

Newsletter <sup>December</sup> 2020



## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

#### Dear Parent/Guardians:

My original thought was to start this newsletter by congratulating everyone for making it to December without having to go full remote. Last Tuesday (11/24), the Health Department in conjunction with the Trumbull County Schools determined that the continued spiral of Covid cases was detrimental in keeping schools open. The county schools opted to go fully remote until January 4, 2021. This decision can/may change, but our district will continue to follow the decisions of our Health Department.

I would like to remind everyone that during this remote phase there are no cohorts, every student is expected to log on every day M-F. If anyone is looking for our remote/ red plan it can be found on the LaBrae website and/or I provided a link on my Final Forms email that I have sent out. Every teacher will be taking attendance each period throughout the school day and that attendance is reported to our middle school office. During the remote phase there will be some bumps in the transitional period, but these bumps will be worked out most likely within the first few days.

I would like to thank all the parents within the district for their help in monitoring their children's overall health. This has enabled us to keep the school as safe possible. We will also need your continued support in helping us make sure your children log on on a daily basis. We were all middle school students at some point in our lives and realize the potential of temptations/opportunities remote learning can provide. If you need to know if a student was in attendance all day, you can email us and we will be happy to provide that information to you. Any support that you can provide to us will be greatly appreciated.

I would also like to remind our e-Learners that the semester ends on January 22, 2021. At this time, you will have the option to return to school at LaBrae or remain online. There are currently 40 middle school students that are online. I receive weekly progress reports on the work those learners are doing in comparison to the work that is required. The latest report suggests that many of those students are struggling, disengaged, idle, or have shut down. I strongly encourage those students/parents to return to the classroom, and we will make room for you in a safe environment. I don't know what the future holds for us during this pandemic, but we need to make the best of the situation as safely as possible.

Having said all of this I hope you enjoy your holiday season with your families, be careful, and stay safe. I shall see everyone next year in 2021. MLK.

# Mr. Martin Kelly, Principal

### Students of the month

# <u>6th</u>

Christian Kerber Madelynn Hurst <u>7th</u> Makayla Scruggs Tommy Beck <u>8th</u> Shahd Arar Jerry Benner



### **Important Dates**

Last Day of School	12/18
School Resumes	01/04
No School MLK Day	01/18
Report Cards	
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