

BOARD BRIEF

KINGSWAY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Committed to Excellence



- ★ **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 meeting held on October 19, 2023.

ENROLLMENT as of September 30, 2023

High School	1958
Middle School	979
Out of District	59
TOTAL	3002

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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

- Graduation Venue Survey
- School Board Convention
- Policy Updates
- FY25 Budget Preparation Calendar

STAFF RECOGNITION

We had the pleasure of introducing our new staff members to the Board of Education.

- Keith Bianchini, HS Music Teacher
- Zachary Angelo, Buildings and Grounds
- Thomas Aimino, Custodian
- Nicholas Piccioni, Custodian



October Spotlight Teacher

- Erin Cunningham (MS Teacher of French) was recognized as our October 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

October 2023

K	Omair Mirza
I	Cameron Chakov
N	Austin Grubb
G	Ethan Kiner
S	Michael Beaver
W	Carleanne Hernandez
A	Cassidy Cordery Cecelia Wilson
Y	Palina Zavuholnik

High School Spotlight Students

October 2023

Grade 9	Jandiel Martinez-Santiago
Grade 10	Alexander Amaradio
Grade 11	David Guerrero-Martinez
Grade 12	Gavin Ganski

Seniors of the Month – September 2023

James Legg

Thomas Ninan

Seniors of the Month – October 2023

Sabrina Schonewise

Madeline Hicks

PERSONNEL**DISTRICT EMPLOYMENT****Appointments:**

- None

Resignations/Retirements:

- None

Schedule “B”:

- [Various positions were approved.](#)

Leaves of Absence:

- Sue Patti (Bus Driver)
- Lori Baker (Accounts Payable Specialist)

HIGH SCHOOL EMPLOYMENT**Appointments:**

- Zachary Angelo (Grounds Person)
- Haleema Gillard (Team Scholastics Tutor)
- Kristin Turoff (General Café Worker)
- William Appelbaum (Building Permanent Substitute)
- Benjamin Perney (Custodian)

Resignation/Retirement:

- None

Schedule “B”:

- [Various positions were approved.](#)

Leaves of Absence:

- Brian Boone (Custodian)
- Olivia Myers (Teacher of Science)
- April Burger (Registrar)

MIDDLE SCHOOL EMPLOYMENT**Appointments:**

- Michelle Tucci (Teacher of Science)
- Karina Owen (LTS Teacher of World Language)

Resignation:

- Judith Gomes (Paraprofessional)

Schedule “B” and Additional Duty Stipends:

- [Various positions were approved.](#)

Leaves of Absence:

- Kim Aureli (Paraprofessional)

- Michael Sandberg (Teacher of Special Education)

INTERNSHIPS/PRACTICUM

The Board of Education approved the following Practicum, Student Teachers, Visitors and Internships:

- **10/20/2023 – 12/08/2023:** David Graham, Student Teaching (Music Performance – Saxophone); University of the Arts, Philadelphia, PA. Cooperating Mentor: Joseph Henderson (HS: Grades 9-12)

PRESENTATIONS:

- Student Representatives Report
- Spring 2023 ACCESS & DLM Presentation

FIELD/ TRIPS/ASSEMBLIES

- **10/17/2023.** The HS NJ DECA State Officer will travel to the DECA State Officer Meeting at Kean University in Union, NJ.
- **10/18/2023.** The KRHS Choirs will participate in the Tenor/Bass Festival at Rowan University in Glassboro, NJ.
- **10/20/2023.** The HS STEP Program will have Community-Based Instruction at Rosie’s Farm Market in Mullica Hill, NJ.
- **10/21/2023, 11/18/2023, 12/16/2023, 1/20/2024, 1/24/2024, 3/16/2024, 4/20/2024, 5/18/2024.** The HS Habitat for Humanity Club will participate in H4H Build Days for Students in Woodbury, NJ.
- **10/24/2023 – 6/14/2023.** The HS STEP Program will have Structured Learning Experiences on Tuesdays at Cinder Bar, Clarksboro, NJ; Wednesdays at Kings Things in Swedesboro, NJ; and Thursdays at the Mullica Hill Library in Mullica Hill, NJ.
- **10/25/2023.** The HS Public Speaking & Debate Club will tour the National Constitution Center in Philadelphia, PA.
- **10/25/2023.** The MS/HS DECA Club will participate in Chapter Officer Leadership Training at Kean University in Union, NJ.
- **10/26/2023.** The MS STEP Program will have Community-Based Instruction at Dollar Tree and Chick-Fil-A in Sewell, NJ.
- **10/27/2023.** The HS STEP Program will have Community-Based Instruction at Duffield’s Farm Market in Sewell, NJ.
- **10/27/2023.** The HS STEP Program will have Vocational and community Instruction at the National Constitution Center in Philadelphia, PA.

- **11/1/2023.** The HS 10th Grade STEM Academy will participate in STEM Enrichment at PSE&G & EERC, in Salem, NJ.
- **11/2/2023.** The HS 9th Grade STEM Academy will tour Temple University College of Engineering in Philadelphia, PA.
- **11/2/2023.** The HS STEP Program will attend the Dare to Dream Leadership Experience at Rowan University in Glassboro, NJ.
- **11/3/2023.** The HS STEP Program will have Community-Based Instruction at the Harrison House Diner in Mullica Hill, NJ.
- **11/13/2023.** The HS STEP Program will have Community-Based Instruction at ShopRite of Mullica Hill, NJ.
- **11/13/2023.** The HS NJROTC class will tour the USS New Jersey in Camden, NJ.
- **11/15/2023.** The HS Business Leadership Academy will tour St. Joseph's University in Philadelphia, PA.
- **11/15/2023.** The HS STEP Program will have Community-Based Instruction at Target in Sewell, NJ.
- **11/16/2023.** The MS STEP Program will have Community-Based Instruction at ShopRite in West Deptford, NJ.
- **11/22/2023 – 11/23/2023.** The HS Marching Band will participate in the Thanksgiving Day Parade in Philadelphia, PA.
- **12/8/2023.** The HS 11th Grade STEM Academy will tour Drexel University in Philadelphia, PA.
- **12/13/2023.** The HS Student Council Executive Board will participate in the Annual "Give Back" Day traveling to local Police & Fire stations, Inspira, Mullica Hill Gardens, and Headstart Preschool.
- **12/15/2023.** The HS STEP Program will have Community-Based Instruction at the Deptford Mall in Deptford, NJ.
- **12/16/2023.** The HS Science Olympiad will compete in the Science Olympiad at Conestoga High School in Berwyn, PA.
- **12/21/2023.** The MS STEP Program will have Community-Based Instruction at the Deptford Mall in Deptford, NJ.
- **1/10/2024.** The HS Student Council Executive Board will attend the NJASC Winter Convention at The College of New Jersey in Ewing Twp, NJ.
- **2/15/2024.** The HS Select Jazz Ensemble will participate in the festival and jazz clinics at Rowan University in Glassboro, NJ.

- **3/12/2024.** The HS Concert Band & Percussion Ensemble will participate in the Concert Band Festival at Rowan University in Glassboro, NJ.
- **5/29/2024.** The HS Student Council Executive Board will participate in the NJASC Spring Awards Ceremony at Six Flags in Jackson, NJ.

FUNDRAISERS

- **9/20/2023 – 10/14/2023.** HS Student Council will sell Homecoming Dance Tickets to raise funds for the Homecoming Dance, Food, DJ, Police & Décor.
- **11/1/2023 – 11/15/2023.** HS Unified Club will sell cookie dough to raise funds for club t-shirts and materials.
- **1/15/2024 – 2/2/2024.** HS Student Council & 11th Grade Class Officers will sell Upperclassmen Winter Gala Tickets to raise funds for their Winter Gala, Décor, Food and DJ.
- **1/29/2024 – 2/2/2024.** HS Habitat for Humanity will host a Penny Wars competition to raise funds for Habitat for Humanity projects.
- **2/5/2024 – 2/23/2024.** HS Student Council will host Kingsway Live!, a Penny Wars competition and sell dance tickets and concessions to raise funds for student activities, dance, t-shirts for crew, field trip bus, and donation to the Penny Wars charity.
- **2/15/2024 – 2/15/2024.** HS Shades Club will host a Shades Club Movie Night to raise funds for the Shades Club activities.
- **3/18/2024 – 3/22/2024.** #1Dragon Family will host a Penny Wars competition to raise funds to donate to the Eleanor Corbett House-Safe Haven for Women.

OUT-OF-DISTRICT PLACEMENT

- Various placements were approved

EMERGENCY DRILLS/CALLS

School/ Date	Start Time	End Time	Drill
MS 9/5/2023	10:00 am	11:00 am	MS Staff Training
MS 9/14/2023	01:15 pm	01:30 pm	Stage 1 Evacuation Drill
MS 9/22/2023	01:16 pm	01:25 pm	Fire Drill
HS 9/22/2023	12:19 pm	12:28 pm	Fire Drill
HS 9/27/2023	10:11 am	10:22 am	Stage 1 Evacuation Drill
HS 9/28/2023	01:53 pm	02:20 pm	Hold

School/ Date	Start Time	End Time	Drill
HS/MS 10/17/2023	07:20 am	08:00 am	Bus Emergency Evacuation Drill

POLICY

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

Policy/Regulation Number:	Title:
Policy #2132	School District Goals and Objectives
Policy and Regulation #2361	Acceptable Use of Computers, Network Computers and Resources
Regulation #2464	Gifted and Talented Pupils

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

- None

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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

- **12/4/2023 & 12/5/2023.** Jean Lacovara and Heather Connor will attend the NJ Association of School Librarians Conference in Atlantic City, NJ.
- **11/14/2023, 11/15/2023 & 11/16/2023.** George Mercado will attend the Nonviolent Crisis Intervention in Philadelphia, PA.
- **11/17/2023.** Andrew Kidder and Michael Shuster will attend the Indoor Air Quality Training in Sicklerville, NJ.
- **11/17/2023.** Joe Henderson and Patrick Carpenter will attend the NJAJE State Jazz Educators Conference in Newark, NJ.
- **10/19/2023.** Shanna Hoffman will attend Gearing Up for Transition in Cherry Hill, NJ.
- **11/3/2023.** Michael Shuster, Andrew Kidder and John Peplowski will attend Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Training in Sicklerville, NJ.
- **11/17/2023.** Brandon Adams will attend Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) Training in Sicklerville, NJ.

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING WORKSHOPS

The Board approved the following workshops:

- **11/2/2023.** New Teacher Program: Progress Monitoring facilitated by Nicole Verasco and Charae Whetstone in the HS Student Center.

- **11/16/2023.** New Teacher Program: Learning into Learning facilitated by Nicole Verasco, Nicole Servais and Vince Doud in the HS Student Center.
- **11/30/2023.** New Teacher Program: Acing Assessment facilitated by Vince Doud and Nicole Servais in the HS Student Center.
- **11/15/2023.** Teacher Letter of Recommendation Workshop facilitated by Mairin Schramm and Vivian Cassidy.

2023-2024 CURRICULUM ADOPTION & READOPTION.

The Board approved the Kingsway Textbook List for the 2023-2024 school year

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING. The Board approved the School of Health Professions Shadowing Experience at the Delaware Valley Veterinary Hospital.

SCHOOL COUNSELING CURRICULUM. The Board approved the adoption of the Kingsway Regional School District School Counseling Curriculum for grades 7-12.

RESEARCH PROJECTS

The Board approved the following Research Projects

- **10/20/2023 – 12/8/2023.** Isabella Knapp, Teachers of Students with Disabilities Program, Rowan University.

PROGRAMS

The Board approved the following Programs:

- None

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 September 30, 2023.
- **Gloucester County Vo-Tech Tuition 2023-2024.** The Board approved the 2023-2024 tuition contract with Gloucester County Vocational-Technical School District.
- **To/From Transportation Bid 24-005.** The Board awarded the to/from transportation services bid 24-005 to Holcomb Transportation, LLC.

- **Sending Student Tuition Agreement.** The Board approved a tuition agreement with Riverside Township School District.

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, November 16, 2023, in person in the High School East Cafeteria; or by [Zoom Conference](#) and begins at 6:30 p.m.

Indoor Vendor Spaces Are Full



21st Annual HOLIDAY CRAFT SHOW SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4th 9AM TO 3PM

Kingsway Regional High School
Route 322 & Kings Hwy, Woolwich

Handmade Crafts & Kingsway Apparel



Show your support for our vendors by shopping small business this holiday season.

Galleries can be viewed at www.krdsd.org/CRAFTSHOW or on our Facebook Event page at: www.krdsd.org/VirtualGallery

For more information, please contact Susan Vance at vances@krdsd.us; or call (856) 467-3300 x4205

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Holiday Craft Fair

(Time depends on the position selected)

BENEFITS

- ✓ Free entry for raffle
- ✓ Community Service

Event Information:
November 4, 2023 | From 9 AM to 3 PM

If Interested Fill Out the Form:
LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE

Design by BLA Students