

# BOARD BRIEF

KINGSWAY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Committed to Excellence



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★ **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 June 25, 2026.**

**ENROLLMENT as of May 31, 2026**

High School	1952
Middle School	907
Out of District	50
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2909</b>

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

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

- Domestic Partner Health Benefit Resolution
- Student Hearings

**PERSONNEL**

**DISTRICT EMPLOYMENT**

**Appointments:**

- Diana Kell (Bus Driver)
- Christina Murphy (Finance Specialist)
- Linda Wallace (Substitute General Café Worker)
- Renee Jastrzembki (Substitute General Café Worker)
- Karen Porreca (Substitute General Café Worker)
- Stefano Bosco (Substitute Custodian)
- Patricia DiBartolo (Substitute Custodian)
- Debra Dilanni (Substitute Custodian)
- Damon Dukes (Substitute Custodian)

- John Lutner (Substitute Custodian)
- Tina Garrett (Substitute Custodian)
- Beverly Brown (Substitute Custodian)
- Suzanne Clarke (Substitute Custodian)
- Cynthia Gardner (Substitute Custodian)
- Nancy Bartling (Substitute Secretary)
- Patricia Knott (Substitute Secretary)
- Christy Mertz (Substitute Secretary)
- Mikaela Fox (Substitute School Nurse)
- Kathleen Mercado (Substitute School Nurse)
- Lindsay Reed (Substitute School Nurse)
- Agnieszka Wiernasz (Substitute School Nurse)
- Catherine Burns (Substitute Nurse)
- Jamie Clement (Substitute Nurse)
- Ryan Erikson (Student Technology-Summer Worker)
- Rhys Smith (Student Technology-Summer Worker)
- Palina Zavuholnik (Student Technology-Summer Worker)

**Resignation:**

- Raymond Philipp (Wellness Counselor)

**Retirement:**

- None

**Schedule “B” and Additional Duty Stipends:**

- [Various positions were approved.](#)

**Leaves of Absence:**

- Susie Woodburn (Administrative Assistant to HR)

**HIGH SCHOOL EMPLOYMENT**

**Appointments:**

- Keenan Cannady (Paraprofessional)
- Vilbert Jolibois (Custodian)
- Tori Lugiano (Teacher of Science)
- Cameryn Martin (Paraprofessional)
- Alyssa Ritchie (Teacher of Science)
- Michael Marquis (LTS – Teacher of Science)
- Lisa Steele (LTS Teacher of Business)

- Eric Fizur (Teacher of Special Education)

#### **Resignation:**

- Nicole Rival (Teacher of Science)
- Joan Carr (General Cafeteria Worker)
- Stephanie Tartaglione (Secretary)
- Ashley Mastrangelo (General Café Worker)
- Robert Barbieri (Teacher of Health & PE)

#### **Retirement:**

- None

#### **Schedule “B” and Additional Duty Stipends:**

- [Various positions were approved.](#)

#### **Leaves of Absence:**

- Denise Dickson (Teacher of Mathematics)
- David Laverty (Teacher of Social Studies)
- Susan Romano (Teacher of Science)
- Patricia Villarreal (Teacher of World Language)

### **MIDDLE SCHOOL EMPLOYMENT**

#### **Appointments:**

- Mary Iovacchini (Teacher of Special Education)
- Mark Montague (Paraprofessional)

#### **Resignation**

- Mary Ann Allen (Paraprofessional)
- Tammy Furber (Paraprofessional)
- Jennifer Fiscaro (Teacher of Special Education)
- Amanda Hannigan (Teacher of Special Education)

#### **Retirement:**

- None

#### **Schedule “B” and Additional Duty Stipends:**

- [Various positions were approved.](#)

#### **Leaves of Absence:**

- Ryann Braverman (Teacher of Special Education)
- William Ewe (Teacher of Health & PE)

### **PRACTICUM, STUDENT TEACHERS, VISITATION & INTERNSHIPS**

- **9/1/2026 – 12/10/2026.** Rebecca Driscoll, Rutgers University School Nurse Internship, Grades 7-8. Cooperating Mentor: Megan Anastasia.
- **9/1/2026 – 12/10/2026.** Jamie Clement, Rowan University, School Nurse Practicum, Grades 9-10. Cooperating Mentor: Kate Richards.
- **9/1/2026 – 12/10/2026.** Mikaela Fox, Rowan University, School Nurse Practicum, Grades 7-8. Cooperating Mentor: Megan Anastasia.

- **7/1/2026 – 9/2/2026.** Israel Ajayi, KRHS, Student Technology Intern. District. Cooperating Mentor: Robert Iacona.

### **RESOLUTION TO ADD DOMESTIC PARTNERS TO HEALTH BENEFITS ELIGIBILITY**

- The Board approved a resolution expanding employee health benefits effective July 1, 2026 to include eligible domestic partners as dependents.

### **EMPLOYMENT CONTRACTS**

The Board approved the following Employment Contracts for the period July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027:

- Sharon Ormsbee, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary
- Patricia Calandro, Assistant Superintendent

### **ANNUAL PERFORMANCE EVALUATION**

- The Board accepts the annual performance evaluation of Superintendent, Dr. James J. Lavender, for the 2025-26 School Year.

### **FIELD/ TRIPS/ASSEMBLIES**

- **6/16/2026 – 6/21/2026.** HOSA International Leadership Conference, Indianapolis, IN.
- **7/2/2026.** The HS NJROTC Color Guard will participate in the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration Parade, East Greenwich, NJ.
- **7/3/2026.** The Marching Band will perform in the 250<sup>th</sup> Independence Day Parade; Philadelphia, PA.
- **7/4/2026.** The NJROTC Drill and Color Guard Team will perform at the 250<sup>th</sup> Independence Day Parade; Philadelphia, PA.
- **7/14/2026.** HS Extended School Year (ESY) Program will have Community-Based Instruction at the East Greenwich Post Office and Classy Cow in Mickleton, NJ.
- **7/15/2026.** MS ESY Program will have Community-Based Instruction at the East Greenwich Post Office and Classy Cow in Mickleton, NJ.
- **7/21/2026.** HS ESY Program will have Community-Based Instruction at Home Depot in Mantua, NJ.
- **7/22/2026.** MS ESY Program will have Community-Based Instruction at Home Depot in Mantua, NJ.
- **7/29/2026.** HS ESY Program will have Community-Based Instruction at ShopRite, Woolwich Twp, NJ.
- **7/29/2026.** MS ESY Program will have Community-Based Instruction at ShopRite, Woolwich Twp, NJ.
- **8/4/2026.** MS/HS ESY Program will have Community-Based Instruction at Fasola Park, Deptford, NJ.

- **8/18/2026 – 8/21/2026.** Cheerleading will attend Cheer Camp, Beach Lake, PA.

**FUNDRAISERS**

- **10/10/2026 – 10/24/2026.** HS Musical will host the KRHS Cabaret to raise funds for musical programs and expenses.

**OUT-OF-DISTRICT PLACEMENT**

- Various placements were approved

**EMERGENCY DRILLS/CALLS**

School/ Date	Start Time	End Time	Drill
MS 05/26/2026	9:45 AM	9:52 AM	Fire Drill
MS 05/29/2026	2:05 PM	2:08 PM	Hold
HS 05/19/2026	11:14 AM	11:15 AM	Hold
HS 05/20/2026	11:30 AM	1:01 PM	Hold
HS 05/29/2026	11:55 AM	12:01 PM	Fire Drill

**POLICY**

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

Policy and/or Regulation Number	Policy and/or Regulation Named
P5200 & R5200	Attendance

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

Policy and/or Regulation Number	Policy and/or Regulation Named
P7510 & R7510	Use of Facility

**PRESENTATIONS:**

- None

**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

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

- **6/4/2026.** Shanyn Enzman will attend Building Thinking Classrooms (BTC) Committee Meeting in Franklinville, NJ.
- **6/16/2026.** Karen Vargas will attend the HOSA International Leadership Conference in Indianapolis, IN.
- **7/14/2026 & 7/15/2026.** Bobbi Havers will attend the AVID Virtual Live – Avid Elective 1: Implementing Fundamentals of Instruction.

- **8/30/2026, 8/4/2026, 8/5/2026 & 8/6/2026.** Jeanine Delaney will attend the Virtual AP Business with Personal Finance Summer Institute (Project-Based Learning Focus).
- **8/5/2026 & 8/6/2026.** Trevor Sharkey will attend the AVID Virtual Live – Community of Practice: Math.
- **7/27/2026 & 7/28/2026.** James Barnshaw will attend AVID Path to Schoolwide: AVID Elective Level 3 in North Brunswick, NJ.
- **8/17/2026, 8/18/2026, 8/19,2026 & 8/20/2026.** Meghan Mattson will attend the Virtual Certificate in Simulation program.

**PROFESSIONAL LEARNING WORKSHOPS**

The Board approved the following workshops:

- None

**CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN**

- The Board adopted a corrective action plan in relation to Kingsway Regional High School’s chronic absenteeism in the 2025-2026 school year.

**RESEARCH PROJECTS**

The Board approved the following research projects:

- None

**PROGRAMS AND HANDBOOKS**

The Board approved the following Programs and Handbooks:

- MS Handbook 2026-2027
- HS Handbook 2026-2027

**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 May 31, 2026.
- **Creation of a Maintenance Reserve Account.** The Board approved a resolution to establish a Maintenance Reserve Account.
- **Property and Casualty Insurance Premiums.** The Board approved property and casualty insurance premiums through Utica National for the period July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027.

- **Lead Testing Statement of Assurance.** The Board approved submission of the Lead Testing Statement of Assurance for the 2025-2026 school year.
- **Wellness Grant Submission.** The Board approved submission of the Schools Health Insurance Fund Wellness Grant.
- **HVAC Bid 26-005.** The Board awarded Bid 26-005 for HVAC Monitoring, Inspecting and Maintenance to Multitemp Mechanical, Inc. for the 2026-2027 school year.
- **Plumbing Quote 26-005.** The Board awarded Quote 26-005 to JJM Plumbing Company for Plumbing Repairs and Supplies for the 2026-2027 school year.
- **ABA Behavioral Consultant Services RFP 27-1004.** The Board awarded the contract for Behavioral Consultant Services to Jump Ahead Pediatrics, LLC effective July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027.
- **Substitute Services RFP 27-1001.** The Board awarded RFP 27-1001 for Substitute Services to ESS Northeast, LLC.
- **Transportation Bid 26-006.** The Board awarded a contract for Bid 26-006 for to/from school transportation services for the 206-2027 school year.
- **Clearview Interlocal Agreement for Borrowing of Buses.** The Board approved an interlocal agreement with Clearview Regional School District Board of Education for 2026-2027 School Year for Borrowing of Buses and Sharing of Drivers.
- **Shared Service Agreements for the Provision of Aid in Lieu of Transportation Services.** The Board approved shared services contracts with the Swedesboro-Woolwich, East Greenwich, and South Harrison Township School Districts to provide aid in lieu of transportation services for the period July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027.
- **Woolwich IT Shared Services Agreement Revision.** The Board approved a revised agreement with Woolwich Township for Information Technology Shared Services beginning July 1, 2026.
- **Remedial Services for Nonpublic IDEA Students Agreement.** The Board approved an agreement with Gloucester County Special Services School District to provide Remedial Services for Nonpublic IDEA Students for the 2026-2027 School Year.
- **Professional Appointments.** The Board appointed professionals for the period July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027.
- **Penns Grove-Carney's Point Joint Purchasing Consortium.** The Board awarded contracts for the Joint Purchasing Consortium for Baked Goods, Ice Cream Products, and Milk, Juice & Dairy Products for the 2026-27 school year.
- **NJ State Funded Programs for Nonpublic School-Affirmation of Consultation.** The Board approved the annual NJDOE required consultation with Guardian Angel Regional School and provision of 2026-2027 State-funded nonpublic school services.
- **2025-2026 ESEA Final Report.** The Board approved the submission of the Kingsway Regional School District's Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) 2025-2026 Grant Final Expenditure Report; and the submission of an amendment to apply carry-over funds.
- **2025-2026 IDEA Grant Final Report.** The Board approved submission of the Kingsway Regional School District's IDEA 2025-2026 Grant Final Expenditure Report; and the submission of an amendment to apply carry-over funds.
- **DSI Medical Services Renewal.** The Board approved renewal of an agreement with DSI Medical Services for Employees with CDL Drug Testing through Gloucester County Consortium for the 2026-2027 school year.
- **Donation of Pollinator Garden.** The Board accepted a donation from Grasso Pollinator Alliance , Inc. for a native pollinator habitat.
- **Transfer of Current Year Surplus to Capital Reserve Account.** The Board approved a year-end transfer of unanticipated surplus general fund balance into the Capital Reserve account; and authorized the School Business Administrator to complete the transfer.
- **Transfer of Current Year Surplus to Maintenance Reserve Account.** The Board approved a year-end transfer of unanticipated general fund surplus into the Maintenance Reserve account; and authorized the School Business Administrator to complete the transfer.
- **LearnWell Agreement.** The Board approved the agreement with LearnWell for Virtual Teaching Services for the 2026-2027 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, July 23, 2026, in person in the District Office Conference Room and begins at 6:30 p.m.