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PATRIOT Parade

Dear Patriot Family,

The second 9 weeks of the 2022-2023 school year is upon us, and it is such an exciting time to be a Patriot. With school events back in full swing, we are finally feeling like we are returning to a sense of normalcy, while also maintaining safety both on and off campus. The second 9 weeks is a busy time of year on campus, with students focusing on learning new content while simultaneously using assessment data to reflect and relearn things they may have missed from August through October. The time is now for students to focus on finishing strong in the classroom, where grades will finalize for the first semester when we leave for winter break. Our students and teachers are all working hard to make sure that learning is meaningful this year, something that we are all excited to be a part of after the last few years.

The second 9 weeks also brings about the end of our fall sports period, as well as the beginning of the winter sports. Our fall teams had a very successful campaign, being extremely competitive in boys and girls cross country, boys and girls bowling, boys and girls golf, boys and girls swimming, football, and of course, our state and nationally ranked girls volleyball team. Our performing arts students have also had a busy year so far. Our marching band and Sparklers competed in the Seminole County Marching Festival at Lake Mary High School on October 15, and they stole the show! We are so proud of them and their accomplishments! Our Patriot Players drama department also is busy prepping for their winter show "Hamlet," which will be performed in the amphitheater. We are so excited for what our band, dance, drama, and chorus students have in store for us for the second semester!

As we prepare for the second 9 weeks at Lake Brantley, we are going to continue to build on the positive momentum that we have generated since the start of the school year. I am happy to announce that school-wide discipline numbers continue to trend down, which helps us to keep kids in class and learning on a daily basis. And although we are seemingly just beginning our school year, the second 9 weeks is when we update our annual Curriculum Guide, which dictates which

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Principal's Message

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classes we will be offering for the 2023-2024 school year. That, coupled with shoring up instruction to meet your child's needs, will be our focus heading into the end of the semester and winter break. Thank you all so much for being a part of this wonderful community, and please let us know how we can continue to support you and your student through this year and beyond!

Always a Patriot,

Brian Blasewitz
Principal



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CHORUS

The Lake Brantley Patriot Chorus Department is so excited for our upcoming events! Our choirs, Spectrum and Bellissima, will be performing with the Florida Gulf Coast University Chamber Choir and Freedom High School's Choir on November 2 at 7:00 p.m. at Freedom High School. We are happy to combine with the Patriot Band Department for the Annual Veteran's Concert on Thursday, November 10 at 7:00 p.m.

We are thrilled to announce that the Patriot Chorus Department is returning to Epcot to sing in the Candlelight Processional after a long hiatus due to COVID-19. We were also one of only 17 schools to be selected to be an Honor Choir, which means we will be going to Epcot three times this year! We will be singing at the "overnight" rehearsal on November 22. Anyone is free to go to Epcot to see our fantastic choir on our other two dates: Wednesday, November 30, and Monday, December 19.

We would like to congratulate several of our students who were able to participate in highly selective honor choirs: Gabriella Dickson, Allison Dykstra, Raegan Criss, Amelia Rivard, Melanie Hernandez-Sanchez, Olivia Periera, Ella Wilson, Victoria Crichton, Gianna Johnston, Eda Sowers, Gauge Spurlock, Nicholas Cotto, Dibut Rodriguez-Fontanez, Ean Money, Jamal Pace, and Elias Andreopoulos were selected for the Stetson University Honor Choir. Lily Stilp-Johnston, Claudia Lerner, Dean Scornik, Nairie DeGregory, and Josue Johnson were selected to participate in the University of Miami Honor Choir. Michael Gonzalez, Jamal Pace, Hal Pressley, Elias Andreopoulos, Emily Baenen, Monique Barker, Eda Sowers, and Madalyn Propst were selected to be a part of our All-County Chorus performance held at Millennium Middle School on Thursday, November 3 at 7:00 p.m.

Lastly, the Patriot Chorus is hard at work learning and polishing pieces for our winter concert on December 15, 2022, at Annunciation Catholic Church at 7:30 p.m. The program is full of holiday songs along with some of the many songs the students have been learning for Epcot's Candlelight Processional! We are looking forward to a festive evening full of music and holiday spirit and hope to see some of you there!



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Congratulations to the winners of our annual Senior Parking Contest! This year's class has some very creative students, and we enjoyed looking at all the parking space art.

First Place:	Delaney Taylor
Second Place:	Cassidy Howard
Third Place:	Jayden Rosado
Honorable Mentions:	Makayla Martindale, Emma Ferg, and Madison Rosales
Best Spirit:	Stephanie Krause
Best Sports:	Eric Vandendriessche
Best Landscape:	Emma Boeshko
Most Inspirational:	Gianna Lombardi



attn: seniors!

LBHS PTSA SCHOLARSHIP

Lake Brantley PTSA is offering the opportunity to earn scholarship money for college or trade school.

You must be a PTSA member **BY DECEMBER 31, 2022**, to be eligible to apply.

A student membership is only \$5. Join today!

Join PTSA here: 

already a PTSA member? apply now: 

PTSA would like to thank Publix and Annunciation Catholic Church and School for helping to restock our Patriot Pantry following Hurricane Ian.

PTSA congratulates Audra Greuel and Lynn Moran-Peebles for hosting a wonderful Homecoming dance. We're especially thankful for our volunteer photographer, Luciane Marcus, who shot and shared many, many photos during Homecoming week. Thank you to ALL the PTSA volunteers who helped with this year's event, including selling tickets and chaperoning the dance.

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We are still selling spirit yard signs and PTSA memberships. We have revamped our Senior Scholarship program. Seniors wishing to apply must have purchased a PTSA membership by December 31, 2022. Applications are due in the spring.

We had great fun at the LBHS second annual Hispanic Heritage Festival. Thank you to all who donated popsicles—they are a big hit with the students! A big shout-out goes to San Jose restaurant in Altamonte Springs for donating the yummy chips and salsa and to Univision Orlando for participating. We were happy to have Superintendent Serita Beamon stop by and celebrate with us as well.

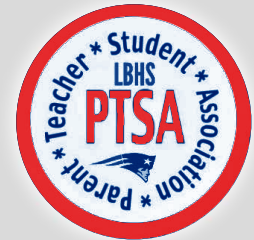
PTSA attended the October SCCPTA Presidents and Principals Breakfast and also thanked our hard-working staff during Custodians Appreciation Week.

Please support PTSA's first school-wide fundraiser! This is a great deal from Papa John's! Money raised will support PTSA programs and scholarships.

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DANCE

It's been a great year of dance so far at Lake Brantley! Whether it's performing with the band on Friday nights during Patriot football games, tearing up the floor at our pep rallies, or bringing Latin dance to the Hispanic Heritage month event, our dancers have been working hard in the studio to be able to bring dance to the LBHS campus and students. Make sure you catch our LBHS Dance Team members along with our dance program students, and the LB Star Steppers performing at our showcase on Dec. 1 and 2 at 7:00 p.m. both nights!

The LBHS Star Steppers were the opening performance at the Seminole County Health Department Family Fitness event in Sanford last month! They excited the crowd as they demonstrated a fun way to stay active!



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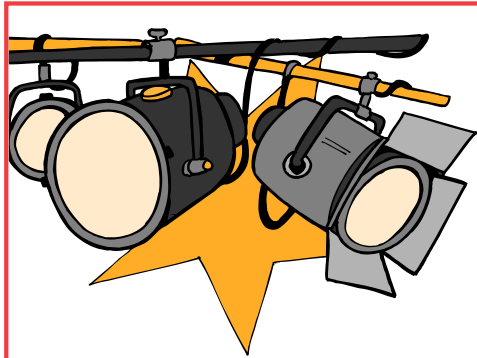
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LBRA/CREW

Lake Brantley Rowing Association (LBRA) welcomed back more than 40 rowers to our program this fall. This is only the beginning. New rowers are always welcome! LBRA offers a free week trial for all interested rowers.

We are excited for our fall season, which includes local regattas and a special race trip to the Head of the Hooch in Chattanooga Tennessee. Check out the website: headofthehooch.org.

For more information go to www.LakeBrantleyRowing.org or contact Tara McLain at 407-748-8838 and follow us on Instagram and Facebook.



DRAMA

The Lake Brantley Drama Department cannot wait for our upcoming shows and events! Our students are currently working on their district individual events for the D3 Florida State Thespian Festival. We have 39 students participating! The district participants and some students from our acting classes will be performing in our annual Night of Scenes, November 4 and 5 at 7:00 p.m. in the Lake Brantley Performing Arts Center. We are also currently rehearsing for our fall play, The Tragedy of Hamlet, performing December 10, 11, 16, and 17 at 7:30 p.m. in the Lake Brantley Amphitheater.

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SGA

What's New with SGA?

Our 2022 Homecoming Week was a major success! Student Government Association (SGA) worked passionately to plan and execute Homecoming Week. We designed a fun-filled spirit week, movie night, trivia night, Powderpuff football game, parade, lunch games, pep rally, coronation ceremony, home football game, and dance!

We had so much fun with our spirit days! Our students dressed up throughout the week as bikers versus surfers, BBQ dads versus soccer moms, babies versus boomers, hippies, and a Patriot pride class color block.

We hosted our first-ever Homecoming free outdoor movie night! We had 500 students and families attend to watch Disney Channel's Teen Beach Movie. It was a blast!

We also hosted our Brantley-themed free trivia night. The event was a massive success as teams battled to win the trivia through the decades.

We were so glad to host the parade this year; it was terrific! We appreciate the 40-plus amazing student clubs, organizations, and teams who created banners and floats to show their school spirit and promote themselves. We also thank our incredible judges: SCPS Executive Director of High Schools, Mr. Mike Rice; our LBHS Executive Secretary, Ms. Michelle Carroll; and a forever Patriot, Mr. Brian Keyes!

We hosted a fun pep rally that featured our student and faculty Homecoming court, with special performances from drumline,

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dance, cheerleading, and Powderpuff cheerleading! We also had a surprise performance from our faculty, dancing through the decades!

This year's Homecoming Court was lovely, and the coronation ceremony was seamless. Thank you to everyone who contributed to making the ceremony special. Thank you to Mr. Brad Wharton and Lieutenant-Colonel Daugherty for organizing the band and JROTC to make the ceremony more special! Also, a thank you to Ms. Stan Cutler for being a fantastic announcer!

Finally, we were so excited to be able to host the Homecoming dance, and it was a huge success! We sold more than 1,500 pre-sale tickets—we had excellent attendance! A HUGE thank you to the selfless chaperones and our administrative team that committed to helping all their work to make this night run more smoothly. Our students were well-behaved and had a great night of fun, dancing, entertainment, and food!

Thank you

Other initiatives that we planned and executed during the first semester included: pep rallies, beat Lake Mary spirit week, Inter-club Council meetings, club rush, food drive benefitting Patriot Pantry, fall spirit week, staffulty cook-offs, winter spirit week, spring teacher appreciation week, and monthly student celebration awards! It was a busy semester!

Follow us on Instagram @LBHS_SGA for more updates!

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