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## Ms. Milajean Harkabus Principal And

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## A Message from the Principal

It's hard to believe that December is already here. It seems like yesterday that we were making sure that the students were wearing the appropriate length shorts! Suddenly it seems, our concern has changed to making sure the students are dressed appropriately for colder temperatures. Please be sure your child comes to school with hats, gloves and warm jackets, as they will need them both at the bus stop and at recess daily.

Thank you to all of our students and parent volunteers who helped with our Fall fundraiser. With your help the event was a success.

I have also shared an additional Principal's Message this month on page 3 of our newsletter to keep you informed of changes being made to our Ohio Learning Standards. As always, please feel free to contact me with any questions you may have.

On behalf of the LaBrae Intermediate staff, we would like to wish you a very Happy, Healthy and Safe Holiday Season!!!



## Holiday Celebration

On Friday, December 20th, our students will be treated to a special progressive holiday party in their classrooms.

#### Giving Tree

A Christmas Giving Tree will be placed in our office. We are asking students to bring in hats, gloves & scarves to place in a box by our tree.

All donated items will go to needy families in our community. Thank you in advance for your generosity.



#### Challenge 24 Tournament:

The annual Trumbull County Challenge 24 Tournament was held on November 20, 2013 at Warren G. Harding School.

Congratulations to <u>ALL</u> students who participated in the county Challenge 24 Tournament.

**The 4th Grade Team Members were**: Ethan Davis, Joshua Wood, David Duffy, Jordan McCartney and alternate Brady Mocella.

The 5th Grade Team Members were: Connor Meyer, Austin Stassinis, Jacob McCartney, Mara Kujala and alternate Cole Faler.

All four members of the 4th grade team made it to the semi-final round. <u>Jordan McCartney</u> advanced to the final round and took <u>3rd place in the overall tournament for the county.</u>

<u>Connor Meyer</u> from the 5th grade team made it to the semi-final round and advanced to the final round to take <u>3rd place in the overall county tournament.</u>

Congratulations to our Club 24 Team and Advisors: Mrs. Meeks, Miss Marcinko and Mrs. Suzelis.







#### **LaBrae Elementary Booster Meeting:**

The meeting is cancelled for December.

#### **LIBRARY NEWS:**

Mrs. Shanower would like to extend a big "THANK YOU" to all staff, students and parents who purchased from our Scholastic Book Fair!! Thanks to all of you, our book fair was successful. This enables us to purchase new books for the library.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

November 26, 2013—Fall Fundraiser Award Assembly at 2:45 pm - 4th Grade Swimming Last Class & Parents Day

December 2—10, 2013—3rd Grade Dental Sealants (Except on Wednesdays)

December 13, 2013 - **Progress Reports Go Home**- Market Day Orders Due

December 14, 2013—Breakfast with Santa 9:00 am-12:00 pm in Complex Cafeteria

December 19, 2013—Market Day Pickup 4-5 at Bascom

December 20, 2013—Progressive Party Last Day of the Year for Students

December 23, 2013—January 3, 2014—Winter Break (NO SCHOOL)

## Return to School on Jan. 6, 2014

Have a safe and happy holiday from the Staff at LaBrae Intermediate School!!







#### A SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

# Ohio is Moving to New Education Standards This is what it means for our school.

What parent doesn't want his or her child to enter adult life prepared to take on the world? That's why you have your child in a school you trust.

But the world our children will live in will be much different than the one we have known. That is why Ohio is updating the curriculum standards that outline the knowledge and skills students need to have in key subjects in every grade.

Ohio and 44 other states have volunteered to adopt "Common Core State Standards" in math and English languages arts. Ohio also has written its own new standards in science and social studies.

What are education standards? They help teachers ensure that their students have the skills and knowledge they need to be successful by providing clear goals for student learning. Standards do not tell teachers *how* to teach, but they do help educators identify the knowledge and skills their students should have so teachers can build the best lessons and environments for their classrooms.

Teachers at LaBrae Intermediate School, are analyzing the standards now so we can put them into action by the fall of 2014. What does this mean for your student?

- Your child will be studying fewer topics within each subject, but drilling deeper into each to gain more understanding.
- Your child will be carrying well-understood key concepts from grade to grade to broaden and build on his or her knowledge.
- Your child will learn to relate key ideas from math, science, language arts and social studies to real-life situations.
- Your child's teacher will be using more in-depth teaching methods and getting frequent measurements of how your child is doing.

I encourage you as a parent to visit the National Parent Teacher Association website at <a href="http://www.pta.org/4446.htm">http://www.pta.org/4446.htm</a> for more information and guides on how to support your child's learning under the Common Core State Standards. I also invite you to watch a brief video from the Ohio Department of Education that explains more about why the state is updating its standards. You can see *Higher Expectations for a Brighter Future: Ohio's New Learning Standards* at <a href="https://www.youtube.com/ohioeddept">www.youtube.com/ohioeddept</a>.

Standards are a first step – a key building block – in helping us to continue providing our young people with a high-quality education that will prepare them for success in college and work. Most importantly, the hard work of our dedicated teaching staff and the continued support of parents will ensure that our children enjoy the bright future we all want for them.

### Honor Roll- LaBrae Intermediate:

#### 3rd Grade

Zachary Nyitrai

Krish Patel

Haley Hall

Brynley Harris\*

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Daisha Ainsley	Cassady Prokop	Bryson Harris	Allison Rowe	Jacob McCartney
Cobey Airwyke	Aiden Rader	Jhamir Hayes	Matthew Rudkin	Michael McCartney
Ethan Ancell	Jacob Rhoten	Joshua Hinkle	Jordan Savon	Cailin McCleary*
Cheyenne Armstrong	William Salsgiver	David Homan	Caleb Simmons	Lenox McConaughey
Connor Bailey*	Baylor Sampson	Nathaniel Huynh	Aidan Stephens	Nadia McCoy
Evan Bailey	Kennedy Sanderson	Kathryn Johnson*	David Stottlemire	Marc McKelvey
Amira Barnhart	Keith Smith*	Madison Killebrew	Madison Thomas*	Michelle McWilliams
Courtney Bates	Clayton Stout	Jordyne Kimple	Gabriel Tilton	Helena Meeks*
Madison Bates*	Leah Thomas	Tiffani King	Gabriella Tilton	Connor Meyer*
Marcus Boyd*	Kira Thornton	Brycen Klotzbach*	Sebastian Tulanko	Abrianna Miller
Kalayah Bradley	Riley Tinker	Mason Koch	Joshua Wood*	Bethany Nowak*
Logan Butcher-Riley	Lynzee Williams	Noah Kolat	5th Grade	Allison Pawcio
Haileigh Cessna	Amanda Wilson	Jonathon Koski	Leah Ackerman	Isaac Perks
Alyssa Chaney	Aubree Yocum	Lucas Lancaster	Desirae Allen	Rylee Pettry
Laci Davis	4th Grade	Amelia Mahan	Ian Bailey	Elainia Phillips*
Alivia Dillon	Amber Arnold	Elizabeth Mann	Christopher Bennett	Colin Price
Emmanuel Elias	Destiny Bennett	Aniya May	Jordyn Bills	Jenna Reppart
Isabella Ferraro	Julie Bianco	Hannah McCartney	Breeanna Bucci	BriAnna Saner
Clarence Fox III*	Andria Bockelman	Jordan McCartney	Cierra Burchett-Norquist	Austin Stassinis
Matthew Grimm	Trinity Brooks	Cadence McKenzie	Valerie Canann	Mikaela Thompson
Jasmine Ha*	Mykalia-Denyse Bryant	Cynthia McKnight*	Chanda Clay	Zachary Veselich
Eric Heeter	Chelsey Burchett	Aidan McManus	Joshua Collins	Jacob Weber
Trinity Johnson	Kristen Clover	Braden Mocella	Seth Conley	Jeremy Williams
Dale Khlem	Dominic Cremeans	Ashley Monroe	Kristen Corvin	Erich Winkleman
Madyson King	Dominic Cummins	Samuel Moxley	Taylor Cullison	
Mia Lee	Riley Davidson	Connor Natali	Cole Faler*	
Kaden Lippert	Ethan Davis*	Alivia Ochsenbine	Brandon Fenton*	*All A's—4.0
Brian Litz	Lindsey DeArmitt	Sarah Ochsenbine	Gabriel Fortney	
Anthony Machingo	Logan DeArmitt	Allessaundra O'Malley	Damian George	
Luke Marsh	David Duffy*	Melia Patterson	Hayley Hebrock	5
Laura McCoy	Zaidan Flanigan	Adam Pettry	Emily Hyland*	
Zachery Mikesell*	Taren Frazier	Noah Pettry	Aniya Johnson	44
Fiona Nicholas*	Jacob Frederick	Lauren Phillips	Molly Jones	
Jacob Nowak	Matthew Goldner	Nicholas Pieper	Nathaniel Kopp	APA I
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Summer Pumphrey

Nelli Richardson

Mara Kujala

Colin Maloney

