



December 16, 2016



**There will be NO EARLY RELEASE on the first day back from Winter Break, Wednesday, January 4, 2017.**

**Keep up with us over Winter Break by following us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#)!**

**Keep in touch**

### Upcoming Events.

Dec. 19-Jan 3— NO SCHOOL, Winter Break.

Jan. 3— Kings Board of Education Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Kings Education Center, Conf. Rm. 2.

Jan. 4— School resumes

Jan 16— NO SCHOOL, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

Jan 17— Kings Preschool Registration Begins.

***Enjoy your Winter Break. Our next EBBN will publish on Friday, January 6, 2017!***

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

### Gingerbread Night at Kings Preschool

The four-day preschool classes from Kings Preschool were invited to participate in a very special evening event last Friday, December 9. The students and their families from Mrs. Askren, Mrs. Frazier, Mrs. House, and Mrs. Marvin's classrooms celebrated the holiday season by creating mini gingerbread houses.

Christmas music filled the room while candy and great company was enjoyed by all.

This is yet another way that Kings Preschool reaches out to involve families in their children's preschool experience.



Pictured above is Kelan Witte and his family.

The Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (STAAC) is hosting a Toys For Tots Drive at the Men's basketball game tonight against Loveland and at the Women's basketball game on Saturday against Turpin. Game times Friday are 4:30/6:00/7:30 p.m. and Saturday is 12:30 and 2:00 p.m. Donation bins will be located at the front gate both days! We hope you can help support a great cause!

**From all of us in the Kings Local School District-  
We wish you a happy and safe holiday with  
all of your loved ones!**

**Have a restful break!**

**School resumes on Wednesday, January 4, 2017.**

## Getting Into the Holiday Spirit at Kings

There were many ways to celebrate the season around the district this week.

Our elementary, junior high, high school choir, band, and orchestra students entertained in a big way. They definitely put us in the holiday spirit! What talented students we have!

Check out KHS and KJH social media pages for live video clips of the concerts.



## Kings Students in OMEA Honor Band

Congratulations to the following band students who auditioned last Saturday and made Ohio Music Education Association's District 13 Honor Band!

7th Grade Honor Band: Ethan Townsend – tenor sax, Lauren Deaton – Baritone Sax, Trumpets: Nick Marchal, Ryan Baker, Laina Jones, and Chase Hamilton; Tyler Harris – Trombone, Ben Murray – Baritone, Blake Powell – Percussion Alt.

8th Grade Honor Band: Flutes - Lauren Bailey, Brynna

Schauer & alternate Ellie Kowitz; Adam Hoover – Bass Clarinet, Cameron Morrison – Bassoon, Justin Bayse – Alto Sax, Ben Cook – Alto Sax, Stephen Gerstner – Trumpet, Braden Cook – French Horn, Ethan Yeaste – Trombone, Preston Dickerson – Tuba, and Andrew Theiss – Percussion.

Junior High Honor Jazz Band: Justin Bayse – Alto Saxophone, Ben Cook – Alto Saxophone, William Ritchie – Trumpet, Stephen Gerstner – Trumpet Alternate, and Justin Bayse – Piano.

High School Honor Jazz Band: Justin Bayse - Piano.

Kings will be hosting the Honor Jazz Bands with a concert on Sunday, January 8, 2017 at 2:30 p.m. in the KHS Auditorium. The Jr. High Honor Concert Bands will perform at Mason High School on Sunday January 16, 2017.

Great job, musicians!

**The Kings Board of Education approved a change to the 2017-2018 District Calendar at their December 13 meeting. An In-Service Day, scheduled for September 29 has been changed to October 13, 2017.**

[Click here](#) to view the 2017-2018 District Calendar.

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

Dear Kings Family,

As promised during our last levy campaign, we are evaluating our programs and processes to be as fiscally responsible as possible. In an effort to continue on that path, the Kings Board of Education voted to discontinue the Young 5 Kindergarten Program. This program has been offered in the past which is designed for children who have late birthdays, but meet the state requirements to be enrolled in kindergarten. The program usually serves 15-18 students a year.

After evaluating the program, the District has determined that the Young 5 program has been used as an additional year of preschool for students. Legally, we are not required to offer a preschool program and it adds an additional cost to the district. By discontinuing the program, the District will realize \$45,000 cost savings in transportation and personnel.

The District offers a tuition based Young 5 program at our Kings Preschool. The Young 5 Program offered at Kings Preschool, a five-star Step Up To Quality Preschool, offers a curriculum that is based on the Ohio Early Learning and Development Standards and is aligned to the board adopted kindergarten curriculum.

Kings Preschool begins registration for the 2017-2018 school year on January 17. 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. For more information [click here](#).

The district will continue to offer full day kindergarten for children who turn 5 on or before September 30. Parents may also choose to enroll their child for ½ day kindergarten. With that choice, the student will attend a full day class but only stay ½ the day, and transportation will not be provided. If students are academically ready at the end of the ½ day program, they will be promoted to first grade.

Thank you for your continued support of the Kings School District. We will continue to look at our programming to be fiscally responsible while providing the best education possible for our students.

Sincerely,

Tim Ackermann  
Superintendent

## CIS 6th Grade Art

The Columbia Intermediate School 6th grade experienced a brand new project this year. CIS Art Teacher, Drew Thomas introduced them to a painting method called Encaustic Painting, an ancient technique, dating back to the Greeks. This method involves melting wax (crayons) on the surface of metal squares.

The students began by studying and looking at examples of graphic design and discussed what a logo is, as well as what a copyright involves. They then created an original design on aluminum foil and finished with coloring the surface with the crayons.

Pictured are CIS 6th graders Cierra Morrissey and Katie Peterson.



## Kings Preschool Gets Visit from Cincinnati Museum Center



Mr. Dan from the Cincinnati Museum Center visited the four day class at Kings Preschool. He brought activities and materials to explore the 5 senses. The students saw rainbows through the special glasses he brought, heard mystery objects in shakers, tasted sugar, smelled a secret smell of peppermint, and felt vibrations from a tuning fork.

Pictured is Mrs. House's class with Classroom Assistant, Mrs. Gliotti.

## Knights Watch Program Receives Another Donation

Libby, the manager at Buffalo Wings and Rings in Kings Mills, donated a holiday gift to the students in the Knights Watch Program at Kings High School. To recognize their hard work this semester, BWR donated \$20 gift cards to each student in the program. Knights Watch Instructor, Dustin Goldie said, "Thank you for the continued support, Buffalo Wings and Rings!"



## CIS Students Perform with Cincinnati Children's Choir

Columbia Intermediate 6th grade students, Aaron Groff, Chloe Smith, and Emily Lynch are members of the Cincinnati Children's Choir. They performed in a holiday concert on Saturday, December 10 at the Corbett Auditorium on the University of Cincinnati campus.

Congrats, Aaron, Chloe, and Emily, you are #KingsStrong!



## Happy Holidays from Kings Preschool!



### Kings Preschool Registration for 2017-2018



Preschool registration for next year is just around the corner for the Kings District! The Kings Preschool & Childcare will be accepting registrations for the 2017-2018 school year beginning January 17. The preschool/childcare program meets in the King Local School Dis-

trict'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 our website or by [clicking here](#). Registration forms will be available on the "About Preschool" page in late December. To schedule a tour or ask questions about our program, call 398-8050 ext. 10043.

### Get Ready for Winter!

It's getting to be that time of the year when bad weather is upon us. In case of inclement weather and possible school closings or delays, we will use our School Messenger All-Call System.

Please be sure that your School Messenger account is up to date. For the most up-to date school closing information, check our website at [www.kingslocal.net](http://www.kingslocal.net), our [Facebook Page](#), and [Twitter](#).



**\*If you did not receive the district TEST all-call and would like to be notified in case of emergencies, please contact Dawn Gould at [dgould@kingslocal.net](mailto:dgould@kingslocal.net). \***



Kings Central Registration Office will be closed from December 16-January 2 for Winter Break. It will re-open on Monday, January 4, 2016. For more information contact Amy Andrews at [aandrews@kingslocal.net](mailto:aandrews@kingslocal.net).



Student Athletic Advisory Committee:

## Toys for Tots Drive

**WHO:** The Kings Student-Athlete Advisory Committee invites you to participate in our Toys for Tots Drive. Our athletic committee (STAAC) is a group of student-athletes who are actively looking for community service projects and ways to give back to our community. We meet consistently each month and focus on these projects as well as discussing current issues in athletics, career opportunities and having a "voice" in our athletic department.

Thank you for your participation!

**WHAT:** We will be collecting new, unwrapped, toys for kids in need. We encourage books, arts and crafts, games, and things that encourage family togetherness. We will accept stuffed animals as long as they are new with tags attached. We will NOT accept toys that promote violence.

**WHERE:** Bins will be located at admissions table at the basketball games

**WHEN:** December 16th – Men's Basketball vs. Loveland at 4:30/6/7:30\*  
December 17th – Women's Basketball vs. Turpin at 12:30/2:00\*

*{Donations can be brought to the Athletic Office the week of December 12<sup>th</sup>}*

## Brighter Smiles, Better Schools Program



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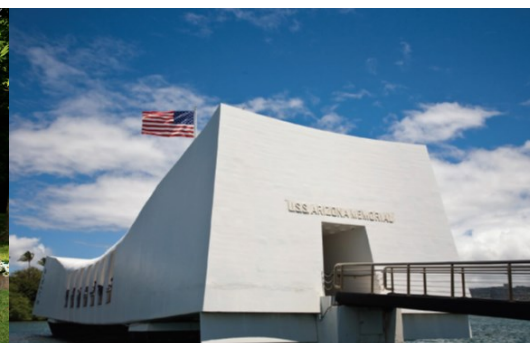
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## Kings Dance Team Needs Your Help!

The Kings High School Dance Team will be traveling to Oahu, Hawaii in March of 2017 to perform at the Pearl Harbor Memorial site



These athletes have been spending their season preparing choreography to represent the Kings District at the Pearl Harbor site, among several other performance locations in Oahu. In addition, they will be learning about the 2403 servicemen and civilians who sacrificed their lives on December 7, 1941. The team has been fundraising throughout the year to help offset some of the expense of this tremendous trip. However, they are humbly asking for support from our community to help cover some of the costs.

The team has set up a GoFundMe account to make it easy for those wishing to contribute. Click [go-fundme.com/kings-dance-team-tour-pearl-harbor](https://www.gofundme.com/kings-dance-team-tour-pearl-harbor) if you can help.

Thank you for your support of our team and those who serve our country!



## 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.

[Click here](#) to access the Kings Athletics Webpage.

Get this week's Knight's Weekly—[Click here](#)

Don't miss this week's Knights Roundtable—[Click here](#)

Save the date for The Kings Athletic Booster Club is presenting it's annual "Knight to Remember" on March 18th, 2017 at the Cincinnati Marriott Northeast, Mason. Look for the invitations in January. This event supports our Kings Athletic programs .



### Support Kings Baseball

Kings Baseball are still selling HoneyBaked Ham gift cards.

Twenty percent of each gift card will go directly into making the experience more affordable for the players. The gift cards are great for the upcoming Holiday season. [Click here](#) to help support the baseball program. The Kings Baseball Program is grateful for your support!

Kings Athletics is now on [Facebook!](#)

Follow us!



January 9 is the deadline to register for Spring SAY Soccer. The club accepts players from kindergarten through 12th grade. Visit [www.kingssoccer.org](http://www.kingssoccer.org) for more information.

Kings Wrestlers are selling softener and sidewalk salt for this year's fundraiser.

[Click here](#) for more information.



## KINGS GIRLS YOUTH LACROSSE

**Grades 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>**

(2nd graders considered if space available)

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\$1 20**

**Plus**

**All players must  
register with  
US Lacrosse  
(additional \$25)**

### Kings Knights Wrestling Salt Sale

Support Your Kings Knights Wrestlers!

Sale Runs from December 14th through January 4th, 2017  
Delivery/Pickup on January 14th!  
\*\$5 delivery fee to home, pickup location TBD

Purchase from any Junior High and/or High School Wrestler or email [jeff@kingslax.info](mailto:jeff@kingslax.info) with type and amount desired.  
Checks Payable to: KABC



Mark your calendars for the 2017 KINGS FOOTBALL ANNUAL MULCH SALE which will be held the weekend of April 21-23, 2017. More information to come. Stay tuned!



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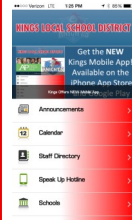
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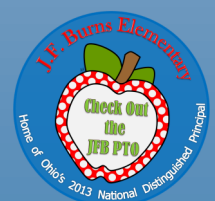


Three years ago, deadly twisters hit Oklahoma. For many, there was no power but people still had cell service. Social media helped victims and responders alike to share information and offer assistance. In the event that something like that would happen in our area, or any type of emergency, we will use social media to pass along information.

You can keep up-to-date on what's going on around the Kings School District by "liking" us on our [Facebook](#) page and following us on [Twitter](#). We will also use our [website](#) and our all-call School Messenger system in the event of an emergency. Did you know that Kings Superintendent Tim Ackermann and Assistant Superintendent Tim Spinner have a Twitter Account? Follow Mr. Ackermann @timack10 and Mr. Spinner @EducationSpin. All of our school buildings have Facebook and Twitter accounts, as well!

Don't forget to download our Mobile App to get information on-the-go! You can find it on Google Play and the Apple Store.

Remember, if you are tweeting positive news about the district, don't forget to add #KINGSSTRONG!



Did you know that many of our schools and their PTO's have social media pages? Click on the icons below to take you to their pages!

