September 30, 2016



Did you see that Kings is offering FREE Flu Shots for students? Read more on Page 6!



Kings is hiring
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Teachers and
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Upcoming Events

Oct. 5— Kings Homecoming 5K/Mile Fun Run, 6:15 p.m., Kings Stadium.

Oct. 7— Kings Homecoming Parade, 5:30 p.m., KME.

Oct. 7— Kings Football Homecoming Game vs. Milford, 7:00 p.m., Kings Stadium.

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

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

Oct. 27— Special Ed Parent Information Night, 7:00 p.m., KHS Auditorium.

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

KJH Teacher Receives Award

The Ohio Middle Level Association has recognized Kings Junior High School 7th grade Math Teacher, Mr. Steve France for the 2016 OMLA Regional Award. The award is presented to outstanding members of OMLA for their commitment and contributions to middle level education.

Mr. France has been teaching for 23 years, a majority at KJH. He was presented with the award of Best Middle Level Practice in Mathematics on Thursday by Kings Super-



intendent, Tim Ackermann. France was recognized for his ability to connect with students on all levels and his student-centered approach.

Members of the Ohio Middle Level Association believe that a school serving middle level students is an educational process that serves the needs of the middle level child. The middle level environment focuses on the social, emotional, intellectual, and physical well-being of the young adolescent.



Check Out Our Virtual Backpack

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

Yummy Vocational Tour

The students in Angela Zlatic and Junior Ili's classes at Kings High School were treated to lunch at the Kenwood Texas Roadhouse recently. The students took a vocational tour of the

restaurant to show potential employment opportunities.

A special thank you to the Jermont Family, a Kings Family and owners the Kenwood Texas Roadhouse Restaurant who provided the tour and lunch at no cost! That's #KingsStrong!





Did You Know?

The Kings Board of Education voted to place a 6.2 mill Operating Levy on the November 8, 2016 ballot. Each week until the election we will be giving you a new fact about the levy.

LEVY FACT #6

The last time an operating levy was approved by voters in the Kings District was in 2010. Through diligent cost savings efforts, the district was able to make that levy last a total of six years, three years beyond the original forecast.

Please visit the Levy Information page on our website by <u>clicking here</u>. You will find frequently asked questions and more information. If you have questions regarding the upcoming levy, please contact Kings Superintendent Tim Ackermann at <u>tackermann@kingslocal.net</u>.

Author Visits CIS

The 5th grade students at Columbia Intermediate School had a special visit by author Dan Poblocki. Dan is an American author of mystery and horror novels for young people. His latest novel, *The Gathering: Shadow House Book 1*, was just released at the end of August.

Shadow House is a new multi-platform series that has a free app that students can download onto a device. The app provides more ghostly stories and spooky noises that go along with the book. CIS Media Specialist, Kelly McKiernan said, "The students left his presentation so excited to read his new book. It also provided a great introduction to get CIS ready for the PTO's Spooktacular coming the end of October!"



Poblacki spent time signing books and telling the students how he always had a big imagination with a fascination of ghost stories as he grew up.

KHS Students Celebrate Ally Week

Ally Week is a week dedicated to celebrate allies committed to ensuring safe and effective schools for all, and to encourage students to take action to support Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Questioning students.

At Kings High School, teacher Jill Pratt said, "It is simply a time to do a little educating and a little helping for students to feel more comfortable and safe in the building. It is also a time to thank people who are allies!"

The week is sponsored by GLSEN, the Gay, Lesbian & Straight Education Network, the leading national education organization focused on ensuring safe schools for all students.

Two years ago, Pratt organized a club called "Safe Space," for students who identify with the LGBT community, students who support the LGBT community, and teachers who may want to be involved, as well. While there are a small group of students who participate in Safe Space regularly, Pratt said, "We KNOW there are students in the building who can benefit from the support of their peers."

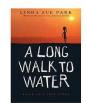




On Wednesday, KHS students were asked to wear tie dye in support of the LGBT community. A sign in the lobby was also available for students to sign to show support for their LGBT peers and friends.

JOIN...The CIS Family Book Club





Calling all CIS Parents

This year at Columbia Intermediate School, our 5th graders are reading Sharon Draper's *Out of My Mind* and the 6th graders are reading Linda Sue Park's *A Long Walk to Water*. CIS teachers are looking for PARENTS to read and discuss the books with them and their students at a Family Book Club.

A dinner and book discussion will take place at Columbia Intermediate on

Monday, October 24 beginning at 6:30 p.m. The dinner is donated by the Rusty Bucket in Mason. Group Discussion will run from 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Books are available at book stores, libraries, and Amazon. If you're interested in a yummy dinner and having great discussions with your student, RSVP by <u>clicking here</u>.

Kings/Hoxworth Blood Drive

The Kings/Hoxworth Blood Drive took place at Kings Junior High on Thursday, September 29. There were 37 registered donors who participated netting 29 units of whole blood, saving over 100 lives!

The next Kings/Hoxworth Blood Drive will take place on Thursday, March 9, 2017.



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, October 27 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.



October 27th 7pm-8pm

Kings High School Auditorium 500 Columbia Nd. Kings Wills, 04 45034

FEATURING - Representatives from Warren County Developmental Disabilities and representatives fro Opportunities for Chioans with Disabilities







Kings Cheerleaders Give Back

Kings Varsity Cheerleaders and their Coaches spent the evening this week serving at Matthew 25 Ministries. In addition to sorting shoes to be sent to those in need, the girls learned about how M25M serves people in poverty and those impacted by natural disasters, both in the US and around the world.

Way to be #KingsStrong, ladies!

KME Kindergarteners are Writers!

The students in Heidi Furterer's Kindergarten class at Kings Mills Elementary have been talking about the writing process. The students brainstormed their subject as a class and decided to make a book about their first day of school. They started with a web to organize their ideas, then wrote a rough draft that they revised and edited. Once the kindergarteners had their final copy, they worked in groups to make the illustrations.



Auditions for School House Rock Live



Any junior high student who is interested in auditioning to be in the cast for this year's musical "School House Rock Live!" should be sure to check out all of the audition information located on the Kings Theatre website: www.kingstheatre.net/auditions. Make sure to sign up for one of the available audition time slots. Auditions are October 4 and 5, so sign up soon!

KHS Homecoming Court

The Kings High School
Homecoming Court was
named this week. Congratulations to the following students who have been voted
by their peers to represent
KHS this year. Freshmen
Court Members: Keenan
Darkins, Madeline Aarons,
Dawson Johnson, and Tyra
Lantz. Sophomore Court
Members: Treshawn Fischer,



Katelyn Schuster, Daniel Herbert, and Jennifer Cooper. Junior Court Members: Ben Heithaus, Taryn Smith, Garrett Vanover, and Lilly Richardson. Senior Court Members: Ryan Lafon, Maddie Lewis, Dan Sichterman, Sarah Bruns, Matt Sichterman, Michaella Ruschau, Tyler Knecht, Ashley Dunn, Henry Strosnider, Emily Hovis, Clay Spivey, and Ciera Johnson. King and Queen will be crowned during halftime of the Homecoming game on Friday, October 7.



Kings Preschool Literacy Night

The Kings Preschool had their second annual Family Literacy Night on Thursday, September 29. Over 120 students were in attendance for the exciting "Fall Into Reading" event! Along with their families, the students were invited to enjoy a variety of reading and writing activities. The Scholastic Book Fair was in the gym, along with games and Clifford the Big Red Dog. It was a beautiful fall evening filled with learning and fun!

KHS Student Attends Medical Leadership Conference

Kings High School Junior, Savannah Watiker represented KHS and the State of Ohio at the Congress of Future Medical Leaders in Boston, Massachusetts over the summer. The Congress is an annual gathering of America's high-achieving high school students aspiring to become the next generation of medical leaders.

While at the Congress, Savannah came face-to-face with winners of the Nobel Prize, top medical school deans, Ivy League academic leaders, leaders in medicine, and award-winning young inventors and scientists.

The program is an honors only program and students must have a minimum GPA of 3.5 to be nominated. Savannah said it was a great experience!



Health Heroes Flu Vaccination Clinic for Students - October 20, 2016



For the health of all of our students, staff, and your family we encourage you to obtain a flu vaccination for your child and your family through your healthcare provider or pediatrician.

As a convenience for families and to also reach students who may not otherwise receive immunization against the flu, we will be offering flu vaccination clinics on Thursday, October 20, 2016 at each school during school hours.

Health Heroes, Inc. will be offering flu shots for our students with no deductibles or out of pocket expenses. Private insurance companies and Medicaid will be billed. Students with no insurance will be provided their flu vaccine at no cost. Nasal FluMist is not available this year based on CDC recommendations.

The Health Heroes Clinic is strictly voluntary. No student will receive a vaccine unless a written completed <u>consent</u> form is returned to school by October 14.

Free and Reduced Lunch Opportunity

The Kings Food Service Department is a member of the National School Lunch Program. With this program, they offer a Free and Reduced Meal Program. Free and Reduced price lunches are available to students who qualify and meet the eligibility guidelines. Students who qualified last school year automatically qualify for the first 30 days of the school year. However, a new application must be completed for the 2016-2017 school



year within 30 days from the start of the school year for the child to continue on the program. In order to continue the program past October 1st for those currently on the program, the application is due by September 30th.

Applications may be obtained by contacting your child's school or you can also access a copy from the Kings Local School web site at www.kings local.net or by <u>clicking here</u>.

Applications are accepted at any time during the school year for any student, however for those students on the program last year, in order to extend the program past October 1st 2016, without interruption, a new application needs to be completed.

Please contact Kings Food Service Director, Jennifer S. Arlinghaus R.D., L.D., at 513-398-8050 ext. 10027.



Knights Watch Program Receives Donation

A special thank you to Keith McCluskey, CEO of McCluskey Chevrolet in the Kings Auto Mall for his generous donations to the Kings High School Knights Watch Program. Mr. McCluskey donated two Bengals vs. Eagles tickets and a game jersey signed by starting running back, Jeremy Hill. Mr. McCluskey is looking forward to partnering with the Knights Watch Program and the Kings Local School District. Mr. Dustin Goldie, Knights Watch instructor said, "He is an amazing guy and businessman who truly believes in investing in education."

Road Closing for Homecoming Parade

Just a reminder that King Avenue will be closed between KME and the Columbia Road intersection and Columbia Road will be closed between King Avenue and KJH from 5:30-6:00 p.m. on Friday, October 7 due to the Kings Homecoming Parade.



KHS Homecoming Dance Information

"Don't Stop the Music" will be the theme of this year's KHS Homecoming Dance. Doors will open at 7:45 p.m. and students should arrive no later than 8:30 p.m. Tickets will be sold at lunch beginning October 3. Please click here for more information.

Starting on Wednesday, October 5, 2016, Old 3C Highway will be closed for three (3) days, weather permitting. The closure is for a culvert installation. The detour for the closure will utilize US22/SR3 to Old 3C Highway.





KHS NHS Taps New Inductees

Congratulations to the 57 Kings High School students who were recently tapped to be inducted into National Honor Society.

The inductees go through an extensive application process in order to be considered for membership. NHS is an important organization within the community. KHS NHS members have many service projects planned to make a difference in the community and district.

The new members will be inducted on October 6.

Senior Picture Yearbook Guidelines

Seniors have until November 22, 2016 to submit a picture for the yearbook. Photos must be in color and in jpg form. If you don't have a school portrait taken, you will be listed as Not Pictured.

For more information and directions on submitting photos for the yearbook <u>click here</u>.





Rumble for the Ribbon

The annual Kings vs. Loveland **Rumble for the Ribbon** pink game will be held on Friday, October 21 at Kings Stadium. This annual match





up between Kings and Loveland has earned the honor of being the #1 Pink Ribbon Girls Friday Night Pink Game out of all the games hosted across Cincinnati and Dayton. All money raised at this event will be used by Pink Ribbon Girls to provide free meals, housecleaning, rides to treatment, education and peer support to local women battling breast or women's reproductive cancer.

The night of the game Pink Ribbon Girls will be recognizing local breast and women's reproductive cancer survivors. If you are interested in participating in the pre-game ceremony on the field please contact Lisa Bird at birdfamily@fuse.net.

Help us turn the stadium from a Red Sea into a "Sea of Pink" by <u>clicking he</u>re to pre-order your t-shirt no later than October 6th. Cost of the shirts are \$10.

Turkey Day Run

Deerfield Township and Life Time Fitness are sponsoring the 7th Annual Turkey Day 10K and 5K Run and Walk on Thursday, November 24 at 8:00 a.m.

Register online or at Life Time Fitness in Mason. Early Bird registration is \$25 until October 31.

All proceeds will benefit the South Lebanon Food Pantry.

<u>Click here</u> for the registration form.

Volunteers are needed to help pass out race packets on Wednesday, November 23. Please contact Lauren Leimberger at lleimberger@lifetimefitness.com.



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.

Check out this week's Knights Weekly!

Don't miss this week's Knights Roundtable—Click here

Homecoming 5K and Mile Fun Run

The Kings Cross Country team would like to invite the entire Kings Community to the 21st annual Kings Homecoming 5K and Mile Fun Run on Wednesday, October 5, 2016 beginning at Kings Stadium at 6:15 p.m.

This has grown to be a fun community event! Grab your friends and family for an evening of walking/running the streets of Kings Mills.

Race Day Registration begins at 5:30 p.m. and costs \$20 (t-shirt not guaranteed). The race is a flat 3.1 course through Kings Mills and returns to the Kings Stadium. Click here for the entry form and more information.





Homecoming Parade

The annual Kings Homecoming Parade will take place on Friday, October 7 at 5:30 p.m. starting at KME and ending in the KJH Parking lot. All groups are welcome to walk in the parade. Anyone interested in participating will need to submit a permission slip and liability release. For more information and to download forms click here.

Lady Knights Soccer Breast Cancer Awareness Night

Please join the Kings Lady Knights Soccer Team on Tuesday October 4, when the team hosts the Milford Eagles and celebrate their annual Breast Cancer Awareness Night! The team will be honoring all those who have bravely battled breast cancer and sharing some of their courageous stories. The JV game starts at 5:00 p.m. and the Varsity game will begin at 7:00 p.m. All breast cancer survivors will receive free admission to both of the games and a symbol of hope. Come out to support those that have survived and remember those who have fought the good fight!



Breast Cancer Awareness Night
Tuesday October 4th at 5:00 (JV) and 7:00 (Varsity)
Please join us to cheer on breast cancer survivors and
Kings Soccer vs. Milford at The Castle



Tonight's football game vs. Turpin will be broadcast on Time Warner Cable Sports

Channel 311/1311HD after completion of the game.

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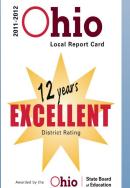








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