

## P2 at Work

In Mrs. Evans' class, 5th graders have been getting in the fall spirit! During the Positivity Project character trait week of creativity, students worked to become fluent writers and build writing stamina during EL. For this fun fall activity, students incorporated creativity from P2 and writing fluency from EL. They were asked to use their creative minds to turn an ordinary leaf into a new image and write a story about it to practice writing fluency. This is one creative group of students!



## *Holiday Recess*

Monday, December 23, 2019  
through Friday, January 3, 2020.



# Walberta Park & Cherry Road Schools

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## Kindergarten Garden

Walberta's 2018-2019 kindergartners planted a variety of plants in our courtyard garden. The students and staff members enjoyed eating cherry tomatoes, looking at the varieties of sunflowers and seeing pumpkins grow. This year, the garden produced enough pumpkins for every classroom to have at least one! Here are a few of Mrs. Merritt's students with a bit of our harvest.



## Fire Department Visit

The Onondaga Fire Department was kind enough to take time out of their busy schedules to talk to kindergarten classes about fire safety. The students learned about having an escape plan, what to do if trapped in a fire and also how to stop, drop and roll if their clothing is on fire. At the end of the presentation, students had the opportunity to climb into the back seat of a fire engine!



## Fitness Fridays

This fall, our Fitness Fridays continue with YogaKids. The Site Based Team is pleased to have Midge Regier return to teach the classes. The yoga classes help the children to focus on mindfulness, flexibility, coordination, body awareness and calmness. What a wonderful way to start the day!



## What's New with P2?

Cherry Road spreads positivity everyday! Diving right into the 24 character strengths, CRS continues to send the message that OTHER PEOPLE MATTER. What exactly have the students and staff been doing you ask? The first P2 Team Time was a success as Mrs. Ziober taught Principal King the P2 ropes and what the Positivity Project is all about. Mr. King even got his matching green t-shirt! What fun! P2 Team Time #2 was filled with teamwork, humor, open-mindedness and tons of enthusiasm as the entire school attempted the hula-hoop chain. 400 students + 60 adults = a whole lot of fun and smiles. Family P2 Projects are another big hit this year. CRS students were put to the test with the Creativity Challenge during creativity week. At home, screen time was put aside as students let their creative juices flow. The amazing and creative ideas the kids came up with were inspiring. Another Family Project is The Tree of Gratitude. During the two weeks when CRS will learn about gratitude, families will be "growing" a special tree of their own to show what they are thankful for. These trees will line the halls of CRS for all to appreciate. Last but not least, CRS students will be showing their character strengths with their very first service project. Teaming up with WEST, students will roll up their sleeves and get their hands "dirty" by helping out with the coat drive. Second, third and fourth graders will help with sorting, folding, boxing, helping load all the items and making cards for children who are less fortunate. CRS is so excited to help others when they struggle and show their kindness. Way to go Cherry Road. You are inspiring positivity one smile at a time!

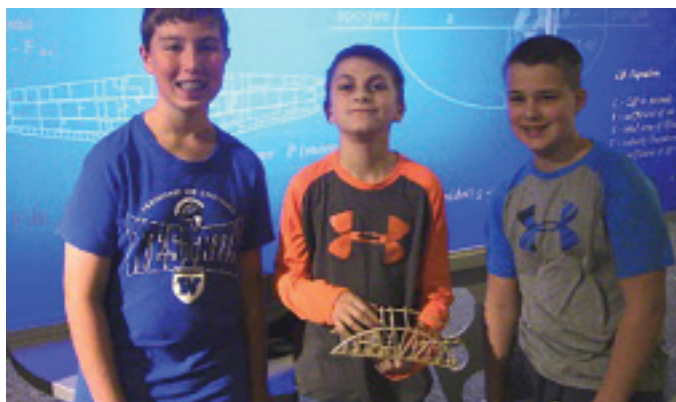


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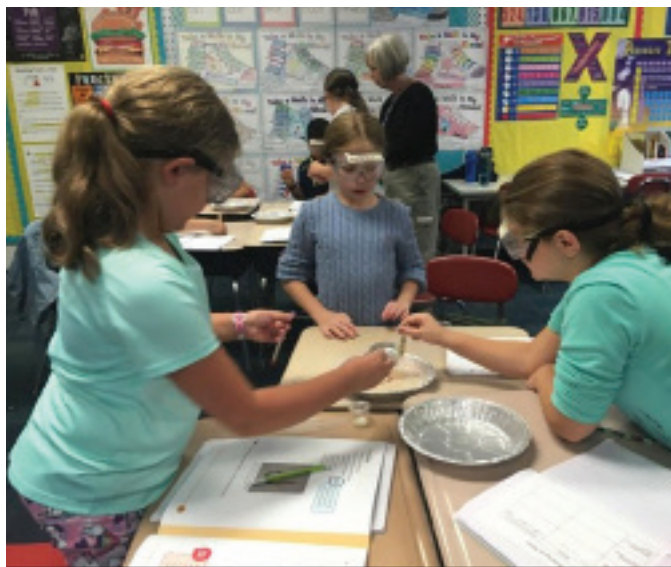
## Build'em & Bust'em

On Saturday, November 8, a team of 7th and 8th grade students competed in the annual CNY Build'em & Bust'em Bridge Competition, which was held at the MOST here in Syracuse. This year's team included Cade Caloia, Owen Maines and Eli Juman. The boys spent 3 weeks designing and building their bridge to prepare for the competition. The results of the competition are based on the efficiency rating, which is obtained dividing the live load, the weight which was applied during the testing and by the dead load, which is the weight of the bridge itself. The OHMS team competed with more than 30 other teams in CNY. Congratulations for a job well done!



## Smithsonian Science Units

Fifth graders have been enjoying our new Smithsonian Science unit. They have been working cooperatively to identify materials based on their properties. In this lesson, they worked together to carry out an investigation in which they made lip balm to answer the focus question, "How do heating and cooling affect materials?".



## French Club News

On Friday, September 27 and Thursday, October 3, the French Club held its first Pétanque Tournament. Pétanque is a game that originated in the South of France. The aim is to toss metal balls or "boules" as close as possible to a small wooden ball. The French Club had 8 teams, representing students from all 4 grade levels. It was an exciting competition, but in the end, there could only be one team who would take home the crown. Our winners were Mak Kurgan, Kyle Andrella and Shane Yockell. Also, worth mentioning is our 2nd place winners Brahim Altheblah, Dan Young, Charlie Judge and Kaylee Goral (Kaylee subbed for Dan). Congratulations to our competitors!



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## Students of the Month

### September

5th Grade: Gavin Butler is always doing the right thing in school. He's genuinely a caring and kind student with peers and adults. He goes above and beyond with his schoolwork and is a great role model both academically and socially for those around him. His positive attitude and participation in the classroom are always appreciated.

6th Grade: Max Cowin is the most focused and polite student. He is kind to all of his peers and gives 100% effort every day. Max is always thinking ahead and of others.

7th Grade: Emily Taylor is kind, sweet and hard working. She has gone out of her way to make new students at OHMS feel comfortable.

8th Grade: Lily Young is a hard-working student who brings her enthusiasm to everything she does. She shows leadership and fairness when working with others, and is respectful and kind to both her peers and her teachers. Her attitude, both inside the classroom and out, shows that she believes that other people matter.



### October

5th Grade: Eva Soule is super sweet, nice to classmates, and always demonstrates respect to others and is very conscientious in her work. She made a smooth transition to the middle school and quickly learned the benefits of organizational skills and good study habits.

6th Grade: Kayleigh King always comes prepared to class and is a very hard worker. She is always asking questions to gain more knowledge and a deeper understanding of the material. Kayleigh always has a positive outlook.

7th Grade: Sabri Thabet is kind, respectful and always has a smile on his face. He is always willing to help others without hesitation and maintains a positive attitude.

8th Grade: Mak Kurgan is good student who is cooperative, patient, and works well in the classroom. He helps others, is kind, polite and good-natured.



## Healthy Choices Week

October 15 -18 was Healthy Choices Week at OHMS. The theme this year was "choosing healthy responsibilities opens up a whole new world of possibilities". Each day, we started out with a healthy physical activity to get the day started. Students tried yoga, African dance, zumba and hip hop dancing. Students also participated in a slogan contest for next year's theme, and the winning homeroom celebrated with a pizza party! Students enjoyed popcorn and a showing of *Aladdin* after school and celebrated healthy choices in our first pep rally of the school year. During the pep rally, students were recognized for participation in clubs and sports, the band played and homerooms competed in "Minute to Win It" games. Mr. Erwin isn't recognizable as he's wrapped in toilet paper for a minute to win it game. It was a great week that focused on positive choices and school spirit!





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## Art Room Happenings

Mrs. Feyerabend's 5th grade artists have recently created some very lively and inventive art. Students a folk art style piece, called a "Mola," which is a highly patterned, layered and sewn design, created by the Kuna Indians of the San Blas Archipelago, Panama. They then used paper and brightly colored paint to replicate the Mola style. The artists were then tasked with building their Molas into 3-D cardboard sculptures, with the limitation of no adhesives. Distress was soon replaced with "aha moments." The students had to problem solve their way to a finished sculpture with the help of staplers, string, paper fasteners, pressure fitting and slotting cardboard together.



The 6th graders in Mrs. Feyerabend's art classes examined a collection of Mexican Nichos to inspire their artwork. This lovely art form is depicted as a shadow box with decorative elements that tell a story. The students listed 15+ personal details and utilized at least 10-15 for their Mexican Nichos. The artists drew, painted, used clay, fabric, wire and printed material, as well as a variety of found objects. The outcome was very personal and unique!



## Halloween Party

On the evening of October 25, nearly 300 sixth, seventh and eighth grade students attended the OHMS Halloween Party. The middle school was nearly unrecognizable thanks to the creative efforts of parent volunteers who decorated hallways, the cafeteria and gymnasium into a spooky Halloween landscape. Musical entertainment was provided by DJ Winkler and activities included a giant blow-up human foosball game, a costume contest with multiple categories, whip-cream eating contest, fortune-teller, henna art station, limbo contest and numerous carnival type games ensuring fun and prize opportunities for everyone.



# OHMS Quarter 1 Honor Roll 2019–2020

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## Grade 8 High Honor

Allahar, Gabrielle  
Allen, Bridget Claire  
Altheblah, Ayesha  
Altheblah, Hasan  
Borne, Gavin Reed  
Caloia, Cade Anthony  
Campanella, Jack Salvatore  
Carfagno, Sophia Ann  
Carroll, Alden  
Cassoni, Allyssa  
Cognato, Nina Grace  
Cottrell, Catherine Grace  
Curriden, Morgan Cameron  
DeMore, Charles  
Deno, Peyton James  
Dimovski, Sofia Maria  
Enriquez, Grace Isabel  
Formica, Lauren Elizabeth  
Goodness, Hannah Grace  
Gratien, Joshua Daniel  
Gray, Gracelyn  
Gross, Adriana Jane  
Herrera, Elle Madison  
Hogan, Jameson Patrick  
Johnson, Isabella Marie  
Kleberg IV, David Dean  
Kleberg, Elena Rose  
Knohl, Caitlyn Frances  
Knohl, Connor Anthony  
Knoll, Caroline Olivia  
Kohanski, Morgan Emily  
Korrie, Alexa  
Lancette, Alison Taylor  
Lopez, Cameron James  
Mahar, Owen Michael  
McClave, Miley Andra  
McGlynn, Grace Elizabeth  
McPeak, Benjamin Alfred  
McPeak, Elizabeth Josephine  
Medeiros Jr., Steven John  
Menon, Caroline Olivia  
Menon, Myra Sophie  
Mueller, Elizabeth Joy  
Nagraj, Luciana Elizabeth  
O'Reilly, Andrew Pierce  
Paetow, Emma  
Pens, Grady Alwyn  
Pettiford, Ni'Jhay Nichelle  
Plochocki, Alexander Vercingetorix  
Ramsden-Tyler, Savannah Rose  
Rewakowski, Mary Katherine  
Rinaldi, Emily Elizabeth  
Rogers, Kathleen Margaret  
Roth, Helaina Elizabeth  
Sainsbury, Katelyn Rose  
Sanborn, Kemery Elizabeth  
Schneider, Brynn

Smithers, Samuel Thomas  
Smyth, Shay Thomas  
Spasevski, Gianna Isabella  
Stanton, Jane Catherine  
Stiner, Mia Stephanie  
Stiner, William Patrick  
Suddaby, Jackson William  
Taylor, Veronica  
Terek, Julianna Marie  
Thompson, Molly Katharine  
Thornton, Ellie Grace  
Tjaden, Hannah Lynn  
White, Azaria  
Wilsch, Emma Kathleen  
Young, Isabel  
Zawadzki, Dominic Joseph  
Zema, Rose Marie  
Zollo, Lauren Marie

## Grade 8 Honor

Amorese, Vincent Stefan  
Battista, Megan Elizabeth  
Brunson, Jason Benjamin  
Burdick, Bryce Griffith  
Clarry, Adam  
Craven, Ryley  
Curley, Logan John  
Dacko, Alexander Vladimir  
Darling, Damon Lukas  
DeSanto, Emma  
Dillabough, Trey Walker  
Donadio, Olivia Caitlin  
Edlund, Shamus Vincent  
Etol, Owen Charlie  
Evans, Rachel Maffei  
Falcone, Taylor Kathleen  
Fanelli, Michael Paul  
Finnerty II, Sean P.  
Gacek, Chloe Genevieve  
Ireland, Mason Alan  
Johnston, Brendan Augustine  
Kaczor, Carrie Grace  
Kurgan, Michael Albert  
Lasher, Ava Mary  
Leonardo, Isabel Christine  
MacLachlan, Nathan Willard  
Madigan III, Michael Francis  
Mahoney, Rosemary Elizabeth  
Maines, Owen Daniel  
Nojaim, Carlos Daniel  
Phillips, Marissa Anne  
Raner, Tyler James  
Rashid, D'Mateo Amin  
Rivas-Velazquez, Nyleishka Aileen  
Robbins, Regan Elisabeth  
Saini, Danish  
Sexton, Keegan Parker  
Shanahan, Maggie Mae

Sheridan, Patrick Thomas  
Sherwood, Ryan Matthew  
Small, Chloe Elizabeth  
Sparks, Julia Marie  
Spencer, Taylor Anna  
Thomas, A'my Uday  
Van Epps, Jack Brendan  
Walsh, Maggie  
Walters, Ava Madison  
Young, Liliana

## Grade 7 High Honor

Adams, Alexandra Malaya  
Ajagbe, Oluwafeyisike Oluwatofunmi  
Allen, Tate  
Alt, Maille Mae  
Antoine, Ava  
Bergett, Grace  
Burns, Phoebe  
Caputo, Jocelyn  
Cardoso, Anthony Carlos  
Detor, Claire Ann  
Dorfman, Molly Claire  
Eldred, Zane  
Fitzgerald, Nora Mary  
Goldman, Adyson  
Goral, Mya  
Gorman, Emma  
Gumaer, Phoebe  
Hange, Georgia Anna  
Heise, Morgan Lindsay  
Holowinski, Aubrey  
Jetter, Siena  
Klamm, Jeremiah James  
LaReau, Abigail  
MacBain, Sydney  
Marshall, Emma  
McGann, Julie  
Metzgar, Julian  
Mulholland, Owen  
Murphy, Emma  
Pawelczyk, Ashley  
Pichoske, Thaddeus  
Ramsing, Cadence Marie  
Rienhardt, Emily  
Robinson, Omar  
Rose, Conor James  
Rosenberger, Kara  
Scheel, Nicholas  
Shiel, Colin Ryan  
Sierra, Namine Sarahembla  
Sipley, Helena Eve  
Sisack, Emlyn  
Stanton, Laura Rose  
Starowicz, Avery Grace  
Tarolli, Evangelina Grace  
Taylor, Emily  
Valenti, Sophia Ann

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## Grade 7 Honor

Abdelfatah, Amana  
Abedrabbah, Razan  
Aboushanab, Abdelmeguid  
Abraham, Sarah  
Balduzzi, Emily  
Baty, Ava  
Burkett, Samantha  
Cecile, Annabella  
Coss, Makaila  
Cowin, Timothy  
Cusimano, Rocco Nicholas  
Donegan, Sophia  
Esposito, Stephen Gabriel  
Ferrer-Menendez, Emma Lira  
Gedney, Ellianna Kathleen  
Getz, Austin William  
Glatt, Cameron Joseph  
Glover, Michael  
Goral, Kaylee Ann  
Gregory, Chyla  
Griffin, Maxwell Sean  
Hayes V, Robert  
Henese, Luke  
Herring, Quinn  
Joyce, Camaryn  
Juman, Eli Stuart  
Kelly, Caleigh Grace  
Kelly, Kara  
Kimball, Lauren  
Kodoe, Godwin  
Loveless, Lillian  
Mathews, Camryn Jaye  
Medeiros, Sydney  
O'Hern, Keller  
Owens, Todd  
Pease, Jack Ryan  
Pendergast, Thomas  
Popp, Edward Thomas  
Rodriguez, Olivia Victoria  
Roesch, Elizabeth Rose  
Rumschik, Cecilia Rose  
Scanlon, William  
Schiffer, Alexa Nicole  
Shenfeld, Zoey Lynn  
Sheridan, Riley  
Swierk, Ryan Francis  
Thabet, Ramzi  
Thabet, Sabri  
Valenti, Claire Elisabeth  
Valenti, Roman Paul  
Vashchishin, Anna

## Grade 6 High Honor

Aguayo, Isabella Amada  
Amidon, Aiden Christopher  
Amorese, Gabriel Paul  
Bezigan, Violet Claire

Bruzdzinski III, John Francis  
Carroll, Miles Alexander  
Cognato, John Michael  
Cowin, Maxwell Thomas  
Dalton, Emily Grace  
Downs, Blake Aaron  
Drumm-O'Brien, Emma Lynn  
Eckert, Anna Mary  
Ganley, Caroline Eloise  
Gilhooley, Brendan William  
Goode, Delaney Christa  
Goode, Hadley Martha  
Goodness, Jackson Edward  
Hayes, John Edward  
Holstein, Eric Vaughn  
Hunt, Thomas John  
Jackson, Anna May  
King, Kayleigh Joan  
Kohanski, Adriana Julia  
Langham, Allison McKinlea  
Lopez, Collin Ramiro  
May, Ella  
Moran, Ashley  
Napolitano, Stella Camille  
Olesh, Anita  
Parry, Eleanor Rose  
Pens, Kellen Shepherd  
Pope, Sienna  
Prince, Elias  
Roach, Meara Jade  
Ryan, Molly Kathleen  
Sadowski, Andrew James  
Scarfino, Dominic Francis  
Schmitz, Lily Marie  
Snyder, Amie Helen  
Snyder, Meghan Elizabeth  
Sommer, Adele Kathryn  
Soule, Madelyn Rose  
Sparks, Olivia Michelle  
Swierk, Paige Marie  
Thabet, Rudayna Nagib  
Turner, Braelyn Elizabeth  
Valerino, Angelina Marie  
Vaughan, Margaret Colleen  
Wilbur, Jena Marie  
Wright, Reagan Cathryn

## Grade 6 Honor

Alogaily, Sultan Abdulrahman  
Bragg, Dyonte  
Buckley, Grace Marie  
Buell, Addison Ann  
Burke, Kiley Reagan  
Campanella, Tyler David  
Carruthers, Adelynn Grace  
Clark, Riley Paige  
Colon, Aaliyah  
Curtis, Fenris Takahiro

Czaplicki, Benjamin Charles  
D'Agostino, Elizabeth Mary  
Deng, Ellyana  
Franco, Mason Richard  
Goodwin, Zachary James  
Gorman, Grace Mary  
Hatch, Emma Diane  
Hayes, Selina Kathryn  
Henson, Jillian Barbara  
Hill, Jael Journey  
Hoffman, Sophia Rose  
Holleran, Liam Daniel  
Kaczor, Stella Claire  
Kincaid, Cormac James  
Lippert, Lily Mae  
MacLachlan, Katherine Jane  
Maines, Aiden  
Mann, Mackenzie Elizabeth  
McGann, Rylee Marie  
McKeon, Hunter Robert  
Militi, Eva Concetta  
Mondo, Andrew Jacob  
Mullen, Eileen  
Nicoll, Hunter James  
Ortiz, Leila Susan  
Perry, Alexa Jordyn  
Piel, Elijah Jayden  
Ramos, Carlos  
Reynolds, Kaden Rockstar  
Richardson, Carter William  
Rudiger, Abigail Leyden  
Sainsbury, Claire Elizabeth  
Sainsbury, Ryan Edmund  
Satalin, Erin Elizabeth  
Sewall, Marjala  
Shanahan, Kari Ann  
Shephard, Madicine Lyn  
Sierotnik, Christopher John Jr.  
Sisson, Kevin Edward  
Snyder, Samantha Anne  
Somers, Adelynn Rose  
Speer, Trinity  
Stephenson, Matthew  
Talbot, Mya Irene  
Thabet, Laya Adam  
Thompson, William Stewart  
Tysza, Alexander Raymond  
Wallace, Caleb David  
Ward, Alexis Veronica  
Winkler, Avery Catherine  
Young, Katherine Rose



# Onondaga Hill Middle & Westhill High Schools

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## LivBits Comes to OHMS

Did your OHMS student come home talking about our day with Olivia Van Ledjte aka LivBits on October 24th? We wouldn't be surprised if they did because she is totally awesome. The day began with the OHMS Welcome Team giving Liv an awesome greeting. Twelve-year-old Olivia traveled from New Hampshire to visit us. She is an advocate for digital citizenship and student voice on social media. She uses Instagram, Vimeo and Twitter to share her passions. She has been featured all over the world, including conferences in Singapore, Taiwan, Germany and England. This past summer, she traveled to England to receive The Diana Award. The students had a school-wide assembly with Liv and then a variety of breakout sessions in which the students worked one on one with Olivia with a focus on digital citizenship, creating selfie passion videos and book bit videos. Check out our video of the day at <https://bit.ly/2Nleqtb> To see more of Olivia's work you can go to her website <http://www.thelivbits.com/> or follow her on Twitter. As Olivia would say #Keep Reading #Keep Thinking #Keep watching LivBits!



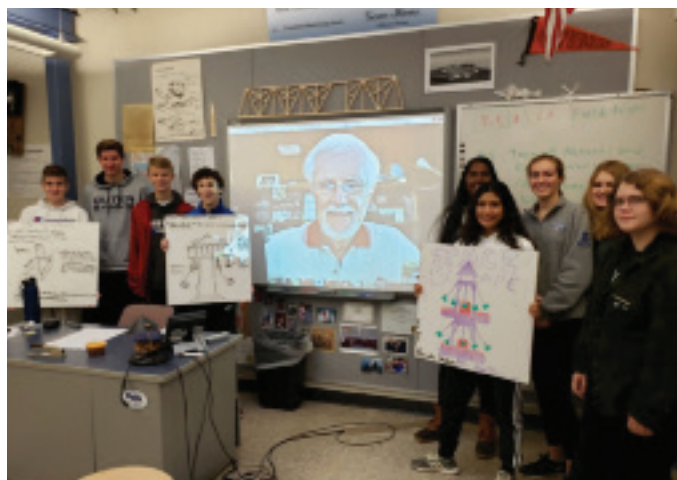
## VEX Robotic Team

The Westhill VEX Robotics team came in 2nd place out of 24 teams in their first tournament of the season Saturday, October 26. The team also won the Excellence Award for best design process of the robot. Team members are Christopher Grabda, Ryan Heffernan, Dominick Carfagno, Abigail Adams, Lizzie Horner and Jane Angell.



## Simple Machines Project

Students in Mr. Maniccia's Principles of Engineering class presented their amusement ride concepts to Jerry Aldrich of Amusement Industry Consulting, LLC. Mr. Aldrich was at his home in Tampa, FL, and the students were able to present using Google Hangouts. This project is part of the simple machines unit in the class. After receiving feedback from Jerry, students will create CAD models and create scaled prototypes of their ideas. Students will then use Google Hangouts one more time to present their final results to Jerry. Jerry Aldrich worked for Disney for nearly 30 years and then started his own company 10 years ago.





# Westhill High School

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## A Glowing Success

On September 28, WHS put on a “glow-themed” homecoming dance! Following the success of last year’s semi-formal dance, members of Character Ed created a dance that embodied the spirit of the Positivity Project. By encouraging school-wide participation in the decoration and set-up of the dance, students embraced the value of teamwork. Students were offered a reduced ticket price if they donated hygiene items to “Sandwich Saturday; We Rise Above the Streets”, which helped promote the P2 idea of giving back to others in our community. Each Positivity Project group chose a “school spirit task”. Groups either decorated the gym for the dance, made signs and banners for the pep rally or decorated the school for open house/homecoming. Students are grateful to all those who contributed to the production of the dance including chaperones, student volunteers and to the parents who donated food!



## Halloween Party

On October 24, Character Education held their annual Halloween Party at the high school. Character Ed & FBLA members helped decorate the cafeteria and surrounding hallways, set up games to play, crafts to make, demoed a Halloween-themed science experiment and created a spooky hallway to walk through. It was a chilling and thrilling good time! We are grateful to have such active volunteers that made this event a reality by hosting an evening for our local community. We thank everyone who participated in this event and hope everyone had a great time. See you again next year!



## French Students Visit Cirque du Soleil

The famous Cirque du Soleil recently made its return to Syracuse. This troupe, that made its beginnings just outside of Québec City, has traveled all over the globe for nearly 40 years, captivating audiences. French students from the high school and middle school had the opportunity to attend the Cirque du Soleil show on October 11th. The group was treated to the first North American showing of the on ice acrobatics of <<AXEL>>, a fantastic story of a budding musician searching for his big break. They students were in constant awe as the acrobats performed many different acts on and above the ice!

# Westhill High School

## Volleyball Wins Section III & Regional Titles

The Warrior volleyball team took home their second consecutive Section III title on Saturday November 9, 2019 at Fayetteville Manlius High School. The girls beat the Trojans of Homer High School in four games to capture the Section III "Class B" title. The Warriors advanced to New York State regional play where they captured the NYS "Class B" Regional Championship beating the Cougars of Honeoye Falls Lima in three games. The girls will play for the New York State Championship November 23-24 at the Glens Fall Civic Center (Cool Insuring Arena). Congratulations and good luck, Lady Warriors!



## Warriors Sign National Letters of Intent

On November 14, six Westhill student athletes signed their letters of intent to participate in intercollegiate athletics next year. Pictured left to right:

Elliott Rouse – Pasco-Hernando State College for Basketball  
Rebecca Gilhooly – Siena College for Lacrosse  
Jack Mooney – Pace University for Lacrosse  
Julia Lasher – The College of St. Rose for Lacrosse  
Reilly Geer – Le Moyne College for Lacrosse  
Ciarra Rudnick – Roberts Wesleyan College for Soccer



## NHS Volunteers

Members of Westhill's Chapter of the National Honor Society volunteered at the Northside's Halloween Celebration on Sunday, October 27th. While volunteering, members were able to interact with the community and help the children out with various activities. Members helped carve pumpkins and supervised and participated in other activities including musical chairs, a coloring contest, a dance contest and a limbo game. Westhill students also served Halloween-themed treats to the children and members of the community. They also helped to judge a costume contest as well as a mummy wrapping contest. Fun was had by all!





# Westhill High School

## October Warriors of the Month

9th Grade: Ysabella Monic saw a student who was having trouble with the computer and without being asked, showed the student how to complete the task and made sure that the student was able to complete the task. Bella demonstrated that other people matter!

10th Grade : Amanda Case is a good friend. She is empathetic, she listens to her classmates and teachers and recognizes when others struggle. She is always there for others and takes challenges in stride. Amanda is patient, kind and puts others before herself. She is a positive role model for Westhill!

11th Grade: Jaida Welch always goes the extra mile to spread positivity around the building. She is always friendly to both her peers and staff. She is a valuable friend, student and role model both in the classroom and on the athletic fields. Her positive energy is contagious and spreads to those around her.

12th Grade: Erica Gangemi always has a smile on her face and goes out of her way to always ask how others are doing. Her enthusiasm and kindness are a wonderful thing to witness. Her enthusiasm helps the entire building start out the day on a positive note during the morning announcements.



## ECOS Makes Boomerang Bags to Help Environment

The Westhill High School ECOS club has been working on a new project by sewing reusable bags called “Boomerang Bags”. The idea for the creation of these bags originated in Australia after two young girls started a conversation about plastic waste, such as plastic bags, and how much is produced each year and that it keeps damaging our environment. The idea was that if they could start creating reusable bags they would spread awareness about the use of plastic bags and how it keeps harming our precious environment. They decided to name these bags “Boomerang Bags”. The idea quickly spread and has reached several different countries and communities, such as our own. Boomerang Bags have reached over 800 communities worldwide!

Now, our ECOS club is in on this amazing movement. The bags are a little larger than a regular grocery bag and are made from recycled cloth, so when the bags are sold, ECOS will receive 100% of the profits, which they can put towards even more projects in the future to help save our earth. These bags come with a small patch on them that has the Boomerang Bag logo but it has been redesigned and improved by the Westhill Art Club. We are very proud of their design. Our club would greatly appreciate if you could donate any fabric, such as tablecloths or durable fabric, to our club to make more of these bags. These bags will soon be on sale to the public, and we encourage you to purchase or make a bag and say no to plastic!



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## Grade 12

Aboushanab, Amal  
Abraham, Deanna  
Ajagbe, Oluwafeyisayo  
Amaya, Adam Anthony  
Bendall, Lauren Elizabeth  
Bistrovich, Nikolas John  
Bogan, Phillip Mason  
Bradley, Jackson Thomas  
Camardella, Angelina Maria  
Cannucciari, Arden Rose Mei  
Carroll, Mikayla Noelle  
Coman, Thomas Kevin  
Crimi, Roman Joseph  
Cronin, Abigail Lynn  
Cundall, Geoffrey Robert F.  
Daniul, Jacob Rae  
Davis, William Machold-Sheldon  
Demperio, Dominic Jacob  
Derrick, Chelsea Lynn  
Dillon, Rachel Terese  
Domanski, Alyssa Rose  
Evans, Katherine Rose  
Falcone, Stephanie Marie  
Ferrara, Michael Patrick  
Fountain, Spencer Francis  
Fricano, Jacob Steven  
Fricano, Nathan Lawrence  
Frost, Sophia Ilene  
Gere, Jenna  
Gibson, Mary Louise  
Gilhooley, Rebecca Sue  
Grabda, Christopher Cosselmon  
Heffernan, Ashley Nicole  
Helfeld, Benjamin L.  
Herrera, Michael R  
Holstein, Lauren Elizabeth  
Hubert, Anne Martha  
Hunt, Margaret Fitzgi  
Kelly, Kevin Allen  
Kessler, Elizabeth Anne  
Knapp, Jack William  
Larrabee, Jenna Kathryn  
Lasher, Julia Estelle  
Leonardo, Benjamin Jacob  
Lesselroth, Grace Ann  
Lyons, Allison Mary  
MacBain, Scott Matthew  
MacCollum, Zachary James  
Mahaney, Payton Virginia  
Mahoney, Alice Margaret  
Mannion, Quinn Patricia  
McIntyre, Caitlyn Kirkpatrick  
McMahon, Grace Helen  
McQueeney, Aline Nicole  
Miggiani, Josiah Ethan  
Moran, Mackenzie Rose  
O'Hearn, Trevor Daniel

O'Reilly, Emily Brennon  
Patrie, Shawn Michael  
Peck, Colton Skyler  
Remillard, Will Clemo  
Richmond, Kaley Ann  
Ricks, Janae Michelle  
Rolince, Ryan Charles  
Romeo, Nina Rose  
Rudnick, Ciarra Michelle  
Sanborn, Liam Joseph  
Satalin, Meghan Teresa  
Savage, Michael Patrick  
Schwartz, Sarah Catherine  
Sexton, Brianna Odell  
Sheridan, Hannah Riley  
Sheridan, Sarah Mae  
Stamey, Thomas Robert  
Sullivan, Molly Grace  
Terek, Alyssa M  
Thayer, Christopher Gerald  
Turner, Sydney Carroll  
Valenti, Izabella Rose  
Valerino, Giovanni James  
Wheelden, Madelyn Elizabeth

## Grade 11

Agostini, Paige Elizabeth  
Alam, Nailah  
Banga, Harshdeep Singh  
Bealer, Madison Jean  
Bergett, Luke Jeffrey  
Blossey, Emma Margaret  
Bobbett, Jack Stewart  
Bolesh, Olivia Kathleen  
Caputo, Kwinn Nicholas  
Caron, Sophia Terese  
Centore, Henry Joseph  
Clancy, Ryan Michael  
Clayton, Kyle Thomas  
Cote, Mary Lily  
Curley, Raeann Brooke  
Desanto, Anthony John  
Dickinson-Cominoli, Isabel Eve  
Dorfman, Cassie Grace  
Felter, Aidan Thomas  
Felter, Tess Elizabeth  
Graves, Kelsey Leann  
Grooms, Griffin Richard  
Herne, Daniel Steven  
Hunt, James Edward  
King, Benjamin John  
Langdon, Sophie V.  
LaParne, Katherine Grace  
Lougen, Justin James  
Madigan, Emily Drew  
Malone, Cristian Michael  
Markham, Ella Marie  
McMahon, Maggie Rose

McPeak, Katherine Anne  
Mechowski, Emma Kelly  
Niezabytowski, Cameron Scott  
Nowicki, Kylie Sierra  
Powers, Jackson Lewis  
Richardson, Morgan Anne  
Rinaldi, Hailey Marie  
Robb, Ava Kathleen  
Robbins, Makenna Elise  
Rubino, Christian James  
Schneider, James Austin  
Shanahan, Madison Reilly  
Speicher, Cael  
Speicher, Payne  
Tarolli, Vincent Matthew  
Thomas, Madison Alexis  
Thomas, Myshaun Myron  
VanBuren, Matthew Jeffrey  
Vigliotti, Andrea Lynn  
Walker, Colin Patrick  
Wiezalis, Amanda Kelly  
Wilsch, Mairead Norine  
Wisner, Taryn Anne  
Wright, Caleb Paul  
Yeates, Jack William  
Zawadzki, Jake Evan

## Grade 10

Acuna, Jorge Luis  
Adams, Abigail Katherine  
Adams, Alanna Michelle  
Albert, Nicolette Parody  
Allen, Brian Alexander  
Argentieri, Francesca Eade  
Balduzzi, Sarah Marie  
Battista, Kaylin Amanda  
Burkett, Travis Michael  
Cardoso, Isabella Grace  
Carkner, Daniel Jeffrey  
Carrock, Daniel Peter  
Carroll, Delaney Rose  
Centore, Sofia Grace  
Colucci, Rachel  
Dubaniewicz, Alexandra Marie  
Eckert, Jillian Elizabeth  
Elias, Angelina Rose  
Formica, Charlotte Marilyn  
Fountain, Kendall Marie  
Gangemi, Emily Jo  
Gorman, Emma Kathryn  
Gratien, Jonathan Daniel  
Greeson, Benjamin Robert  
Grooms, Riley Kathryn  
Heinrich, Kate Rose  
Hunter, Claire Terese  
Jones, Isabella Katherine  
Kenny, Brian Anthony  
Kilaru, Narmada Sai



# WHS Quarter 1 Honor Roll 2019–2020

## Grade 10 continued

Kirkby Jr., Rodney  
Knoll, Charles James  
Kobasa, Emma Messing  
LaFex, Nicholas  
Loose, Cassidy Rae  
Lyons, Lauren Elizabeth  
MacCaull, Kyle Matthew  
Mahar, Liam Patrick  
Mahoney, Patrick Bernard  
Mannion, Brady O'Brien  
Mathews, Alvin  
McGlynn, Ella Marie  
McMahon, Clare Caitlin  
McQueeney, Julia Noel  
Metzgar, Quinton Khan  
Miggiani, Abigail Chloe  
Milham, Julia Pauline  
O'Hearn, Kyleigh Elizabeth  
Ostuni, Jordyn Rae  
Patrie, Colleen Theresa  
Pecheny, Natalia  
Pelsue, Matthew Thomas  
Pens, Quinn Maria  
Phillips, Robert  
Procopio, Nathan Donald  
Regan, Chloe Autumn  
Rewakowski, Noah Daniel  
Rosenberger, Kyle Joseph  
Russell, Julia Marie  
Sampo, Isabella Grace  
Satalin, John Ryan  
Scheirer, Madison Arlene  
Starowicz, Hannah Louise  
Thomas, Ben Sener  
Thornton, Bridget Ann  
Thornton, Lauryn Kathryn  
Townsend, Michael David  
Voltz, Jason  
Walsh, Abigail Elizabeth  
Winkler, Grace Breason  
Zerrillo, Gianna Christine

## Grade 9

Abdelfatah, Gisele  
Ajagbe, Oluwafeyisore Oluwatomisin  
Angell, Jane Marie  
Antoine, Olivia Maive  
Bealer, Morgan Sierra  
Bendall, Katherine Jill  
Bergett, Alexis Rose  
Bistrovich, Sydney Elise  
Bleskoski, Julianne Terese  
Bolesh, Ashley Susan  
Bryant, Keegan Michael  
Brzostowski, Mikayla Rose  
Buckman, Carter Leon

Caccamo, Mackenzie Erin  
Carter, Ashley Knobel  
Centore, Bohdan Patrick  
Clos, Mallory Margarete  
Colon, Gisselle Anais  
Cominolli, Nathaniel Dominick  
Conley, Shannon Marie  
Cottrell, Abigail Mae  
Cowin, Alexander  
Curtis, Julian  
Cusimano, Zantana Lorraine  
Czaplicki, Kalista Jane  
Delay, Kieran Michael  
Derrick, James Robert  
Dillabough, Karly  
Donadio, Alexandra Elizabeth  
Donegan, Ryan Flaherty  
Donnelly, Nathan Patrick  
Doss, Mia Avery  
Dwyer, Megan  
Feliu, Kaelin Grace  
Freeman, Alyvia Noelle-Joy  
Gilhooley, Rachel Louise  
Gilmartin, Luke  
Gonnella, Olivia  
Goode, Aidan William  
Graf, Simon Michael  
Greeley, Emily Nicole  
Heise, Mackenzie Grace  
Holowinski, Olivia Marie  
Horner, Lizzie  
Hynes, Lee Michael  
Kelly, McKenna Eileen  
Kerr, Aiden Jay  
Kimball, Joseph Paul  
Kinsella, Lilyanna  
Klamm, Domenica Marie  
LoFaró, Nicole  
Lowery, Adelaide Margaret  
Lubel, Margaret Anna  
Markham, Iris Mary  
McGann, Karlie Elizabeth  
McKeon, Madison Rose  
McQueeney, Lia Clare  
Mersfelder, Mia  
Militello, Samuel  
Naughton, Ryan  
Nicoll, Baillie  
Nowicki, Justin Jacob  
Ortiz, Manuel  
Osorio, Anthony  
Pagano, Anthony Christopher

Pawelczyk, Amanda  
Polcaro, Elizabeth  
Richardson, Brady Stephen  
Robinson, Janiah Jada  
Rogers, Sean Patrick  
Rose, Kennedy Elizabeth  
Rosenberger, Anna Kerr  
Roth, Charlotte  
Ryan, Aidan Christopher  
Savage, Luke James  
Schiffer, Adrianna  
Schmitz, Hannah Elizabeth  
Scrimale, Nicoletta Rose  
Sisson, Caitlin Kelly  
Snyder, Mary Katherine  
Sondej, Andrew  
Speer, Olivia  
Starowicz, Emmet  
Stephenson, Sean Michael  
Stiner, Lucas Marcos  
Taber, Bradyn Shea  
Terrinoni, Natalie Marie  
Thabet, Ilham  
Valenza, Zachary Daniel  
Vaughan, Abbey  
Walker, Delaney Jean  
Young, Devin Thomas



# District News

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## Walberta Park Elementary School News

### Attention Incoming Kindergarten Parents 2020-2021 School Year



Registration for the 2020-2021 Kindergarten class at Walberta Park School is approaching.

If you have a child that will be five on or before December 1, 2020, please follow these four simple steps:

1. Fill out the form below and return it to:  
Walberta Park Primary School  
Kindergarten 2020-2021  
400 Walberta Road  
Syracuse, New York 13219-2297
2. Once we have received this completed form, we will send a registration packet in the mail for you to complete. Please fill out the packet completely and return it to us at the registration date listed below. This year our registration will be held as follows:

**Wednesday, March 4, 2020**  
**from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm OR 5:00 – 6:30 pm**  
**Walberta Park School Conference Room**

3. You will need to bring the following with you to kindergarten registration along with the completed registration packet. Your child will not be registered at school unless we have on file the following:
  - Your child's original birth certificate
  - Proof of district residency (deed, lease or rental agreement, mortgage statement)
  - Physical & immunization records

A kindergarten orientation will be held for students and parents at the end of the summer. More information will be forthcoming.

4. At the registration you will have the opportunity to sign your child up for our kindergarten screening which will take place June 29 and June 30, 2020. Every incoming kindergartner must be screened to enter school. Screening helps us make class placements and plan for instruction to best meet children's needs.
5. Student hours for the 2020-2021 school year are 8:40am to 3:00pm.

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Please take a moment to complete this form and return it to the above address no later than January 31, 2020.  
(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: M F Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Parents/Guardians Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Which statement best describes your plans for September?

- ☐ My child WILL attend kindergarten at Walberta Park School.
- ☐ My child WILL NOT attend kindergarten at Walberta Park School.
- ☐ I am undecided. Comment: \_\_\_\_\_



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## NYS Body Mass Index (BMI) Reporting

As part of a required school health examination, a student is weighed, and his/her height is measured. These numbers are used to figure out the student's body mass index or 'BMI'. The BMI helps the doctor or nurse know if the student's weight is in a healthy range or is too high or too low. Recent changes to the New York State Education Law require that BMI and weight status group be included as part of the student's school health examination. Westhill School District was selected to take part in a survey by the New York State Department of Health. We will be reporting to New York State Department of Health information about our students' weight status groups. Only summary information is sent. No names and no information about individual students are sent. However, you may choose to have your child's information excluded from this survey report.

The information sent to the New York State Department of Health will help health officials develop programs that make it easier for children to be healthier.

If you do not wish to have your child's weight status group information included as part of the Health Department's survey this year, print and sign your name below and return this form to your child's school nurse by January 2, 2020.

Please do not include my child's weight status information in the 2019-2020 School Survey.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Child's Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Parent's Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent's Signature

## PWP 5K Run/Walk

Mark your calendars for the 8th annual PWP 5k Run/Walk and 1 Mile Color Run on April 26, 2020 at Cherry Road School. Online registration will open on January 1, 2020.

This event benefits both the Westhill and local community. Last year, PWP donated a total of \$13,100 to the Westhill Educational Foundation and the Westhill Booster Club as well as six local charities.

The local beneficiaries will again be selected via student writing contests at each district school, so be on the look out for information coming home after the winter break.

To stay up to date, like us on Facebook or go to [www.pwp5krun.com](http://www.pwp5krun.com).

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### SAVE THE DATE

Westhill Educational Foundation Presents  
**Chip in for Education**  
60th Westhill Anniversary Celebration

Saturday, May 2, 2020  
5 p.m. at St. Ann's

With music by the Mere Mortals, free food, raffles & more!

*westhillfoundation.com*

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