



May 20, 2016



You are cordially invited to Kings High School Class of 2016 Graduation. This year's ceremony will be held tomorrow, Saturday, May 21st beginning at 11:00 a.m. in the Cintas Center at Xavier University.

If you are unable to attend, [click this link](#) and watch it LIVE!

Congratulations to the Class of 2016. [Click this link](#) from The Knight Times to see where our seniors are heading to college. Oh the places you'll go!

Upcoming Events

May 21— KHS Graduation, 11:00 a.m., Cintas Center.

May 26— Last Day of School for Students!

May 27— Teacher Work Day.

Today is the Class of 2016's last day of high school. Congratulations to all of these fine young men and women. Your future is SO bright!

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

Senior Scholar-Athletes Recognized

For the past 21 years, the Kings Athletic Booster Club and the Kings Athletic Department have honored student athletes who have maintained excellent academic standards while dedicating their time and energy to Kings athletics. On Wednesday, May 18, the Annual Senior Scholar-Athlete Luncheon was held at the TPC Rivers Bend. Twenty-two students were recognized at the luncheon with their parents and their most influential person joining them.

To qualify for this award, an athlete must have earned a cumulative grade point average of 3.85 or better for seven semesters at KHS while earning a minimum of five Varsity letters in multiple sports, or four Varsity letters in one sport.

Every scholar-athlete honored is continuing their education at the collegiate level, many of them will also play sports.

This year's Scholar Athletes are: Jake Bedinghaus, Ryan Broerman, Elizabeth Kuhn, Ricky Brayton, Brooke Conner, David Weed, Juliana Rizzo, Christopher Jantzen, Claire Middlekamp, Mary Claire Bauman, Rachel Bernard, Michael Braun, Hannah Chunn, Maddie DePaoli, Kira Doebereiner, Kylie Hayes, Ellie Jenlinek, Cullan Karabinus, Mike Kenney, Jenna Lace, Kevin Minds, TJ Sosnowski, Julia Woodall, and Logan Woody.



JFB Laps for Literacy



For the past 16 years J.F. Burns Elementary Principal Cheryl Montag has encouraged her students to read with the Laps for Literacy Program. From January to April students log every minute of extra-curricular reading they do. Those minutes are added up and calculated into laps that Mrs. Montag has to walk. This year was a record-breaking year where students read a total of 1,108,595 minutes!

This year's Top Readers were Sophia Koloesz, Callie Powell, Rachel Girling, Nathan Edwards, and Jacqueline Tran. Top Classes were Mrs. Swanson, Mrs. Sova, Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. Waugh, and Mr. Brown.

Mrs. Montag walked seven laps around Landen Lake – 21 miles! The entire student body lined the J.F. Burns drive to cheer on Mrs.

Montag, the top readers and classes, Superintendent Tim Ackermann, and Assistant Superintendent Timothy J. Spinner as they began the first lap.

KME 4th Grade Etiquette Luncheon

For the past several weeks, the 4th graders at Kings Mills Elementary have been taking Etiquette classes with Anne Overturf. She began by teaching the students the 7 Knightly Virtues of courage, justice, mercy, generosity, trust, nobility, and hope. They learned how and when to write thank you notes, polite phone manners, conversation skills, proper eating etiquette, and much more. After learning all their manners, students finished the unit with an Etiquette Luncheon at the Golf Center at Kings Island. All of the students practiced perfect manners while eating a four course meal. The students were taught that when a lady leaves the table, the gentlemen stand up, the proper way to eat soup, and what each utensil is used for. The students agreed that the new skills would serve them well in life, especially as they get older and start working. Thanks to everyone, especially the KME PTO, who made the Etiquette Luncheon a big success. It was a wonderful event, and all of the students were very well mannered.



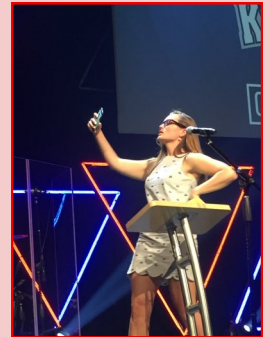
Bowling for Good Behavior



The fourth graders from J.F. Burns Elementary traveled to Eastgate Lanes last Friday for a behavior incentive reward party. JFB PTO sponsored this program. The students enjoyed two hours of bowling and a pizza buffet. Mrs. Bowman said, "They had a blast and were so well behaved! A great representation of Kings!"

Kings High School 2016 Baccalaureate

Last night, Thursday, May 19, the Kings Baccalaureate Ceremony took place at Rivers Crossing Community Church. It was a very special night for the Kings High School Seniors. The student-led Baccalaureate Ceremony is a non-denominational event that provides a personal opportunity for students and their families to reflect on graduation as a rite of passage. Students gave speeches, sang, and performed for their parents, teachers, and peers. To view a gallery of pictures from the night [click here](#). To see the Senior Video produced by KHS Senior Anthony Mussari [click here](#).



Kings Offers FREE Summer Lunch Program

For the second year in a row, the Kings Local School District, in partnership with the South Lebanon Community Center/ Joshua's Place Community Outreach Organization, is participating in a Summer Meal Program. The program will provide FREE meals to children between 1 and 18 years of age. Youth ages 19-20 with a mental or physical disability who participate during the school year in a public or private non-profit school program are also eligible to receive free meals. No registration is required.

Free lunch will be available weekdays from June 6 through August 5 from 11:00 a.m.—12:30 p.m. at South Lebanon Community Center, 83 N. Section Street, South Lebanon Ohio. Petermann/Kings Local Transportation Department will be providing bus service for school aged children only. This year transportation will extend into Kings Mills. Please [click here](#) for bus schedule.

For questions regarding the program please contact Kings Food Service Director, Jennifer Arlinghaus at 513-398-8050, ext. 10027.

SUMMER LUNCH IN THE VILLAGE

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Location:

South Lebanon Community Center
83 N. Section Street



Dates

June 6th through August 5th, 2016

Meal Time

11:00 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

(offerings will be provided Monday through Friday (no weekends))

Questions About The Program ?

Please contact Jennifer S. Arlinghaus R.D., L.D. Food Service Director, Kings Local School District at 398-8050, ext. 10027
The United Department of Agriculture is an equal opportunity provider and employer

KHS Academic Awards

Monday, May 18 was a day of celebration at Kings High School. Students from throughout KHS were honored for various achievements and the seniors were honored that evening at the annual Academic Awards Night. Students were recognized for being top students in specific subjects, earning scholarships, and earning straight A's, as well as the winners of the Kings Character Award, military appointees, and much more!



The staff at KHS also recognized the Valedictorian, Salutatorian, Merit Scholars, and those with four years of perfect attendance. Seniors who have already found a college were invited to wear a t-shirt from their college or military. Before the awards program began, these seniors walked onto the stage to be recognized. Mr. Corradini remarked that this was the largest group of seniors to participate in the awards night in recent memory. Congratulations KHS Seniors and KHS students!

Kindergarten Orientation at KME

Last week there were some new faces at Kings Mills Elementary. Our incoming kindergarten class attended orientation. The students met the teachers, heard a story, drew pictures, and went on a short bus ride, along with getting their first KME Knight t-shirt! Mrs. Rosekrans, KME Principal said, "It was a great morning making new friends and visiting their new school."



JFB 3rd Grade Visit Local Municipalities



Last week, the third graders at J.F. Burns Elementary went on a field trip to learn more about their community. They visited the Deerfield Township Police Department, Fire Department, and the City Works. They heard from representatives of each, toured the facilities, and asked many questions.

Students are currently studying the local community in Social Studies so this was a great connection. To finish

their day, they went to Cottell Park for a picnic lunch and a little play time.

This week they will participate in their final 'Burns Township.' This is their own school community in which they get a paycheck, each hold a job, and are expected to abide by the laws. Students get to use their earnings each month to purchase a variety of donated items.

SLE Gardeners

Some South Lebanon Elementary 3rd and 4th graders were able to help clean up and mulch the school flower beds last week. Their teachers used this opportunity to talk about parts of plants, plant life cycles, and adaptations that different plants have to help them survive. The student gardeners even found some critters! Mrs. Wey said, "They worked really hard and had a great learning experience."



American Red Cross Pillowcase Project at CIS



On Thursday, May 19 5th grade students at Columbia Intermediate School participated in the American Red Cross Pillowcase Project. The project's vision is to create a generation of children who understand the science of hazards, are empowered to take action by practicing how to prepare for emergencies, and understand that by sharing what they have learned with family and friends, they can help create a prepared community.

Our CIS students can: Use their knowledge to act as advocates for emergency preparedness in their homes and communities, identify the best ways to stay safe during emergencies that occur in our area, describe how coping skills can help manage stress during emergencies and in every day situations, gain confidence in their abilities to be prepared for emergencies through hands-on activities, and create an enhanced sense of community through collaborative preparedness activities.



Learning About the Atmosphere at JFB

Students in Mrs. Bogard and Mrs. Thomas' 2nd grade classes at J.F. Burns Elementary have been learning about atmosphere and other ideas in science. The students recently experimented with pinwheels to see how they could make them move faster and slower with wind.

CIS 6th Grade Visit KJH

Columbia Intermediate School 6th graders took a trip over to Kings Junior High last week to check out their new school for next year. The incoming 7th graders participated in team building activities and tours by the KJH Student Leadership Team. They ended the day with a scavenger hunt at the stadium and enjoyed Kona Ice. Thank you to Kona Ice for a donation that will help fund some fun team day activities for this class next year!



How Does Your Garden Grow?

The students in Mrs. Elder's 2nd grade science class at South Lebanon Elementary just transplanted the potato plants that they started growing the science lab over 3 weeks ago. In addition, the kids helped prep SLE's garden beds with some light weeding and cutting back the cilantro plants, which have completely taken over one of their beds!

Student Greyson Hackbarth said that he enjoyed taking care of the many grubs they found hiding in the soil. Mrs. Elder said, "Although we love Mother Nature, the kids understand that sometimes we have to take care of pests in order to get a truly

healthy garden. We're looking forward to harvesting our potatoes in the fall when we return for the new school year!"

KHS DMA Students Participate in GO Cincinnati Day

The Warren County Career Center Advanced Placement Digital Media Arts satellite program at Kings High School got involved this year in GO Cincinnati, a one-day service project held each May. The students designed a mural that would be painted by volunteers at the Talbert House Serenity Hall in Hamilton, which serves adult male ex-offenders in a residential setting. The class, led by instructor Kelly Shields, worked together with Talbert House to create a design that met their request that focused on trees and birds in flight. Each student in AP DMA created two stencils of birds in flight. On May 14, seniors, pictured from left, Emily Hoyle and Corrine Brown, along with their parents, instructor Cassandra Barnes, Shields, and other volunteers from Crossroads Community Church created the mural.

Other GO Cincinnati volunteers were found at J.F. Burns and Kings Mills Elementary mulching and cleaning the flower beds. Thank you, GO Cincinnati!



The Frog Prince Performed at CIS

Columbia Acts Up, the after school Drama Club at Columbia Intermediate School, performed The Frog Prince Continued on May 10. Congratulations to the following students on an amazing performance: Alexis Faucett, Jacob Fuentes, Kate Gndt, Ella Hancock, Tabby Lawson, Ellie Ritter, Mali Robinson, Chloe Smith, Emma Stutzman, and Mei Thomas. Great job!



Learning to Garden in Small Spaces at SLE



Second grade students at South Lebanon Elementary have been making desktop hydroponic gardens - gardening without soil. They have discussed the importance of providing gardens for pollinators and this is one way for gardening when you live in tight spaces. The students thought that this type of gardening would be ideal for those of us that live in apartments where we might have very small green spaces. Student Sam Creech said that his favorite part was, "cleaning off the roots to make sure our lettuce roots were ready to go into the water."

Mrs. Elder said, "This is just one way that interacting without our surrounding environments could be a beneficial botanical relationship!"

Congratulations Transition Graduates

On May 18, two Kings High School students graduated from The Transition Living Classroom. This classroom is located at the Quaker Heights Care Community Campus in Waynesville. Congratulations to Chris McCarthy and Emily Romer! The Transition Living Classroom is a classroom for students 18-22 who have met their high school graduation requirements, yet need to continue to work on their independent living skills, community social skills, and employment skills.

Great job Chris and Emily!

Pictured front: Chris MacCarthy. Back: Dana Martin, Kings Special Education Coordinator, Emily Romer, and Angela Zlatic, Kings High School Intervention Specialist.



Animal Wax Museum at SLE

Last week, the first grade classes at South Lebanon Elementary participated in an Animal Wax Museum. The students researched an animal, wrote a report, and presented on their chosen animal to parents, friends and teachers.

The students were very creative with their presentations and costumes. You could find many different animals such as an anteater, black bear, tigers, turtles and monkeys. Miss Beckett said "This project far exceeded my expectations! The students have done a great job!"



CIS 6th Grade Band Concert

The sixth grade band, led by Mrs. Reeder and Mr. Maegly, put on an awesome performance on Wednesday, May 18. They performed several band songs, as well as many solos and trios. They've made a tremendous amount of progress since the beginning of the year! Way to go, band students!



The South Lebanon Elementary Kindergarten students presented their "Night of Song and Pictures" on Thursday, May 18. The students sang songs that they had fun learning this year in kindergarten.





Camp Invention

South Lebanon Elementary School will be hosting Camp Invention during the week of June 13 from 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Since 1990, Camp Invention has taken summer fun and transformed it from ordinary to extraordinary! Students enjoy a week of hands-on activities created especially for elementary school children. All lessons explore connections between science, technology, engineering and innovation.

A minimum of 35 students are needed for the camp to take place. Camp is open to students entering 1st-6th grade. Cost for the week long camp is \$225. For more information go to campinvention.org.

Kings Kids Before/After School Registration for 2016-2017

Kings Kids Before/After School Program is now accepting registrations for the 2016-2017 school year. The morning program begins at 6:30 a.m. and is open until the children go to their classrooms. The afternoon program begins when school is dismissed and is available until 6:00 p.m. Registration is accepted until the program is full.



The purpose of our Kings Kids Before/After School program is to provide quality care and a safe environment for children before and after school. Students are provided time to do homework and Kings Kids Staff are available to provide homework assistance. In addition children will be able to participate in a variety of activities such as crafts, outdoor/indoor play, group and individual reading time, puzzles/games and imaginative play. Kings Kids curriculum meets Ohio Department of Education criteria.

Registration forms are available on the Kings Preschool website by [clicking here](#). For more information, call 398-8050 ext. 10040.



Just a Reminder....

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.

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.

Meningococcal vaccines help prevent against the bacteria that cause meningococcal disease.

Please [click here](#) for more information.

Last day of school for students is Thursday, May 26!

Several Kings Students Featured in CTM South Pacific

The Children's Theatre of Mason is proud to present South Pacific June 17-19 at the Mason High School Auditorium. This show features 18 students from the Kings Local School District. Those students are Landon Flaherty, Marah Burnside, Amber Mitchell, Ian Meeker, Josiah Taylor, Finn Collins, Amy Helms, Zach Justus, Emily Hovis, Ansley Taylor, Calvin Meeker, Sam Purkiss, Addie Collins, and Sara Mosteller. Not pictured are Dane Doebereiner, Kira Doebereiner, William Forgham, and Alex Taylor.



Show performances are June 17 at 7:00 p.m., June 18 at 2:00 p.m., and 7:00 p.m., and June 19 at 2:00 p.m. For tickets or more information, please visit www.ctm-kids.com.

Summer Camp in the Village is back and better than ever! This year's camp runs every weekday of summer break from 11am-2pm at the South Lebanon Community Center. Kids will have a chance to play games, learn, stay active and lunch is provided every day. For more information [click here](#). They are still looking for volunteers. Please contact Amy Mitchell at amitchell@joshuasplace.cc.



Charity Cornhole Tournament

Sunday, May 22 3:00 p.m.

Sports Express
5280 Kings Mills Rd., Mason, OH

In honor of Lizzy Lothrop

Blazin' w/LOVE
(Leukemia Lymphoma Society)

Email: CoachAmanda24@aol.com to register

2 divisions:

Competitive & Recreational

Entry donation: \$5/player

#KingsStrong Outstanding Staff Members

Congratulations to the #KingsStrong Outstanding Staff Members Award recipients for the months of March and April: Candy Anthony, Erin Bean, John Bitzer, Rob Burnside, Lynn Brant, John Downs, Eva Garcher, Nancy Galster, Jorge Gonzalez, Terry Kahn, Elisa King, Jill Pratt, Carrie Snyder, JoAnn Parker, Margie Coleman, Lisa Orfield, Jason Shields, Wanda Summnar, Melanie Sherby, Stacy Hoffert, Lisa Orfield, Kathy Daggy, Andrea Kaercher, Ron Corradini, Sharon Preston, Tim Spinner, Jill Mohr, Muir Hanke, Susan Guckert, Margie Coleman, Rita Kozlowski, Carol Hardesty, Lisa Nejman, Carrie Cooke, Brooke Warner, Jennifer Bicknell, Patricia Vollmer, Andrea Thomas, Margaret Griffin, Dianne Shipley, Liza Briscoe, Matt Jacobs, Lisa Rigney, Vickie Combs, Tim Ackermann, Karen Frecher, Brent Allen, Rebecca Vehr, Christy Troehler, Valerie Eldridge, Heather Peters, Ilene Besso, Jeannine Easterly, Dustin Goldie, Jane Boehm, Anthony Merry, Sally Reinders, Jenny Cronin, Lori Stovall, David Williams, Julianne Elder, Janet Scruby and Jen Burkholder. Congratulations on job well done!



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.

Check out Knights Weekly [Spring Issue #8](#)



Congratulations to Kings Athletics for finishing second in the Eastern Cincinnati Conference All-Sports Trophy Race. This trophy represents the standings of overall finishes from all teams in the ECC.

Kings Athletic Director, Tyler Miller said "This is a testament to the hard work of our coaches and student athletes grades 7-12. On behalf of our student athletes, I want to say 'THANK YOU' for being dedicated and your tireless work ethic all year long."

The Kings Basketball program is selling Kings Island tickets for a huge discount! If you need some family entertainment over Memorial Day weekend, we have just what you need! Kings Island tickets are on sale now in the Kings Athletic Department! Tickets are \$35 each if buying 10 or less and \$30 each ticket for 10 or more. Regular admission at the gate is \$63.99! The Kings Basketball program receives a portion of all sales so help support Kings Basketball and have some family fun next weekend! Tickets are valid from May 27 through May 31 only. Questions, please contact the Athletic Department at 513-459-2937.



Don't miss Big Brothers Big Sisters of Warren and Clinton Counties Run for Kids' Sake 5K on Saturday, May 21 at Armco Park beginning at 10:00 a.m. 5K runners and walkers are welcome.

All money raised stays local to help support mentoring programs for children facing adversity.

Online registration is still open at <http://www.bbbswc.org/>.

Kings Athletics 2016 Summer Sports Camps Sign Ups

The Kings Athletics/KABC 2016 Summer Camp Brochure is ready! There are all kinds of camps for boys and girls of all ages such as basketball, baseball, tennis, track and field, wrestling, softball, football, bowling, dance, volleyball, golf, cheer-leading, and lacrosse. The emphasis of Kings' camps will be learning the fundamentals of each sport and having fun. No experience is necessary to attend any of the sports camps. [Click here](#) to view the brochure and register online. For more information contact the Kings Athletic Department at 513-459-2937.



The 2016-2017 Fall Junior High Sports Information is now available. [Click here](#) to get information regarding all junior high fall sports.

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Bike Safety Rally

Get your child's bicycle ready for the summer by attending the second annual Bicycle Safety Rally sponsored by the Police Departments of West Chester Hospital and West Chester Township.

This is a family event where you can take your bike to get checked by certified bike mechanics, ride in a bicycle navigation course, meet local police and fire department teams and enjoy light refreshments!

All the fun takes place on Saturday, May 21 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at West Chester Hospital, 7700 University Drive, West Chester, Ohio.

For more information contact Officer John Wilson at John.Wilson@UCHealth.com.

Second Annual Bicycle Safety Rally!

Free Family Event!
Saturday, May 21
10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

West Chester Hospital
(East Parking Lot)
7700 University Drive
West Chester, Ohio 45069

PRESENTED BY:
The Police Departments of West Chester Hospital and West Chester Township

- ✓ For Kids Age 4 & Up
- ✓ Be Sure To Bring Your Bike!
- ✓ Meet Local Police And Fire Departments Teams
- ✓ Updated Bicycle Navigation Courses
- ✓ Additional Attractions
- ✓ Enjoy Light Refreshments: Jet's Pizza, White Castle
- ✓ Bike Checks by Trek, Montgomery Cyclery & West Chester Cyclery

For more information, contact Officer John Wilson at John.Wilson@UCHealth.com.

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- Sexual Assault
- Drugs/Alcohol Abuse
- Physical/Violence/Abuse
- Suspicious Behavior
- Weapons
- Suicide/Self-Harm
- Theft/Vandalism
- Problem Relationships
- Health Concerns/HIV/AIDS

Your Voice Matters!
Call: 1.866.listen2me
or go to our school website to report bullying or safety issues.



2011-2012 **Ohio** Local Report Card

12 years EXCELLENT District Rating

Awarded by the **Ohio** State Board of Education



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!

