KHS Auditorium. All other tickets will be available beginning at 6:00 p.m. on day of show. Ticket prices are \$8.00 for adults/students/staff/seniors and \$6.00 under age 12. All shows begin at 7:00 p.m.



Talented Teachers!

Kings teachers Steve France and Matthew Jenkins will be singing with Cincinnati's May Festival Chorus in three performances of Carl Orff's *Carmina Burana*. The chorus will be joined by the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra for these concerts. Mr. France is in his 10th season as a member of the chorus, while Mr. Jenkins is one of sixteen guest singers invited to join the chorus for these performances. The May Festival Chorus has earned acclaim locally, nationally, and internationally for its musicality, vast range of

repertoire, and sheer power of sound. The Chorus of 145 professionally trained singers is the core artistic element of the Cincinnati May Festival, as well as the official chorus of the Cincinnati Symphony and Pops Orchestra.

The concerts are scheduled for Thursday, January 15 at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, January 17 at 8:00 p.m., and Sunday, January 18 at 2:00 p.m.. All concerts will be held in Cincinnati's historic Music Hall. For tickets visit the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra website www.cincinnati-symphony.org or call the CSO box office 513.381.3300 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday.



Get Ready for Winter!

The winter weather has caused us to use two calamity days so far. In case of inclement weather and possible school closings or delays, we will use our school notification system and you can always check www.kingslocal.net for the latest information. We also utilize our [Facebook Page](#) and [Twitter](#) to help spread the word with the most up-to-date information. Click the following link for information on how the district decides to close or delay school due to inclement weather: [Inclement Weather Guidelines](#)

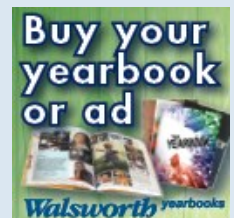
****Early Release will be canceled if there is a 2 hour delay on Wednesday****



Keeping Our District Healthy

According to the CDC, the flu is increasing in intensity and spreading throughout much of the country. In fact, they say the country is likely to continue experience several more weeks of the flu. With that in mind, the Kings Local School District would like to share our [Guidelines for Illness](#). Please remember that students should be free of fever for 24 hours, as well as vomiting, before returning to school. Please refer to our guidelines if you are unsure whether to send your child to school or not. THANK YOU!

The KHS yearbook is a great gift! You can purchase online for as low as \$70. You can also have the yearbook personalized for a small fee. Yearbooks are also a great way to recognize your student and show your support by buying a Senior Ad. [Click here](#) for more information.





All About Kings Athletics



Did you know that Kings Athletics has its own website? You can find out schedule information, upcoming events, news about teams, and even get directions to away venues. [Click here](#) to get to the Kings Athletics Webpage.



Kings Day at Xavier Basketball

Join us for Kings Day at the Cintas Center on Saturday, January 24, 2015 at 12:00 p.m. where the Musketeers take on DePaul. The Kings Firecrackers will be performing at half time, too!

Tickets can be purchased by clicking the special link below. Cost of the tickets is \$17 or \$22 depending on seat location. Click [this link](#) and enter promo code: Kings.

We hope to fill the Cintas Center with our own Knight Nation and support our Firecrackers that day! #KingsStrong

Spirit Store is now ONLINE!

We have a new online spirit wear store available for all Knights Fans! The store features school sports apparel, spirit wear, and clothing. Every purchase supports Kings Athletics. [Click here](#) to check it out!



Our Lady Knights Basketball Team is up for the National Guard JJ Huddle

Ohio High School Team of the Week! They need your votes. The award is decided by fan vote. Voting concludes at noon on Monday, January 12th. [Click here](#) to vote. Good Luck!

Kings SAY Soccer Registration

Kings SAY Spring Soccer Registration is underway. Registration is open through January 31st for students ages 5-18, including seniors in high school. Go to www.KingsSoccer.org to register today.



REGISTRATION EXTENDED TO JAN 12TH



KINGS GIRLS YOUTH LACROSSE

Girls – Grades 3rd-6th

Registration Extended to Jan 12th

www.kingslax.info

PARENT / PLAYER INFORMATION SESSION

Time & Location: Kings Jr High, Community Room Jan 12th at 7pm

Players can register and pay fees at the meeting or online: www.kingslax.info

No previous lacrosse experience required. Everyone's a beginner.

Flexible schedule with other activities to give girls exposure to a new sport.

Questions: Email Hilary Debelak hilary_debelak@yahoo.com

www.kingslax.info

Support Women's Basketball

When you eat at Buffalo Wild Wings at Harpers Station, 11363 Montgomery Road, through February 28th, you can have a great meal AND support Kings Women's High School Basketball Program at the same time. Just show the teammate card on your mobile device and 10% of your entire bill will be donated to the team!



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*There is no significant **LEARNING**, without significant **RELATIONSHIPS**.*



Kings LIVE Twitter Chat

Do you follow @Kings_Schools on Twitter? Mark your calendars to join us for our first LIVE Twitter chat with Superintendent Tim Spinner and Assistant Superintendent Larry Knapp on Thursday, January 29th from 6:00-6:45 p.m. More details to follow!



**STAY SAFE.
SPEAK UP!**

Bullying/Threats
Drugs/Kidnaps
Sexual Assault
Physical Abuse
Sexual Abuse
Weapons
Suicide/Self-Harm
Problem Relationships
Health Concerns/HIV/AIDS
Theft/Vandalism

Your Voice Matters!
Call: 1.866.listen2me
or go to our school website to report bullying or safety issues.

Don't forget to use the #KINGSSTRONG when you post pictures from Kings events on social media!

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Local Report Card

12 years
EXCELLENT
District Rating

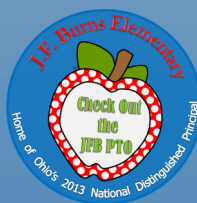
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