



February 26, 2016



Upcoming Events

Feb. 26— KJH Winter Dance, 7:00-10:00 p.m., KJH.

Feb. 29-March 18— Kindergarten Registration by appointment only.

Mar. 1— Community Conversation, 6:30 p.m., CIS.

Mar. 2— Community Conversation, 6:30 p.m., SLE

Mar. 4— SLE March Madness, 5:30-8:00 p.m., SLE.

Mar. 5— JFB Krazy Carnival, 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., JFB.

Mar. 7— Community Conversation, 6:30 p.m., KJH MPR.

Mar. 12— Bandcakes, 7:30 a.m.-noon, KHS.

Mar. 12— KME Extravaganza, 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., KME.

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

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ODE Releases Second Part of State Report Card

The Ohio Department of Education released the second part of the [2014-2015 school report card](#).

The district was graded on ten measures of effectiveness during the 2014-2015 school year. There are significant changes in the release of this year's report card because of recent implementation of new state tests and accountability measures. For many schools and districts—including Kings Local Schools—the new report card shows a decline in academic performance measures following the switch to more rigorous assessments.

Some lawmakers are claiming that this year's report card does not accurately reflect the reality of the education system in Ohio. "The tests, and, therefore, the grades, violate standards of fairness," said AJ Wagner, Ohio Board of Education member. "I urge students, parents, and communities to ignore them. These report cards are not just inaccurate, they are harmful to our children, our schools, and our communities."

"This year's report card data can be confusing," said Kings Superintendent, Tim Ackermann. "We always continue to try to get better and will look at this data seriously and will put measures in place to improve next year." Already this year, new systems are being created including a Response to Intervention Program and Positive Behavior Intervention and Support System. [Read more](#) about Kings Literacy Team.

The report card data does not accurately reflect the daily efforts of teachers, support staff, and administrators on behalf of our students. Ackermann states, "We are proud of most of our accomplishments on this year's report card but we recognize we still have work to do."

Most importantly, report cards are only one tool used to measure performance and progress. The Kings district released a [Quality Profile](#) that includes additional accountability measures that define a high quality education that are not captured by the state report card. "Our Quality Profile provides a more comprehensive picture of the successes of our students," said Ackermann.



Community Conversations for Kings Future Begin Next Week

Please join us for one of three Community Conversations coming up in the month of March to address the financial future and quality of the Kings district.

While district expenses are going up and state funding is flat, Kings is in the position of looking at how to fund district expenses going forward. We would like to gather community input on how to proceed with funding the future of Kings Schools.

The Conversations will take place on March 1 at Columbia Intermediate School, March 2 at South Lebanon Elementary School, and March 7 at the Kings Junior High School Multipurpose Room. All conversations will begin at 6:30 p.m. We hope to see you there!

Please join us at our
Community Conversations



Tuesday, March 1 @ CIS
Wednesday, March 2 @ SLE
Monday, March 7 @ KJH MP Room
all begin at 6:30 p.m.



Come give the district your feedback
regarding the financial future of Kings Schools



KHS National Merit Finalists

We just received word from the National Merit Scholarship Program that our three National Merit Semi-Finalists have now advanced to the Finalist standing of the National Merit Scholarship Program. Kings Seniors Ryan Dilts, Gabriella Griffen, and Jillian Hestle will now compete with 15,000 other finalists for some 8,000 Merit Scholarships worth about \$35 million dollars. Scholarship recipients will be notified in March. Congratulations Ryan, Gabbie, and Jillian!

OMEA Honor Choir

Fourteen students from Columbia Intermediate School will be participating in the OMEA District 13 Honor Choir festival this weekend, held at Kings High School. Students are members of the Columbia 6th grade choir, directed by Carolyn Dillon, and were chosen based on their singing ability, enthusiasm, and leadership in class. They have been rehearsing with Mrs. Dillon since late January, and will join students from surrounding school districts this weekend to rehearse and perform six songs as part of the 3:00 p.m. free concert in the KHS auditorium on Saturday, February 27. Guest conductor for the festival is Ms. Cynthia Gray, local composer, arranger, and conductor. Congratulations and good luck this weekend!

Pictured front left to right front: Zach Breeze, Kate Barrett, Meredith Viox, Sydney Jessee, Ellen Bernard, Paige Doughman.

Middle: Austin Newton, Madeline Luckett, Katie Wagenheim, Amanda Woosley.

Back: Lauren Johnson, Katie Dykhuizen, Kirienne Hodges, Keith Cheek.





KJH 7th Grade Visits Cincinnati Freedom Center

After reading the novel *Nightjohn*, the 7th grade students at Kings Junior High learned about slavery and how literacy is an integral part of freedom for all people, then and now. To conclude their study of Black History Month, Ms. Boone, Mrs. Warner, and Mr. San Marco, as well as their students and other team teachers, visited the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center on Friday, February 19. The National Underground Railroad Freedom Center is located in downtown Cincinnati. The center pays tribute to all efforts to "abolish human enslavement and secure freedom for all people."

Don't Miss the KHS Senior Art Show/Preview Night

The Kings High School Senior Art Show / Senior Preview Night will be held Thursday, April 21. Reception will start at 7:00 p.m. but the exhibit will be open all evening during Senior Community Service Reflection Night in the Media Center. We will also have a special 'Senior Preview' section that will highlight the amazing artwork of underclassmen.

Kings Students Volunteer in Mexico

Forty seven Kings students along with some Kings parents and staff members, traveled to Monterrey, Mexico February 13-17, volunteering with Back2Back Ministries. The trip was organized by KHS seniors Evan and Emma Guckenberger, and the help of their parents, Beth and Todd Guckenberger. The Guckenbergers founded Back2Back Ministries, an international Christian non-profit organization, in the late 90's. They spent 16 years living in Mexico expanding their ministry of providing care for orphans.

Evan, Emma, and their family returned to Cincinnati two years ago. Since then, they have been dreaming about going back to Mexico with their peers. With help from their parents and KHS Guidance Counselor, Alex Garvin, the siblings were able to make the trip a reality.

While in Mexico, the students worked on projects to improve the living conditions in two orphanages and played with children for hours each day. Beth Guckenberger said, "It was a remarkable week and no one was ready to leave when our time was done there. We look forward to another opportunity to take Kings students to Mexico next year!"

KHS teacher, Andy Endress, who also accompanied the students on the trip said, "Over the last six days, the 47 students who went showed exactly what it meant to be Kings Strong." He spoke of how students "dove right in" on the work projects, as well as developing relationships with the children in the orphanages.

Jorge Gonzalez, KHS Spanish teacher echoed what Mr. Endress said by saying "The Kings students were beyond well behaved, they were amazing and compassionate human beings. I have never been more proud of any students than I was of these students."



Warren County Soil and Water Conservation District Visits KHS MD Classes

Last week, Marta Farrell, Education Specialist from the Warren County Soil and Water Conservation District, visited the students from Miss Zlatic and Mr. Ili's MD Special Education classes at Kings High School. She gave a hands-on demonstration of what it takes to make rivers such as the Little Miami, healthy and viable for all water life. This is Mrs. Farrell's 2nd year presenting to the KHS MD students and enjoys and encourages her educational partnership with Kings Schools.



Outback Steakhouse KJH Staff Member of the Month



Congratulations to Kings Junior High 7th grade Social Studies teacher Diane Bigelow, on being named the **Outback Steakhouse Staff Member of the Month** for February. Outback recognizes outstanding KJH staff members who demonstrate excellence in and out of the classroom.

Mrs. Bigelow was nominated by co-worker Emily Boone. In her nomination Ms. Boone praised Bigelow for giving back to the community by organizing a successful food drive, leading the Flint Water Drive, and planning a service trip for KJH students in March. She said, "Mrs. Bigelow is committed to making a difference." When asked why Mrs. Bigelow deserves the Outback Steakhouse Staff Member of the Month Award, Boone wrote, "She consistently works hard, doesn't complain, and genuinely wants what's best for her students and co-workers."

Mrs. Bigelow will receive a gift certificate to Outback Steakhouse, a prime parking spot, and Kings Knights Award.

Explore Force and Motion While Bowling

Students in Mrs. Bogard and Mrs. Thomas' second grade classes at J.F. Burns Elementary bowled with force last week to explore forces and motion. Students worked in groups to discover what forces were at work, how to increase or decrease speed, and other concepts related to force and motion. The experiments were fun and packed with learning!



Dental Hygienist Visits KME

The kindergarten students in Mrs. Pritchard's classroom from Kings Mills Elementary enjoyed a special visit with Dental Assistant, Ms. Ganger from Cincinnati Dental Services. Mrs. Pritchard said, "We had so much fun learning about dental hygiene!"

JFB First Grade Musical

This week, the first grade at J.F. Burns Elementary performed their musical entitled "How Does Your Garden Groove?" The students sang about a vegetable garden where all of the veggies sing and dance! Mrs. Maegly, Music teacher at JFB said, "The classes were amazing and the first grade impressed everyone, including me!"



WCPO Meteorologist Visits SLE

The second grade students at South Lebanon Elementary were treated to a visit by WCPO Meteorologist, Jennifer Ketchmark this week. Mrs. Ketchmark talked to the students about all things weather. She taught the students about severe weather, such as tornadoes and thunderstorms, snow and hail, and sun and cloud patterns. She even gave a shout-out to the SLE students during her forecast on TV!

After School Drama Club at CIS

Columbia Acts Up, the after school Drama Club at Columbia Intermediate School, performed "Sleeping Ugly" on February 23. We would like to congratulate the following students on an amazing performance: Lauren Astacio, Bayleigh Kostkan, Jayla Oden, and Lauren O'Donnell. Congratulations!



KME 1st Grade Musical

The 1st grade classrooms of Kings Mills Elementary took a musical trip to the zoo last night as they performed for their families and friends! The students sang about the Elephant's Trunk, the Gentle Giraffe, the King of Beasts, and Monkeys. First grade teacher Christina Shepherd and music

teacher Matt Jenkins collaborated to compose original songs for the program, while the rest of the first grade teachers helped their students create fanciful animal hats. As the students rehearsed the songs, they learned about animal habitats and symbiotic relationships. A fun and educational experience for all!



Kings Kindergarten Registration Date Set

Kindergarten Registration for the 2016-17 school year will be held from Monday, February 29 through March 18, 2016 in the Kings Education Center, located at 1797 King Avenue. This year, registration is by appointment **ONLY** and will take approximately 15 minutes. To enter kindergarten for the 2016-2017 school year, your child must turn 5-years old on or before Sept. 30, 2016.

We will continue our Young 5 Program, an optional program for students who turn 5 between July 1 and September 30. Children who enroll in this program will be required to attend full day kindergarten the following year. This program is tailored for children that are chronologically young and typically have not had a preschool experience.

SAVE THE DATE for Kindergarten Tours:

South Lebanon Elementary School—May 10 at 9:00 a.m.

Kings Mills Elementary School—May 12 at 10:00 a.m.

J.F. Burns Elementary School—May 18 at 9:00 a.m.

Parents may pick up a 2016-2017 kindergarten packet from any of our elementary buildings or at our Central Registration Office. Forms are also available on our website under enrollment. For more information on Kindergarten Registration [click here](#) or call Amy Andrews in the Kings Central Registration Office at 513-459-2932.

Teachers of the Year

Congratulations to South Lebanon Elementary teachers Janet Scruby and Julianne Elder on receiving the Teacher of the Year Award from the Ohio Federation of Soil and Water Districts.

Scruby and Elder wanted to make sure to thank all of their E-Club students for all the hard work and passion they help put into their endeavors. Mrs. Elder said, "They are the reason we love what

we do!" They also would like to thank the SLE Families and Staff for all of their support.

Jeff Nelson, Director of the Warren County Soil and Water District said, "It is a well-deserved honor for these conservation champions!"



Social Media Safety Presentation

On Thursday, March 3, Stephen Smith, Director of Educational Leadership for Cincinnati Bell Technology Systems, will be at Kings Junior High School presenting to students and families regarding the importance of safety when using social media.

He will present to all 7th and 8th graders during the day and will conduct a parent presentation that evening at 6:00 p.m. in the KJH Multipurpose Room.

Mr. Smith has the newest and latest information about technology and how our students and children are using it.

You don't want to miss this important presentation.



Special Education Parent Information Night

Kings High School will offer a Parent Information Night for any parent who may have questions about the Special Education services at Kings. The event will feature representatives from Warren County Developmental Disabilities and representatives from Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities

The meeting will take place in the Kings High School Auditorium on Thursday, March 10 from 7:00-8:00 p.m. Experts will be addressing services available for students with disabilities, how to prepare for your child's future, and answering parent questions.

KHS Principal, Doug Leist said, "This is a first time a meeting like this has been held and we hope this is something we do annually in the future."

PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT

WHEN
March 10th
7pm-8pm

WHERE
Kings High School Auditorium
5500 Columbia Rd. Kings Mills, OH 45034

FEATURING: Representatives from Warren County Developmental Disabilities and representatives from Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities



ALL PARENTS WELCOME!

WONDERING ABOUT YOUR CHILD'S FUTURE?

ARE THERE SERVICES THAT YOUR CHILD COULD BE RECEIVING?

WHAT'S NEXT?

FIND OUT THE ANSWERS HERE!



JFB Krazy Carnival

The J.F. Burns Krazy Carnival is the most exciting fundraiser of the year at JFB! Bring your family and friends to enjoy games, concessions, art fair, cake walk, vendor fair, FABULOUS class basket raffle, cotton candy, popcorn, and more! All the fun takes place on Saturday, March 5 from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. New this year, children will receive stamps as they play to redeem in the prize room.

Volunteers are still needed to make the day a success. To volunteer to help at this year's Krazy Carnival click the following links: Jr High/High School Student Sign-Up Genius: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30eod4ca4af2da31-krazy1>. Adult Sign-Up Genius: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30eod4ca4af2da31-krazy>. For more info: JFB PTO Facebook: [facebook.com/BurnsPTO](https://www.facebook.com/BurnsPTO), Krazy Carnival Facebook: [facebook.com/JFB.Krazy.Carnival](https://www.facebook.com/JFB.Krazy.Carnival), Chairperson Heather Bersaglia at alanheatherbersaglia@yahoo.com, or Volunteer Chairperson Amy Edwards at aedwards@kingslocal.net.



Support Sammy Reagan Foundation

There's only one more Monday left in the month of February where Altar'd State, a Deerfield Towne Center women's clothing store will donate 10% of ALL TOTAL SALES every Monday to the Sammy Reagan Foundation. The store has chosen the Sammy Reagan Foundation to represent their mission of promoting self-esteem.

The Sammy Reagan Foundation is a non-profit organization that provides support towards school activities, sports, dance, assistance for families in need, scholarships, buddy bench programs, Sammy's Place, Joshua's Place, the Kings Local Food Pantry, and Kings Schools.

New Immunization Requirements for 7 & 12 Grade

In case you missed last week's EBBN, beginning next school year, there are new immunization requirements for schools in Ohio regarding the meningococcal vaccine. The state will require incoming 7th graders to have one dose of meningococcal vaccine in addition to the requirement of one dose of Tdap vaccine. Please [click here](#) for more information.



JFB Care Package Drive EXTENDED

The J.F. Burns Elementary 5th Annual Care Package Drive has been EXTENDED! Care package donations can be dropped off at JFB anytime until Wednesday, March 2nd.

This year's care packages will benefit 3 Kings graduates. Some items needed for the packages include local favorites from Skyline and Gold Star Chili, LaRosa's, Grippo's, Frisch's, Buskin, Graeters, and local sports teams. In addition, any snack foods, personal care items, books, magazines, word games, and large Ziploc bags would be greatly appreciated.

For more information contact Hope Cantrall at hopecantrall@gmail.com.

Do You Know an Excellent Educator?



The Project Excellence Committee of the Area Progress Council of Warren County, Inc. seeks to recognize and honor innovative or excellent teachers within the public schools in Warren County. In their 29th year, the Area Progress Council has awarded \$458,800 to 624 educators. They are asking for your assistance in identifying exceptional educators who demonstrate excellence in instruction, or innovative teachers who have pioneered a teaching method. The educator must hold a current teaching certificate and work for the public school system.

Consideration of your nominee will be based on the information you provide. Completed nominations are due by February 26, 2016. Previously recognized teachers from Kings include Steve France, Stephanie Marchal, Ken Johnson, and Cindy Null.

To complete a nomination form [click here](#).

KME'S EXTRA^Vaganza

WHEN

**Saturday, March 12
11am – 3pm**

WHERE

At KME!

Ride the shuttle busses from Kings High School!

We would love your help! If you are interested in volunteering, please visit our blog for the Sign Up Genius Link.

WWW.KME-PTO.BLOGSPOT.COM

**EVERYONE
WELCOME!**

FEATURING

Games
Inflatables
Food and Drinks
Huge Raffle Baskets
Silent Auction
Balloon Art & Face Painting
Cake Walk
Split the Pot
Classroom Art Work

TICKETS

Pre-Sale Tickets are available through 3/4 – please see our blog for details

\$0.50 Single Tickets (good for food, drink, games, inflatables, etc.)

\$1.00 Basket Raffle Tickets

\$5.00 Inflatable Wristband for unlimited jumping

\$1.00/\$10.00 for arm length Split the Pot Tickets

BENEFITING

The students of KME!!

Kings Dance Team's 10th Anniversary

GAME NIGHT SPRING SHOW



Kings High School Gym

Saturday, February 27: 7pm; Sunday, February 28: 2pm

Pre-order tickets from Dance Team Members beginning 2/17
also available at the door during each performance

Adults \$7.00; Students \$5.00; 4 and Under Free

Performances by:
Kings Varsity Dance Team; Kings Junior Varsity Dance Team; Kings Junior High Dance Team; Columbia Dance Team 101 Classes; Kings High School Cheerleaders; Select Puttin' on the Hits Groups





The Mercy Health/Jewish Hospital mobile mammography van will be in the Kings Local School District to offer screening mammograms to our female associates and community members. Mammography screening takes approximately 10-15 minutes. The schedule is as follows:

Wednesday, March 2, 2016

KJH- 6:30 am - 11:00 am

KME-12:30 pm - 4:00 pm

Thursday, March 3, 2016

CIS- 7:00 am - 11:00 am

JFB - 12:30 pm - 4:00 pm

Screening mammography is usually a covered benefit with most insurance carriers. Your insurance will be billed directly for the service. Please call 686-3300 to schedule an appointment.

KINGS BANDS Pat Cope Memorial **BAND**cakes BREAKFAST



All you can eat Pancakes!

Saturday, March 12th

7:30 a.m.—Noon

Kings High School



\$7.00 per person
Children ages 3
and under FREE!

**Enjoy performances by various
Kings Bands and music ensembles!**



For more information,
contact Michelle Jantzen:
mjantzen@cinci.rr.com
or 513-509-3300

THE 5TH ANNUAL KINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT MATTRESS FUNDRAISER

**SAVE
THE DATE!**



When: Saturday, February 27

Time: 10AM - 5PM

Where: Junior High School Gym

Event Link: [Facebook/ultimatefundraisingsolutions.com](https://www.facebook.com/ultimatefundraisingsolutions.com)



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Alumni Update

Congratulations to 2015 KHS graduate Ariel Georgeff who is the recipient of the 2016 Girl Scout Gold Award, Girl Scouting's highest honor.

Ariel is a member of the Girls Scouts of Western Ohio which is one of the top 10 largest Girls Scout Councils in the country.

This year, only 44 girls are being recognized with the Gold Award. Ariel will be recognized at the Gold Award Ceremony on Sunday, March 6.

Ariel is a freshman at Xavier University. Her Gold Award project is entitled "Dreams of Flight—Famous Women in Aviation." She wrote an interactive puppet show about women in aviation to encourage young girls to pursue aviation. Congratulations Ariel!



KINGS ATHLETICS NEWS



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 access the Kings Athletics Webpage.



Kings Athletic Booster Club
presents

Knight to Remember *The Good Ole Days*

Saturday April 16, 2016
6:30 pm to 11:30 pm
Cincinnati Marriott Northeast, Mason
\$65 per person / Early Bird price \$60
Purchase before March 14 for early bird price.

Music featuring *Strange Love*
Dress is Business Casual



For more information
go to www.kingsabc.com
or call Genevieve Brewster
312-0758

Don't Miss Knight to Remember!

The Kings Athletic Booster Club is presenting "The Good Ole Days" on April 16, 2016 from 6:30-11:30 p.m. at the Cincinnati Marriott Northeast in Mason. Invitations were emailed this week. Back this year is the ever-popular happy hour from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Be sure to take advantage of the early bird special at \$60 per person. This event supports our Kings Athletic programs and is a great night of fun! Hope to see you on April 16 for KABC's Knight To Remember, "The Good Ole Days!" [Click here](#) to get your tickets!

KHS Swimmers Head to State

Eight Kings High School Women's Swim Team members will travel to Canton, Ohio for the State Swim Meet this weekend. Ally Carlin, Sophie Carlin, Emilee Carlin, Corinne Baber, Megan Sichterman, Shannon Jelley, Jessica Longheinrich, and Brynna Wolfe were sent off yesterday after the traditional "Walk of Champions." Students lined the hallways and cheered the women as they marched through the halls led by the Kings Drumline.

[Click here](#) to view the "Walk of Champions."



Kings Lacrosse Day at Ohio State Tomorrow



Kings Lacrosse Day

- High Five Tunnel**
Your youth team can high five the Buckeyes on the field in the team tunnel!
- Meet and Greet**
Your team can meet the Buckeyes following the game
- Halftime Scrimmage**
8th grade and under can take the field for a halftime intersquad scrimmage
- Ball Boys**
Limited to 8th grade and under, 16 per half

If you haven't signed up for Kings Lacrosse Day with the Ohio State Men's Lacrosse Team on Saturday, March 27 at 1:00 p.m. in the Shoe, it's not too late! In addition to a Great Day of Lacrosse the Kings Men's Junior High (7th and 8th Grade) Team will be playing a "Mini Game" during halftime of the College Game! The Kings Boy's 5th and 6th Grade Team will be serving as Ball Boys for the End Lines throughout the Game!

All Players Youth through 8th Grade can participate in the "High Five Tunnel" as the Buckeyes take the field and any current Kings Lacrosse Players can meet the Ohio State Team after the Game! Tickets are only \$4.50 each when you [order online](#). Use the promotion code KINGS.

MULCH MADNESS 2016



KINGS FOOTBALL MULCH SALE

FREE DELIVERY TO YOUR HOME OR PLACE OF BUSINESS ON
APRIL 23-24 (within 5 mile radius of the Kings School District)
**10 bag minimum

Mulch Choices

Hardwood – Double shredded dark mulch
\$4.00 per bag (2.0 cubic feet)

Black Gold – Triple shredded, very dark, fine mulch
\$4.00 per bag (2.0 cubic feet)

Black Dyed – Our darkest mulch that is "Dyed Black"
4.00 per bag (2.0 cubic feet)

Delivery days are Sat. April 23rd beginning at 8:00 am, and Sun. April 24th beginning at noon from Columbia Elementary. We need trucks and delivery drivers. Please call Coach Olds at 398-8050 ext 12021 to volunteer or if you have any questions. Mulch sheets are due Tues March 15th. Please encourage customers to prepay, mailing checks to Kings High School. Make all checks payable to "KABC."

KINGS YOUTH FOOTBALL

KYO 2016 Football Registration

All students grades K-6 are invited to sign up for KYO Football! There are 3 opportunities to sign up: Tuesday, March 1, Thursday, March 10, and Wednesday, March 16, all in the KME Cafeteria from 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Cost is \$165. Please bring completed registration form, updated picture and a copy of the players birth certificate (New players only).

[Click here](#) for the registration form and more information.

www.kyofootball.com



Sparklers Jump Rope Clinic

Do you enjoy jumping rope? Would you like to learn some amazing tricks with some of the best jumpers in the world right here in your own community? If you answered "yes", then please join us for this exciting opportunity!

The clinics are open to all 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th grade Kings students and are hosted by Coach Lynn Kelley and her team, The Firecrackers.

The clinics will take place on Thursday, March 3 from 4:30-5:45 p.m. and Wednesday, March 16 from 4:00-5:15 p.m. at South Lebanon Elementary School gym.

The cost is \$25 for one day or \$40 for both. Official Firecracker jump rope \$10 extra (optional). Please bring a water bottle, gym shoes, shorts, completed permission slip, and a jump rope.

To sign up email your child's name, school, and grade, to Missy Schowalter at momma4@cinci.rr.com. Be sure to indicate your daughters t-shirt size and if you'd like to pre-order an official Firecracker rope.

[Click here](#) for more information and the registration form or call 513- 377-7381.

THE FIRECRACKERS WILL BE PERFORMING THEIR 2016 SHOW 10 MIN BEFORE CLINIC IS OVER.

Parents are welcome to come & see the Sparklers (your daughter) & Firecracker show. We hope to see you there.

Check out The Firecrackers website at:

www.Kingsfirecrackers.com



Mental Health Workshops

The Warren County Educational Service Center is offering the community the opportunity to attend a workshop called Youth Mental Health First Aid. This workshop is in conjunction with Project AWARE, a program that started as a result of President Obama's "Now is The Time" initiative to protect our young people from school violence. One of the goals of Project AWARE is to improve Mental Health Services by increasing mental health awareness among youth, families, and communities.



Everyone is welcome to attend one of 4 sessions being offered. Each session will be held at the Warren County ESC in Lebanon, Ohio. For more information visit www.warrencountyesc.com and select "workshops."

LOCAL ROAD CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

On Wednesday, March 9, King Avenue will be closed during the day, between Riverwalk Drive and Oak Street for road repair from 9:00 a.m.



to 3:00 p.m., weather permitting. The closure will utilize Columbia Road to Mason-Morrow-Millgrove Road to State Route 48 to Grandin Road.

Additionally, beginning March 14, Socialville Fosters Road will close at the bridge over Interstate 71 for **40 weeks**, weather permitting. The detour for the closure will utilize Mason-Montgomery Road to Western Road to Columbia Road. For more information on the upcoming local transportation improvements [click here](#).



February 21-27 is National Eating Disorders Awareness Week, an annual campaign to bring attention to the critical needs of people with eating disorders. For more information [click here](#).

Kings/Hoxworth Blood Drive Soon



Time for the second Kings/Hoxworth Blood Drive. The bloodmobile will be in the Kings Junior High Multipurpose Room on Thursday, March 10 from 10:15a.m. - 12:15 p.m. and 1:45- 4:15 p.m. [Click here](#) to reserve your time!

Save lives. Donate blood.

Deerfield Parks and Recreation Summer Camps

Deerfield Parks and Recreation have posted their Nature Camps and iDaP Academy technology camps for this summer. You can find information for all of these camps at www.DeerfieldRec.com. Additionally, Deerfield Parks and Recreation are looking to hire Day Camp Counselors for the 2016 season. [Click here](#) for more information.



We now have a link on the [resources tab](#) of our website named Summer Camp Information. We will update that page with any summer camps when we become aware.

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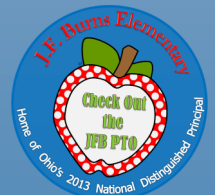
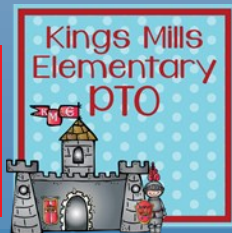
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Follow Us on Social Media

You can keep up-to-date on what's going on around the Kings School District by following us on social media! All of our schools now have a Facebook page and a Twitter account. You can "like" us on our [Facebook](#) page and follow us on [Twitter](#), and you can download our Mobile App to get information on-the-go! You can find it on Google Play and the Apple Store.



We will use social media, our [website](#) and our all-call School Messenger system in the event of an emergency.

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

Keeping Our District Healthy

We would like to keep our district healthy according to the CDC, the flu is increasing in intensity and spreading throughout much of the country. In fact, they say the country is likely to continue experience several more weeks of the flu. With that in mind, the Kings Local School District would like to share our [Guidelines for Illness](#). Please remember that students should be free of fever for 24 hours, as well as vomiting, before returning to school. Please refer to our guidelines if you are unsure whether to send your child to school or not. THANK YOU!



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!

