

BOARD BRIEF

KINGSWAY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Committed to Excellence



K **Vision for Excellence:** It is the vision of the Kingsway Regional School District to successfully prepare students for their unique path in life. **Mission:** The Kingsway Regional School District, guided by our core values, engages students within a diverse and nurturing community dedicated to our Vision for Excellence.



Highlights from the Kingsway Regional School District Board of Education meetings held on November 17, 2022.

ENROLLMENT as of October 31, 2022	
High School	1951
Middle School	957
TOTAL	2908

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Lavender updated the Board on a variety of topics related to the District, which included the following discussion item(s):

- Strategic Plan
- Jr. ROTC Program
- Student Information System (SIS)
- HR/Payroll/Budget Software Update
- New Hiring Protocol
- BOE Student Representatives

STAFF RECOGNITION

- We had the pleasure of introducing Mary Mattson Deojay, General Café Worker, to the Board of Education.
- Katy Kelly, Teacher of Spanish, was recognized as the November Spotlight Teacher.



STUDENT RECOGNITION

Spotlight Students and Seniors of the Month each received a \$25.00 gift certificate to Martell's Corner. These awards are made courtesy of the Kingsway Education Foundation.

Middle School Spotlight Students	
November 2021	
K	Keira Sciarrotta
I	Bryn Jespersen
N	Kelley Kline
G	Talia Griscom
S	Liam Tyers
W	Daniel Casey
A	Owen Dougherty
A	Charlie Christopher
Y	Gabriel Hammad

High School Spotlight Students	
Grade 9	Max Dyer
Grade 10	Destiny Schultz
Grade 11	Saige Antolini
Grade 12	Zykiria Cottemond

Seniors of the Month	
November 2022	
Anthony Rice	
Luke Wordelmann	

PERSONNEL

DISTRICT EMPLOYMENT

Appointments:

- Kevin Reilly (Substitute Custodian)
- Cal Patsko (Custodian)
- Ken Copeland (Custodian)

Resignations:

- None

Schedule "B":

- [Various positions were approved.](#)

Leaves of Absence:

- Jackie Balliet (Admin. Asst. to SBA)
- Brian Boone (Custodian)
- Anne Byrne (Admin. Asst. to Asst. Superintendent)
- Dana Stevens (Payroll Administrator)

Internships/Practicum

- None

HIGH SCHOOL EMPLOYMENT**Appointments:**

- Richard Zambino, Jr. (Teacher of Special Education)

Resignation:

- None

Retirement:

- Colby Kuhn (Teacher of Health & PE)

Schedule "B":

- [Various positions were approved.](#)

Leaves of Absence:

- Christina Bedisky (LDTTC)
- Robert Cressman (Teacher of Mathematics)

Practicum/Student Teacher/Visitation/Internships

- 1/10/2023 – 4/27/2023. Peter Dandorf, Rowan University. Athletic Training Internship Grades 7-12, Cooperating Mentor: Robert Baerman

MIDDLE SCHOOL EMPLOYMENT**Appointments:**

- None

Resignation:

- None

Schedule "B":

- [Various positions were approved.](#)

Leaves of Absence:

- Angel Vardaman (Building Perm)

FIELD/ TRIPS/ASSEMBLIES

- **11/14/2022.** The Shades Club and School Counseling Department will travel to the Malcolm Bernard HBCU College Fair at Rowan University.
- **12/1/2022.** Team Scholastics will attend a campus visit at the University of Delaware.
- **12/1/2022.** The 10th Grade STEM Academy will participate in a College of Engineering Tour at St. Joseph's University in Philadelphia, PA.

- **12/5/2022.** The 12th Grade STEM Academy will travel to the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine.
- **12/7/2022.** The 9th Grade STEM Academy will travel to Boeing for a STEM Enrichment hands-on experience.
- **12/8/2022.** The Business Leadership Academy will participate in Investment Company networking at PWC in Philadelphia, PA.
- **12/9/2022.** The Model Congress Debate Club will attend the NJ Model Congress Party Day in Trenton, NJ.
- **12/12/2022.** Student Council will attend the State Officer Executive Meeting in Hightstown, NJ.
- **12/16-18/2022.** The Boys' Wrestling Team will attend the Best of the East Tournament at the University of Delaware.
- **12/21/2022.** The Middle School Living History Club will record information for the Social Studies Department at Independence Hall in Philadelphia, PA.
- **1/9/2023.** The Middle School DECA Club will attend the District Conference at Doubletree Hotel in Cherry Hill, NJ.
- **1/13-15/2023.** The Boys' Wrestling Team will participate in a tournament at Council Rock High School South.
- **1/21/2023.** The Drama and Debate Clubs will attend the NJ Dramatic & Forensic League Tournament at Washington Twp High School.
- **1/28/2023.** The Drama & Debate Clubs will attend the NJ Dramatic & Forensic League Tournament at Kingsway Regional High School.
- **2/4/2023.** The Drama & Debate Clubs will attend the NJ Dramatic & Forensic League Tournament at Eastern High School in Voorhees, NJ.
- **2/11/2023.** The Drama & Debate Clubs will attend the NJ Dramatic & Forensic League Tournament at Mainland High School in Linwood, NJ.
- **2/24/2023.** The Model Congress Debate Club will attend the NJ Model Congress Leadership Day in Trenton, NJ.
- **2/24-25/2023 and 3/2-4/2023.** The Boys' Wrestling Team will participate in Regions and States in Egg Harbor Township and Atlantic City, NJ.
- **2/25/2023.** The Drama & Debate Clubs will attend the NJ Dramatic & Forensic League Tournament at Raritan High School, Hazlet, NJ.
- **3/16-17/2023.** The Model Congress Debate Club will participate in the NJ Model Congress at Rider University in Lawrence Twp, NJ.

- **5/25/2023.** The World Wildlife Fund and Animal Science Class will travel to the Cape May Zoo & Washington Street Mall to study and observe animal conservation.
- **6/28/2023 – 7/6/2023.** The Level 3-5 AP French Students will travel to France to learn about French culture.

FUNDRAISERS

- **11/18/2022 – 11/23/2022.** The Boys’ and Girls’ Swimming and Diving Teams will sell Thanksgiving pies from Linvilla Orchards to raise funds to purchase senior shirts, senior gifts, senior night flowers and fatheads for their senior banquet.
- **11/18/2022 – 11/30/2022.** The Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) will sell t-shirts designed by club members to raise funds to purchase club t-shirts.
- **11/18/2022 – 11/23/2022.** The Students in Action Team will collect non-perishable and pre-packaged food items to donate to the Ronald McDonald House and Angels Community Outreach.
- **11/21/2022 – 12/5/2022.** The KRHS Choirs will sell Artisan Chocolate Bars to raise funds to offset trip costs.
- **12/5/2022 – 12/16/2022** The FCA will sell Kona Ice Water Ice to raise funds for toys, school supplies, food and toiletries to be donated to local charities and organizations.
- **1/17/2023 – 1/31/2023.** The World Wildlife Fund Club will sell Pura Vida Bracelets to help support their club.
- **2/6/2022 – 2/20/2022.** The KRHS Spring Musical will sell Artisan Chocolate Bars to raise funds to contact the orchestra for the spring musical.
- **3/1/2023 – 3/15/2023.** The World Wildlife Fund Club will sell t-shirts designed by WWF Members to raise funds to support the club.
- **11/21/2022 – 12/20/2022.** The HS DECA Club will sell tickets for a SpikeBall Tournament to raise funds for DECA.

EMERGENCY DRILLS/CALLS

School/Date	Time	Drill
MS 10/07/2022	Start: 10:40 AM End: 10:52 AM	Fire Drill
MS/HS 10/12/2022	Start: 09:00 AM End: 10:50 AM	Tabletop Active Shooter Exercise
MS 10/21/2022	Start: 01:15 PM End: 01:35 PM	Evacuation Drill – Stages 1 & 2

School/Date	Time	Drill
MS/HS 10/25/2022	Start: 07:40 AM End: 08:00 AM	Bus Evacuation Drill
HS 10/13/2022	Start: 12:30 PM End: 12:39 PM	Precautionary Lockdown
HS 10/21/2022	Start: 12:41 PM End: 01:05 PM	Evacuation Drill – Stages 1 & 2

POLICY

The Board recommended the following for **FIRST** reading for revisions and/or adoption.

Policy/Regulation Number	Title
Policy #0131	Bylaws, Policies, and Regulations
Policy #0145	Board Member Resignation and Removal
Policy #0164.6	Remote Public Board Meetings During A Declared Emergency (New)
Policy #1521	Educational Improvements Plans (Abolished)
Policy #1643	Family Leave (New)
Regulation #1642	Earned Sick Leave Law
Policy #1648	Restart and Recovery Plan (Abolished)
Policy #1648.02	Remote Learning Options for Families (Abolished)
Policy #1648.03	Restart and Recovery Plan-Full-Time Remote Instructions (Abolished)
Policy #1648.11	The Road Forward COVID-19-Health and Safety (New)
Policy #1649	Federal Families First Coronavirus (COVID-19) Response Act (Abolished)
Policy #2415	Every Student Succeeds Act
Policy #2415.02	Title I - Fiscal Responsibility
Policy #2415.05	Student Surveys, Analysis and/or Evaluations
Policy #2415.20 and Regulation #2415.20	Every Student Succeeds Act Complaints
Policy #2467	Surrogate Parents and Resource Family Parents
Policy #3134	Assignment of Extra Duties
Policy #3142 and Regulation #3142	Nonrenewal of Nontenured Teaching Staff Member
Policy #3221 and Regulation #3221	Evaluation of Teachers
Policy #3222 and Regulation #3222	Evaluation of Teaching Staff Members, Excluding Teachers and Administrators
Policy #3223 and Regulation	Evaluation of Administrator,

#3223	Excluding Principals, Vice Principals and Assistant Principals
Policy #3224 and Regulation #3224	Evaluation of Principals, Vice Principals and Assistant Principals
Policy #4125	Employment of Support Staff Members
Policy #4146 and Regulation #4146	Nonrenewal of Non tenured Support Staff Member
Policy #5114	Children Displaced by Domestic Violence (Abolished)
Policy #5116	Education of Homeless Children
Policy #5330.01 and Regulation #5330.01	Administration of Medical Cannabis
Policy #5461.02 and Regulation #5460.02	Bridge Year Pilot Program (New)
Policy #6115.01	Federal Awards/Funds Internal Controls-Allowability of Costs (New)
Policy #6115.02	Federal Awards/Funds Internal Controls-Mandatory Disclosures (New)
Policy #6115.03	Federal Awards/Funds Internal Controls-Conflict of Interest (New)
Policy #6311	Contracts for Goods or Services Funded by Federal Grants
Policy #6360	Political Contributions
Policy #6471 and Regulation #6471	School District Travel
Policy #7425 and Regulation #7425	Lead Testing of Water in Schools
Policy #7432 and Regulation #7432	Eye Protection
Policy #8330	Student Records
Policy #8420	Emergency and Crisis Situations
Policy #8420.1	Fire and Fire Drills
Policy #8540	School Nutrition Programs
Policy #8550	Meal Charges/Outstanding Food Service Bill
Policy #8561	Procurement Procedures for School Nutrition Programs
Policy #8810	Religious Holidays (Abolished)
Policy #9713	Recruitment by Special Interest Groups

The Board recommended the following for **SECOND** reading for revisions and/or adoption.

Policy/Regulation Number	Title
Policy #0143.2	High School Student Representative to the Board of Education
Policy #5722	Student Journalism

Policy/Regulation 2432	School Sponsored Publications (ABOLISHED)
Policy/Regulation #1581	Domestic Violence
Policy/Regulation #5330	Administration of Medication
Policy #2431.3	Heat Participation Policy for Student-Athlete Safety
Policy/Regulation #5330.04	Administering an Opioid Antidote
Policy #5756	Transgender Students
Regulation #2460.8	Special Education - Free and Appropriate Public Education
Policy/Regulation #8461	Reporting Violence, Vandalism, Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying, Alcohol, and Other Drug Offenses
Policy/Regulation #3218/4218	Use, Possession, or Distribution of Substances
Policy #8670	Transportation of Special Needs Students
Policy #5610	Suspension
Policy #5620	Expulsion
Policy #1620	Administrative Employment Contracts
Policy #2431	Athletic Competition
Regulation #2431.1	Emergency Procedures for Sports and Other Athletic Activity
Policy/Regulation #5330.05	Seizure Action Plan
Policy 6440	Cooperative Purchasing
Policy/Regulation #6470.01	Electronic Funds Transfer and Claimant Certification
Policy #7450	Property Inventory
Policy #8420	Emergency and Crisis Situations
Policy #8561	Procurement Procedures for School Nutrition Programs
Policy #5517	School District Issued Student Identification Cards

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The Board approved the following Professional Development Plans and Teacher Mentor Program:

- **11/1/2022.** Emily Virga will attend the virtual Gifted & Talented Education in NJ seminar.
- **11/4/2022.** Victoria Saponara and Michelle Beech will attend the Rowan University Fall 2022 Counselor Reception.
- **11/18/2022.** Michael Coller will attend AP Psychology Dual Credit at Camden County College.
- **12/2/2022.** Heather Haines will attend the workshop for Dealing Effectively with Disruptive Students at Hilton Garden Inn, Cherry Hill, NJ.

- **12/2/2022.** Mairin Schramm will attend the Montclair State University Counselor Workshop.
- **12/2/2022.** Sarah Reynolds and Brandyn Miller-McGrail will attend Writing the Contemporary Essay at the College of NJ in Ewing, NJ.
- **12/2-4/2022.** Kristian Ward will attend the National Council for the Social Studies Annual Conference at the Philadelphia Convention Center.
- **12/5-6/2022.** Heather Connor, Colleen Fitzpatrick and Jean Lacovara will attend the NJASL Annual Conference at the Hard Rock Hotel in Atlantic City, NJ.
- **12/6/2022.** Ashley Clerval will attend the Disability Inclusion Conference at Villanova University.
- **1/11/2023.** Shanna Hoffman and Emily Virga will attend a virtual presentation for Co-Teaching & Consultation: An Overview for Administrators.
- **1/12/2023.** Susan Massara and Lana Lowry will attend First Aid/CPR/AED Instructor – BL Training at the American Red Cross in Cherry Hill, NJ.

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING WORKSHOPS

The Board approved the following workshops:

- **11/29/2022.** Ashley Hungerford and Mary Neyer will facilitate Dive into Wakelet: Streamline student learning experiences into curated collections in HS Room 217.
- **12/6/2022.** Ashley Hungerford and Mary Neyer will facilitate Make Your Courses POP with Canva: Using Canva as a digital design tool in HS Room 217.
- **12/7/2022.** Nicole Cammarota will facilitate Breaking Out: Building Movement and Physical Engagement into Ordinary Activities in HS Room 217.
- **12/13/2022.** Balvir Singh and Charae Whetstone will facilitate iXL Workshop in HS Room 217.

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

The Board approved the following awards and scholarships:

- None

RESEARCH PROJECTS

- None

FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENTS

- None

OUT-OF-DISTRICT PLACEMENT

- Various placements were approved.

BUSINESS, FACILITIES & FINANCE

- **The Board approved the Board Secretary's Report and Bill List.**
- **Receipt and Acceptance of Student Activity and Athletic Account Financial Reports.** The Board accepted the Student Activity and Athletic Account Financial Reports for the period ending October 31, 2022.
- **Senior Privilege.** Student #23304 was approved for senior privilege for the 2022-2023 school year.
- **Pool Lease.** The Board approved a lease agreement with Gloucester County Vocational-Technical School District for pool use for high school swimming and diving practices and meets for the 2022-2023 season.
- **Tri County Conference 2023-2024 Budget and Ticket Prices.** The Board approved the Tri County Conference 2023-2024 proposed budget, ticket prices and expansion.
- **Comprehensive Maintenance Plan.** The Board authorized submission of the District's 2023-2024 Comprehensive Maintenance Plan.
- **AP Computer Science Principles Grant.** The Board accepted a grant from The College Board for AP Computer Science Principles to be added to the 2023-2024 school year schedule.
- **LEAP Grant.** The Board approved the extension of the Local Efficiency Achievement Program to January 31, 2023.

MISCELLANEOUS

Numerous other requests for approval for workshop attendance, student activities, and education items were approved by the Board of Education. These approvals will be reflected in the formal minutes of the meeting, which are available in the office of the Board of Education secretary as well as posted online after Board approval.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board is Thursday, December 15, 2022, in person in the High School East Cafeteria; or by [Zoom Conference](#) and begins at 6:30 p.m.

This information is intended to inform staff and community members of recent action taken by the Board. The information included in this brief is not intended to be complete and does not replace official Board minutes.