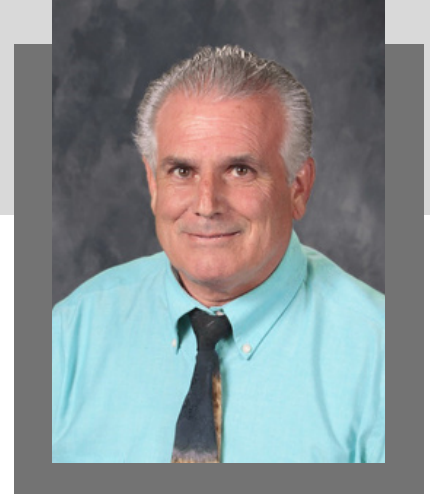




Message from Principal Kelly



Dear Parents/Guardians:

December has arrived! December is the shortest month of the school year with students in attendance 13 days before Christmas break. This time of the year the school calendar also begins to fill up with practices, concerts, families starting their shopping, and preparing for family gatherings. Throughout all of this we still expect students to attend and continue learning at school.

The middle school recently held an assembly by grade level with the help of the Family Court (JJC). The representatives used the much needed topic of Internet/Social Media Safety as their materials. The topic discussed included sexting, bullying, and other dangers associated with using social media in an inappropriate manner. The information presented included actual cases that went to court, along with the legal ramifications that students can face if they engage in these activities. The information was very informative and useful for our students. Many students/adults believe that they can use social media/cell phones to say whatever they want to say. Many times, especially with students, there is little if any thought given to the consequences of doing these types of things. The assembly included videos, news clips, and discussions. The students were very attentive and had numerous questions.

I hope everyone enjoys the holiday season and gets some time to spend with family and friends. Pay attention to the news for inclement weather.

Don't forget about the middle school band concert on December 14th at 7:00 pm. Stay safe, enjoy your holiday, and I'll see you next year.

Mr. Martin Kelly, Principal
Grades 6-7-8

Meet our 7th- and 8th-grade, 2021-22 Power of the Pen team



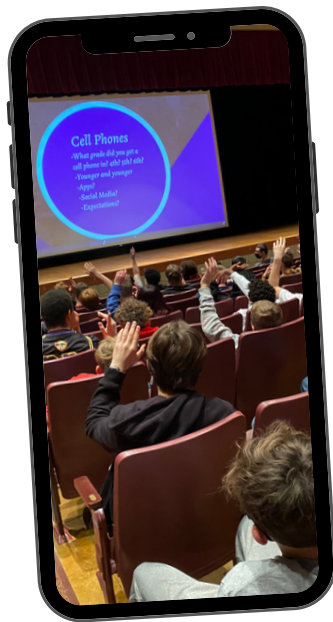
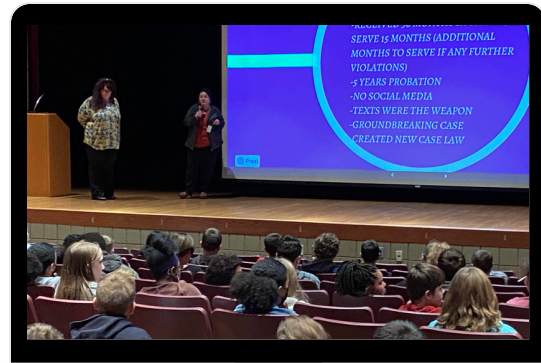
The Power of the Pen is a leading interscholastic program in written expression and includes tournament competitions for young writers throughout Ohio. Power of the Pen provides an opportunity to meet and compete in three levels of formal competition. These competitions include a district, regional, and state level. It is designed for writers at the 7th and 8th grade. Students must tryout to earn a position on the writing team.



OUR TEAM- 7th Grade: Cayman Haynie, Sophia Pence, Hailey Mann, Angel Drnek, Kyndra Chabek, Riley Rowe. 8th Grade: Guy Sewell, Ava Cruse, Kendra Young, Noah Nubani, Nevaeah Davis, Caleb Hudak, and Makenzie Lichty (not pictured).

School Counselor Connection

Mrs. Wilthrew



STUDENT INTERNET MATTERS

In November, students in grades 6-9 attended an Internet/Social Media Safety assembly.

The purpose of this assembly was to educate students about dangers involved in sending and receiving inappropriate texts as well as the legal ramifications of their actions.

Students were engaged and asked a lot of questions!

Special thanks to the following guest speakers from the Trumbull County Juvenile Courts:

- Jolene Calderone,
- Christine Prelee
- Joseph Consiglio

They provided our students important information on a topic that kids are faced with everyday and have to make decisions about.

PARENT RESOURCES

The Know Parent Tip newsletter ([found at the link here](#)) is published by Prevention Action Alliance and provides information to parents trying to help their student(s) handle stress.

You can find:

- Stress Management Strategies
- Free Apps to download on a phone or other device
 - Headspace / Calm / MyLife



STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to our LaBrae Middle School November 2021 students of the month!

We are proud of our students' accomplishments.

GRADE 6

**Brenna McCleary
Garrett Sullinger**

GRADE 7

**Lyla Pettry
Robert Levensky**

GRADE 8

**Kendra Young
Nathan Lutz**



Important Dates

Interims12/9

Last day of school.....12/21

School resumes..... 01/3

No school: MLK Day..... 01/17



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