

December Board Brief



Committed to Excellence

Board Brief

The following 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.

Highlights from the Kingsway Regional School District Board of Education meeting held on December 21, 2017.

ENROLLMENT as of November 30, 2017	
High School	1760
Middle School	967
TOTAL	2727

STAFF RECOGNITION

Spotlight Teacher

- None

Support Staff Spotlight

- None

New Staff Introductions

- Daniel Murray – History Teacher

The December Board meeting served as a Middle School and High School Recognition Program. We recognized Middle School Spotlight Students, High School Spotlight

Students, Athletes and Seniors of the Month. To view student pictures, [click here](#).

Student Recognition

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

Middle School Spotlight Students	
November 2017	
D	Ella Stephenson
R	Caitlyn Hickey
A	Erin Gray Allison MacFarland
G	Samuel Aregood
O	Cali Volpe
N	Olivia Thomas
S	Claire Mathis

High School Spotlight Students	
November 2017	
9th	Ryan Easterling
10th	Russell Aimino
11th	Haley Ford
12th	Riley Larubbio

Seniors of the Month	
October 2017	
Kylie Anicic	
November 2017	
Kendrah Cooper	
Joseph Grandizio	

Athletes	
Championship Season	
Girls Soccer	
Boys Soccer	
Girls Cross Country	
Boys Cross Country	

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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

- Winter Recess
- Attendance
- School Community Survey

PRESENTATIONS

- [Attendance & Calendar Survey Analyses](#),
Dr. Lavender

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY

2017-2018 Monthly Average % of Students in Attendance for November:

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Grade Level	Nov %	2017-2018 YTD Avg %	Past 6 Year Avg %
7	95.9	97.0	95.4
8	93.7	96.0	94.8
Total MS Average	94.8	96.5	95.1
9	95.0	95.6	94.7
10	94.5	95.5	94.0
11	94.5	95.3	93.1
12	92.6	94.4	92.0
Total HS Average	94.1	95.2	93.4
District Average	94.5	95.8	94.2

PERSONNEL

District Employment

- Non-Certified Staff:
 - Andrew Kidder (Maintenance/Grounds)
 - Howard Camp (Bus Driver)
- Substitute:
 - Alexis Damask (Per Diem Substitute Teacher)

- Geralyn Petruzzelli (Per Diem Substitute Teacher)
- Howard Camp (Per Diem Substitute Custodian)
- Jennifer Cressman (Per Diem Substitute Teacher)
- Leave of Absence:
 - Melinda Clunn (English as a Second Language Teacher)

High School Employment

- Resignation:
 - Kyle McLaughlin (Paraprofessional)
 - Eric Teesdale (History Teacher)
- Schedule "B":
 - Various positions were approved.

Middle School Employment

- Resignation:
 - Allison Kennedy (Paraprofessional)
- Substitute:
 - Tara Reinerth (LTS SPED/English Teacher)
- Leave of Absence:
 - Antoinette Henry (Guidance Counselor)

FUNDRAISERS

- **3/9/2018 Class of 2021.** The Class of 2021 will be hosting a Speedball Tournament. The funds earned will support the Class of 2021 events.

FIELD TRIPS/ASSEMBLIES

- **Between January 2018 and June 2018 –** The STEP SLE Program will be traveling to the Delaware Valley Veterinary Hospital.
- **Between January 2018 and June 2018 –** The STEP Independent Living Program will be traveling to the ShopRite of Glassboro.

- **1/16/2018** – The 11th and 12th grade STEP students will be traveling to the Harrison House Diner.
- **1/23/2018** – The BLA 10th grade students will be traveling to the Campbell Soup Corporate Headquarters.
- **2/2/2018** – The Select Jazz Ensemble will be traveling to Shawnee High School.
- **2/10/2018** - The Select Jazz Ensemble will be traveling to Upper Darby High School.
- **2/15/2018** – The Renaissance students will be traveling to the Wilmington Delaware Trampoline Park.
- **2/23/2018** - The Select Jazz Ensemble will be traveling to Pitman High School.
- **3/20/2018** – The Middle School AAP group will be traveling to South Harrison Elementary School.
- **4/7/2018** - The Select Jazz Ensemble will be traveling to Cinnaminson High School.
- **4/11/2018** - The BLA 10th grade students will be traveling to Virtua at Voorhees.
- **4/13/2018 or 4/14/2018** - The Select Jazz Ensemble will be traveling to one of the high schools listed below:
 - Arcolo Intr. School
 - West High School
 - Souderton High School
- **5/30/2018** – The Student Council will be traveling to Six Flags Great Adventure.

RESEARCH PROJECT(S)

- None

EMERGENCY DRILLS/CALLS

School/Date	Time	Drill
HS 11/21/2017	Start: 12:34 PM End: 12:41 PM	Fire Drill
HS 11/30/2017	Start: 09:03 AM End: 09:05 AM	Code Blue Drill
MS 11/13/2017	Start: 01:45 PM End: 01:58 PM	Fire Drill

School/Date	Time	Drill
MS 11/29/2017	Start: 08:39 AM End: 08:44 AM	Precautionary Lockdown Drill

POLICY

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

- None

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

- None

PROGRAMS

The Board approved the following programs:

- None

SCHOLARSHIPS

- None

OUT OF DISTRICT/TWILIGHT PLACEMENT

The Board approved the following out of district/twilight placement:

- 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 accepts as filed the Middle School, High School and Athletic financial reports for the period ending November 30, 2017.
- **Update Textbook list for 2017-2018.** The Board approved the updated textbook list for the 2017 – 2018 school year.
- **School Funding Litigation.** The Board approved to pursue [School Funding Litigation](#) by joining suit filed by Newton Public 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, January 25, 2017** in the Eitel Theater and begins at 7:00 p.m.