

BOARD BRIEF

KINGSWAY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Committed to Excellence



GROWTH



BELONGING



TEAMWORK



STUDENT-CENTERED



PERSEVERANCE

★ **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 March 16, 2023 and March 23, 2023.

ENROLLMENT as of February 28, 2023

High School	1951
Middle School	953
Out of District	55
TOTAL	2959

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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

- Student Code of Conduct
- Ask the Superintendent Virtual Forum
- Budget
- Woolwich PILOT Program

STAFF RECOGNITION

- Spotlight Teachers of the Month (January/February)
 - 🌟 Ed Moody, High School Teacher of History



- New Staff Introduction:
 - 🌟 Amy Rosenberger (Payroll Administrator)
 - 🌟 Maria Gialloreto (Transportation Coordinator)
 - 🌟 Michael Primavera (Custodian)

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

March 2023	
K	Ryan Quadir
I	Madison Pentz
N	Rhyan Williams
G	Violet Shivers
S	Ruby Donaruma
W	Jackson Iaccio
A	Zachary Moore
A	Miles Pezzicola
Y	Paul Mondesir

High School Spotlight Students

March 2023	
Grade 9	Sophie Szakal
Grade 10	Mila Martinez-Morales
Grade 11	James Vicino
Grade 12	Umida Kodirkulova

Seniors of the Month – March 2023

Olivia Crisfulla
Brody Schneider

Girl's Bowling

South Jersey Group IV Championship	
Olivia Ferrara (12)	Skylar Grabarski (10)
Natalie Horchuck (10)	Elizabeth Kline (10)
Emma Pieters (10)	Nicole Poulson (11)
Miranda Sterner (11)	Caitlynn Whittles (9)

PRESENTATIONS

- 2023 – 24 Tentative District Budget. Presented by: Jason Schimpf

- Middle School Student Government. Presented by: Nethiri Umashanger, President; Liana Kimsal, Vice President; Jude Palazzo, Vice President; Olivia Ike, Secretary.

PERSONNEL

DISTRICT EMPLOYMENT

Appointments:

- Barry Green (Maintenance – HVAC)

Resignations/Retirement:

- None

Schedule “B”:

- [Various positions were approved.](#)

Leaves of Absence:

- None

HIGH SCHOOL EMPLOYMENT

Appointments:

- None

Resignation:

- Holly Falvey (Avid Teacher)

Retirement:

- None

Schedule “B”:

- [Various positions were approved.](#)

Leaves of Absence:

- Warren Adams (Custodian)
- Nancy Hanna (Teacher of French)

Practicum/Student Teacher/Visitation/Internships

- None

MIDDLE SCHOOL EMPLOYMENT

Appointments:

- None

Resignation/Retirement:

- None

Schedule “B”:

- [Various positions were approved.](#)

Leaves of Absence:

- Tia Drew (Teacher of Mathematics)
- Nicholas Magnotta (Teacher of Art)
- Jennifer Skelly (Teacher of Special Education)

FIELD/ TRIPS/ASSEMBLIES

- **3/28/2023.** The High School STEP Program will attend Community-Based Instruction at the Inclusion Coffee Shop.
- **3/30/2023.** The High School STEP Program will attend Community-Based Instruction at the Inclusion Coffee Shop.
- **4/4/2023.** The Middle School STEP Program will attend Community-Based Instruction at the Spectrum in Philadelphia, PA.
- **4/22/2023 – 4/26/2023.** The Business Leadership Academy (BLA) will attend the DECA Conference at the Orange County Convention Center in Orlando, FL.
- **4/28/2023.** The High School Mock Trial team will attend the Gloucester County Bar Foundation Law Luncheon at Auletto’s in Deptford, NJ.

FUNDRAISERS

- **3/22/2023 – 4/5/2023.** High School Girls Lacrosse will sell cookie dough to raise funds for their team banquet and senior gifts.
- **3/24/2023 – 4/3/2023.** The High School Girls’ Spring Track & Field will sell spirit wear to raise funds for their team banquet.
- **3/24/2023 – 4/14/2023.** The High School Baseball Team will sell coupon cards to raise funds for field padding and batting shell.
- **4/17/2023 – 4/28/2023.** The High School World Wild Life Fund Club will hold a pet supply drive to collect pet supplies that will be donated to the Cedar Run Wildlife Refuge.

OUT-OF-DISTRICT PLACEMENT

- Various placements were approved.

EMERGENCY DRILLS/CALLS

School/ Date	Time	Drill
HS 02/22/2023	Start: 11:30 a.m. End: 11:48 a.m.	Precautionary Lockdown
HS 02/28/2023	Start: 12:56 p.m. End: 01:07 p.m.	Precautionary Lockdown
HS 02/28/2023	Start: 01:40 p.m. End: 01:48 p.m.	Stage 1 Fire Drill
MS 02/23/2023	Start: 08:20 a.m. End: 08:27 a.m.	Fire Drill
MS 02/27/2023	Start: 02:10 p.m. End: 02:17 p.m.	Precautionary Lockdown Drill

POLICY

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

- None

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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

- **3/14/2023.** Dolly Guzman will attend the LRC South's 2023 Inclusion Institute in Mullica Hill, NJ.
- **3/24/23 – 6/30/2023.** Andrew Kidder and Christopher Jackson will attend the virtual EPA Section 608 On-Line Class.
- **3/31/2023.** Heather Connor will attend the virtual presentation of Best Strategies to Increase Effectiveness of the Library.
- **4/19/2023, 4/26/2023 & 5/3/2023.** Nicole Cammarota will attend the virtual presentation of Differentiating Up: Strategies to Engage and Challenge All Learners.
- **4/27/2023.** Nicole Cammarota will attend Fostering a Passion for Math in Ewing Township, NJ.
- **5/1/2023.** Colleen Fitzpatrick will attend the virtual presentation What's New in Young Adult Literature 2023.
- **5/2/2023.** Karen Jennett will attend the virtual presentation Dyslexia: Best Strategies to Increase Student Success.
- **6/25/2023 – 6/28/2023.** Emily Virga, Mary Neyer and Heather Connor will attend the International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE) Live in Philadelphia, PA.

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING WORKSHOPS

The Board approved the following workshops:

- **3/21/2023 & 3/28/2023.** Charae Whetstone and Patricia Calandro will facilitate Understanding the Collaborative Consultation Model and Co-Teaching for General Education Teachers in HS Room 217.
- **4/25/2023.** Nicole Cammarota will facilitate Maintaining a Cohesive Classroom | a guide for keeping it together as the year winds down in HS Room 217.

RESEARCH PROJECTS

The Board approved the following Research Projects

- **3/30/2023 – 5/30/2023.** Nicole Cammarota-Verasco: Understanding Teacher Perceptions of Gifted & Talented.

PROGRAMS AND HANDBOOKS

The Board approved the following Amendment:

- 2022-2023 KRHS and KRMS Student Code of Conduct

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

The Board approved the following awards and scholarships:

- None

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 February 28, 2023.
- **NEA Foundation Grant Submission.** The Board approved the submission of a grant to the NEA Foundation in the amount of \$1,800.00 to purchase Virtual Body Software.
- **FY2022 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR).** The Board accepted the audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022 and approves the Corrective Action Plan (CAP).
- **2023-2024 Tentative District Budget.** The Board authorized the submission of the 2023-24 tentative budget to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools.

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, April 27, 2023, 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.