



## LaBrae High School – "Home of the Vikings"

### IMPORTANT DATES:

#### NOVEMBER

- Soccer Banquet - November 3
- Report Cards - November 4
- Volleyball Banquet - November 7
- Cross Country Banquet - November 10
- Make-Up Picture Day  
November 16
- TCTC Sophomore Tour  
November 16
- ASVAB (11th Grade)  
November 22
- HAPPY THANKSGIVING  
No School - November 23 - 25

#### DECEMBER

- Interims - December 7
- Winter Drama Play - December 10
- Winter Band Concert (High School)  
December 15
- National Honor Society Induction  
December 20
- CHRISTMAS BREAK  
No School - Dec. 22-Jan. 2, 2017

#### JANUARY

- Classes Resume - January 3
- End of 1st Semester/Early Release  
January 13
- TCTC Career Day (Sophomores)  
January 26
- Martin Luther King Day  
No School - January 16
- Teacher Professional Dev. Day  
No School - January 17
- Report Cards - January 20

**ROBOVIKES**  
LABRAE ROBOTICS  
After school on Wednesdays.  
See Mr. Slika for more info.



**Snow will be flying soon.**  
**Ski Club sign ups in Room 921.**  
**See Mrs. Kovac-Silvers for details.**

**Good luck to our  
Viking Winter Sports Teams!**

Basketball  
Bowling



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### Envirothon Team Competes at Nationals

The Envirothon team competed this summer in the 2016 North American Envirothon in Peterborough, Canada, and placed eighth out of 52 teams in the event. The team included Maddie Cope, Caleb Hineman, Joseph Jaros, Alexis Nubani and Tessa Smith. In June, the team took first at the Ohio state competition, which earned them the right to participate in the North American competition. Fifty-two teams from the United States and Canada competed. For the first time, a team from China also competed. The team had been together for three years and had competed twice at the North American Envirothon. Their first National competition was in 2015 in Missouri, where they placed 19th. Great job, team!

### #TannerTuff & #SkylarStrong

Sophomore Tanner Noble from LaBrae High School was diagnosed with Thyroid Cancer his Freshman year. Fifth-grader Skylar Scarnecchia from Champion Schools was diagnosed with Synovial Sarcoma, a rare type of cancer in August. Rival schools came together at the LaBrae vs. Champion football game on September 23rd. LaBrae students wore "Tanner Tuff" shirts and Champion students wore "SkylarStrong" shirts in support of their battling journey. At the end of the first quarter, students from LaBrae and Champion gathered in the end zone to have a group picture taken and to present a banner to Skylar and Tanner to show their support.

If you would like to further your support of Tanner and Skylar, go to GoFundMe.com and search their name. It was amazing to see two communities coming together for one cause. No one should ever fight alone.



Champion & LaBrae students supporting Skylar & Tanner

### SADD Members being active in Community

SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions) members took part in the Rally for Recovery walk on September 24th in downtown Warren at the Amphitheater. They walked in memory of those suffering from addiction and those who have lost their battle with addiction.

SADD, along with students and staff from LaBrae, took part in Unity Day on October 19th, which was a day where everyone united against bullying.

Red Ribbon Week was held October 24-28th. This week brought awareness of alcohol, tobacco, and other drug and violence prevention to students. During Red Ribbon Week students dressed up according to the theme for that day.

### Homecoming

Homecoming was held on September 24th. The theme was, "The Wizard of Oz". The homecoming court consisted of freshman attendants, Sydney Pearce and Nathaniel Ostas, sophomore attendants, Laura Armstrong and Tanner Noble, junior attendants, Jennifer Ha and Joe Cusimano, senior attendants, Brittany Stassinis, Michaela Rowland, Haylie Kiser, Caleb Hineman, Brady Sampson, and Tommy Parker. Brady Sampson and Haylie Kiser were crowned King and Queen at the football pre-game ceremony Friday night. The DJ, Brian Shanower started out the night with a great selection of songs. Everyone danced and visited the photo booth many times. This year's homecoming was a success!

### Fall 2016 Issue

### Coach Downey's 100th Win!

When the whistle blew, Coach was happy to know that the girls program has continuously improved and just had their 100th win for the program. She has always wanted to push each team to its highest level and be competitive in every game. She always tries to instill in each player that you need to practice like it's a game. Each player has contributed to the 100th win. Her goal for years to come is to keep building the program and make each year's team more competitive.

### New Teachers:

#### Señora Fee

Since Señora Fee has returned to LaBrae, she has noticed several new teachers. Those teachers being Mr. Coxe, Ms. Moore, and Ms. Farone. Otherwise, the school has remained unchanged. She has returned after a four year absence because of the opportunity and familiarity provided by LaBrae. She sees herself staying with us for the rest of her career and until her retirement.

#### Ms. Farone

We asked her a few questions, relating to her job. The first question was, What influenced your decision to come and teach at LaBrae? "Being a sub here before, I knew it was a great district and wanted to be part of it." What are the major differences between LaBrae and the last school you taught? "Students are more well behaved and there are more resources available to me for teaching." Does your mother teaching in the same district as you make an impact on your job? "It pushes me to do more than I think I can because she's here, and I don't want to make her look bad." Do you plan on staying at LaBrae? "Absolutely!" If you could change one thing about your job, what would it be? "Politics." I don't like how all the politics are thrown at us as teachers from our state government, and how much it interferes with our jobs.