

BOARD BRIEF

KINGSWAY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Committed to Excellence



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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 18, 2025 and March 20, 2025.

ENROLLMENT as of February 28, 2025

High School	1957
Middle School	935
Out of District	59
TOTAL	2951

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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

- Budget
- VFW Patriot's Pen Awards
- Personnel/Contracts
- Examination for Cause Update

STAFF RECOGNITION

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

K Krista Diodati, High School Teacher of Math



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 2025

K	Noah Brown Linda Wilkie
I	Brooklynn Pennypacker
N	Henry Beese
G	Teagan Powell
S	Rebecca Schaeffer
W	Eleanor Klieger
A	Abey Little
Y	Chelsea Green

High School Spotlight Students

March 2025

Grade 9	Bella Perez
Grade 10	Wei Li
Grade 11	Ryan Hirl
Grade 12	Samrah Hashmi

Seniors of the Month – March 2025

Ksena Brudnicki-Maher
Michael Shultz

Patriots Pen Essay Winners

Mackenzie Booker – 1 st Place Also won 2 nd Place at District Level
Brennen Green – 2 nd Place
Arianna Jimenez – 3 rd Place

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

- Sachel Caba-Rosario (General Café Worker)
- Crystal Capanna (Substitute General Café Worker)
- John Lloyd (Instructional Supervisor)
- Tina Patterson (Bus Driver)
- Agnieszka Wiernasz (Substitute School Nurse)
- Ronald Finley (Bus Driver)

Resignation:

- None

Retirement:

- None

Schedule “B”:

- [Various positions were approved.](#)

Leaves of Absence:

- Robert Bruno (Network Technician)
- Paulette Slusarski (Bus Driver)

HIGH SCHOOL EMPLOYMENT**Appointments:**

- Nicole Schwegel (LTS Teacher of English)

Resignation:

- Michelle Beech (School Counselor)
- Michael Husni (Teacher of Special Education)
- Jacqueline Healy (Teacher of World Language)

Retirement:

- None

Schedule “B” and Additional Duty Stipends:

- [Various positions were approved.](#)

Leaves of Absence:

- Marc Schaffer (Teacher of Business)
- Marion Wigglesworth (Secretary)

MIDDLE SCHOOL EMPLOYMENT**Appointments:**

- None

Retirement:

- Karen Jennett (Teacher of Special Education - 27 years of service)

Schedule “B” and Additional Duty Stipends:

- [Various positions were approved.](#)

Leaves of Absence:

- None

INTERNSHIPS/PRACTICUM

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

- None

JOB DESCRIPTIONS

The Board approved the following Job Descriptions:

- Network Technician
- Lead Network Technician
- Network Administrator
- Paraprofessional

CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

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

- **2/13/2025.** Stephanie Atene will attend the virtual Northeast Public Universities Admissions Panel.
- **3/23/2025, 3/24/2025, 3/25/2025.** Andrew Kidder will attend the 2025 NJSBGA Conference & Expo in Atlantic City, NJ.
- **3/27/2025.** Heather Connor will attend What’s New in Young Adult Literature & How to Use It in Your Program in Cherry Hill, NJ.
- **3/29/2025.** Emily Setaro will attend the National Science Teaching Association (NSTA) 2025 Philadelphia National Conference.
- **4/4/2025.** Vivian Cassidy will attend the RCSJ Professional Development for High School Counselors in Deptford, NJ.
- **6/23/2025 – 6/27/2025.** Lynne Sanders Horne will attend the virtual Advanced Placement Summer Institute for Teachers.

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

The Board approved the following workshops:

- **4/3/2025.** Nicole Servais will facilitate Data-Driven Instruction in the High School Student Center.
- **4/10/2025.** Nicole Cammarota-Verasco will facilitate Designing Inclusive Learning Experiences in the High School Student Center.

AFFILIATION AGREEMENT

The Board approved the Affiliation Agreement for Student Internships Between Rowan University and the Kingsway Regional School District.

PRESENTATIONS

- Monthly Student Representative Report

FIELD/ TRIPS/ASSEMBLIES

- **3/20/2025.** The HS Business Leadership Academy (11th Grade) will attend a campus tour at the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia, PA.
- **3/25/2025.** The HS Marching Band will visit Edelman Fossil Park & Museum in Sewell, NJ to learn about the prehistoric planet.
- **3/27/2025.** The HS Business Leadership Academy (10th Grade) will attend a campus tour at West Chester University in West Chester, PA.
- **3/30/2025.** The HS HOSA students will participate in the HOSA State Conference and Competition at BCIT in Westampton, NJ.
- **4/11/2025.** The HS STEP Program will participate in Community-Based Instruction at Gloucester Outlets in Blackwood, NJ.
- **4/11/2025.** The MS STEP Program will participate in Community-Based Instruction at Cecil Creek Farm in Mickleton, NJ.
- **4/22/2025.** The HS Business Leadership Academy Seniors will visit The Funny Farm Rescue & Sanctuary in Mays Landing, NJ to learn about Non-Profit Business Ventures.
- **4/25/2025.** The HS STEP Program will participate in Community-Based Instruction at Fort Mott State Park in Pennsville, NJ.
- **4/20/2025.** The HS Team Scholastics (10th Grade) will visit Widener University in Chester, PA.
- **5/21/2025.** The HS STEM Academy (12th Grade) will visit the Wetlands Institute in Stone Harbor, NJ.
- **7/9/2025 – 7/18/2025.** The HS World Language Department will participate in a cultural immersion and language practice trip to Peru.

FUNDRAISERS

- **3/21/2025 – 4/14/2025.** HS DECA will sell Krispy Kreme Glazed Doughnuts to help fund International Career Development Conference (ICDC) Student Registration Costs.
- **4/1/2025 – 4/11/2025.** The 7th Grade Student Council will collect non-perishable food items to donate to St. Peter's food pantry.
- **4/1/2025 – 4/30/2025.** HS Dragon SPARK #1DragonFamily will collect children's books to donate to Book Smiles.
- **4/7/2024 – 4/11/2025.** HS Students in Action (SIA) will collect non-perishable food items to donate to St. Peter's food pantry.

EMERGENCY DRILLS/CALLS

School/Date	Start Time	End Time	Drill
MS 2/7/2025	9:10 AM	9:27 AM	Hold K9 Sweep
MS 2/26/2025	1:15 PM	1:22 PM	Fire Drill
HS 2/7/2025	9:01 AM	9:28 AM	Hold K9 Sweep
HS 2/14/2025	9:29 AM	9:36 AM	Fire Drill

OUT-OF-DISTRICT PLACEMENT

- Various placements were approved

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

RESEARCH PROJECTS

The Board approved the following Research Projects:

- 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 February 28, 2025.
- **Non-Public Purchasing Contracts with GCSSSD.** The Board approved contracts with Gloucester County Special Services School District for Nonpublic Technology Purchasing and Nonpublic Textbook Purchasing for the 2025-2026 School Year.
- **2025-2026 Logan Township Tuition.** The Board approved the revised tuition contracts with Logan Township School District for the 2024-2025 School Year.

- **Clearview Interlocal Agreement.** The Board approved an interlocal agreement with Clearview Regional School District Board of Education for the 2025-2026 School Year for Borrowing of Buses and Sharing of Drivers.
- **Other Capital Projects Application.** The Board authorized submission of Other Capital Projects to the NJDOE Without State Funding for review and approval.
- **Award of Construction Contract.** The Board awarded a contract for Summer 2025 Renovations to Dandrea Construction.

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 24, 2025, in person in the High School East Cafeteria; or by [Zoom Conference](#) and begins at 6:30 p.m.

[Register for the 2025 Job Fair](#)



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