

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 meetings held on November 13, 2025 and November 20, 2025.

ENROLLMENT as of October 31, 2025	
High School	1978
Middle School	914
Out of District	52
TOTAL	2944

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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

- Craft Show
- Residency Hearing
- Logan Tuition
- Land Donation
- School Business Administrator (SBA) Transition

STAFF RECOGNITION

We had the pleasure of introducing our Spotlight Teacher for the Month of October and [new staff](#) to the Board of Education.

- Lindsay Contarino (MS Teacher of Language Arts & Literature)
- Sarah Seeman (MS Special Education 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	
November 2025	
K	Jaiden Johnson Melina Russo
I	Charlotte Erikson
N	Eli Mazza
G	Tyler Clark
S	Aubrey Pentz
W	Yeicko Alfaro
A	Muhammed Rasul
Y	Angelina Edery

High School Spotlight Students	
November 2025	
Grade 9	Erin Hertzler
Grade 10	Madison Pentz
Grade 11	Giovanni Lombardo
Grade 12	Jonathan Lafferty

Seniors of the Month – November 2025	
Cole Dopke	
Krishani Parikh	

PERSONNEL

DISTRICT EMPLOYMENT

Appointments:

- Colleen Ketterer (Substitute Secretary)
- William Mitman (Bus Driver)

Resignations:

- Sherray Fisher-Eshner (Bus Driver)

Leaves of Absence:

- None

HIGH SCHOOL EMPLOYMENT**Appointments:**

- Cameryn Martin (LTS Teacher of Special Education)
- Wendy Young (LTS – Teacher of Science)

Resignation

- Laurie Clarke Knipp (Teacher of Special Education)

Schedule “B”:

- [Various positions were approved.](#)

Leaves of Absence:

- Gina Caruso (Teacher of Science)
- Keith Bianchini (Teacher of Music)
- Andrew Raker (Teacher of Italian)
- Karyn Henry (Teacher of Science)

Practicum, Student Teachers, Visitation & Internships

- 9/1/2025 – 12/1/2025. Lauren Warner, Wilmington University; Administrative Internship. Cooperating Mentor: Brian Tonelli, Grades 7-8.

MIDDLE SCHOOL EMPLOYMENT**Appointments:**

- Patricia Knott (Substitute Secretary)
- Mackenzie Saber (LTS Teacher of Health & PE)

Resignation/Retirement:

- None

Schedule “B”:

- [Various positions were approved.](#)

Leaves of Absence:

- Sara DiBenedetto (Teacher of Health & PE)
- Alexis McCann (Teacher of Special Education)

FIELD/ TRIPS/ASSEMBLIES

- **11/19/2025.** Every Thursday, HS STEP SLE Students will attend Work-Based Learning at Village Pub, Swedesboro, NJ.
- **11/19/2025.** Every Wednesday, HS STEP Program will attend Work-Based Learning at Ciconte’s, Swedesboro, NJ.
- **11/24/2025 (Rain Date Only).** HS Marching Band will decorate the Philadelphia Art Museum Steps for the Thanksgiving Day Parade; Philadelphia, PA.
- **12/2/2025.** HS Unified Club will attend the Special Olympics NJ Statewide Youth Leadership Summit; SONJ Sports Complex, Lawrenceville, NJ.

- **12/4/2025.** HS Girls Volleyball Team will hold their End of Season Banquet at Botto’s Restaurant, Swedesboro, NJ.
- **12/4/2025.** HS Select Jazz Ensemble will perform at the Mayor’s Prayer Breakfast; Sapphire Grand, Deptford, NJ.
- **12/10/2025.** HS Student Council will attend the NJASC State Office Interview; South Brunswick High School, Monmouth Junction, NJ.
- **12/16/2025.** HS Boys Soccer Team will hold their End of Season Banquet at Sapphire Grand, Deptford, NJ.
- **12/18/2025.** MS STEP Program will have Community-Based Instruction at Five Below and Friendly’s; Glassboro, NJ.
- **12/19/2025 – 12/21/2025.** HS Boys Wrestling Team will compete in the Beast of the East Tournament; Bob Carpenter Center, Newark, DE.
- **12/20/2025.** HS Science Olympiad will attend the Invitational Competition; Conestoga High School, Berwyn, PA.
- **1/6/2026.** HS DECA will attend the District Competition; DoubleTree Hotel, Cherry Hill, NJ.
- **1/15/2026.** HS Science Olympiad will compete in the Regional Science Olympiad Competition; Camden County College, Blackwood, NJ.
- **1/23/2026.** HS Honors Holocaust & Genocide Studies will visit the U.S. Holocaust Museum; Washington, DC.
- **3/12/2026 – 3/13/2026.** HS Boys Wrestling Team will compete in the State Wrestling Tournament; Boardwalk Hall, Atlantic City, NJ.
- **3/12/2026 – 3/13/2026.** HS Girls Wrestling Team will compete in the State Wrestling Tournament; Boardwalk Hall, Atlantic City, NJ.
- **5/26/2026 (Ratify & Affirm).** MS 8th Grade Students Class Trip; Dorney Park, Allentown, PA.
- **6/4/2026 – 6/5/2026.** MS 7th Grade Class Trip will visit the Constitution Center, Liberty Bell, Carpenter’s Hall and Independence Hall; Philadelphia, PA.

FUNDRAISERS

- **11/26/2025 – 12/10/2025.** HS Boys Basketball will sell custom cornhole boards to raise funds for the Team Banquet and senior gifts.
- **12/10/2025 – 2/28/2026.** HS Girls Basketball will have concession sales at girls’ basketball games to raise funds for the Team Banquet and senior gifts.
- **12/1/2025 – 12/10/2025.** Student Council will collect unwrapped toys to donate to Toys for Tots.
- **1/3/2026 – 1/3/2026.** HS Girls Basketball will host a clinic for youth basketball to raise funds for the Team Banquet and senior gifts.

- **5/1/2026 – 5/15/2026.** HS National Art Honor Society will host a painting class for adults to raise funds to donate to the Food Bank of South Jersey.

OUT-OF-DISTRICT PLACEMENT

- Various placements were approved

EMERGENCY DRILLS/CALLS

School/ Date	Start Time	End Time	Drill
HS 10/09/2025	12:31 PM	12:35 PM	Hold Drill
HS 10/21/2025	8:43 AM	8:52 AM	Hold
HS 10/2/2025	8:15 AM	N/A	Perimeter Check
HS 10/28/2025	1:01 PM	1:10 PM	Fire Drill
HS 10/30/2025	10:59 AM	11:08 AM	Hold
MS 10/16/2025	2:12 PM	2:21 PM	Hold
MS 10/29/2025	1:15 PM	1:22 PM	Fire Drill
MS 10/14/2025	7:40 AM	8:00 AM	Bus Evacuations

POLICY

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

Policy and/or Regulation Number	Policy and/or Regulation Named
R#5440	Honoring Student Achievement
P2530 and R2530	Resource Materials (Revised)
P2535 and R2535	Library Materials (M) (New)
P9130 and R9130	Public Complaints

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:

- **11/14/2025.** Fallon Corcoran and Tori Miller will attend the Gloucester County Reunification Response Team meeting in Sewell, NJ.
- **11/15/2025.** Susan Vance will attend the 86th Annual NJAEP Convention/Workshop in West Orange, NJ.
- **12/2/2025.** Nicole Servais and Emily Virga will attend Strengthening Tier I with AI in Delsea, NJ
- **12/3/2025.** George Ramos and Ken Copeland will attend Intro to Motor Controls in Woodbury, NJ.

- **12/12/2025.** Leslie Miles will attend the New Jersey Association of School Psychologists Winter Conference 2025 in Montclair, NJ.
- **12/15/2025.** Michael Collier will attend the Camden County College Psych Department Dual Credit workshop in Camden, NJ.
- **12/18/2025.** Tiffany Zacharko will attend the virtual Positive Behavior Supports workshop.
- **12/18/2025.** Michele Orr and Michael DiFrancesco will attend the Southern Advisor Meeting (DECA) in Washington Township, NJ.
- **1/6/2026.** Ray Philipp, Tori Miller, Fallon Corcoran, Mairin Schramm and Holly Fisher will attend the Gloucester County Reunification Response Team Meeting in Sewell, NJ.
- **1/23/2026.** Nicole Cammarota will attend the All in for Inclusive Education Conference in Galloway, NJ.
- **3/6/2026.** Emily Virga will attend InSight 2026 | Navigating the NOW in Mansville, NJ.

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING WORKSHOPS

The Board approved the following workshops:

- **12/4/2025.** Nicole Servais will facilitate Data-Driven Instruction in the HS Student Center.

RESEARCH PROJECTS

The Board approved the following research projects:

- None

PROGRAMS AND HANDBOOKS

The Board approved the following Programs and Handbooks:

- Winter Athletic Schedule

SCHOOL CALENDAR

The Board approved the 2026-2027 School Calendar

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 October 31, 2025.

- **Sending Student Tuition Deptford School District 2025-2026.** The Board approved a tuition agreement with Deptford Township School District for the 2025-2026 School Year.
- **To/From Bid 26-002 Award.** The Board awarded a contract for bid 26-002 for to/from school transportation services.
- **Pool Lease with Gloucester County Vo-Tech.** The Board approved a lease with Gloucester County Vo-Tech School District for the use of the pool for our Boys and Girls Swim and Dive Teams to hold practices and meets for the 2025-2026 season.
- **Receiving Tuition Agreements for Students.** The Board approved a tuition agreement with the Lindenwold School District.
- **Transportation Jointure.** The Board approved a transportation jointure with the Lindenwold School District for the 2025-2026 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, December 18, 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>