



# LaBrae Intermediate

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## Newsletter

February 2014

*News to keep you informed about our school*

### From the Attendance Department:

Attendance is a very important aspect of your child's education. Many times parents fail to realize the number of days missed. It must be pointed out that attendance may be used as a basis for promotion or retention. LaBrae Board Policy states: A student who is absent from school more than nine ( 9 ) days in one semester, or more than eighteen (18) days in one year would be subject to loss of credit respectively. All absences, whether excused or unexcused, and suspensions will be counted. **We request that parents notify the school by telephone (330-898-4569) the morning of the absence and follow up with a written excuse.** It is the responsibility of the student to obtain make-up work following an absence. **There will be a 2% reduction of the nine-weeks grades for each day unexcused or suspended. A call or note from the parents must be received within a 24 hour period to excuse an absence.**

### Parent/Teacher Conferences

We will be holding conferences on Tuesday, February 11, 2014 & Thursday, February 13, 2014. Please call (330) 898-4569 to schedule an appointment with one or all of your child's teachers.

**OHIO ACHIEVEMENT TESTS** will be administered **April 28 - May 8th, 2014** to all L.I.S. students. Students have or soon will be participating in Achievement Test Reviews and taking Practice Achievement Tests. Practice work is assigned **every night** in the form of reviewing what was covered in class each day even if there is not written work to complete!

**Attendance during the weeks of testing is necessary !**

### News from our School Nurse

Cold and flu season is here. Just a reminder that if your child is ill, please keep them at home until they are free from fever, vomiting, or diarrhea for a full 24 hours. This will go a long way in helping to minimize the spread of illness. Also, please reinforce good hand washing and covering those coughs and sneezes! Also, if your child will need cough drops, please send them to school with a note. Thank You for your help and cooperation!

The Trumbull County Health Department offers four programs for expectant mothers or parents with children up to three years old. All programs are parent education oriented with home visits, age appropriate activities for children and families, activities to enhance parenting skills, developmental screenings and access & referral to community agencies that may be of assistance to the family. If interested contact the Trumbull County Health Department at 330-675-2590, option #3 and ask about the Parents as Teachers Program.

Ms. Milajeane Harkabus  
Principal  
And  
Mrs. Darla Arnold  
Secretary

## LIS Spelling Bee:

Home rooms held their classroom Spelling Bees in January. Each classroom champion spellers participated in our school Spelling Bee on Thursday, January 23, 2014, at 1:45 p.m. in the Auditorium.

Our Spelling Bee 1st Place winner was Elaina Phillips, 2nd Place was Brycen Klotzbach and 3rd Place went to Connor Bailey. Elaina will go on to the County Spelling Bee which will be held on March 10, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. in our school auditorium.

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## Club 24:

The Regional Challenge 24 Tournament will be held on Tuesday, February 18, 2014 at 6:00 pm in the Chestnut Room at Kilcawley Center on the campus of Youngstown State University. We have the following students who will be participating in this tournament:: Jordan McCartney, David Duffy, Joshua Wood, Ethan Davis and Connor Meyer. Good Luck to all of these students!!

Please contact Mrs. Suzelis at [kay.suzelis@neomin.org](mailto:kay.suzelis@neomin.org) if you have any questions.

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## JUMP ROPE FOR HEART ASSOCIATION:

Our school is proud to partner with the American Heart Association to help kids with special hearts! **Jump Rope for Heart** event will take place on:

February 19–25, 2014 during gym class with Mrs. Simeone.

Collection envelopes must be turned in to Mrs. Brandt by Friday, February 28, 2014.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS:

February 11 & 13, 2014—Parent/Teacher Conferences 4-7:30 pm.  
Call 330-898-4569 to schedule an appt.

February 12, 2014—5th Grade Band Concert at 6:30 pm.

February 13, 2014—Jump Rope for Heart Assembly at 2:45 pm.

February 14–18, 2014—NO SCHOOL for Students due to Conference Day, President's Day and Staff Prof. Development Day.

February 18, 2014—Challenge 24 Tournament at YSU at 6:00 pm.

February 21, 2014—Interims Go Home

February 28, 2014—Jump Rope for Heart Money Due Back

