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### WALBERTA PARK HOSTS FIRST RESPONDERS' DAY

Walberta Park School students were treated to an exciting day of learning with many of the area's local First Responders. Walberta Park School was visited by the Solvay Fire Department, AMR Ambulance, NYS Park Police ATV/Snowmobile Unit, Syracuse City Police SWAT Officers, NYS Police K-9 Unit, Town of Geddes Police Patrol, and SUNY Upstate Police Drones. Pictured below is Officer Amidon from the Town of Geddes Police Department with Mrs. Francisco's 1st Grade Classroom (Front row: Ameila Krawczyk, Aden Rudd, Sammy Colaluca, Kyle Mayes, Ryan Rose, Jack Sisson, Carter Akin Back row: Shea Molloy, Greyson Kern, Jack Salisbury, Ta'Kyree Jones, Maeve Meagher, Charlotte Wilsch, Taylor Ellison, Officer Amidon, Sophia Westall, Omar Osbourne, Calvin Murphy, Keara Lavin, Rowan Cahill, Quinn Hansen, Patrick Mannion)



Holíday Recess

Monday, December 23rd -Friday, January 3rd



## Walberta Park School

### Making Pump"kids" at Walberta Park

Thank you to Mr. and Mrs. Peverly for their generous donation of 300 pumpkins for the students at Walberta Park School. The kids were thrilled! Pictured are first graders who enjoyed learning about how pumpkins grow and then using their creativity to make their very own pump"kids"!



### Wolf Pack Excitement Builds at Walberta Park

Students at Walberta Park participated in their own creation of a wolf pup. Three candidates were in the running for wolf pup. Students learned about each candidate, activities they enjoy, their favorite treat and the toy they most enjoy to play with. Using this information, students voted for their favorite wolf pup. Ballots were counted and Winter Wolf had the most votes.





# **Cherry Road School**

## Writing a Story

Recently, former Westhill Teacher and Author, Tina Shepardson visited Cherry Road School to work with our 3rd graders on how to write a personal narrative story. The students in Ms. Tooley's class enjoyed working with Mrs. Shepardson and getting tips from a local author on how to improve their writing.





# **Cherry Road School**

## Name that Tempo

Second graders in Mrs. Colaluca's music class rocked out to a fun game of "Name that Tempo".



**Students Learn About Planting Trees** 

Cherry Road students worked with members of the Geddes Neighborhood Association, and the Cornell Cooperative Extension to plant trees along Maple Road on the Cherry Road Campus. Students were able to learn about planting trees and helped do some of the planting on the field at Cherry Road School. The hope is to make this a yearly event until we can line Maple Road with Maple trees.





## Fourth Graders Participate in the Mileage Club

Fourth Graders at Cherry Road came into school early once a week for several weeks to join the Mileage Club directed by Mr. Connelly. Students would keep track of the number of laps around the field at CRS each week. New York Road Runners sponsored the activity and provided all participants with a t-shirt to commemorate their participation.





### Congratulations to our OHMS Bridge Building Teams!

We are thrilled to announce that four Build'em & Bust'em teams from OHMS participated in this year's bridge building challenge at the MOST on Saturday, November 9th. These teams competed against 64 other teams from across Central NY, showcasing their engineering skills and creativity.

Team members include Amelia Destito, Maysa Mosleh, Sonny Sanavonxay, Real Danboise, Rown Grobosky, Josie Castle, Madilyn Ireland, Madilin Speer, Lilly Hope, Jahsai Huggins, Ben Montague, Dylan Savastano, Mujtaba Alfawadi and Malik Pace.

We're incredibly proud of all four teams for their outstanding performance and well-designed bridges.



### **Students Appreciate Veterans**

Students at OHMS wrote cards to our Veterans to show their gratitude for their service to our country. The cards were distributed to local Veterans and to the Veterans at the VA hospital in Syracuse. Thank you, Veterans! We appreciate you!



### Hispanic Heritage Month

5th graders had a special visit from guest speaker, Mrs. Jimenez. Mrs. Jimenez gave us important details on her home country during Hispanic Heritage Month. We learned a lot about the food, clothing, and culture. We had a discussion on how to be more inclusive and how important it is to celebrate other cultures and people. We spent time exploring and bringing awareness to the homeless community. We took part in an activity where we were outside holding up poster boards with important facts about homelessness in America. All of our belongings were in black garbage bags, and we were not wearing any shoes, so we truly felt what it would be like if we "walked in their shoes". We also brainstormed ways we could help.

We also spent time discussing "What causes people to have different perspectives ". Students took part in a perspective activity. As a group we talked about how we can communicate without judging others. Everyone perceives situations differently; all we need is communication.



## OHMS Honor Roll 2024-2025 Quarter 1

#### Grade 8 High Honor

Anderson, Eliana Barcak, Natalie Brown, Juliana Burns, Madigan Canavan, Virginia Carson, Landon Cobb, Logan Colangelo, Carmella Coleman, Reagan Collett, Reagan Cook, Jack Czaplicki, Kate DeLine, James Destito, Amelia Dhamoon, Gurtei Dimovski, Luka Durant, Clark Engle, Isabella Etoll, Keira Gallardo, Sophie Green, Dylan Greenfield, Gavin Horning, Anne Jackson, Griffin Johnson, Lyric Konkol, Khaya LaSalle, Amelia Mahoney, Audrey Manning, Kierra Olesh, Sofia Paparo, Morgan Pluff, Shanley Pratt, Tyler Preville, Nicholas Quattrocci, Bryan Robinson, Cassius Rogers, Brian Scanlon, Michael Schermerhorn, Kiley Schilling, Aedan Sisack, Brynna Soule, Charles Sprouse, Eamon Tjaden, Trey Valenti, Michael Walsh, Reagan Walsh, Riley Zuckerman, Alexander

#### Grade 8 Honor

Abdelfatah, Sela Abreu, Caleb Altheblah, Yusuf Auringer, Giada Battista, Jacqueline Buckingham, Rilee Campanella, Luke Canavan, Luna Carroll, Elliott Casazza, Annabelle Chase, Livia Condon, Madigan Danboise III, Real Detor, Bridget Donegan, Daniel Ellis, Nicholas Flegel, Jackson Fowler, Tyler Fraser, Brady Fuller, Owen Giannino, Arianna Gumtow, Evey Hagan, Albert Headd, Matthew Hill, Jaylan Hubler, Audrey Johnson, Owen Judge, Antonia Krenrich, Emily LeFever, Alaina Marshall, Spencer Meola, Nicholas Montalto, Eliana Morgan, Ella Obernesser, Charles OSullivan, Olivia Pendergast, Tanner Primiano, Adelina Ramos, Cielo Rashid, Teffero Reynolds, Abigail Robinson, Jaliyah Rowley, Mya Sales, Simone Scheirer, Gianna Sierotnik, Lillian Sova, Jeremy Storinge, Harry Thabet, Alvaa Wall, Briahnna West, William White, Layla Wright, Liam Zhdan, Yuliia

#### Grade 7 High Honor

Aiduk, Mya Aladwar, Malik Almamari, Ahd Baracco, Isla Carroll, Kathryn Carruth, William Carruthers, Jasper Cass, Joseph Cenajko, Elliot Chang, Samantha Collins, Joseph Connelly, Quinn Dixon, Maura Eischen, Jane Esposito, Jocelyn Faigle, Ellie Francisco, Juliana Freund, Ethan

Gridley, Luke Henderson, Aiden Hennigan, Evelyn Herron, Gian Herron, Giavana Holowinski, Lucas Ibrahim, Janelle Ireland, Madilyn Jackson, Colin Jaquint, Atticus Kalinowski, Elliott Killoran, Kellan Kinney, Caroline Klamm, Dilynn Konkol, Tobi LaRosa, Olivia Maestri, Emilia Maguire, Kendall Mamorella, Isabel Mathews, Max Nugent, Jackson O'Brien, Helena ONeil, Molly Past, Lilv Pautz, Peyton Pillari, Patrick Platt, Jayden Presley, Clare Primiano, Alana Redmond, Julia Root. Seamus Savelesky, Aurora Scanlon, Henry Scozzari, Alexandra Seitz, Eden Seymour, Lyla Sisson, Charles Stash, Ella Stokes, Lucas Thabet, Jenna Weinsztok, Noah Wells, Karah Woodring, Emma Zheng, Suri

#### Grade 7 Honor

Abedrabbah, Muhammad Abraham, Nina Agley, Logan Allen, Daniel Alsofari, Ahmed Amidon, Alexander Armani, Joviana Auge, Cooper Bagnell, Clive Brooks, Judah Burns, Charles Carlyle, Kathryn Cassidy IV, Charles Clark, Avery Clyne, Landon Connell, Taylor Connelly, Griffin Couse, Vincent

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## OHMS Honor Roll 2024-2025 Quarter 1

#### Grade 7 Honor (cont.)

DAgostino, Hailey Donegan, Ella Fogarty, Connor Gehm, Iulia Goodwin, Kelly Grobosky, Rowen Grome, Macie Herne, Charles Hicks, Blin Holt, Shiloh Hope, Lilly Huggins, Jahsai Jackson, Owen Kelly, Quest Kincaid, Megan King, Xander Loucks, Gabriel Maldonado-Royer, Madeline Marceau, Oliver Maye, Zoe McNeilly, Harrison Minier, Cameron Montague, Benjamin Morse, Malachy Mosleh, Maysa Nicholson, Shaniy O'Brien, Mason Padula, Ana Parr, Kendall Pope, Deja Pucello, Ella Richardson, Jillian Romano, Jack Rotella, Lyla Satalin, Gehrig Satalin, Kathleen Savastano, Dylan Streiff, Chiara Thomas, Zahle Tyszka, Benjamin Viavattine, Francesca Walts, Belle Wells, Ava Whipple, Mason Wilmot, Lily Worden, Nora

#### Grade 6 High Honor

Altheblah, Somayah Ayesh, Eliana Cassalia, Broderick Christopher, Avery Coleman, Griffin Collacchi, Connor Collett, Mary Craver, Olive Dacko, Katarina DeFabbio, Matthew Dixon, Evelyn Dowd, Tanner Fowler, Eliana Franco, Morgan Gallardo, Caleb

Green, Hayden Greenfield, Nolan Grosso, Nicholas Headd, Catherine Henderson, Briana Henesey, Alice Herne, Grace Holleran, Ella Hope, Laura Ide, Brandon Iwachiw, Cora Kurro, Emelia MacLachlan, Margaret Madonia, Sasha Massett, Jonathan Mitchell, Edan Montalto, Massimo Moro, Vincent Mulligan, Mackenzie Obernesser, Ellen ONeill, Lux Osterman, Annabelle Panighetti, Olive Pease, Quinn Perski, Brooklyn Platt, Griffin Pratt, Alana Preville, Chase Price, Seamus Russo, Anelia Schilling, Declan Seymour, Kaleah Sisson, Emmy Stroman, Samuel Summa, Anthony Tacea, Ilias Tacea, Isidora Vidas, Evelyn Wallace, Brielle Waters, Gracelyn Widrick, Joseph Winchell, Noah Ziober, Upton

#### Grade 6 Honor

Abdallah, Qusai Baker, Madelvn Barfield, Henry Bidnyi, Matthew Byrd, Kemiyah Castle, Jackson Cecile, Tressel Chalker, Mia Cheston, Mia Ciambriello, Rosalia Colangelo, Luke Connell, Claire DiMarco, Lillian Earl, Eliza Edmond, Brooklyn Evans, Avery Galvin, Benjamin Gersbacher, Danielle Gibson, Kayla

Gumtow, Baron Hamilton, Danielle Hares, Kenzie Hoffman, Josephine Ibarra, Giuliana Irving, Violet Kenneally, Liam Ketchum, Caleb Krawczyk, Liam Linden, Hudson Marku, Vasilios Martin, Todd McGlynn, Ryan McVicker, Callan Mollie, Ilithyia Morgan, Evan Nelson, Rihanna Parry III, Thomas Pease, Matthew Prince, Eva Ramage, Keti Ramsing, Jameson Ritz, Eliza Rotolo, Mason Rudiger, Connor Samhammer, John Shelmidine, Wesley Steenrod, Lelan Stoddard, Arianna Straub, Jocelyn Thabet, Ismael Thabet, Mayar Thabet, Rana Vidas, Dylan Ward, Ella Wheeler, Tobias Zuckerman, Lucas



## **OHMS Students Learn about Healthy Choices**

In October, students at OHMS focused on making healthy choices and learning about how important it is to take care of ourselves. Each year we start off the year talking about making choices that impact our ability to learn and be successful. Students participated in spirit days, a fun run and built community within our classrooms by creating a class cheer for our first pep rally of the year. Our first pep rally included the pep band, a performance by our student-led band, The Killer Pancakes, student athlete recognition and a discussion about many clubs that are offered at OHMS. It was a fun week for all!







## Acts of Kindness

Since the start of the school year, OHMS students have been making waves with their acts of kindness. Students being kind to one another creates a positive environment where students feel valued. All acts of kindness, big or small, help build friendships with other students and give them a feel good self-worth feeling. Simple acts of kindness, helping a friend with homework, helping them sign up for a bus or just a smile can make an impact on each other. These simple gestures, hopefully, will inspire students to pay it forward to show compassion to others to make a positive impact on the community.



## Spread Kindness Everywhere

### We're Reading Our Way to Victory!

The Otto Fall Reading Challenge is in full swing at OHMS, and the competition is heating up!

Our students have been devouring books, and we're so proud of their hard work and dedication. Every student that reads a book can win a ticket to a Syracuse Football game. A student fills out a football with the name and title of the book they completed. The halls of OHMS are filling up with footballs! Our homerooms have been keeping track of the amount of books they've read. This is our Current Leaderboard:

Ms. Lyon's Class: 352 books Mrs. Martin's Class: 345 books Ms. Hallman's Class: 274 books

Together, we've read an amazing 2135 books! Remember, every book read brings us closer to victory and a free ticket to the Syracuse Football game on November 23rd. To sign up for your student's ticket and discount tickets for your family use this link: Use the exclusive Reading Kickoff ticket link: https://fevo-enterprise.com/event/2024visions2 After selecting your seats, choose "Add Discount Code" on the Order Summary page. Use promo code to claim a single free student ticket: READING. Let's keep the pages turning and cheer on our favorite homeroom!



### OHMS Announces their 2025 Musical!

OHMS announces their 2025 musical - Shrek Jr.! Performances will be March 21st and 22nds. Mark your calendars!



### Students Honored in iReady Reading Awards Ceremony

Miss Lyon's 6th grade ELA classes celebrated the end of the 1st quarter with an iReady Reading Awards Ceremony. Several students were honored for their hard work and earned recognition for being Masters of My Path, a part of the 100% club and leading the way in lessons passed for the quarterl. Students' hard work was applauded by their teachers and peers alike making for a great end to the quarter and new goals to strive for. Congratulations to all!



#### Grade 12

Abdelfatah, Amana Abedrabbah, Razan Aboushanab, Abdelmeguid Agley, Lucas Ajagbe, Oluwafeyisike Oluwatofunmi Al Mamari, Amr Muneer Allen, Tate Alt, Maille Mae Andrella, Dylan Antoine, Ava Balduzzi, Emily Baty, Ava Bender, Alice Michelle Bergett, Grace Bleskoski, Jordin Beth Bova, Michael James Burkett, Samantha Burns, Phoebe Cardoso, Anthony Carlos Cecile, Annabella Colangelo, Anabelle Alice Cole, Chloe Renee Coss. Makaila Cowin, Timothy Cusimano, Rocco Nicholas DeMore, Timothy E. Detor, Claire Ann Donegan, Sophia Dorfman, Molly Claire Douglas, Julie Eldred, Zane Ferrer-Menendez, Emma Lira Fitzgerald, Nora Mary Gedney, Ellianna Kathleen Geiger, Angelyna Glover, Michael Goldman, Adyson Goral, Kaylee Ann Goral, Mya Gregory, Chyla Gumaer, Phoebe Hamam, Israa Maadh Heise, Morgan Lindsay Henesey, Luke Herring, Quinn Holowinski, Aubrey Jetter, Siena Joyce, Camaryn Juman, Eli Stuart Kelly, Caleigh Grace Kelly, Colin William Kimball, Lauren Klamm, Jeremiah James Loomis, Christian Loveless, Lillian MacBain, Sydney Macko, Jacob

Marshall, Emma Mathews, Camryn Jaye McCloat, Abrianna Michelle McGann, Julie Medeiros, Sydney Merrick, Thomas Metzgar, Julian Monds, Maya Joy Moro, Breyanna Nicole Mulholland, Owen Murphy, Emma O'Hern, Keller Olesh, Anita Pease, Jack Ryan Pendergast, Thomas Pichoske, Thaddeus Pirong, Joseph Michael Popp, Edward Thomas Ramsing, Cadence Marie Rienhardt, Emily Rodriguez, Olivia Victoria Roesch, Elizabeth Rose Rose, Conor lames Rosenberger, Kara Rouse, Owen Cady Sampo, Anthony Richard Scanlon, William Scheel, Nicholas Sheridan, Riley Patrick Shiel, Colin Ryan Simpson, Juakin Kareem Sipley, Helena Sisack, Emlyn Stanton, Laura Rose Starowicz, Avery Grace Sullivan, Grace Kateri Swierk, Ryan Francis Tarolli, Evangelina Grace Taylor, Emily Valenti, Claire Elisabeth Valenti, Roman Paul Valenti, Sophia Ann Vashchishin, Anna White, Collin Patrick Williams, Amava Willingham, Taina

#### Grade 11

Amidon, Aiden Christopher Amorese, Gabriel Paul Bragg, Dyonte Bruzdzinski III, John Francis Buell, Addison Ann Burke, Kiley Reagan Campanella, Tyler David Carroll, Miles Alexander Carruthers, Adelynn Grace Clark, Riley Paige Cognato, John Michael Colon, Aaliyah Cordova, Vincent Loyd Fabila Cowin, Maxwell Thomas Cruthirds, Caleb Layne Currier, Tahjiar Marquis Curtis, Fenris Takahiro Czaplicki, Benjamin Charles D'Agostino, Elizabeth Mary DeJesus, Josselyn Downs, Blake Aaron Drumm-O'Brien, Emma Lynn Eckert, Anna Mary Faigle, Grace Patricia Lucy Franco, Mason Richard Ganley, Caroline Eloise Goode, Delaney Christa Goode, Hadley Martha Goodness, Jackson Edward Goodwin, Zachary James Gorman, Grace Mary Hatch, Milo D Haves, John Edward Hayes, Selina Kathryn Hill, Jael Journey Hoffman, Sophia Rose Holleran, Liam Daniel Holstein, Eric Vaughn Hunt, Thomas John Jackson, Anna May Kaczor, Stella Claire Kenny, Ronan Padraig Kenny, Tiernan Eoin Kincaid, Cormac James King, Kayleigh Joan Kohanski, Adriana Julia Langham, Allison McKinlea Lopez, Collin Ramiro Maines, Aiden Mann, Mackenzie Elizabeth McKeon, Hunter Robert Moezab, Mohamed Abdullah Mondo, Andrew Jacob Mullen, Eileen Napolitano, Stella Camille Nicoll, Hunter lames Novak, Jamie-Lynn Sheridan Ortiz, Leila Susan Parry, Eleanor Rose Pens, Kellen Shepherd Perry, Alexa Jordyn Petrone, Calvin Daniel Pope, Sienna Poston, Aryanna Ameri Prince, Elias Ramos, Carlos Raner, McKenzie Nichole Reilley, Olivia Madison Rice, Lorenzo Richardson, Carter William

Roach, Meara Jade Rudiger, Abigail Leyden Ryan, Molly Kathleen Sadowski, Andrew James Sainsbury, Claire Elizabeth Sainsbury, Ryan Edmund Satalin, Erin Elizabeth Scarfino, Dominic Francis Schmitz, Lily Marie Shephard, Madicine Lyn Shepherd, Ellis Jaxon Shewchuk, Aurora Grace Sierotnik, Christopher John Jr. Sisson, Kevin Edward Snyder, Amie Helen Snyder, Meghan Elizabeth Snyder, Samantha Anne Somers, Adelynn Rose Soule, Madelyn Rose Sparks, Olivia Michelle Speer, Trinity Stotler, Adam Patrick Stroman, Peter Edward Talucci, Gage Trotman, Derricka John'Asia Turner, Braelyn Elizabeth Tyszka, Alexander Raymond Valerino, Angelina Marie Vaughan, Margaret Colleen Wallace, Caleb David Wilbur, Jena Marie Wilson, Carter Wayne Winkler, Avery Catherine Wright, Reagan Cathryn Young, Katherine Rose

#### Grade 10

Abdallah, Sadeen Omran Abedrabbah, Nada Aguayo, Mariah Zezell Alberts, Adeline Rose Allen, Brooke Catherine Allen, Max Murphy Altheblah, Brahim Akram Bagnell, Tatum Claire Berrios, Jayden A. Bruzdzinski, Lottie Rose Elizabeth Cardoso, Nicolas Zanaga Chandler, Samantha Lin Choe, Austin Jongwoo Clarry, Bryson Eli Colangelo, Samantha Patricia Columbus, Kailyn Brianne Conley, Colleen Mackenzie Conroy, Mackenzie Anne Crawford, Lane Cavanaugh D'Agostino, Claire Catherine DeLine, Lucas Adam

#### Grade 10 continued

DeMore, Lucy Kathleen Dennee, Christopher Ronald Destito, Isabella Suzanne DeTomaso, Giana Grace Domick, Isabella Skyy Edlund, Kiera Ann Ellis, Christine Elizabeth Enright, Aaliyah Rosemary Etoll, Grady Pierce Finnerty, Ryan Fahey Frasier, Jackson Robert Gallardo, Isabella Maria Garcia, Jamil David Gehm, Tyler Joseph Goldman, Chase Andrew Gray, Owen Benjamin Gutierrez, Kamora Lee Hall, Ethan Matthew Headd, John-Paul Joseph Hemingway, Arianna Diana-Rayne Henderson, Ayriana Henesey, Matthew James Herne, Louis Christopher Hodkinson, Anna Genevieve Horning, Grace Margaret Ide, Caitlin Jackson, Jake Thomas Johnson, Sophia Anne Judge, Charles Michael Kelly, Claire Elizabeth Kelly, Teagan Tomol Kimball, Samantha Emily Kinney, Mary Grace Kodoe, Andrea-Ann Kafui Krenrich, Kaitlin Ann Lasher, Sophia Rose MacLachlan, Thomas Edward MacMaster, Natalie Marshall, Ava Mary McGann, Sean McGee, Felicity Jordan McNeilly, Hazel Lynn McRae, Ayanah Mersfelder, Tyler William Montalto, Adelina Theresa Moore, James Patrick Mulligan, Ava Rachel Murphy, Kaylin Grace Murphy, Lucy Nicole Nagraj, Mariana Rose Pawelczyk, Allison Grace Pease, Logan Edward Pendergast, Cooper Jeffrey

Peryea, Jayden Peterson Jr., Kashif Petrone, Madeleine Christine Piel, Alexander Matthias Piel, Elijah Jayden Primiano, Eulalia Mary Roberts-DuMont, Cadeanne Alexis Rogers, Reagan Elizabeth Rouse, Brielle Charlize Ruski, Serenity Clarissa Ryan, Elliette Jade Sanavonxay, Jazlyn Sauer, Parker Michael Scanlon, Charles Edward Shephard, Mathew George Sobotka, Mariusz Corliss Soule, Eva Marie Sow, Ibrahim Spasevski, Ivana Sturtz Jr., Taylor Christopher Taylor, Addison Marie Thompkins, Amora Vashchishin, Samuel Veasley, Ah'Nari Walker, Eli Rhiannon Wallace, Ashton West, Emma Rose Williamson, Cayden Edward Wilmot, Owen Young, Daniel William Young, Trevor Zhdan, Vitalii Zuckerman, Zoe Rose

#### Grade 9

Al Mamari, Shahd Muneer Asim, Umamah Salsabil Athanas, Andrew George Auge, Emmerson Auringer, Schuyler Grace Beal, JreShawn Luell-Kareem Belcore, Rosella Loren Bova, Sophia Elizabeth Brown, Jordon Micheal Buckman, Skylar Eileen Buell, Sydney Elizabeth Burke, Jameson Michael Carroll, Daniel Lewis Carruth, John Paul Cassalia, Patrick Jesse Cecile, Elsie Antoinette Centore, Angelina Marie Chaddock, Evan Paul Cognato, Averie Anna

Coleman, Reilly Anne Collacchi, Emma Grace Columbus, Hannah Sophia Cordova, Christian Dominic Fabila Culligan, Brea Marie Davidson, Owen Ambrose DeFabbio, Sophia May DelRio, Stef'Fonie Angelisa Dillard Jr., Brandon De'Andre Dixon, Reagan Dagmar Donegan, Redd Joseph Dowd, Cameron Ellis Dunbar, Teagan Eldred, Jade Ava Flegel, Julia Elizabeth Francisco, Dean Andrew Franco, Maxwell Patrick Gaffney, Liam Siddon Gaines, Lyla Marie Ganley, Daniel Bennett Gerasimovich, Isabella Elena Glover, Charles Atlee Glover, Henry Patrick Gridley, Dylan Patrick Grosso, Eva Gianna Hamam, Aiham Hange, Brooke Elaine Harrison, Serani Najanae Hubler, Evan Michael Ibrahim, Ahmad Hassan Jaguint, Stone Carlo Kelly, Quinn Patrick Ketchum, Hayden Keyes, Makayla Elizabeth Lin, Cayla MacMaster, Kaylie Maestri, David Joseph Paul Maines, Dawson Marceau, Adrien Joseph Marinelli, Joseph Angelo Mathews, Leigh Anna McMahon, Emmett Miller Mercurio, Rider Patrick Mesa Espinosa, Ariana Sophia Mondo, Melissa Faith Morales, Willa Maria Morse, Shealyn Margaret Napolitano, Sabine Elise Parry, Evangeline Joy Pichoske, Nicholas Michael Pizarro Fuentes, Edriel Platt, Havden Christopher Pluff, Katherine Afome Powless, Shaniya Nicole

Pratt, Jackson James Presley, Alexandra Ahn Rewakowski, Andrew Edward Ritz, Leo Joseph Root, Addison Jayne Ross, Caleb Matthew Saad, Saam Satalin, David Joseph Savelesky, Sofia Isabel Scarfino, Stella Rose Scheel, Annabelle Catherine Schug, McKenzie Renee Scott, Khloe Celeste Scozzari, Samuel Joseph Seitz, Noah William Spinner, Kaleigha Ji Lyn Starowicz, Fiona Lynne Straub, Emily Paige Stroman, Grace Gertrude Tarolli, Thomas Anthony Tjaden, Julia Grace Tolbert, Peychenze L'Aria Tremblay, Addyson Grace Tyszka, William Michael Viscome, Cailin Dolan Weaver, Azhawn Wilbur, Corinne E. Wilson, Blake Wilson, Javden Zheng, Winnie Ziober, Beckham Christopher



## Warriors of the Month

### October

#### 9th Grade: Jade Eldred

Jade is a great student who always works hard. She is willing to hop in and work with other students in group work, and she always has a smile on her face. She is a go-to in class for participation and is incredibly kind to everyone in the classroom!

### 10th Grade: Eva Soule

Eva has been a consistent bright light in class since the beginning of the year. She is always willing to participate and help those around her. Eva has also shown that she is willing to go the extra mile and step out of her comfort zone by joining new clubs to gain new experiences at Westhill. She is also personable and creative, as shown by her awesome poster made during our SEL period for homecoming.

#### 11th Grade: Maree Durden

In the short time that he has been here, I have seen some really great traits in Maree. As a partner on the current project, Maree is not just helpful but understanding of the group's strengths and weaknesses while being supportive of everyone. Another thing that has impressed me is that Maree, during the fire drills, stood and held doors for people and has allowed others to get out of the emergency situation before him. I am super impressed with Maree's caring and help of others in and around him.

### 12th Grade: Kara Rosenberger

Kara is a wonderful student. She is a dedicated and hard-working individual who always gives her best in the classroom. Regardless of what is going on around her, Kara always has a positive mindset. Despite her many accomplishments, both academically and athletically, she is humble and continues to push herself to be better. She is exactly the type of student that you want representing Westhill.



## Westhill Celebratory Signing Day

On November 13th, 2024 surrounded by their families, friends, teammates and coaches, eight Westhill standout athletes signed their letters of intent to participate at the collegiate level. The following seniors will participate in intercollegiate athletics next year:

Alice Bender - Pace University - Women's Volleyball Aubrey Holowinski - Ithaca College - Women's Lacrosse Emma Murphy - Marist College - Women's Track and Field Keller O'Hern - SUNY Geneseo - Men's Lacrosse Kara Rosenberger - University of Vermont - Women's Lacrosse Anthony Sampo - SUNY Cortland - Baseball Avery Starowicz - Salisbury University - Women's Lacrosse Eva Tarolli - Stevens Institute of Technology - Women's Volleyball



# Athletics

### Fall Teams Earn NYSPHSAA Academic Honors

At the end of each sports season, the New York State Public High School Athletic Association (NYSPHSAA) honors those teams and individuals that excel in the classroom. The student-athletes, teams, and schools work very hard throughout the year and deserve to be recognized for their academic success. To receive Scholar-Athlete team recognition the team's average GPA for 75% of the roster must be greater than or equal to 90%. If a team does not meet the Scholar-Athlete Team Criteria, the individuals on that team with a 90% or above GPA are considered individual Scholar-Athletes.

This fall, Westhill had seven out of eight varsity teams earning the team honor. Scholar Teams included boys' soccer, girls' soccer, girls' tennis, boys' golf, volleyball, girls' cross country and boys' cross country. We had 163 varsity student athletes participating in the fall sports program with 112 of them earning a 90% or greater average for the 1st quarter. Congratulations student athletes!

### Football Makes Donation to Helio Health

As the Westhill Varsity football team took the field to play Owego on October 11th they wore purple jerseys. These jerseys represented something bigger than the game, something that transcends the scoreboard. Their purple jerseys symbolized a cause close to their hearts, Overdose Awareness.

This fall the football program raised \$1,000 to support Helio Health. Helio Health is dedicated to transforming the lives of those struggling with substance abuse and mental health disorders. Their donation to Helio Health was in honor of Andre White, father of Collin (senior) and Layla (8th grade) White. Andre passed away earlier this year and was employed as a counselor at Helio Health.

Westhill football welcomed the president and CEO of Helio Health, Kathleen Gaffney-Babb and the Senior Vice President of the Central and Southern Region, Kristen Morey to accept the donation. Kathleen and Kristen wore jerseys with the number 110 depicted. 110 was the program code that Andre worked under at Helio Health. Thank you to everyone that contributed and supported this cause.



November 2024

### Walberta Park Elementary School News

Attention Incoming Kindergarten Parents 2025-2026 School Year

Registration for the 2025-2026 Kindergarten class at Walberta Park School is approaching.

If you have a child that will be five on or before December 1, 2025, please follow these simple steps:

- Fill out the form below and return it to: Walberta Park Primary School Kindergarten 2025-2026 400 Walberta Road
  - Syracuse, New York 13219-2297
- Once we have received this completed form, we will send a registration packet in the mail for you to complete. You will
  need to include the following with your completed registration packet. Your child will not be registered at school unless we
  have on file the following:
  - . Copy of your child's birth certificate (original not required)
  - · Proof of district residency (copy of deed, lease or rental agreement, mortgage statement)
  - · Physical & immunization records (can be sent in later after the 5 year check up)
- Please fill out the packet completely and return it to us between March 3rd and March 7th. You can mail it, drop it off or email it. There will not be an in-person registration day.
- A kindergarten orientation will be held for students and parents on Tuesday, August 26, 2025. More information will be forthcoming.
- 5. Once your child is registered, you will receive a link to sign your child up for our kindergarten screening which will take place at the end of June or very beginning of July, specific date to be determined. 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.
- 6. Student hours for the 2025-2026 school year are 8:40am to 3:00pm.

Please fill out this form and return to the above address or fill out the form here or on the QR Code below no later than January 24, 2025. (PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)				
Child's Name	_Gender:	м	F	Date of Birth
Parents/Guardians Name(s)				_ Home Phone
Address				Zip Code
Email Address				
Which statement best describes your plans for September?				
My child WILL attend kindergarten at Walberta Park School.				
<ul> <li>My child WILL NOT attend kindergarten at Walberta Park School.</li> <li>I am undecided.</li> </ul>				

*Are you having a class reunion?* Want to get your Save the Date published or find out how the Westhill Educational Foundation may be able to help you? Email us at westhillfoundation@gmail.com!



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### CONGRATULATIONS ENL GRADUATES!

On October 17th, Westhill School proudly hosted its second annual English as a New Language (ENL) Graduation Ceremony! This is a special occasion to honor the achievements of students who have reached the commanding level of English proficiency. The ceremony celebrated those who tested at this advanced level in the spring of 2024, marking a significant milestone in their language learning journey.

This event also served as a warm welcome for new families joining the ENL program, creating a sense of community and support among both graduating and incoming students. Our recent graduates stand as an inspiration to those just beginning their ENL journey, showcasing the dedication, resilience, and hard work required to succeed. We are incredibly proud of all our graduates for reaching this challenging achievement. We look forward to watching each of you continue to excel. Congratulations on this tremendous accomplishment!

