



April 7, 2017



DID YOU SEE THIS?

Kings High School has been recognized in the top 10 public high schools in the Greater Cincinnati area for posting the highest average ACT score for the 2015-2016 school year!

Read more [HERE!](#)

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Upcoming Events

Apr. 11— Kings Board of Education Work Session, 5:30 p.m., KEC Conf. Rm. 2.

Apr. 11— Knight of Innovation, 6:00-8:00 p.m., KHS.

Apr. 14— GOOD FRIDAY, NO SCHOOL.

Apr. 18— Kings Board of Education Meeting, 6:30 p.m., KEC Conf. Rm. 2.

Apr. 19— Kings Celebration, 7:00 p.m., KHS Auditorium.

Apr. 27 & 28— KHS Theatre Presents, **Pippin**, 7:00 p.m., **Apr. 29**— 2:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m., KHS Auditorium.

More event information can be found at: <http://kingslocal.tandemcal.com/index.php>

Kings Named a Best Community for Music Education 2017

The National Association of Music Merchants (NAMM) has announced the 2017 Best Communities for Music Education. This year, 527 districts across the nation are being recognized with this distinction, and the Kings Local School District was designated as a district that demonstrates an ex-

ceptionally high commitment and greater access to music education.

The Best Communities for Music Education program, now in its 18th year, recognized outstanding efforts by teachers, administrators, parent, students, and community leaders who have made music education part of the curriculum. The designation takes on added significance this year with new research showing strong ties between k-12 school students who actively participate in school music education programs and overall student success.

Kings Superintendent, Tim Ackermann said, "We are so fortunate to be able to provide our students with a high-quality music program. We thank our community for supporting us so that we can continue to offer those programs. I am very proud of our talented student body and dedicated teachers!"

The NAMM Foundation applauds districts and schools who set the bar in offering students access to comprehensive music education.

To see a complete list of Districts that received the 2017 Best Communities for Music Education designation [click here](#).



The Kings Local School District is Proud to be a 2017 Best Community for Music Education!



KHS Class of 2017 Valedictorian and Salutatorian Named

Kings High School is proud to announce their top students to represent the Class of 2017 as this year's Valedictorian and Salutatorian.

This year's class of 2017 Valedictorian is Hannah Rasmussen. The daughter of Kent and Bonnie Rasmussen, Hannah plans to attend the University of San Diego to pursue a degree in Physics. Hannah will graduate with a 4.689 GPA.

Our Class of 2017 Salutatorian is Anders Wikum. Anders plans to pursue a degree in Engineering Physics or Physics.

He has narrowed his college options to Georgia Institute of Technology, the University of Illinois, and the University of Michigan. Anders is graduating with a GPA of 4.654 and is the son of Erick and Elizabeth Wikum.



Congratulations to Hannah and Anders on this prestigious honor!

Celebrating S.T.E.A.M. Education at Knight of Innovation



Knight of Innovation!

April 11, 2017

6:00pm - 8:00 pm

Kings High School

The night celebrates STEAM education!!
Interactive booths in the Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics:
- An Electric Car
- Geocaching
- Arcade Machine Programming
- 3-D printing
- Bridge Building
- Hydraulics
- 3-D Animation
- Resistors
- Paper Airplanes
...and playing music on bananas and cheese!



1776 Grill Food Truck!

Taste of Miami Valley: Best Entree- 2015
Bacon Stuffed Garlic Toast Grilled Cheese
Come enjoy a delicious dinner while experiencing STEAM at Kings!

Kings High School will celebrate STEAM education at their **Full S.T.E.A.M. Ahead Knight of Innovation** on Tuesday, April 11 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. This community event will showcase our STEAM projects that will feature interactive booths in the Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics subjects such as: an electric car, geocaching, arcade machine programming, 2-D animation, paper airplanes, 3-D printing, bridge building, hydraulics, resistors, and playing music on bananas and cheese!

The exhibit is open to the public. This inaugural event will also feature 1776 Grill Food Truck! Come enjoy a delicious dinner while experiencing STEAM at Kings!

You don't want to miss this great night at KHS! Bring the kids!

KEC Getting a New Chiller

Thanks to permanent improvement funds, the Kings Education Center is getting new air conditioning! Trane Heating and Air Conditioning has been working hard, rain or shine, to install a new chiller.

By summer, the entire Kings Education Center will now have air, including the gym!



Project Excellence 2017 Educators of the Year

Congratulations to Kings High School teacher, Elisa King and Kings Mills Elementary teacher, Michelle Schumacher who have been named winners of this year's Project Excellence Award, sponsored by the Area Progress Council of Warren County.

Every year, two teachers from each Warren County school are chosen for this special award. Community members and staff are encouraged to nominate teachers for these awards. Mrs. King and Mrs. Schumacher will be honored at the 30th annual APC recognition banquet scheduled for May 3 at the Warren County Career Center.

The Area Progress Council – a countywide private business organization – started Project Excellence in 1988 as a way to honor and recognize excellent educators. APC solicited funds to create a \$1 million endowment for this recognition program. Since its inception, Project Excellence has honored 624 educators and awarded \$458,800. Honorees are given \$600 for personal use and \$300 for their district for a classroom or district-wide project.

Last year's Project Excellence winners were CIS teachers Holly Mueller and Tracy Kleis. For more information regarding APC/Project Excellence visit www.apcwc.org.

Pictured above top L-R: Shawn Rosekrans, KME Principal, Tim Ackermann, Kings Local Superintendent, and Michelle Schumacher. Pictured lower L-R: Doug Leist, Principal KHS, Tim Ackermann, Kings Local Superintendent, Elisa King, Rob Burnside and Ron Corradini, KHS Assistant Principals.



Jazz Band Performs at OSU Jazz Festival

The KHS Jazz Combo under the direction of senior Isaac Slavens, performed at the 40th Ohio State University Jazz Festival on Sunday, March 26 in Columbus. After their performance, world-renowned trumpet player, Byron Stripling gave a glowing critique. Both Daniel Laverde and Mo Juenger received soloist citations. Mo also received an Outstanding Soloist award which included a \$500 scholarship for the OSU Jazz Camp in June. The KHS Jazz Combo members are Isaac Slavens - Trombone, Kyle Ward - Alto Saxophone, Adam Nunez - Baritone Saxophone, Mo Juenger - Bass and Daniel Laverde - Drums.



Wiggly Worms at JFB

The Warren County Soil and Water Conservation District visited the 2nd grade classrooms at J.F. Burns Elementary to teach them how earthworms cause change to the soil, which impacts other living things. The students were given the opportunity to hold the wiggly worms while making observations about them!



CIS Students Nature Walk

At the end of March, students on Team Positive went on a Nature Walk to Landen Lake as a culminating activity during their Ecosystem unit. One of their key topics had been learning about how symbiotic relationships and organisms interact with each other to survive. Students looked for birds nests which is an example of commensalism, bees and flowers which is an example of mutualism, and other symbiotic relationships. Students also collected chlorophyll, fungi, and seeds to further their discussion of each in the classroom. Lastly, they looked for different types of consumers: herbivores, omnivores, and carnivores.

Teacher Liza Briscoe said, "It was a beautiful day enjoyed by all with some great learning at the same time!"



KHS Senior Reflection Night and KHS Art Show

On Thursday, April 6, Kings High School seniors participated in the annual Community Service Reflection Night, a night where all seniors share with the community how they performed their required community service hours.

The evening began with Senior Ethan Cain being presented with the Mayerson Foundation Book Award by KHS Community Service Adviser, Lynn Brant. Ethan has logged 549 service hours by serving at the Cincinnati Nature Center as a Camp Counselor.

The featured speaker of the evening was Ann Helfrich from Josh Cares. She spoke to the entire senior class and their guests about the non-profit organization that she and her family created after her beloved son, Joshua passed away after suffering a traumatic brain injury at the age of 10.

Her organization supports critically ill children. Their mission is to provide comfort, support, and companionship to seriously ill children enduring lengthy hospitalizations without a family member who is able to be with them consistently. The organization provides professionally trained Life Specialists to serve as surrogates for the families who would be by their child's sides if they could.

After the program in the auditorium, students gathered in assigned classrooms throughout the building to give a short presentation of how their community service impacted their lives and lives of others. Many students used technology such as videos, movies, or Powerpoint presentations to reflect on their service experiences. The Class of 2017 has a combined service of 21, 102.25 hours and counting!

The Kings High School Art Show was held in the Bradford Media last night, as well. Several pieces of art from our undergrad art students, as well as the Senior Art Show projects were on display throughout the media center. We sure have some talented students at KHS!



The Rain Barrel Project 2016

Students from Kings High School and Kings Junior High School have been selected to paint rain barrels as part of the fifth annual Rain Barrel Art Project, an initiative designed to educate the community about water conservation and pollution caused by storm water runoff.

This year two students from Kings Junior High, Kaleigh Cooke and Michelle Jiang designed a rain barrel inspired by the artwork of Charley Harper. The barrel was painted as collaboration between Kings Junior High and Kings High School students. Jessica Saldaña and Baeli Garner painted in conjunction with Kaleigh Cooke and Michelle Jiang to make the design come to life on the rain barrel.

The Rain Barrel Art Project is a joint effort of SaveLocalWaters.org and the Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden. As part of this initiative, students and other community members throughout the Ohio River Valley submitted artistic designs to beautify otherwise dull rain barrels. About 50 of those designs were selected, and the submitting artists' barrels will be displayed at the Cincinnati Zoo's Go Green Garden through April and auctioned off during the Rain Barrel Art Benefit Auction on April 20, 2017.

The project, hosted by the Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden, is a joint effort to educate the community about water conservation and pollution caused by storm water runoff. The Rain Barrel Art Project desires to educate people on environmental issues like storm water runoff, watersheds, and water conservation.

KHS Art Teacher, Carrie Cooke said, "I am so proud of these girls and how hard they worked to complete the rain barrel."

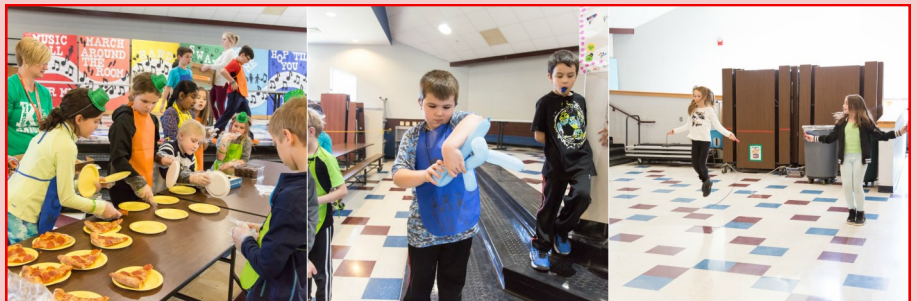


Kings Kids Childcare Students Create a Pizza Business

Since the beginning of this year, Kings Kids 2nd and 3rd grade aftercare group at J.F. Burns Elementary have been working on designing and creating a pizza restaurant called Lucky Pizza.

Students worked in small groups to create the menu, logo, decorations, and entertainment. With each child working hard on their job, they were able to pull it all together and make this restaurant come to life! On March 22, they held their grand opening by serving pizza, drinks, and dessert. They invited the J.F. Burns Kings Kids Aftercare students, as well as a VIP's, such as Kings Kids Director, Susan Guckert, J.F. Burns Elementary Principal, Cheryl Montag, and J.F. Burns Elementary Assistant Principal, Jenny Wilson. Posters of their hand drawn blue prints and advertisements were displayed.

The guests were entertained by balloon making, karaoke, and jump rope routines. They were also given small favors as parting gifts. Childcare Lead Teacher, Janel Shepard said, "We are so proud of them!"





Happy Spring from Kings Preschool!



Does Your Child Need Immunizations?

The Warren County Health District will be opening up additional appointment times for immunizations April 10 – April 14. This would be a great time for families to schedule kindergarten immunizations and/or the required immunizations for 7th and 12th grades for the upcoming 2017/2018 school year. To schedule an appointment call 513-695-1468.

Students entering 7th grade will need to have one dose of meningococcal (serogroups A, C, W and Y) vaccine in addition to one dose of the Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, and acellular pertussis) vaccine.

Students entering 12th grade will need to have a second dose of meningococcal vaccine. The second dose must be administered on or after the 16th birthday. If the first dose of meningococcal vaccine was administered after the 16th birthday, a second dose is not required.

Are you wondering what immunizations are required for your student? Check out the [Immunization Summary for School Attendance](#).

CIS Wins Skype Session With Famous Author

Congratulations to Columbia Intermediate School who found out TODAY, that they won 3rd place in the Iron Giraffe Challenge for Water for South Sudan! The third place winners will receive a Skype call with author of "A Long Walk to Water," Linda Sue Park.

Last year, CIS won the Iron Giraffe Challenge and received a personal visit from one of the original Lost Boys, Salva Dut. This year's winner of the Iron Giraffe Challenge will only receive a Skype call, so CIS was very fortunate to have him here in person last year!

Keep up the good work, CIS! Making a difference in this world. #KINGSSTRONG



Deadline Nearing to Order KHS Senior Yard Signs

Graduation is right around the corner. Don't miss your opportunity to purchase a Senior Yard Sign! For the 16th year, the Kings After Prom Party Committee is selling the signs for seniors.

The 24x18 signs are printed on both sides with your student's name hand printed by parent volunteers and then stapled onto brackets. You can personally pick up your sign or have your senior bring the sign home from school.

Pick up date will be Monday, May 8, between 6:00 – 7:00pm, in the KHS Cafeteria, or seniors will bring signs home from school on May 9. We know how proud you are of your student's accomplishment in graduating and this is such a fun way to show it to family, friends, neighbors and the community in general!

Simply complete [this form](#) and return by Monday, April 17 along with a \$10 check made payable to KAPP (Kings After Prom Party). Feel free to order as many as you want! ORDERS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN APRIL 17.

The KAPP is looking for volunteers to help with the printing of the student's names on these signs, please indicate if you can help on the order form. If you have questions, please feel free to call Diane Westaway at 513-543-3371 or email at westaway@fuse.net.



PUBLIC MEETING

The Warren County Engineer's Office has scheduled a Public Open House for the King Avenue Bridge #282-0.97 over Little Miami River Improvements Project. The meeting will display alternatives for the future location of the river crossing due to the recent deteriorating condition of the current bridge. The public is encouraged to attend the meeting and provide comments aiding Warren County in selecting the preferred bridge alternative.

The Open House will be held Tuesday, April 25 from 4:30-7:00 p.m. at Kings Junior High Multipurpose Room. Please see their [Press Release](#) for further information.

Check out our [Summer Camp Page](#) in our Virtual Backpack. We will update as we receive information.



Check Out Our Virtual Backpack

We have added a lot of NEW flyers to our Virtual Backpack! If you are looking for activities for your student, check out the [VIRTUAL BACKPACK](#) on our website. All flyer requests from our district organizations and non-profit organizations are now in one location! You can always find it on the homepage of our website or under the Resources tab.

Our Kings High School [Knight Times Online Newspaper](#) features great articles written by our own KHS students. Take some time to check out their website and read some of the terrific stories written by our talented students!





**JOIN US FOR A FUNDRAISER TO SUPPORT:
Kings Men's
HS Soccer Team**

Come into the Pizzeria Locale at 9540 Mason Montgomery Rd
on Tuesday, April 18th from 5 - 9 pm

Mention this fundraiser at the register and 50% of your
purchase will be donated to
Kings Men's HS Soccer Team

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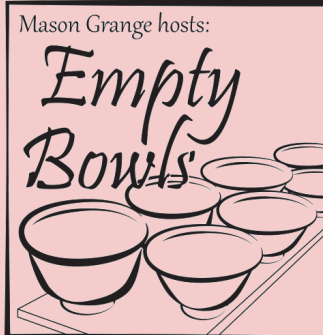
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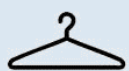
Support Kings Local Food Pantry

On Saturday, April 8 a special fundraising event will take place in Mason to benefit the Kings Local Food Pantry and St. Susanna Schuh Center Food Pantry. Mason Empty Bowls 2017 will feature the creations of local chefs and artists.

The event began more than 25 years ago in Michigan and since has grown into an international, grass roots effort to combat hunger and food insecurity.

The Mason Grange will host for the third year at the Grange Hall, 209 N. Mason Montgomery Road. In exchange for a cash donation, you will receive a simple lunch of soup, bread, dessert, and beverage and your choice of a handcrafted bowl. For more information visit [Mason Empty Bowls 2017](#).

Together, the Kings Local Food Pantry and the St. Susannah Schuh Center Food Pantry help feed at least 800 households per month in the Kings, Mason, Lebanon, and Lakota school districts.



Kings Klostet

The Kings Klostet will be open this Saturday April 8 from 9:00-11:00 a.m. We've pulled out the spring/summer clothing so please stop by if you are in need. The Kings Klostet is located on the second floor of the KEC building.



KINGS ATHLETICS NEWS

Check out Kings Athletics NEW website! You can find out schedule information, upcoming events, news about teams, and even get directions to away venues. [Find us on Facebook!](#)
[Click here](#) to access the Kings Athletics Webpage.

Don't miss this week's [KHS Roundtable](#)

Read more exciting athletic news in this week's [Knight's Weekly](#).

Kings Football MULCH MADNESS

Have you ordered your mulch yet? The weather is finally turning around and it's time to get our flower beds in order! The Kings Football Team is holding their Annual Mulch Sale. This year, you have a choice of Hardwood, Black Gold, and Black Dyed mulch. All mulch comes in 2.0 cubic foot bags and the cost is only \$4.50 a bag.

The Football Team offers FREE DELIVERY to your home or place of business on April 22-23. To be eligible for free delivery, you must be within a 5-mile radius of the Kings School District with a 10 bag minimum.

To order contact a Kings Football player or call/email Coach Garvin at 513-398-8050 ext. 11003 or agarvin@kingslocal.net or Coach Olds at 513-398-8050 ext. 12021 or aolds@kingslocal.net. Deadline for orders is April 14.

MULCH MADNESS 2017



KINGS FOOTBALL MULCH SALE

KYO Cheerleading Registration

KYO Cheerleading Registration will take place on Tuesday, April 18 and/or April 26 from 6:00 -8:00 p.m. at Columbia Intermediate School.

They will hold a Uniform Resale Night on Tuesday, April 11 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at Columbia Intermediate School. For more information [click here](#).



KJH CHEERLEADING

There will be an information meeting for parents and students who are interested in trying out for Kings Junior High Football and Basketball Cheerleading.

WHO: 7th & 8th grade students in the 2017-18 school year
WHEN: Monday, April 24th starting at 6:00 PM
WHERE: Columbia Intermediate School Cafeteria

Tryout information/packets will be available at the meeting. Questions will be answered at that time. See you there!

Kings Athletics Summer Camps

Kings Athletics Summer Camp Dates are now available! You can check out the [Summer Camp Flyer](#) or register online [HERE](#).



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