BOARD BRIEF

KINGSWAY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Committed to Excellence















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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 <u>Kingsway Regional School District</u> Board of Education meeting held on December 12, 2024 and December 19, 2024.

A	ENROLLMENT as of November 30, 2024			
	High School	1963		
	Middle School	936		
	Out of District	57		
	TOTAL	2956		

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
- Winter Festivities
- 2025-2026 School Calendar

STAFF RECOGNITION

 We had the pleasure of introducing our Spotlight Teacher of the Month to the Board of Education.
 Spotlight Teacher for Month of November

Mary Fiordimondo – Middle School Teacher of Language Arts & Literature



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				
December 2024				
K	Trysta Tetrick			
I	August Lin			
N	Emma Moughan			
G	Addison Hoover			
S	William Henry			
W	Grace Pham			
^	Morgan Healy			
А	Nicholas DiBello			
Υ	Y Kelsey Oebbecke			

High School Spotlight Students			
December 2024			
Grade 9	Giuliana Pizzichillo		
Grade 10	Karlie Tomforde		
Grade 11	Madeleine Gallagher		
Grade 12	Juan Calderon		

Seniors of the Month – December 2024	
Julianna Jones	
Colin McCourt	

Girl's Field Hockey Team

- Tri County Conference Royal Division Championship
- South Jersey Group IV Championship
- State Group IV Championship
- South Jersey Times Team of the Year

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PERSONNEL

DISTRICT EMPLOYMENT

Appointments:

- Michael Conway (Maintenance)
- Michelle Madden (Substitute Custodian)

Resignation/Retirement:

None

Schedule "B":

• Various positions were approved.

Leaves of Absence/Resignations:

Cynthia Gardner (Bus Driver)

HIGH SCHOOL EMPLOYMENT

Appointments:

- Madelyn Kline (LTS Teacher of Special Education)
- Caylee Stead (LTS Teacher of English)
- Cody Scully (LTS Teacher of Business)
- Joshua Farley (Custodian)

Resignation:

- Tracy Gallello (Custodian)
- Joanne Gagne (Teacher of Special Education)
- Robert Becker (Assistant Coach-Boys Wrestling)

Schedule "B" and Additional Duty Stipends:

Various positions were approved.

Leaves of Absence:

- Sarah Schugar (Teacher of English)
- Marc Schaffer (Teacher of Business)

MIDDLE SCHOOL EMPLOYMENT

Appointments:

- Kerian Vannieuwenhove (LTS Teacher of Special Education)
- Michael Allen (LTS Teacher of Health & PE)

Resignation/Retirement:

None

Schedule "B" and Additional Duty Stipends:

Various positions were approved.

Leaves of Absence:

- Michael Mazzeo (Custodian)
- Kathleen Wilhelm (Teacher of Social Studies)
- Amanda Hannigan (Teacher of Special Education)

INTERNSHIPS/PRACTICUM

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

1/13/2025 – 4/25/2025. Ray Philipp, Jr.,
 Administration Practicum; Liberty University.
 Cooperating Mentor: Brian Tonelli (Grades 7-8)

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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

- 12/3/2024. James Barnshaw will attend the AVID Professional Roadshow in Plymouth Meeting, PA.
- 1/16/2025. Susan Vance will attend the NJSPRA
 Winter 2025 Workshop: From Recruitment to School
 Spirit: The Power is in the Post in Monroe Township,
 NJ.
- 1/29/2025 1/31/2025. Robert locona will attend
 Techspo 2025 in Atlantic City, NJ.
- **5/16/2024**. Susie Woodburn will attend the Administrative Assistant Program in Mt. Laurel, NJ

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

The Board approved the following workshops:

- 1/15/2025. Nicole Cammarota-Verasco will facilitate G.R.E.A.T. Instruction Part II: Inclusivity Round Table in the High School Student Center.
- 1/16/2025. Nicole Cammarota-Verasco will facilitate SDI Strategy Sampler in the High School Student Center.
- 1/22/2025. Stefanie Fox-Manno, Brian Tonelli and Emily Virga will facilitate G.R.E.A.T. Instruction Part 1: Teacher Clarity & Observed Elements Roundtable.

JOB DESCRIPTIONS

The Board approved the following Job Descriptions:

- Director of Buildings & Grounds
- Assistant Director of Buildings and Grounds

PROGRAMS

None

RESEARCH PROJECTS

The Board approved the following Research Projects

None

PRESENTATIONS:

- Monthly Student Representative Report
- NJSBA Terry Lewis
- Long-Range Capital Project Plan

FIELD/ TRIPS/ASSEMBLIES

• 12/20/2024 – 12/21/2024: Boys Wrestling will attend a tournament at Old Bridge High School, Old Bridge, NJ.

- 1/2/2025: Flag Football will attend a Philadelphia Eagles Honors Dinner at Lincoln Financial Field, Philadelphia, PA.
- 1/6/2025: Business Leadership Academy will attend Role-Play Events at Double Tree, Cherry Hill, NJ.
- 1/7/2025 5/30/2025: The STEP Program will have Structured Learning Experiences at Cinder Bar, Clarksboro, NJ.
- 1/8/2025: The STEP 1 Program will have Community-Based Instruction at Home Depot, Mantua, NJ.
- 1/11/2025. Kingsway Mock Trial will participate in a team scrimmage at Bordentown High School, Bordentown, NJ.
- 1/17/2025. The Business Leadership Academy will have a NJ DECA State Officer Interview at Kean University, Union, NJ.
- 1/22/2025. Kingsway Mock Trial will participate in the Gloucester County Mock Trial Championships at the Gloucester County Justice Complex in Woodbury, NJ.
- 1/23/2025. The Step 1 Program will have Community Based Instruction at the Amish Market, Mullica Hill, NJ.
- 1/24/2025. The STEP Program will have Community-Based Instruction at Spectrum Sports, Deptford, NJ.
- 1/29/2025. Kingsway Mock Trial will attend Round 2 of the Gloucester County Mock Trial Championships at the Gloucester County Justice Complex, Woodbury, NJ.
- 2/5/2025. Kingsway Mock Trial will attend Round 5 of the Gloucester County Mock Trial Championships at the Gloucester County Justice Complex, Woodbury, NJ.
- 2/7/2025. The STEP 1 Program will have Community-Based Instruction at Chick-Fil-A and Dollar Tree, Mantua, NJ.
- 2/26/2025. Kingsway Mock Trial will participate in the Southern Regional Championships at the New Jersey Law Center, New Brunswick, NJ.
- 2/28/2025. The Select Jazz Band will perform in the Jazz Festival at Overbrook High School, Pine Hill, NJ.
- 2/28/2025 3/1/2025. Boy's Wrestling will attend the NJSIAA Region Wrestling Tournament at Lacey Township High School, Lanoka Harbor, NJ.
- 3/7/2025. The Select Jazz Band will perform in a Jazz Festival and educational clinic at Penns Grove High School, Penns Grove, NJ.

- 3/6/2025 3/8/2025. Boy's Wrestling will attend the NJSIAA State Wrestling Tournament at Atlantic City Boardwalk Hall, Atlantic City, NJ.
- 3/7/2025 3/8/2025. Girl's Wrestling will attend the Southern Regional Championships at the Atlantic City Boardwalk Hall, Atlantic City, NJ.
- 3/12/2025. Kingsway Mock Trial will attend the Southern Regional Championships at the New Jersey Law Center, New Brunswick, NJ.
- 3/22/2025. The Select Jazz Band will perform in a Jazz Festival and education clinic at West Chester University, West Chester, PA.
- 4/11/2025. The Select Jazz Band will perform in a Jazz Festival and participate in educational clinic at Deptford High School, Deptford, NJ.
- 4/26/2025. The Select Jazz Band will perform in the South Jersey Regional Jazz Championships at Egg Harbor Township High School, Egg Harbor Twp, NJ.
- 4/26/2025. The Treble Chorus, Dragon Singers, Kingsway Chorale, Choral Club and Musical will have Student Enrichment in New York City, NY.
- 5/2/2025. The Select Jazz Band will perform in the Atlantic Coast Jazz Championships at the Wildwood Convention Center, Wildwood, NJ.
- 5/21/2025. The National Art Society will participate in Rowan's Art Student Day at Rowan University, Glassboro, NJ.

FUNDRAISERS

 1/6/2025 – 1/10/2025. The High School Students in Action (SIA) Club will collect lightly used or new blankets to donate to the Delaware Valley Animal Hospital.

OUT-OF-DISTRICT PLACEMENT

Various placements were approved

EMERGENCY DRILLS/CALLS

School/Date	Start Time	End Time	Drill
MS 11/14/2024	9:06 AM	9:13 AM	Fire Drill
MS/HS 11/20/2024	9:00 AM	11:30 AM	County Reunification Process
MS 11/25/2024	2:04 PM	2:10 PM	Hold Drill
HS 11/1/2024	9:29 AM	9:34 AM	Hold Drill
HS 11/4/2024	1:52 PM	1:56 PM	Fire Drill

POLICY

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

Policy/Regulation Number	Title
Policy 4216	Dress and Grooming (Support Staff) (Revised)
Policy 5111	Eligibility of Resident/Nonresident Pupils (Revised)

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

None

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

The Board approved the following awards and scholarships:

None

SENIOR PRIVILEGE

The Board granted senior privilege to student #25505 for the duration of the 2024-2025 school year.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

The Board approved the <u>2025-2026 School Calendar</u>

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 November 30, 2024.
- Pool Lease. The Board approved a lease agreement with Gloucester County Vocational-Technical School for pool use for high school swimming and diving practices and meets for the 2024-2025 season.
- Participation in SciQuiry Program. The Board approved the school district to serve as a research partner in SciQuiry program, a platform that combines personalized learning with real-time progress monitoring enabling teachers to identify and support struggling students.
- Temporary Grading and Access Easement. The Board agreed to provisions of a Temporary Grading and Access Easement Agreement with Fair Share Housing Development, Inc.

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 <u>Thursday</u>, <u>January 23</u>, <u>2025</u>, in person in the High School East Cafeteria; or by <u>Zoom Conference</u> and begins at 6:30 p.m.



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