

BOARD BRIEF

KINGSWAY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
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TEAMWORK



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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 Kingsway Regional School District Board of Education meetings held on August 14, 2025 and August 21, 2025.

ENROLLMENT as of June 17, 2025

High School	1950
Middle School	933
Out of District	60
TOTAL	2943

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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

- School Opening
- [Capital Project Plan](#) and [Long Range Capital Improvement Plan](#)
- Interim School Business Administrator

PERSONNEL

DISTRICT EMPLOYMENT

Appointments:

- None

Resignations/Retirements:

- None

Schedule "B":

- [Various positions were approved.](#)

Leaves of Absence:

- None

INTERIM SBA 2025-2026 CONTRACT

- The Board approved the Employment Contract between Robert Delengowski, Interim School Business Administrator, and the Kingsway Regional Board of Education for the period August 25, 2025 through February 16, 2026.

HIGH SCHOOL EMPLOYMENT

Appointments:

- Melissa Cecchini (Teacher of English)
- Laurie Clarke Knipp (Teacher of Special Education)
- Desurae Council (Teacher of Computer Science)
- Joshua Farley (Custodian)
- Ronald Myers (Teacher of Special Education)
- Kelly Tonia (Teacher of Special Education)
- Regan Healey (Paraprofessional)
- Jocelyn Reuben (General Café Worker)
- Michael Marquis (LTS-Teacher of Science)
- Rebecca Hughes (Paraprofessional)
- Justin Brown (LTS-Teacher of Science; Building Permanent Substitute)

Resignation:

- Sharon Foth (Paraprofessional)

Retirement:

- Karen Schonewise (Teacher of English)

Schedule "B":

- [Various positions were approved.](#)

Leaves of Absence:

- Ashley Carola (Teacher of Art)
- Sara Henkel (Teacher of Science)
- Reena Ninan (Teacher of Science)
- Sharon Young (Paraprofessional)

MIDDLE SCHOOL EMPLOYMENT

Appointments:

- Maya Holmes, Teacher of World Language

Resignation:

- Chelsea Pfahl (Teacher of Special Education)
- Zachary Van Der Wall (Teacher of Social Studies)

Schedule "B":

- [Various positions were approved.](#)

Leaves of Absence:

- Mary Ann Allen (Paraprofessional)

FIELD/ TRIPS/ASSEMBLIES

- **8/26/2025.** Boy's Wrestling will attend the Travis Manion Foundation-Character Does Matter Workshop at Duke Island Park in Bridgewater, NJ.
- **8/28/2025.** Marching Band will attend the Football Game at Donovan Catholic High School in Toms River, NJ.
- **9/5/2025.** Marching Band will attend the Football Game at Camden High School in Camden, NJ.
- **9/12/2025.** Marching Band will attend the Football Game at Timber Creek High School in Sicklerville, NJ.
- **9/12/2025 – 9/14/2025.** NJROTC Orienteering will attend the NJROTC Weekend Event at Hickory Run State Park in White Haven, PA.
- **9/13/2025.** Marching Band will attend a Competition at Lenape High School in Medford, NJ.
- **9/20/2025.** Marching Band will attend a Competition at Clearview Regional High School in Mullica Hill, NJ.
- **9/21/2025.** NJROTC Orienteering will attend a competition at White Clay Creek State Park in Newark, DE.
- **9/26/2025.** MS Renaissance Program students will attend the Celebration of Members at Launch in Deptford, NJ.
- **9/27/2025.** Marching Band will perform at the Dragon Run/Swedeseboro Day in Swedeseboro, NJ.
- **10/3/2025.** Marching Band will perform at 6ABC Studios in Philadelphia, PA.
- **10/4/2025.** Marching Band will attend a Competition at Marple Newtown High School in Newtown, PA.
- **10/10/2025.** Marching Band will attend a Football Game at Clearview High School in Mullica Hill, NJ.
- **10/11/2025.** Marching Band will participate in the USBands Navy-Marine Corps Invitational at the Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium in Annapolis, MD.
- **10/13/2025.** Marching Band will attend the Homecoming 250 Navy-Marine Parade in Philadelphia, PA.

- **10/17/2025.** Marching Band will attend a Football Game at Washington Township High School in Washington Twp, NJ.
- **11/1/2025.** Marching Band will attend the USBands Group IV-A NJ Championships Competition at Robbinsville High School in Trenton, NJ.
- **11/8/2025.** Marching Band will attend the USBands Group IV-A National Championships Competition at Robbinsville High School in Trenton, NJ.
- **11/21/2025 – 11/23/2025.** DECA will attend the Ultimate DECA Power Trip Conference in Arlington, VA.
- **4/26/2026 – 5/1/2026.** Class of 2026 will attend their Senior Class Trip in Orlando, FL.

FUNDRAISERS

- **8/10/2025 – 9/5/2025.** HS Cheerleading Team will sell apparel to raise funds for the team banquet, senior flowers, parent flowers, and HC Team Dinner.
- **8/28/2025 – 10/20/2025.** HS Girls Volleyball will have concession sales at games to raise funds for their team banquet.
- **10/1/2025 – 10/1/2025.** HS Girls Volleyball will have concession sales at the Breast Cancer Awareness Game to donate funds to The Hope Venture.
- **2/26/2026 – 3/12/2026.** The Middle School will sell tickets to the March Madness 3:3 Basketball Tournament to raise funds for Spirit Competitions and MAP Growth Rewards.

OUT-OF-DISTRICT PLACEMENT

- Various placements were approved

EMERGENCY DRILLS/CALLS

School/ Date	Start Time	End Time	Drill
MS 07/07/2025	9:00 AM	1:00 PM	Training Session for the Reunification Process
MS 07/11/2025	8:43 AM	11:00 AM	Fire Drill; Fire & Smoke Alarm Testing
HS 07/02/2025	9:03 AM	9:05 AM	Fire Drill
HS 07/07/2025	9:00 AM	1:00 PM	Tabletop Exercise
HS 07/09/2025	6:57 AM 7:02 AM	7:16 AM 7:18 AM	Fire 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

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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

- None

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLANS

The Board approved the following Professional Development Plans for the 2025-2026 school year.

- District Professional Development Plan
- High School Professional Development Plan
- Middle School Professional Development Plans
- Teacher Mentor Program

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING WORKSHOPS

The Board approved the following workshops:

- **9/25/2025.** Vince Doud will facilitate Learning into Learning Objectives in the High School Student Center.
- **9/11/2025.** Nicole Cammarota-Verasco will facilitate Introduction to SDI at Kingsway in the High School Student Center.

TEACHER & ADMINISTRATOR EVALUATION INSTRUMENT

- The Board approved the use of Marzano Teacher Evaluation Model (2014) for the evaluation of all teaching faculty and the NJ Principal Evaluation and Professional Learning Instrument for the evaluation of all administrative faculty.

RESEARCH PROJECTS

The Board approved the following Research Projects

- None

PROGRAMS AND HANDBOOKS

The Board approved the following Programs and Handbooks:

- 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 July 31, 2025.
- **ESEA and IDEA Consolidated Federal Grant Award Acceptance.** The Board authorized submission of applications for acceptance of federal funds for the period July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.
- **Authorization to Utilize OMNIA Partners National Cooperative Contract for Custodial Supplies.** The Board authorized execution of necessary documents and agreements to effectuate said purchases.
- **Class of 2025 Donation.** The Board acknowledged and accepted the donation form the Class of 2025 to the Class of 2027 to fund the deposit for the Junior Prom.
- **Swedesboro Woolwich Day School Bus Use.** The Board approved the provision of two school buses and drivers at no cost to the Swedesboro Woolwich Day Committee on September 27, 2025.
- **Use of Facility Waiver.** The Board waived the insurance requirement and facility use fees for the St. Peter's Community Pantry for their event held on September 13, 2025.
- **2025-2026 Transportation Jointures.** The Board approved the Transportation Jointure Contracts for the 2025-2026 School Year.
- **2024-2025 Transportation Jointure.** The Board approved the Transportation Jointure Contract for the 2024-2025 School Year.
- **Approval of MOU with Woolwich Township for SRO and Class III Officers 2025-2028.** The Board authorized execution of the Memorandum of Understanding to provide one School Resource Officer and two Class III Officers for the 2025-2028 school years.
- **Change Order #7.** The Board approved change order requests for the KRHS 2025 Facility Improvements Project.
- **2025-2026 School Transportation Contract with DCF.** The Board approved a Transportation Contract with DCF for one student to be transported to DCF Regional School.
- **Non Public Nursing.** The Board approved an agreement with Gloucester County Special Services School District to supply Chapter 226 Non Public Nursing Services for the 2025-26 School Year.

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, September 11, 2025, in person in the High School East Cafeteria; or by [Zoom Conference](#) and begins at 6:30 p.m. <https://www.krsd.org/student-experience/back-to-school>

See our Webpage for Back-to-School Information: <https://www.krsd.org/student-experience/back-to-school>



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