



June 13, 2014



Make sure to check out page 5 of today's EBBN for all of the Back to School Dates! See changes to KME kindergarten and 1st grade orientation.



## Upcoming Events

**June 14**—ACT Test, 8 a.m., KHS.

**June 17**—Board of Education Meeting, 6:30 p.m., KEC.

**June 20**—Special Meeting, Board of Education, 4:00 p.m., KEC.

**June 24**—Special Meeting, Board of Education, 5:30 p.m., KEC.

**July 15**—Board of Education Meeting, 6:30 p.m., KEC.

**Aug 19**—First Day of School!

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

## Gone Google

School may be out, but many Kings staff members have been attending training on Google Apps for Education. The Google program allows schools to give Google's communication and collaboration applications to their entire education community for free, which yields significant savings in technology budgets. The Kings Local School District has been using

Google Apps for Education for a year, and have been using Google Mail since January. By being connected to a common e-mail, chat, and calendar system, as well as presentation and video tools, it enables students and staff to work together and learn more effectively and efficiently.

Currently, the district has over 1,400 Google Chromebooks, a personal notebook type computer that is affordable, easy to use, and boasts a long battery life. Many of the new Chromebooks are touch screen, to be used in our K-4 buildings to help those who have not mastered their mouse skills. Many of the Achievement Assessments next year will be computer based, so teachers are giving students many opportunities to get comfortable with the Chromebooks. Kings staff and students join over 30 million others around the world that are already using Google Apps.

Kings Technology Coordinator Deann Burns said, "Those attending Google Training this week appreciated the low key setting with the opportunity to ask specific questions."

We asked teachers around the district to tell us how Chromebooks have positively changed the way they teach. Here are some of their responses:

KHS English Teacher Andrea Nichols~ *I'm not sure how I lived without the Chromebooks. My writing classes are truly collaborative because of Google Docs. I have been 90% paperless this year.*

JFB 4th Grade Teacher Tracey Krepps~ *Chromebooks have been such a great addition to my classroom this year. I am able to use them almost daily within my Science and Social Studies classroom. The kids have been able to use the Chromebooks to help them while researching anything from an endangered animal to the life of an immigrant. I also think it's important that the kids are gaining keyboarding skills to eventually use on the PARCC assessment.*



*This is our last EBBN for the summer. Keep up with us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#). We will see you back on August 8th!*

## Kings Color Guard Clinic

The award winning Kings Color Guard is proud to announce their annual summer Color Guard Camps. Boys and girls in grades K-6 are invited to come and learn to spin from the best! The clinic, directed by J. F. Burns music teacher Jennifer Maegly and members of the Kings Guard, will teach participants a basic flag routine for the campers to perform for their family and friends. The clinics will be held from 10:00-12:30 p.m in the KJH Gym. The first clinic is Saturday, July 12th and the second clinic will be held on Saturday, August 16th. Cost of the clinic is \$10 per child. The clinic is a major fundraising event for the Kings Guard. For more information [click here](#).

## Track Camp a Success!

From Tuesday, June 3rd through Friday, June 6th, 104 athletes in grades 1 - 7 participated in the Kings Youth Track and Field Camp. Athletes had the opportunity to learn about all the track and field events. The camp concluded on Friday with a mini-meet where the new track stars had the opportunity to compete in their favorite events. Pictured are all of the campers along with the junior high and high school counselors who volunteered their mornings.



## Calling ALL Firecrackers!

The Kings Firecrackers are looking to locate all past squad members beginning with the 1994-1995 season. They are in the process of working on a special project this summer and would like to include past members. If you are a past Firecracker, or know any, please send contact information to Anissa Jones at [AJones@kingslocal.net](mailto:AJones@kingslocal.net).

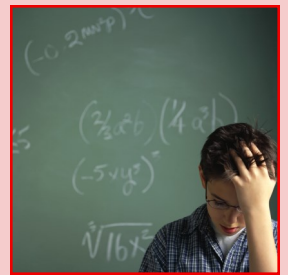


**FIRECRACKERS**  
JUMP ROPE TEAM



## Kings Offering FREE Summer Math Program

Research shows that most students lose 2-3 months of grade level math equivalency over the summer. The Kings Local School Curriculum and Instruction Department is delighted to inform you about a free computer-based program for students in grades 1 through high school offered by TenMarks Education that will provide your child with access to a powerful, personalized summer math program designed to help them reverse summer learning loss and be prepared for next year's math concepts.



An hour a week is all it takes for your child to strengthen his/her math skills, and prepare for the year ahead. The TenMarks Summer Math Program will guide your child through their personalized program, one topic at a time, helping them refresh what they know, and learn what they don't know. Each assignment contains embedded instructions (hints, video lessons, and interventions) to help your child refresh concepts from the past year and prepare for the ones ahead. For more information on how to access the summer math program [click here](#).



## Online Library Offered by Kings Curriculum Department

The Kings Curriculum Department is offering a FREE reading library to our families. The TumbleBookLibrary is a collection of TumbleBooks (animated, talking picture books) with fiction, non-fiction and foreign language titles, Read-Alongs (chapter books with sentence highlighting and narration but no animation), TumbleTV which consists of pre-set playlists of a sequence of books, TumblePuzzles & Games, and TumbleResources for teachers and students.

They also have National Geographic videos that have been paired with many of their non-fiction titles. The content is most appropriate for those in grade K-6. To check out the TumbleBookLibrary [click here](#).

## New Kings Competitive Fastpitch U12 Team

Kings is now offering a Competitive Fastpitch team for first year U12. Practices begin in July and first season will be this fall with the Lebanon league. In Spring 2015, we will participate in SOGFS, U12 B level, and participate in a small number of local off season tournaments. (TBA)

Try outs for this team will be July 8th and July 17th, at KEC. Registration begins at 5:30 p.m. and assessments will be held from 6:00-8:30 p.m..

The cost for the Lebanon season will be around \$50 per player. Spring costs will be the normal Kings Softball fee for fastpitch. Tournaments will be a small, separate cost and will be played off season and are TBA.

This team is for anyone interested in playing more competitive teams with structured coaching and sessions with trainers. Dedication is a must. Practices will be more frequent than with Rec Ball.

Email [raelantz@gmail.com](mailto:raelantz@gmail.com) to receive your registration forms and questions. Registration forms and waivers should be completed and brought to the try out. Parents are asked not to participate in any part of the assessment. Please have players bring bat, helmet, glove, batting gloves, and water bottle. Girls need to have their hair pulled back. Players need to be ready for a workout.



## KJH Fall Sports Information

The Kings Athletic Department has put together a list of all Junior High Fall Sports information. It outlines the summer activities and tryout dates for all FALL Junior High Sports. [Click here](#) for all the information .

## *From the Office of the Superintendent....*

### **A Message from Dr. Valerie Browning**

School's out for the summer! At least for our students it is. However, the staff is busy at work already preparing for next school year. The custodial and maintenance crews are already in many buildings cleaning out classrooms and fixing up the buildings. Our teachers are attending classes and workshops to improve their instructional skills and the administrative staff is finalizing schedules and hiring staff.

As always, we look forward to welcoming our newest Kings Knights this fall. In early April, the district held a Kindergarten registration night. Do not worry if you were not able to attend. You may still register your soon-to-be kindergartner or a new student by contacting our Central Registrar, Carrie Cunningham at 459-2932. You can also find more information on our website at <http://www.kingslocal.net/Registration/pages/default.aspx>.

In late May, we graduated 284 students at our 179th annual graduation ceremony. This year's class was an awesome group of talented seniors. The class of 2014 continued a wonderful tradition of excellence at Kings.

We are saying good bye to several key people in the district. Mike Mowery will retire at the end of July after nearly 25 years serving as our treasurer. Assistant Superintendent Tina Blair is also retiring after 12 years in the district. Our long-time Principal and Curriculum Director Jerry Gasper will be joining Tina and Mike in retirement after 15 years of service to the students of the Kings School District.

After six years with Kings, I am beginning a new journey as I move to be the superintendent of the Pickerington School District near Columbus. I love this community and appreciate the strong support for schools. I am grateful for the opportunity to lead this wonderful school district!

Have a great summer!



# Important Back to School Dates 2014-2015

## KHS

### Schedule Pick-Up

August 11&12, 9:00-10:30 a.m. and 1:00-3:30 p.m., KHS Commons Area

### Freshman Schedule Pick-Up

August 13, 5:30 p.m., KHS Commons Area

### Freshman Orientation/College Lecture Series

August 13, 6:30 p.m., KHS Auditorium

### KHS Open House

August 21, 6:30 p.m., KHS

## CIS

### New Student Tour

August 11, 10:00 a.m., CIS Cafeteria

### Paperwork/Fee Day

August 13, 3:00-5:00 p.m., CIS

### Paperwork/Fee Day

August 18, Paperwork 5:30-7:30 p.m.

### CIS Open House

August 18, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

### 5th Grade Curriculum Night

September 9, 6:00 p.m., CIS Cafeteria

### 6th Grade Curriculum Night

September 11, 6:00 p.m., CIS Cafeteria

### 6th Grade Band/Orchestra Parent Meeting

August 28, 7:15 p.m., CIS

## KJH

### Schedule Pick-Up

August 14, 7th Grade, 4:00-6:00 p.m.

8th Grade, 6:00-8:00 p.m., KJH

### 7th Grade Open House

August 18, 5:30 p.m., KJH

## JFB

### Paperwork/Fee Day

August 13, 3:00-5:00 p.m., JFB

### Class Lists Posted

August 13, 5:00 p.m., JFB

### Ice Cream Socials

August 15

Grade 3- 1:30-2:00 p.m.

Grade 2- 2:00-2:30 p.m.

Grade 4- 2:30-3:00 p.m.,

JFB Cafeteria

### Kindergarten Orientation

August 19, 6:00 p.m., JFB

### 1st Grade Orientation

August 19, 7:00 p.m., JFB

### 2nd Grade Orientation

August 20, 6:00 p.m., JFB

### 3rd Grade Orientation

August 20, 7:00 p.m., JFB

### 4th Grade Orientation

August 21, 6:00 p.m., JFB

## KME

### Fee Pay Day

August 13, 3:00-3:45 p.m., KME Cafeteria

### Class Lists Posted

August 13, 5:15 p.m., KME Front Entrance

### PTO Ice Cream Social

August 15, 2:30-3:30 p.m., KME Cafeteria

### Kindergarten

August 20, 6:30 p.m., KME

### 1st Grade Parent Orientation

August 19, 6:30 p.m., KME

### 2nd Grade Orientation

August 21, 6:30 p.m., KME

### 4th Grade Orientation

August 25, 6:30 p.m., KME

### 3rd Grade Orientation

August 26, 6:30 p.m., KME

## SLE

### Back to School Picnic

August 15, 7:00-8:30 p.m.

### Fee Pay Day

August 13, 3:00-5:00 p.m., SLE

### Class Lists Posted

August 13, 5:00 p.m., SLE Front Windows

### K-2nd Grade Orientation

August 27, 6:30-7:30 p.m., SLE

### 3rd & 4th Grade Orientation

August 28, 6:30-7:30 p.m., SLE

## *It's Not Too Late Summer Opportunities*

### **Annual KABC Golf Outing**

Summer break is upon us which means it's time to start thinking about a little golf! More specifically, it's time to think about the 2014 Kings Athletic Booster Club Golf Outing presented by Bucks Tavern!



This annual event will take place on Sunday, August 10th at Walden Ponds Golf Course in Fairfield, with a shotgun start at 1:30 pm.

Your day includes a round of golf, an opportunity to win contests and prizes, followed by a dinner catered by our own Buck's Tavern. All proceeds from the event benefit the Kings Athletic Booster Club and our athletic facility projects.

Space is limited so reserve your spot today! There are two ways to register this year, either online, or print out the registration form and mail in. For more information and the registration form click [here](#).

**July 15th is the deadline to register for Fall 2014 SAY Soccer. For more information go to [www.kingssoccer.org](http://www.kingssoccer.org).**



### **Free Summer Bowling!**

Mason Bowl is offering free bowling to Kings students this summer! Any student who will be attending Kings Schools during the 2014-2015 school year can bowl two free games (shoes not included) on Mondays during the months of June and July 2014, between the hours of noon and 5:00 p.m. [Click here](#) for more information.

**MASON BOWL**



**Summer Special 2014**

### **KABC Sports Camps**

There's still time to enroll your student into one of our many Kings Sports Camps. These camps are a great way to introduce students to a sport, build skills, and have fun! Click the link below for more information on the KABC Sports Camps.

[KABC Sports Camps Brochure](#)



### **Beacon Offers Sports Physicals**

Beacon Orthopaedics and Sports Medicine is offering School Sports Physicals for student athletes entering grades 7-12. The available dates are July 16th, and July 26th. The cost is \$20 per athlete but \$10 per athlete will be returned to the Athletic Department to use for sports medicine supplies. This is a great way to get a physical and help Kings Athletics at the same time! Click [here](#) for more information.



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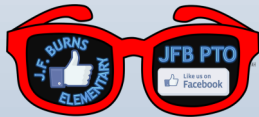
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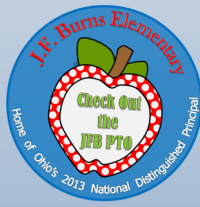
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## SWOFCA/Ron Woyan East-West All-Star Game

The Southwestern Ohio Football Coaches Association/Ron Woyan East-West All-Star Football game was played at Kings Stadium on Thursday, June 12, 2014. Kings Seniors Ray Brewster and Matt Sannella were chosen to play for the East Squad. Kings Football Coach Alex Garvin was chosen as an assistant coach. The West squad broke the game's all-time record for most points and it's seven game losing streak to top the East, 63-43.



Proceeds from the event provides scholarships to local high school seniors. This year, more than \$12,000 in scholarships was awarded at half-time.



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