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Our Men's Varsity Knights Basketball Team hosts Loveland tonight at the Castle. They are looking to stay within one game of the ECC lead. If you can't make it tonight watch LIVE on The Cube.



# **Upcoming Events**

**Feb. 6**— Kings Kloset, 9:00-11:00 a.m., Kings Education Center, 2nd Floor.

**Feb. 9—** KJH Parent Scheduling Meetings, Incoming 7th gr 6:00 p.m., Incoming 8th gr 6:45 p.m., KJH MPR.

Feb. 15— President's Day, NO SCHOOL.

**Feb. 16**— Kings Board of Education Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Kings Education Center-Conf. Rm. 2.

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

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

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

# **National Signing Day**

Three student-athletes made their official commitments to colleges and universities at the Kings Athletic Department's Winter Signing Day on Wednesday, February 3. This year, 124 seniors are participating in sports at Kings High School. A total of 12 of those seniors have made official commitments to continue to play sports at the college level. The national average of student-

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athletes who go on to play collegiate sports is 7%.

Families, coaches, teachers, administrators, and teammates attended the signing event to witness these 3 student athletes sign their letters of intent. Not only were these students great on the field, they were impressive in the classroom. Below is the list of athletes, sports and schools they are attending. Congratulations!

- Blake Bockrath—Football, East Tennessee State University
- Jared Dorsa—Football, Ohio University
- Maddie Vossen—Soccer, Tusculum College



February 1-5 is National School Counseling Week. The special week provides recognition for counselors' roles in implementing comprehensive school counseling programs, which are a vital part of the education process for all students.

We are thankful for all of our school guidance counselors who provide support for our students and staff everyday!



# Did the Groundhog See His Shadow?

The second graders in Mrs. Elder's class at South Lebanon Elementary celebrated Groundhog Day in their own way! They went out to the bus lot to trace their shadows to see if they would make good predictors of spring's arrival.

The students went out first thing in the morning to trace their shadows and returned again in the afternoon to see if their shadows changed position.

Mrs. Elder said, "It was quite a surprise to see how much they changed!"



The class discovered that by their prediction, winter will be here for 6 more weeks. But, according to Punxsutawney Phil, spring is on it's way! We will see!



### 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.

## New Book Section at KHS

Kings High School Media Specialist, Chris Chamberlin created an Urban Fiction section to help promote the newly created C.A.R.E. Club's cultural diversity initiative. This section of the library will allow students to pick novels that reflect Urban Fiction stories. The C.A.R.E Club thanks Mr.



Chamberlin for his efforts to promote cultural awareness.

Pictured are C.A.R.E Club Advisers Wendy Loudermilk and Dusty Goldie.

## Perseverance Winners at KME

Congratulations to the students at Kings Mills Elementary who earned this month's character spirit stick. January's character trait was perseverance. Check out <a href="their video">their video</a> as they sing about perseverance! Special thanks to Mr. Jenkins on the piano.



# Is it Super Bowl or Souper Bowl?

Kings Mills Elementary has been conducting a friendly rivalry all week in their "Souper Bowl." Students have been bringing in cans of soup all week to support their favorite team. The final count is in and it looks like the Denver Broncos are the "Souper Bowl" champs 413 to 359 over the Carolina Panthers! A total of 772 cans of soup were collected and will be donated to the South Lebanon Food Pantry. Way to go KME!



# 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.

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 <u>click here</u>.

# KJH Students in OMEA Honor Band

Congratulations to our Kings Junior High 7th and 8th grade band students who auditioned and earned placement in the Ohio Music Association District 13 Honor Band. These students performed in the annual OMEA District 13 Honor Band Festival last month at Mason Middle School.

The following band students earned placement in the OMEA District 13 8th Grade Honor Band: Pictured upper right back row: Will Strassell - Tuba Alternate, Devin Romero Karrick - Trombone, Cailin Cron - Bass Clarinet, front row: Justin Tran - Flute Alternate and Mathew Nie - Clarinet.

7th Grade Students Right: back row Justin Bayse - Piano (Jazz Band), William Ritchie - trumpet (Jazz Band and Concert), Stephen Gerstner - Trumpet, Jake Owens - Tenor Saxophone, Abbey Altman - Clarinet, front row: Meilii Browne - Oboe, Brynna Schauer - Flute, Lauren Bailey - Flute (Not In Picture: Cameron Morrison - Alto Saxophone.





# **Intervention Specialists Learn From Their Peers**

On Tuesday, January 26, Kings Intervention Specialists for grades 6-12 attended a training event at Kings Education Center to discuss transition plan design to improve post-secondary outcomes for students with disabilities. The training was designed to support district teachers in transition plan development, compliance with Office for Exceptional Children's monitoring system, legal mandates, how to incorporate into the Individualized Education Plan (IEP), and an overview of assessments and resources.

Kings High School Intervention Specialists Lorraine Hartke, Muir Hanke, Lisa Orfield, and Matt Christman attended a train-the-trainer in-service given by Hamilton County ESC Transition Leadership Team in October. They facilitated the morning's in-service



where Intervention Specialists were given the opportunity to use what was taught to evaluate IEP's that have been written. Lisa DeBord, a Junior High Intervention Specialist shared, "The training was informative and very helpful. Changes and updates are ongoing with Individualized Education Plans, and can be confusing and overwhelming to those implementing the plans." She also noted, "The examples, visuals, and in-depth explanations will be valuable when writing future IEPs. Even though we may work at different schools and in different grades, collaboration and consistency in Special Education will make life easier for everyone."

# Happy On the Happy

# Our Students are 100 Days Smarter!

Students around the district celebrated 100 days of school. At Kings Mills Elementary, the kindergarten students rotated classrooms and did a different activity with each teacher. By the end of the day, the students filled 100 gumballs on their 100 day of school gum ball ma-

chine! First grade students at J.F. Burns Elementary got their picture taken telling the world that they are 100 Days Smarter! Finally, all of the kindergarten classes at South Lebanon Elementary posed together for a 100 day photo. It was a great week to

be a Knight!









# **Kings Celebration**

There are always reasons to celebrate at Kings! On Monday, February 1, we honored our students of the quarter and other outstanding students at our first of three yearly District Celebrations. District Administrators and School Board members were on hand to celebrate these fantastic students. Congratulations to everyone recognized!



JFB Students of the Quarter: Ishi Gupta, Madeleine Backus, Emiliana Pavlova, Eden Shepherd, Owen Turner (not pictured), Catherine Freeman, and William Nolan.



SLE Students of the Quarter: Austin Miller, Helena Coronado Quentin, Peyton Yaugo, Hailye Buckner, and Jacob Reppeto.



KME Students of the Quarter: Aubrey Mason, Samuel Simonson, Wyatt Liste, Hannah Julien, Myles Fye, Jaslynn Sammons, and Cecelia Viox.



CIS Students of the Quarter: Ricky Davalos, Liam Dooley, Melanie Schweikert, Isabella Zucco, Ryan Baker, Ricardo Barrera-Canteria, Hannah Miller, and Carissa Vires.



KJH Honored Students: Kaitlyn Beauchamp, Alessandra Vargas, Conner Sims, Danielle Page, Olivia Gatto, Ally Dunn, and Chris Allgeier (not pictured).



Overture Award Winners: Mackenzie Mettey, Megan Shelton, Ella Jolicoeur, Ben Baker, Grace Ficke, Byrson Wires, Emily Lavagna, Celeste Riddell, Katy Hampton, Morgan Reese, and Madison Kilgore (not pictured).

# Kings Kloset Open Saturday

The Kings Kloset has been re-stocked and is open for business tomorrow, Saturday, February 6. Come shop if you need anything for your family. We still have a selection of coats and lots of gloves, hats and scarves, as well as new clothing that's been added.

On the other hand, if you have any clothing you or your kids have outgrown, and they are still in GREAT shape, bring them to us this Saturday, as well.

Hope to see you tomorrow in the Kings Education Center, Second Floor between 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.

Winter Greetings from Kings Preschool! All 15 classes plus childcare participated in decorating their "Welcome Winter" Wall. Currently, there are 202 preschoolers attending preschool at the Kings Education Center.



# 2016-2017 Kings Preschool Registration Has Begun

Preschool registration for next year started this week. The preschool/childcare program meets in the lower level of the Kings Education Center. 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 <u>click here</u>.



# KHS PTO Treats KHS Staff

The Kings High School PTO provided dinner for the KHS Staff this week for Conference Night. The committee put together a Super Bowl themed dinner with sandwiches and all the fixins'. Laura Wright, KHS PTO Staff Appreciation Chair said, "We love our KHS Staff and all they do for our kids. We can't thank our awesome parents enough who sign up and send in items."

# J.F. Burns Elementary, 5th Annual Care Package Drive February 1st - February 19th

Care package donations may be sent to school with your child. A box will be in the main hallway for donations drop-off during evening activities. Questions? Please contact Hope Cantrall at hopecantrall@gmail.com Thanks to the Freedom Alliance for paying shipping costs for the 4th year in a row.

# We are asking for the following local items to fill care packages:

Skyline & Gold Star items - chili, crackers, hot sauce, etc.

LaRosa's items - spaghetti sauce, pizza sauce, salad dressing Grippo's or Husman's potato chips (snack size bags)

Packages being sent to Frisch's tartar sauce and Montgomery Inn BBQ saug these KHS graduates:

Buskin and Graeter's cookies & treats Bengals, Reds, UC and Xavier items

US Air Force Rob Ottesen, KHS '05 (hats, flags, bumper stickers, mugs, cups, etc US Army



### In addition to the local items, we are also asking for the following

Cereal bars, granola bars, pop tarts, powdered drink mix, energy bars, tuna, non-perishable beef jerky or beef summer sausage (Make sure the meat is labeled USDA Beef), Snack cakes, cheese crackers, cookies, salty snacks, candy and gum Toothbrush, toothpaste, dental floss, cotton swabs, shaving lotion, disposable razors, shampoo, individually packaged tissues, soap, body wash - travel size is great but not necessary Paperback books, current magazines, comic books, word games, puzzles, crossword puzzles, word searches, jigsaw puzzles, foam footballs and basketballs, Frisbees, Hacky Sacks, playing cards, yoyos, AA and D batteries. (In need of LARGE ziplock bags)



Austin Hover, KHS '13

Aaron Plaskon, KHS '02

US Navy

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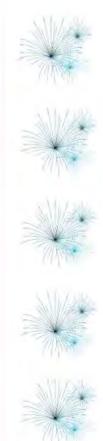
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# Kings Band & Guard **Garage Sale**

Saturday, February 13, 2016 8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. J.F. Burns Elementary School

Small furniture, Housewares, Clothing, Toys Collectibles, and Much More!

> We Need Your Tax Deductible Donations!

Donations may be dropped off at J. F. Burns Cafeteria on Friday February 12th beginning at 5:00 p.m.

All donations must be in good working order, please.

Please Help Support the Efforts of Our Outstanding Students!

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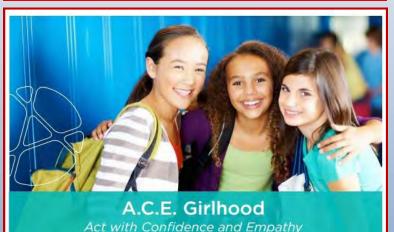
The Mercy Health/Jewish Hospital mobile mammography van will be in the Kings Local School District to offer screening mammograms to our female associates and community members. Mammogra-

phy 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.



Do you want to help your daughter build confidence? Do you wonder about what amount of confidence is healthy or concerned that your daughter is lacking confidence? Are you interested in learning how to start conversations about empathy and self-esteem with your daughter? Join us for a FREE 2.5 hour Mother and Daughter event.

### Mothers will learn:

- How confidence builds character
- · The language of confidence
- · Modeling behaviors that have a positive impact
- · How to help your daughter build her confidence

### Daughters will learn:

- · How to feel more confident and quiet negative self-talk
- · How to talk to parents about difficult issues
- · How to celebrate other girls' differences and achievements
- · What empathy means and why it's important

Kings Mills Elementary 1780 King Avenue

February 13, 2016 8:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

### Register online!

http://tinyurl.com/GIRLHOOD-KLS or contact your school guidance office



6881 beechmont avenue | cincinnati, ohio 45230 | p 513.231.6630 beechacres.org | facebook.com/beechacresparentingcenter

# Did You Know that Kings Offers **Breakfast?**

The Kings Local School District currently serves Breakfast daily at all schools. Students can eat breakfast at KHS and KJH from 7:00-7:20 a.m. for \$1.50, CIS from 8:20-8:30 a.m., and JFB, KME, and SLE from 8:25-8:40 a.m. for \$1.25. Students who are on Reduced Lunch pay a rate of .30¢ and those students on the Free Meal Program are eligible for free breakfast daily.

Knights need breakfast



Where: Junior High School Gym Event Link: Facebook/ultimatefundraisingsolutions.com

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# 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. <u>Click here</u> to access the Kings Athletics Webpage.





# Check out <u>Winter Edition 8</u> of the Kings Athletic Department's "Knights Weekly."

# Don't Miss This Year's 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!





# Check out Rumble in the Mill

Kings Youth Wrestling is holding their annual Rumble in the Mill Tournament this Sunday, February 7 at Kings High School. The Kings Youth Wrestling Club will roll out the red mats for the 11th year. Doors open at noon and wrestling starts at 1:00 p.m.

The tournament features 250 youth wrestlers ages 5-13 from 8 Ohio schools! The organizers say this event is a "must see!" It is loud, fast, and too much fun! Every-

one is welcome to come cheer on their favorite Knight Wrestler and it's a great opportunity for students interested in wrestling to check out the program.

Wrestlers representing Kings this weekend are: Rylin Batac, Brandon Heavner, Steven Lester, and Carson Lindholm from J.F. Burns Elementary. Parker Carroll, Drake Dane, Robert Giller, Joey Juenger, Aiden Kakani, Ashton Kakani, Devlin Legault, and Caden Walker from Kings Mills Elementary. Cole Halsey and Andrew Rook from South Lebanon Elementary. Gunner Ackerman, Benjamin Clark, Kendall Davis, Tucker Isaacs, Gavin Legault, Luke Lynch, Khamani Mapp, and Jayden Sheppard from Columbia Intermediate School. Knights on loan from area schools are Brayden Ackerman and Titus Ray. Good luck!

Kings' WLWT Athletes of the Week, Ellie Jelinek and Jake Bedinghaus will be featured on WLWT Blitz 5 tonight at 5:00, 6:30, 11:15 and 11:25 p.m.

Don't miss it!

# KJH and KHS Track and Field Parent-Athlete Meeting

There will be an informational meeting for Kings Junior High and Kings High School Track participants and their parents on Wednesday, February 17 in the KHS High School Auditorium at 7:00 p.m. Track and Field has something for everyone! Come run, jump, and throw this spring! Contact Coach Brant at <a href="mailto:jbrant@kingslocal.net">jbrant@kingslocal.net</a> with questions.



# **Lady Knights Fastpitch Hitting Clinic**



The Lady Knights Softball Program will offer a Fastpitch Hitting Clinic on Saturday, February 20 at the Kings Education Center. Clinic times are 10:00 a.m. -12:30 p.m. for ages 5-10 and 1:00-3:30 p.m. for ages 11-14. The cost is \$40 which includes a t-shirt. For more information click here.

Good luck to all of our sports teams this weekend. Our Men's Knights take on Loveland tonight at the Castle. Freshman will tip at 4:30, JV at 6:00, and Varsity at 7:30 p.m. On Saturday, the Knights are in action all over the City. At the Castle, the Lady Knights host Loveland at 12:30 p.m. for JV and 2:00 p.m. for Varsity tip-off. We will be recognizing our Lady Knight Seniors before the Varsity game. Following the girls, the men will welcome the Lebanon Warriors at 4:30/6/7:30 p.m. Go Knights!

# Kings Lacrosse/Dick's Sporting Goods Event TOMORROW

Kings Men's High School Lacrosse has once again partnered with Dick's Sporting Goods for Sponsorship during the 2016 Season. On Saturday February 6th, the Dick's Sporting Goods in Deerfield (Mason) will be hosting an Exclusive Shopping Event for all involved with Kings Lacrosse!

Please <u>click here</u> for the coupon that is valid for 20% off your entire order. You must take the coupon with you for the discount.

This Coupon is valid for all of Kings Lacrosse on both the Men's and Women's side from Youth through High School!



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# 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!



HIGH SCHOOLS











# 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!













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