



May 22, 2015



You are cordially invited to Kings High School Class of 2015 Graduation. This year's ceremony will be held tomorrow, Saturday, May 22nd beginning at 11:00 a.m. in the Cintas Center at Xavier University.

If you are not able to attend, as a special treat, this year's graduation ceremony will be livestreamed from Xavier! [Click this link](#) and look for the Kings Logo to see Kings Graduation LIVE!



Upcoming Events

May 25—Memorial Day, NO SCHOOL.

May 23—KHS Graduation, 11:00 a.m., Cintas Center-Xavier University.

May 26—Kokorodza Marimba Concert, 7:30 p.m., KHS Auditorium.

May 28—LAST DAY OF SCHOOL!

Today is the Class of 2015's last day of high school. Congratulations to all of these fine young men and women. Your future is SO bright!

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

Senior Scholar-Athletes Recognized

For the past 20 years, the Kings Athletic Booster Club and the Kings Athletic Department have honored student athletes who have maintained excellent academic standards while dedicating their time and energy to Kings athletics. On May 20, the Annual Senior Scholar-Athlete Luncheon was held at the Golf Center at Kings Island. Twenty-eight students were recognized at the luncheon with their parents and their most influential person joining them.

To qualify for this award, an athlete must have earned a cumulative grade point average of 3.8 or better for their entire academic career at KHS while earning a minimum of five Varsity letters in multiple sports, or four Varsity letters in one sport.

Every scholar-athlete honored is continuing their education at the collegiate level, many of them will also play sports.

This year's Scholar Athletes are Shelby Bachmann, Matt Benton, LJ Brant, Ben Cooper, Noah Diebel, Patrice DiPasquale, Tara Fears, Bryan Firsich, Halle Geoghegan, Brianne Gray, Olivia Hare, Emma Kellerstrass, Jimmy Koloseike, Jenna Maschino, Autumn Mathias, Kiley Maxwell, Sean McLeod, Kathryn Mostellar, Daniel Naughton, Sarah Palmer, Samantha Paulson, William Powell, Brooke Renner, Michael Sannella, Madison Sarchet, Megan Scharner, Luke Schriever, and Jay Wilhelm. Congratulations!



Kings High School 2015 Baccalaureate

Last night, Thursday, May 21st, the Kings Baccalaureate Ceremony took place at Rivers Crossing Community Church. It was a very special night for the Kings High School Seniors. The student-led Baccalaureate Ceremony is a non-denominational event that provides a personal opportunity for students and their families to reflect on graduation as a rite of passage. Students gave speeches, sang, and performed for their parents, teachers, and peers. To view a gallery of pictures from the night [click here](#). To see the Senior Video produced by KHS Senior Cassidy Foley [click here](#).



JFB Jump Rope for Heart

The final tally is in for the J.F. Burns Jump Rope For Heart Campaign. JFB students collected \$9,278.34 for the American Heart Association. Our thanks to Sky Zone who donated \$1,000.00 to the cause. Hats off to Ms. Bryson and Mrs. Bea for coordinating this year's campaign!

CIS Hall of Fame Celebration

Earlier this month, Columbia Intermediate School was named a Hall of Fame School by the Ohio Association of Elementary School Administrators. To celebrate this honor, Columbia Intermediate hosted a school-wide Celebration on Friday, May 15th in honor of their OAESA Hall of Fame Award. Students and staff celebrated during the lunch periods with music, sweet treats, and door prizes! VIP guests joined in on the fun and celebrated with students and staff. It was a "Loud and Proud" event supported by the CIS PTO and many generous community members! CIS would like to thank everyone for their support of Columbia Intermediate School.



School Lunch Notification

As the end of the year quickly approaches, our Food Service Department would like to remind you that all meal accounts that currently have charges owed for lunches, need to be paid in full no later than Tuesday, May 26. Please [click here](#) for more information or contact our Food Service Department at 513-398-8050, ext. 10027.

JFB Laps for Literacy

For the past 15 years J.F. Burns Elementary Principal Cheryl Montag has encouraged her students to read with the Laps for Literacy Program. From January to April students log every minute of extra-curricular reading they do. Those minutes are added up and calculated into laps that Mrs. Montag has to walk. This year's students read a total of 954,452 minutes!

This year's Top Readers were Callie Rose Powell, Savannah Davis, Nathan Edwards, Kaitlyn Schimanski, and Andres Herrera. Top Classes were Mrs. Reitz, Mrs. Benta, Mrs. Thomas, Ms. Gray, and Mrs. Bowman.

Mrs. Montag walked six laps around Landen Lake – 18 miles! The entire student body lined the J.F. Burns drive to cheer on Mrs. Montag, the top readers and classes, Superintendent Timothy J. Spinner, and Assistant Superintendent Larry Knapp as they began the first lap.

This year's Lemonade Stand, a fundraiser to benefit Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, netted \$698.95! A special thanks to Jennifer and Matt Freeman for organizing the lemonade stand this year!



KHS Academic Awards

Monday, May 18th was a day of celebration at Kings High School. Students from throughout KHS were honored for various achievements at the annual Academic Awards Night. Students were recognized for being top students in specific subjects, earning scholarships, and earning straight A's, as well as the winners of the Kings Character Award, military appointees, and much more!

The staff at KHS also recognized the Valedictorian, Salutatorian, Merit Scholars, those with four years of perfect attendance, and more. Seniors who have already found a college were invited to wear a t-shirt from their college or military. Before the awards program began, these seniors walked onto the stage to be recognized. Congratulations KHS Seniors and KHS students!



CIT Students Pass Certification Exam

The following students passed the CompTIA Network+ Industry Certification exam. Congratulations to Trevor Bartlett, Noah Diebel, Ryan Dilts, Pedro Garcia Vizcarra, Austin Howard-Clark, Kevin Minds, Zach Moffett, Chris Stroplos, Bailey Sturgis, Gage Woods, Eric Albino, Sean McLeod, Jacob Meyer, and William Powell. The Warren County Career Center Satellite CIT program at Kings High School had 14 students take this exam and all of them passed. "I'm very proud of how hard these students worked to pass this industry certification exam, they definitely earned it," instructor Reggie Holtrey said. "This certification gives them a good foundation for their career pursuits in the technology field." The CompTIA Network+ is a vendor-neutral technology certification that verifies the certified individual has the skills and knowledge needed to take on a pivotal role in building, managing, and protecting a computer network environment.



KME Kindergarten Writing Workshop

The kindergarten students in Heidi Furterer's class at Kings Mills Elementary just finished their Writer's Workshop for the year! The last book they made was about a particular animal. Each student chose a different animal and filled out a graphic organizer on it. Then, they created a book all about their animal. This week they were able to share the knowledge they gained and all of their hard work with their friends! These kindergartners are ready for first grade and to be kindergarten leaders!

Pictured is Landon Flaherty and Lucy Kohls.



Kokorodza Marimba Performance 5/26

The Kings Mills Elementary Marimba Ensemble, and the Kokorodza Marimba Ensemble will present a concert of high-energy Zimbabwean style marimba music on Tuesday, May 26 beginning at 7:30 P.M. in the Kings High School Auditorium. No charge for admission so come on out and enjoy the spirited music making of these young musicians.



SLE Third Grade Zoo Visit

The third graders at South Lebanon Elementary took a field trip to the Cincinnati Zoo last week. Mrs. Murphy's class live-tweeted pictures from the whole day!





Project Search High School Transition Program

On May 19, 2015, Kings High School student, Foster Brown, graduated from the Project Search High School Transition Program. The High School Transition Program is a one-year program for students with disabilities in their last year of high school at The Warren County Career Center. It is targeted for students whose main goal is competitive employment. The program takes place at the Otterbein Retirement Community in Lebanon, Ohio. Dana Martin, Kings Special Education Coordinator, was honored to present Foster with his high school diploma. Foster also received awards from the Warren County Career Center. Congratulations Foster!

On Wednesday May 21, the Kindergarteners at South Lebanon Elementary held their annual Music Program and slide show.



KHS National Honor Society Accepting Applications



Attention all sophomores and juniors interested in joining National Honor Society: applications are now available through your English teacher, the Guidance Office, the main office or the National Honor Society advisors-Mrs. King 145 and Mrs. Thomas C-117. The applications are due TODAY, Friday, May 22nd for everyone. For more information and the application [click here](#).

KME 4th Grade Etiquette Luncheon

For the past several weeks, the 4th graders at Kings Mills Elementary have been taking Etiquette classes with Anne Overturf. She began by teaching the students the 7 Knightly Virtues of courage, justice, mercy, generosity, trust, nobility, and hope. They learned how and when to write thank you notes, polite phone manners, conversation skills, proper eating etiquette, and much more. After learning all their manners, students finished the unit with an Etiquette Luncheon at the Golf Center at Kings Island. All of the students practiced perfect manners while eating a four course meal. The students were taught that when a lady leaves the table, the gentlemen stand up, the proper way to eat soup, and what each utensil is used for. The students agreed that the new skills would serve them well in life, especially as they get older and start working. Thanks to everyone, especially the KME PTO, who made the Etiquette Luncheon a big success. It was a wonderful event, and all of the students were very well mannered.



Read or Pie Challenge

Last week, Mr. Spinner participated in a challenge made by University of Cincinnati President Santa Ono, called the #Read or Pie Challenge. The challenge is bringing awareness of early grade level reading in Cincinnati. Once challenged, the person has 24 hours to complete the Read or Pie Challenge. If you don't want a pie in the face, you can donate \$25 to help the Read On Campaign, which helps every child in Cincinnati read on grade level by providing every 0-5 year old in the city access of age appropriate books.



Even if you get a pie in the face, they are still asking for some sort of donation. Mr. Spinner went to Kings Mills Elementary and visited Mrs. McMahan-Kelley's class. He read several books and then took a pie to the face! Way to be a good sport Mr. Spinner! He has now challenged our new superintendent Tim Ackermann. Your turn Mr. Ackermann!

To learn more about the Read or Pie Challenge go to www.readorpie.org.

American Red Cross Pillowcase Project



On Thursday, May 21, all 5th grade students participated in the American Red Cross Pillowcase Project. The project's vision is to create a generation of children who understand the science of hazards, are empowered to take action by practicing how to prepare for emergencies, and understand that by sharing what they have learned with family and friends, they can help create a prepared community. Our CIS students can: Use their knowledge to act as advocates for emergency preparedness in their homes and communities, identify the best ways to stay safe during emergencies that occur in our area, describe how coping skills can help manage stress during emergencies and in every day situations, gain confidence in their abilities to be prepared for emergencies through hands-on activities, and create an enhanced sense of community through collaborative preparedness activities.

JFB Third Grade Geologists

Geologists in Mrs. Roewer and Mrs. Stutzman's third grade classes at J.F. Burns Elementary have really been taking advantage of the warm weather and the new outdoor classroom. Students studied the many components of fertile soil, conducted water retention experiments to test various soil samples, and identified rocks based on observable properties. From hypothesis to conclusion, these scientists have been putting their minds to work!





Veggie U at SLE

The third grade students at South Lebanon Elementary have successfully completed their Veggie U curriculum, the final science unit of the year, by planting their veggie plants. The students did a wonderful job matching up the micro-greens in the coordinating rows in each bed. This summer the E-Club will help maintain the health of the garden beds with jobs like watering and weeding. This is only the second year of planting their curriculum out on the playground and they are hoping to continue to make their efforts bigger over the next few years. Mrs. Elder said, "We're hoping that over the next few years, if we can get the salad bar going, we could harvest right from our garden!" Way to be GREEN SLE!

Dayton Dragons Visit KME

The Dayton Dragons, a Class A minor league baseball team, offers an MVP Program for fourth and fifth grade teachers, helping them motivate and reward students for success in the classrooms. This week, two members of the team, Brian O'Grady and Gavin LaValley, visited the fourth graders at Kings Mills Elementary, as a part of the reward program.

For five weeks, students with good behavior had their name in a drawing to be the MVP of the week. If their name was drawn, they won tickets to a Dayton Dragons game. The students were treated to the player visit based on their good behavior. O'Grady and LaValley answered questions and autographed Dayton Dragons products.



Welcome Mrs. Rosekrans!

This week, an open house was held for staff and students to meet new Kings Mills Elementary Principal, Shawn Rosekrans. Several families and staff members dropped by to introduce themselves and help to make Mrs. Rosekrans feel welcomed. She will begin her principal duties on August 3rd.



What Does the Fox Say?

On Thursday, May 21, the children in Mrs. Angie Niemann's Integrated Preschool Class performed their program "What Does the Fox Say?" All of the students were dressed in a fox shirt while singing and dancing. Mrs. Niemann said, "We are feeling happy and proud of all that we have learned this year!"

The little foxes and their families enjoyed an Ice Cream Social after the program.

SUMMER LUNCH IN THE VILLAGE

Kings Local School District, in partnership with South Lebanon Community Center / Joshua's Place Community Outreach Organization, is participating in a Summer Meal Program. The program will provide FREE meals to children between 1 and 18 years of age. Youth ages 19-21 with a mental or physical disability and who participate during the school year in a public or private nonprofit school program are also eligible to receive FREE meals. No registration required. Come Enjoy a Nutritious Meal!



Location:

South Lebanon Community Center
83 N. Section Street



Dates

June 8th through August 7th, 2015

Meal Time

11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

(offerings will be provided Monday through Friday (no weekends))

Questions About The Program ?

Please contact Jennifer S. Arlinghaus R.D., L.D. Food Service Director, Kings Local School District at 398-8050, ext. 10027

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Kings Class of 2021 Ready to Cross the Bridge to Junior High

Transitions are never easy – whether it be new homes, neighborhoods, jobs or schools. The Kings School District continues the process of evaluating the transitions that our students make from the time they enter Kindergarten until they leave Post-Secondary Training to become contributing members of society. With that in mind, the junior high hosted the current sixth grade class last week to continue their process of crossing that bridge between Columbia Intermediate and Kings Junior High School.



Students, in three equal groups of 100, were met in the multi-purpose room to be welcomed by building administrators and counselors. After watching a slide show of activities and events that occurred on various teams throughout the year, the sixth grade students moved with their homerooms into two equal groups and met up with an equally divided Home Base Classroom of 7th Graders. While half of those groups worked on a team-building activity, the other half toured the campus stopping at 16 stops. The incoming 6th graders also had an opportunity to ask questions about what life was like at KJH.

The students enjoyed lunch together in the KJH Café along with KONA ICE. The day concluded with a Scavenger Hunt in the Kings Stadium where students were challenged with little known facts about Kings Mills, the history of Kings Schools and trivia about the 7th Grade Teachers.



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.



2015 KABC Summer Sports Camps

It's time to start thinking about summer camps! The Kings Athletic Booster Club is offering it's 2015 Summer Sports Camps again this year. Online registration is available .

There are many camps available for boys and girls! Click the link below for more information on the KABC Sports Camps. [Click here](#) to view all of the camps on Ticketracker. Click the following link for more information. [KABC Sports Camps Brochure](#).

Save the Date for the Annual KABC Golf Outing

Don't miss this year's KABC Golf Outing presented by Buck's Tavern! It will be held at Walden Ponds Golf Course in Fairfield on Sunday, August 9. Registration starts at noon with a shotgun start at 1:30 p.m. Cost is \$100 per golfer or \$400 per foursome which includes 18 holes of golf, cart, tee prize package, on course drink tickets, hole contests presented by Performance Lexus, plus team and proximity prizes.



This event is limited to the first 128 golfers by August 1. For more information [click here](#).

K KYO 2015 CHEER SIGNUPS

WHO: Children entering Kindergarten through 6th grade in the fall of 2015

WHERE: Landen Park Shelter Near the Restrooms

WHEN: Tuesday, May 26th @ 6-7pm

REGISTRATION COST: \$87

UNIFORM COST:

New Uniform	New Shell	New Skirt	Used Shell*	Used Skirt*
\$95	\$75	\$50	\$32	\$28

> All registrations include: new shoes, spankies, 2 hair bows, and a warmup jacket for you to keep.

> Cheerleaders must be present at registration for uniform, warmup jacket, and shoe sizing. There are no refunds or exchanges due to improper fit for uniforms and shoes ordered at registration. Parent signature is required for all sizes ordered.

**PAYMENT IS DUE WITH REGISTRATION (NO CREDIT CARDS). MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO KYO CHEERLEADING.
ALL FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE.**

Please visit KYOCheer.shutterfly.com or [Kings Youth Cheerleading](#) on Facebook for additional information,

or email kyocheerleading@gmail.com with questions.



The Kings Ultimate Frisbee Club is looking for people who want to learn and play Ultimate Frisbee this summer!

Starting May 24, there will be pick-up games for anyone wants to come out.

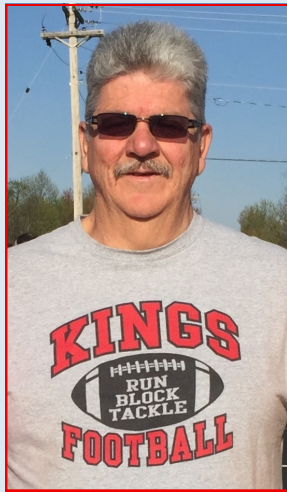
When: Every Sunday (weather permitting) starting at 1pm and lasting approximately 2 hours.

Where: Kings High School front field.

For more info, go to our Facebook page at <https://facebook.com/KingsKnightsUltimateFrisbee>

COME JOIN THE FUN!





Kings Football Coach Honored With Award

Congratulations to Kings Football Coach Terry Houk who was named the 2014 Doc Collins Award recipient for his commitment to Kings Football during the 2014 football season.

The Doc Collins Award is presented each year to a person who has contributed beyond the sidelines. Previous winners include volunteers who helped out with equipment, boosters, medical attention, etc. The award ultimately represents a person who goes above and beyond the call of duty without being asked or expecting something in return. We all know that successful programs can't succeed without individuals that contribute outside the coaching ranks.

Terry has been a part of the Kings Football Family for 17 years. Congratulations Terry!

KJH Men's Lacrosse Dedicate Games to Breast Cancer Awareness

Congratulations to the KJH Men's Lacrosse Team for winning their three games against Little Miami while raising money for Breast Cancer Awareness. Players, coaches, and refs wore pink socks and the players wore a pink ribbon on their helmet. The team asked for donations at the game and sold pink ribbon umbrellas and back packs to raise funds. At half-time, two relatives of the Little Miami players were honored as breast cancer survivors.

This is the second year that the team has dedicated their game to Breast Cancer Awareness.



WE NEED YOU!



**Kings Youth Football is in need of
incoming Kindergarten
& 1st grade players.**

**Contact us at contactkyo@yahoo.com or
513-305-2391 with questions.**

Kings Youth Football is looking for players for this upcoming fall season, especially incoming kindergarten and 1st grade players. For more information [click here](#).

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. There are two clinics to choose from; Saturday June 13 from 2:00-4:30 p.m. in the KJH Gym and Saturday, July 18 from 10:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in the KHS Gym. Cost of the clinic is \$10 per child. The clinic is a major fundraising event for the Kings Guard. For more information [click here](#).

Kings Color Guard Clinic

BEACON

Orthopaedics & Sports Medicine

Pre-Participation Sports Physicals


Beacon West
6480 Harrison Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45247
July 15th - 6:00pm-8:00pm

Beacon East
463 Ohio Pike, Cincinnati, OH 45255
July 18th - 10:00am-12:00pm

Summit Woods
500 E-Business Way, Sharonville, OH 45241
July 25th - 8:00am-11:00am

Cost: \$20.00 Check or Cash Only
(\$10 is donated back to school's Athletics Department)

***Each Student must have OHSAA forms signed by a parent or legal guardian!
Forms can be found online at ohsaa.org.**



2015 KYO Football Camp

Kings Football Coach Andy Olds would like to invite you to the 2015 KYO Football Camp on Wednesday, May 27th and Thursday, May 28th from 6:00-8:00 p.m. on the new Kings Stadium turf. Cost is \$40 per camper. Each camper will receive 4 hours of instruction from Kings Coaches and a t-shirt. [Click here](#) for more information.



2015 Fall Junior High Athletic Program Information

Please click on [this link](#) for information regarding the 2015 Fall Junior High Athletic Programs including tryout information. This information sheet only contains Fall Sport offerings. Spring and winter team information will be available after Labor Day.

If your son or daughter plans to tryout for one of these teams, please note that the start day for all sports is August 1.

All student-athletes are required by law and the Kings Local School District Board of Education to have a current physical ON-FILE with the Athletic Office.

For more information visit the athletic website at www.kingsathletics.com or contact the Kings Athletic Office at 513-459-2937.

Fall 2015 Kings Soccer

The deadline to register for Fall 2015 SAY Soccer is June 30th. Go to www.kingsoccer.org to register.



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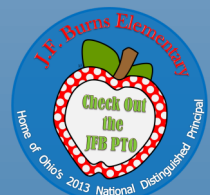
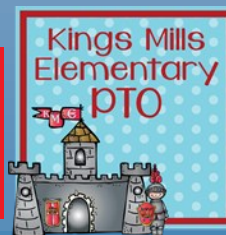
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Summer Educational Resources

Are you looking for something for your students to do this summer to keep their minds fresh? 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 some programs available to help reverse summer learning loss and be prepared for next school year.

How to keep
kids learning
all Summer

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](#).

Also this summer, the Butler County Educational Service Center is offering Summer Enrichment Programs all throughout the summer. For more information [click here](#).

Are you #KINGSSTRONG?