KINGSWAY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Media attention regarding the devastating effects of concussions in the adolescent population is at an all-time high. Head injuries of any nature with our student population commonly occur during organized interscholastic athletics, physical education class and recreational activities. At Kingsway we take concussions seriously and utilize a team approach to help assist any student recover from this type of injury.

Next year we will begin utilizing ImPACT for middle and high school students, making Kingsway one of only a few districts to baseline all students. Prior to this we only tested student-athletes participating in contact sports. Students in grades 7-11 will be tested during the week of June 13th. Incoming 7th graders and Logan Twp. 9th graders will be tested in September.

The ImPACT test is administered prior to any injury while the student is in a healthy non-concussed state. It is a computerized exam that tracks neurocognitive information such as memory, reaction time, brain processing speed, and concentration. The test is not a diagnostic tool but provides an objective baseline for physicians in the treatment and management of concussions and will serve as a great benefit to parents so that they can ensure their child is properly diagnosed and treated. You can find more information about the test at www.impacttest.com.

Questions should be directed to the Kingsway professional listed below.

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Very truly yours,

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