



September 12, 2014



Good luck to the Kings students who will be taking the ACT tomorrow morning at Kings High School!

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Check out all the great pictures from KHS Senior Service day and other great events at  
**#KINGSSTRONG!**



### Upcoming Events

Sept. 13— Spirit Store Open, 9:00-11:00 a.m., KHS.

Sept. 13— ACT Test, 8:00 a.m., KHS.

Sept. 16— Kings Board of Education Meeting, 6:30 p.m., KEC.

Sept. 18— Washington D.C. Trip Parent Meeting, 7:30 p.m., KJH.

Sept. 24— College Lecture Series: Sophomore Parent Information, 7:00 p.m., KHS.

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

### Kings Special Education

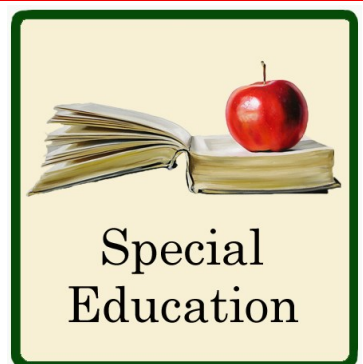
An Independent Review of the Kings Special Education Department's programs and services was conducted by Independent Education Consultant Deb Durbin. Her services were contracted by the Kings Administration beginning in the Fall of 2013. The results of this study were presented to the Kings Board of Education this week during a special work session.

Mrs. Durbin expressed to the board that she was impressed with many of the practices in the special education programs at Kings especially the strong administrative leadership, team approach, use of technology, student supports, and opportunities for students with disabilities to be included with typical peers.

She also found some areas that she felt needed work and many of the areas can be improved by assessing data and using personnel effectively.

Kings will use the special education study to review our existing policies, practices, and procedures. Kings' new Special Education Coordinator, Dana Martin, is committed to taking these recommendations and prioritizing the special education needs of the district. One of the priorities will be following up with a parent survey and possible parent focus groups.

[Click here](#) to see the Independent Review and the Board of Education presentation



### Meet the Tray Stacker!

We previously told you about Kings Engineering Academy's "Tray Stacker" invention. Just in case you were wondering what it looks like and how it works, check out [this video!](#)



## KHS Seniors Participate in 9/11 National Day of Service

The Kings High School Community Service Club, managed entirely by student leaders, organized almost 300 seniors to serve at 10 different locations across the area on yesterday as they participated in the 9/11 National Day of Service and Remembrance. Members from the Mason-Deerfield Rotary Club and other community members volunteered their time as they joined the students in landscaping at KHS, cooking lunch and cleaning at the Ronald McDonald House, folding clothes and mixing paint at Matthew 25 Ministries, cleaning at the City Gospel Mission, landscaped, cleaned and worked with special needs adults at Stepping Stones, among many others. Congratulations to all of the students for their service to those in need. To view a gallery of pictures from the day [click here](#).



## ODE Report Card Released Today

Today, the Ohio Department of Education will release their annual Report Card for Ohio School Districts. The report cards annually rate schools and districts from academic process to graduation rates. Report cards have long been criticized for not giving the full picture of how good a school district really is. The report card gives letter grades of A-F on a variety of measures.

We are happy to report that the Kings School District, once again, met all 24 of the Ohio Department of Education's achievement indicators. Our 4 and 5 year graduation rates remained well above state average, and we continued to improve in several key areas.

We recognize that there are performance standards in need of improvement. Therefore, we will maintain the practice of taking a close look at all of the data we collect in an effort to target these areas. We will work hard to meet the needs of each student as we keep an eye on closing the achievement gap.

To view our report card [click here](#).

**Ohio** School Report Cards



Congratulations to Kings Junior High Assistant Principal, Dave Winebrenner, who was recognized in District Administration Magazine highlighting Kings Local Schools and our behavior management strategies. Mr. Winebrenner was asked to speak to the writer of the article because of Kings Junior High's work with Public School Works and how we documented student discipline in their program.

Four years ago a committee of staff, administrators, and parents reviewed and revised the former discipline program at KJH. In 2011, Mr. Winebrenner and KJH teacher Andrea Kaercher presented the resulting Behavioral Intervention Program at the National Middle School Association's Annual Conference. Since then, Mr. Winebrenner said, "We have continued to see our discipline referrals steadily decrease each year through the efforts of our staff and their communication with students and parents."

To read the article in its entirety [click here](#).





## KHS Choral Department Selling Flower Bulbs

Flower Power is back! Help the students who sing at Kings raise money towards their choir fees and for the choral general fund! Simply click the link below and start shopping. For every purchase made, 50% will be given back to the KHS Choral Department! The bulbs will be delivered to your door (flat \$5 shipping no matter how much your purchase) in time for planting season. If you would like your purchase to benefit a specific student, please forward your emailed receipt and the student's name to Hope Milthaler at [hmilthaler@kingslocal.net](mailto:hmilthaler@kingslocal.net). To access the order form and for more information [click here](#). Fund-raiser ends on September 22nd. Happy planting!

## KHS PTO Recognizes Academic Achievers

The Kings High School PTO is very proud of our students and want to recognize and acknowledge the top Academic Achieving Seniors. These students embody the academic excellence for which Kings stands. At each of the home football and basketball games, the PTO will give these top performers and their parents awards at the beginning of half-time. So far this year the seniors recognized are: L.J. Brant, Luke Danko, Gina Grosso, Rachel Lehn, and Annie Orr. Congratulations!

Pictured right are: Nadine Heithaus-KHS PTO, Don Danko, Luke Danko, Kim Danko, Doug Leist-KHS Principal, Candace Sannel-la-KHS PTO, Lynn Brant, L.J. Brant, and Jim Brant.

Pictured Far Right: Gina Grosso, Annie Orr & Rachel Lehn.



## Practicing for PARCC at SLE

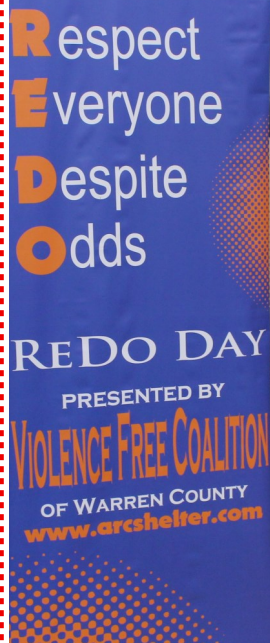
The students in Mrs. Elder's class at South Lebanon Elementary have started their first practice for the PARCC assessment that the students are scheduled to take in the spring. Mrs. Elder found a great practice website with wonderful games, aligned to the PARCC test. The students were able to place fractions on a number line and work with multiplication word problems. The students will be taking the PARCC assessments on the Google Chromebooks. SLE purchased additional Chromebooks this year made possible by donations from the SLE PTO.



## Mrs. Tuggle's Scientists at J.F. Burns

The second graders in Mrs. Tuggle's class at J.F. Burns Elementary are currently studying about being Scientists. They went on a nature walk last week and encountered a turtle!





## ReDo Day at KHS

The Violence Free Coalition of Warren County in conjunction with the Kings High School Catalyst group brought ReDo (Respect Everyone Despite Odds) to Kings High School today. They held a program for the senior class as a way for the class to bond. ReDo Day is an all day program that addresses the issues of bullying, stereotyping, and diversity through respect. The one day program incorporates students, as well as the high school staff to work in small and large groups to center on creative learning experiences to help the students learn to break down stereotypical barriers and teach them how to embrace diversity. Pat Clark, Education Specialist from the Violence Free Coalition Program, said, "The ReDo day program at Kings High School has been very successful. Kings has had the largest number of students participate in ReDo day, as well as the largest participation of high school staff in all of the districts who have hosted a ReDo day."



Pictured is 6th grade teacher Ken Johnson dressed up as a Greek God while he explained the 6th grade curriculum to parents.

## Curriculum Night at CIS

This past week, CIS hosted grade level Curriculum Nights focused on sharing with our community more details on what students will be learning the language arts, math, science, and social studies. Attendees were greeted by building principal, Shelley Detmer-Bogaert and were escorted by student ambassadors to classrooms. In the classrooms, grade level teachers shared content information on what our children will learn, and provided insight on the instruction approaches we will use to better prepare our students for the demands of more challenging standards. Next, parents returned to the cafeteria for a brief presentation on the PARCC and Ohio's Next Generation Assessments given by our district curriculum coordinators. Finally, to end the event, we enjoyed LaRosa's Pizza and gave away raffle prizes donated by area businesses. Special thanks to the following sponsors: Landen LaRosas, South Lebanon Target, Cincinnati Dental Services, Dunkin Donuts, Kings Athletic Boosters Club, Landen Kroger, Little Caesar's Pizza, Buck's Tavern and Jimmy Johns.

## KHS PTO Receives Check from Ford Motor Company

Last spring, the Ford Motor Company and Kings Ford generously partnered with the Kings High School PTO to raise a lot of money to support the work of the PTO – in the **easiest** fundraiser ever, called *Drive 4 UR School*. All you had to do is show up to Kings Ford, test drive a car, fill out a survey, and then the Ford Motor Company donated \$20 to the PTO. Ken Patterson, General Sales Manager at Kings Ford said, "This is just the Ford Motor Company and Kings Ford's way of giving back to the community."

Today, Mr. Patterson presented a \$2400 check to the KHS PTO. He hopes to offer another Drive 4 UR School fundraiser in the near future. Pictured is Patterson with Andrea Chunn from the PTO and KHS Principal, Doug Leist.





## ATTENTION SENIOR PARENTS:

The Kings High School PTO Senior Parent Committee is planning a special breakfast & raffles this year and will also host the Senior Picnic. Each family is asked to send in \$20 that will cover the costs associated with these events. Please [click here](#) to print out the form and send in BY OCTOBER 1, 2014. THANKS for your help in making this a great year for our seniors!!

**CLASS OF 2015**

## Senior Picture Guidelines

Seniors have until November 25, 2014 to submit a picture for the yearbook. Photos must be in color and in jpg form. They can be submitted by attaching the picture to an email to Mrs. Shields, or submitting the image on a CD. [Click here](#) for more detailed information.

## Looking for Band Instruments



Do you have an old instrument sitting the closet or under the bed? Got a former band student who no longer plays that old instrument?

The Kings Band Department is looking for old instruments to be donated to the school for students to use. Donated instruments are put to use for students who need to borrow an instrument to use for the year or for students whose instrument is being repaired. We can provide you with information to use for a donation for tax purposes. If you have an instrument to donate, you can drop it off at Columbia Intermediate School, Kings High School or in the band room during Kings home games. For further information, please email Jennifer Reeder at [jreeder@kingslocal.net](mailto:jreeder@kingslocal.net) or call 398-8050, x13036.

## FITNESS FOR FUNDS at CIS!

The Columbia Intermediate School PTO is gearing up for its first fundraiser, FITNESS FOR FUNDS, where the students exercise for money. The event is on Friday, September 26th. During that day at Columbia, each team will have an hour to go outside and participate in several fitness activities. Students are encouraged to raise money and there are drawings for prizes for every student who collects money. VOLUNTEERS are needed. We are also in need of donations for WATER and GRANOLA BARS for our hungry and thirsty students. Please [click here](#) to sign up.



## Kings' Students Starring in Local Production of Beauty and the Beast

Acting Up, an all-volunteer, young performer's community theater in Mason, will present four shows of *Disney's Beauty and the Beast* in September. There are six Kings' students starring in the show including Ellie Toadvine, Zoey FitzGerald, Amy Helms, Tess Hogan, Michael Kaper, and MacKenzie Powell.



The shows will be held on September 19, 20, 21, at the Mason High School Theater. Performances will be Friday, September 19 at 7:00 pm; Saturday, September 20 at 2 pm. (sign language interpreter will be provided), and 7:00 pm; and Sunday, September 21 at 2 pm.

Tickets are \$12 each and they are for reserved seating. You can purchase your tickets online at [www.ActingUp.com](http://www.ActingUp.com) or at the box office starting one hour before the show. For more information, visit [www.ActingUp.com](http://www.ActingUp.com) or call 513-494-6062.



## 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.



### Homecoming 5K and Mile Fun Run

Come join us for the 19th annual Kings Homecoming 5K and Mile Fun Run on Wednesday, October 8th. This has grown to be a fun community event with last year's run hosting nearly 150 participants. Grab your friends and family for an evening of walking/running the streets of Kings Mills.

The \$15 entry fee includes refreshments as you finish the course and a white t-shirt that features the former Kings Powder Factory in the design. Be sure to submit your entry form to Jim Brant by the September 26th deadline. [Click here](#) for the entry form and more information.



### Announcing the 2014 HOMECOMING PARADE!

This year's parade will take place on Friday, October 10th at 5:30 p.m. The parade will start at the KME parking lot and end at the KJH parking lot.

All groups are welcome to walk in the parade! A Homecoming Parade Permission Slip and Release of Liability must be signed by everyone in the group and turned in the day of the parade.

To participate in this year's parade, please contact Genevieve Brewster at [RnGBrew@aol.com](mailto:RnGBrew@aol.com). Please include the name of your group, the number of participants, and the best way to reach you. [Click here](#) to access the permission slip.



### Kings Soccer Cornhole Tournament

Mark Sunday, October 5th on your calendars for the 5th Annual Kings High School Soccer Cornhole Tournament! This is one of the biggest fundraisers for the Kings High School Soccer Program. It is a good time for the whole family. There will be prizes and food, and even a "split the pot." If you can't make it, donations for the program are always welcome. If you would like to play, contact a Women's or Men's soccer player. [Click here](#) for more information and the registration form.



Kings is looking for a Junior High Girls Basketball Coach. Interested parties should contact Matt Knott, Head Women's Basketball Coach, at [mknott@kingslocal.net](mailto:mknott@kingslocal.net) or call 513-459-2937.





Kings Youth Basketball Sign-ups are NOW OPEN!

Online registration for any child in grades 2-6 will be open until Friday, September 19th at 3:00 p.m. Assessments for all grades will be held on Saturday, September 20th at 7:30 p.m. at KHS. For more information go to the KBA hoops website by clicking [here](#).

Don't miss Youth Night at the Lady Knights Varsity Soccer game on Tuesday, September 16th vs. Walnut Hills at 7:00 p.m. in the Kings Stadium. All local youth soccer players are invited and will get in FREE with their uniform on, as well as be recognized at halftime! It's a great chance for our youth to watch the older athletes play!

Mark your calendar for Friday, September 26th for the 4th Annual **Friday Night Pinks** Football Game to support the Pink Ribbon Girls and women in our community who are battling breast cancer. That night, we will also be celebrating **50 years of Kings Football** and recognizing the first Kings Football Team from the Class of 1964.

Friday Night Pinks t-shirts are available for \$10 and proceeds support the [Pink Ribbon Girls](#).

Order your Friday Night Pink t-shirt by [clicking here](#). T-shirt orders are only accepted at the elementary schools. They will be for sale and the high school and junior at lunch the week of the game.

**It's going to be a great night! Don't miss it.**

**KINGS vs LOVELAND**

**FRIDAY NIGHT PINKS**

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH

**PINK RIBBON GIRLS**

honoring and supporting all breast cancer survivors

SEPTEMBER 26 @ 7:00 P.M.

Visit Kings H.S. Cafeteria during lunch to buy your T-shirt or visit [www.pinkribbongirls.org](http://www.pinkribbongirls.org)

LET'S PINK OUT THE STADIUM! PLAY SOME FOOTBALL!

All Kings Students!

**There's Still Time to Register!**

[www.DancifyYourLife.com](http://www.DancifyYourLife.com)

**Dancify Your Life! At JF Burns Elementary**



Dancify Your Life is a dance program that serves all Kings Schools. They offer Tap, Jazz, Ballet, and Hip Hop for students in grades 5-12.

All classes are held in the J.F. Burns Elementary Multipurpose Room. To learn more about the Dancify program and for the registration form [click here](#).

The Lady Knights Soccer Team is GOING PINK for Pink Ribbon Girls! Come out to the game on Saturday, September 20th at 4:00 p.m. as the Lady Knights take on Clinton-Massie and raise money and awareness for breast cancer. The team would also like to invite all local survivors to attend the game and be recognized on the field during the game. Survivors that would like to attend are asked to email Audrey at [audmaschi-no@yahoo.com](mailto:audmaschi-no@yahoo.com).

The money raised at this event will be used by Pink Ribbon Girls to provide free meals, housekeeping, transportation and peer support to local women battling breast cancer.

Wear your PINK and support Lady Knights Soccer & Pink Ribbon Girls.

## Support Kings Women's Soccer

When you eat at Buffalo Wild Wings at Harpers Station, 11363 Montgomery Road, through October 31st, you can have a great meal AND support Kings Women's Soccer at the same time. Tell your server before you get your bill that you are supporting Kings Women's Soccer (Team C), and 10% of your entire bill will be donated to the team!



You can also support Kings Women's Soccer by eating at the Kings Mills Chipotle on Tuesday, September 30th from 4:00-8:00 p.m. Tell the cashier and 50% of the proceeds will be donated to the team!







**KINGS CHEERLEADING  
ANNUAL RAFFLE  
FUNDRAISER**

**1<sup>st</sup> PRIZE-**

**\$1,000.00**

**2<sup>nd</sup> prize- \$100.00**

**3<sup>rd</sup> prize- \$50.00**

**TO BUY TICKETS CONTACT ANY KINGS CHEERLEADER**

**Ticket cost: only \$5.00 each!**

**Drawing is at KHS on Fri. Oct. 3rd**

**All winners will be notified by phone**

**Winners will also be announced  
at Kings Homecoming game on Fri. Oct. 10th**

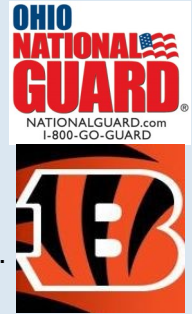
**Limited amount of tickets sold for increased chances of winning!**

**PLEASE HELP SUPPORT THE CHEER PROGRAM!**

KABC Cheer Rep. Rachel Lemmel at rlemmel@cinci.rr.com



DeAndre Barnett has been nominated for this week's Ohio National Guard Cincinnati High School Player of the Week. If selected, DeAndre will be recognized at Paul Brown Stadium on December 22nd. Voting is open until 5:00 p.m. TODAY. Show your Knight Pride and vote [HERE](#).



You can support Kings Men's Soccer by eating at the Kings Mills Chipotle on Tuesday, September 23rd from 4:00-8:00 p.m. Tell the cashier you're supporting Kings Men's Soccer and 50% of the proceeds will be donated to the team!



## Kings Golfer Heading to Augusta

Kings Women's Golfer, Alex Swayne competed in the Drive, Chip, and Putt Regional Championships at Crooked Stick Golf Club in Carmel, Indiana last weekend. Alex, a freshman, won the Regionals in the 14-15 age group and will compete in the National Championship at The Masters in Augusta, Georgia in 2015! Way to go, Alex!



## DANCE TEAM 101

*Weekly instruction at CIS Intermediate for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade girls on a variety of dance skills and styles. Instructed by KHS / KJH Dance Team Head Coach, Deborah Smith, and assisted by KHS Dance Team members. Registration Monday, September 15, 7:00-8:30pm in the CIS Cafeteria. Obtain registration forms and additional info through CIS email blast or by emailing [kingsdanceteam@gmail.com](mailto:kingsdanceteam@gmail.com)*



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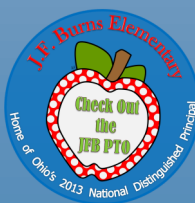
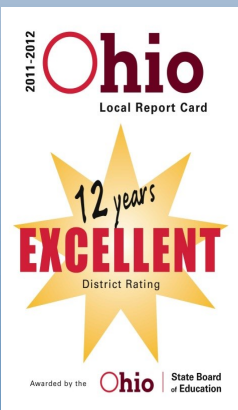
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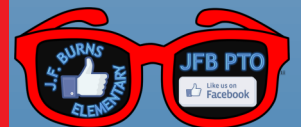
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In remembrance of 9/11, the students in Juli Elder's third grade class discussed the importance of the Pledge of Allegiance. They brainstormed some of the meanings of the words in the Pledge, and then researched using dictionaries, what the definition of each of those words meant.

The students then created their own Pledge of Allegiance using their new definitions and thinking how incorporating new synonyms would make sense.

Mrs. Elder said, "The students were pretty proud when we displayed their work out in the hallway!"



The Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge is a competition designed for players to demonstrate the most basic soccer skill—the penalty kick. Open to all boys and girls, ages 10-14,

where each player will be allowed 15 shots at the goal from the penalty line. Participants score points by placing the ball in chosen areas of the goal so this challenge is about precision and skill, not just athletic ability. Winners progress to the district, regional, state and international levels.

The SMOY Knights Council will be holding their competition on Sunday, October 5th from 2:30 — 4:30 PM on the SMOY fields. The Knights will be serving up complimentary burgers for moms and dads.

For details and pre-registration please visit: <http://smoykofc.org/soccer-challenge>.

If you have questions or need additional information please contact:

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