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## Principal's Message

Dear Parents, Students, and Friends of Clearwater High:

The 2021-2022 school year is off to a great start, and it is quite obvious our students are well prepared, and ready to begin! Thank you for your help and support!

Congratulations to our Marine Corp JROTC (MCJROTC) program! They recently participated in the 2021 Iron Bear Challenge on Saturday, October 2nd at Central High School in Brooksville. Our MCJROTC competed against eighteen other JROTC programs from across the state of Florida. Out of the 12 events, our JROTC placed 1st in nine of them! As a result of their efforts, our MCJROTC placed 1st overall! This was the first time in school history that our MCJROTC unit has won the Iron Bear Challenge. In addition, it was also the first time in history that any MCJROTC unit has taken home this prestigious award. Thank you to Maj. Hughes and Sgt. Maj. Fineran for your leadership and dedication to your students! Way to go CHS MCJROTC!!!!

We have approximately 1600 students this year, and over 80% of our students are involved in numerous extra-curricular activities such as clubs, athletics, the arts, student government and leadership opportunities. Research has shown that the students involved in their school beyond the classroom tend to have a better chance of excelling in the classroom!

We take great pride in our school and the lines of communication with our families, and hope you find our web resources helpful. Beyond the basics of email and FOCUS (our district portal for student data such as grades and attendance), we have a few other important resources you should be utilizing.

Please visit our website at [www.clearwater-hs.pinellas.k12.fl.us/](http://www.clearwater-hs.pinellas.k12.fl.us/) or visit and like (to stay up to date) our Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/myclearwaterhigh>. Peachjar is a communication platform that streamlines vital school and community resources directly to our parents as digital flyers. All you need to do is go onto your FOCUS account, and make sure your email is correct. We will be communicating student progress reports, upcoming initiatives, and other important information using the email addresses on file. Again, please take a moment to ensure your address is correctly inputted and reach out to our Student Services staff if you have any questions.

Our staff is continually searching for new and different ways to deliver better services for our diverse and unique population of students. For example, daily reading time, Unique Literacy and Math project days, Extended Learning, Saturday school, and our Achievement Gap Councils are in place to assist your child with his/her academic needs. Our Modified Student Uniform Dress Code has been a strong factor in reducing discipline issues and raising school spirit! This initiative takes everyone working together, thank you for your assistance. Please continue to stress the importance of following the dress code and dressing for success!

Our Wall-to-Wall Academy is in place in an effort to give our students real world applications in all areas of our curriculum. We hope that your child has multiple certification opportunities during their time here at CHS. Thank you for staying involved in your child's education. We will continue to work as a team, and I am honored to work with you and your child. There are many success stories, and we want your family to be part of them.

As always, I thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,  
Eric Krause

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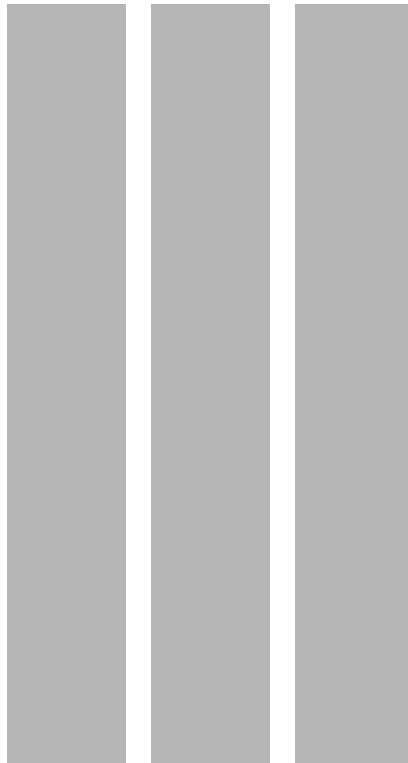
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## MCJROTC Wins the Iron Bear Competition

### by Cadet Corporal Sophia Azevedo and Cadet Corporal Natalliah Bowdoin

For most, October 2nd was just an average Saturday. However, Clearwater High School Marine Corps Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (MCJROTC) would have called it anything but that. On Saturday, Clearwater High School's MCJROTC program brought full energy into Brooksville, Florida for the 16th Annual Iron Bear Competition at Central High School. A bus filled with 30+ cadets was ready to take home the winning trophy – and that's exactly what we did.

Annually, our program competes in the Iron Bear Competition, an athletic competition for JROTC units from all around Florida to compete in a variety of events. Eighteen schools, representing the various branches of the military, competed in a total of twelve events. These events included Mount Suribachi, Agility Course, Obstacle Course, Hamster Wheel, Truck Pull, Tire Flip, 100-Yard Relay, Fire Hose Relay, Damage Control, Clacker Board, Sea-Bag, and the Tug-of-War. Of those events, Clearwater High School MCJROTC won 1st place in nine of them.

Best of all, we left the competition with the most coveted trophy, the "Iron Bear" for finishing 1st place in the overall competition. For many years, our program has fought hard to take home this trophy. This was the first time in school history that our MCJROTC unit has won the "Iron Bear". In addition, it was also the first time in history that a MCJROTC unit has taken home this prestigious award.

We weren't the biggest team, or the strongest, and we faced challenges like no one else, but our program prevailed through its strict discipline and perseverance. This wasn't just a dream; it was a goal. A goal that we, as a team, have trained so hard for and dedicated ourselves to. Not only to achieve it, but to earn it. This traveling trophy will stay where it belongs, in the Marine Corps JROTC building of Clearwater High School – its rightful home – until next year's Iron Bear challenge, where we will once again fight to claim it as ours.

In the words of our Company Executive Officer, First Lieutenant Isabilita Sekulovic, "Attitude is everything. Energy is contagious".



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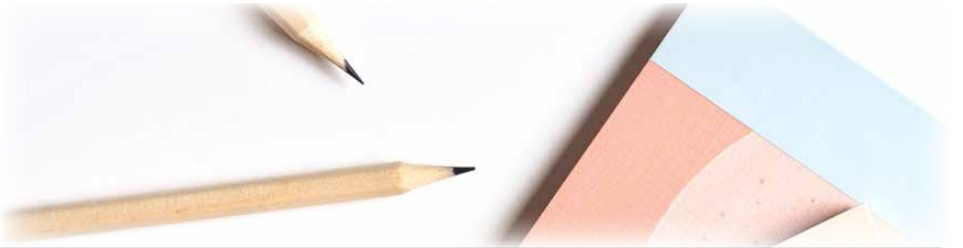
### Word and Image - First Art Show of the Year

#### Congratulations CHS Visual Arts students!

The Morean Arts Center Word and Image first Visual Arts show of the year accepted the work from the following students:

- Remi Griffen, title: Clarity
- Kayla Rodrigues, title: Recovery
- Miranda Hole, title: The Most Magnificent thing
- Piper Keleske, title: Magnificent
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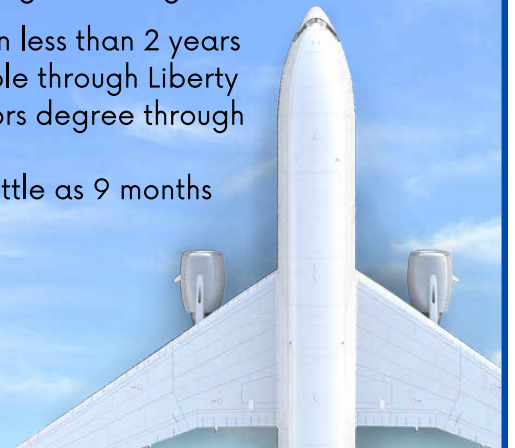
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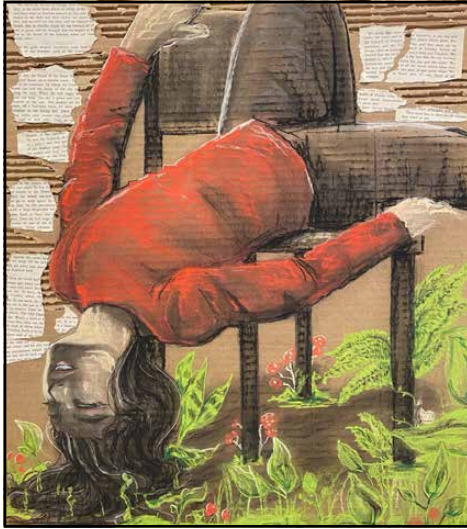
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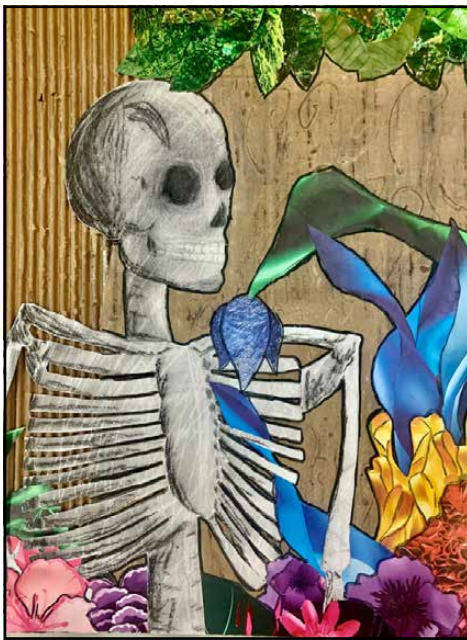




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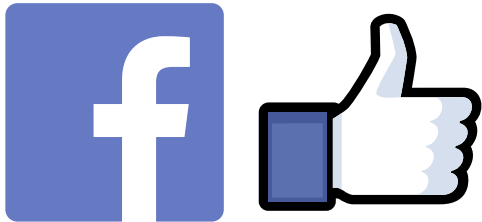
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Only ore-ordered purchases will be guaranteed a 2022 Aqua Clara Yearbook. Books will not be available for on campus purchase during the school year.

Senior portraits must have been scheduled with Leonard's Photography by September 30th to appear in the yearbook. Schedule online at [www.Leonards.com/scheduling](http://www.Leonards.com/scheduling) or call 1-800-215-4852. On campus and studio appointments available. (Cap & gown only photos will be held March 7th on campus for purchase.)

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Encourage your freshmen and sophomore students to get involved in school activities. Data shows that students that participate in extracurricular activities have a better performance over all in school.

### The Clubs presenting this year will be:

#### CLUB / ORGANIZATION

Interact Club.  
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Clearwater High History Club (CHHC)  
Gay Straight Alliance (GSA)  
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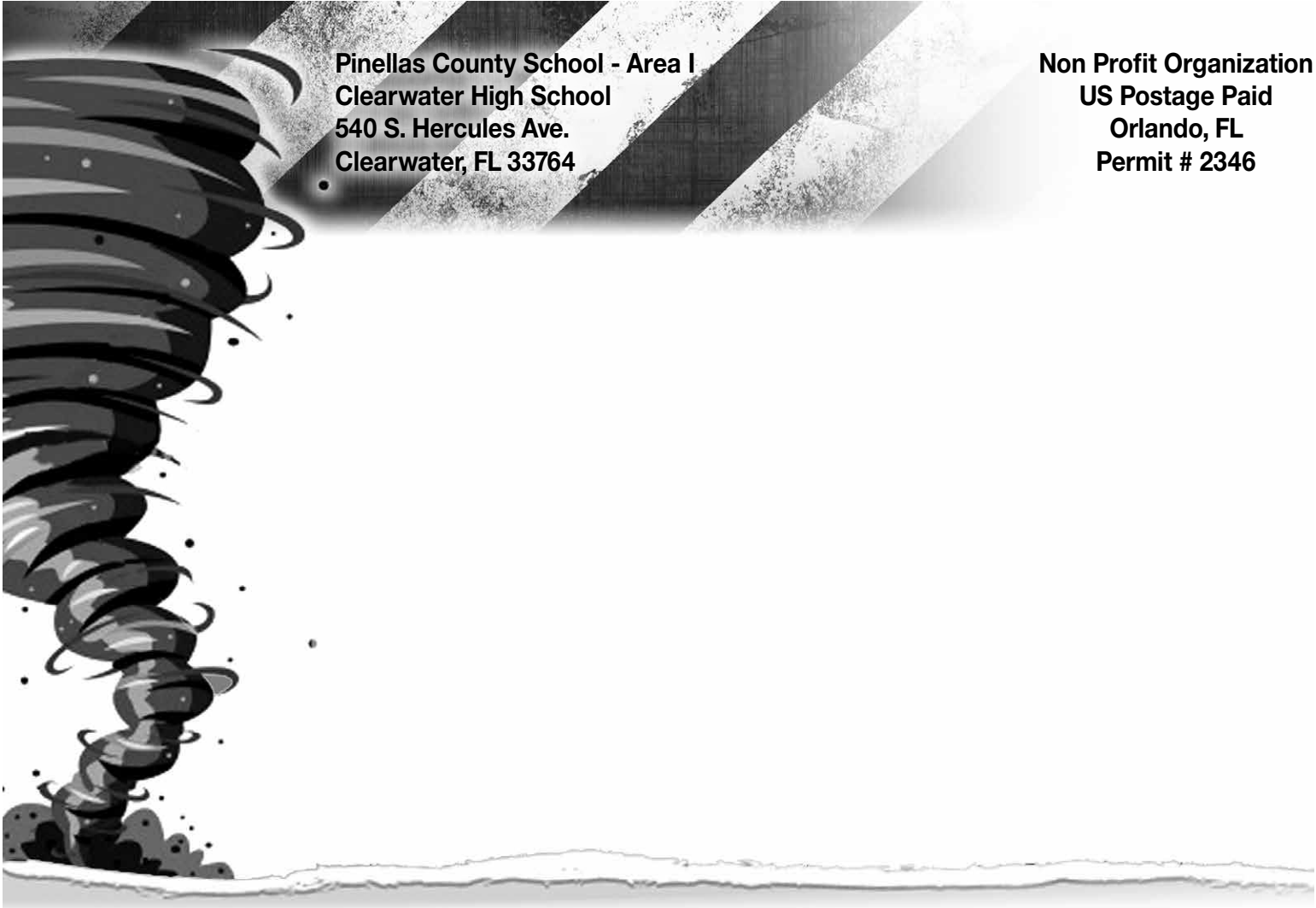
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