



**ISSUE 4**  
**APRIL 19, 2023**

**LEMON BAY HS**  
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(941) 474-7702

## Principal's Message

It is hard to believe we are in the final quarter of the 2022-2023 school year. As we enter the fourth quarter, it is important that students remain focused on school. Whether it is school grades, attendance, discipline or testing, finishing strong in the last nine weeks is crucial for a successful year.

School testing plays a major role in the life of a high school student during the fourth quarter. We will test on the Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (FAST) Reading (9th and 10th grade), Algebra One End of Course Exam (Algebra 1 students), Geometry End of Course Exam (Geometry and Geometry Honors students), Biology End of Course Exam (Biology and Biology Honors students), and the U.S. History End

of Course Exam (U.S. History, U.S. History Honors students, AP U.S. History students). College bound juniors and seniors will be taking the ACT and/or SAT test(s). As well, all students will be taking final exams for each of their classes.

During the 4th quarter, it is important for students to have a strong finish to their school year. Below are some tips related to finishing strong. Your attention and involvement in this effort will reinforce the importance you place on your child's school experience and have a tremendous positive effect on his/her school life.

Talk to your student about his/her social, extra-curricular, and academic realities. High school can

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be stressful, and these conversations will help you both by providing insight and new perspectives. Academics are important, but few of us have memories of those challenges. Instead, we tend to remember high school relationships and social experiences, but life was better during this time if we were confident about grades.

Reinforce positive and successful school habits. Attention in class, homework, test preparation, and attendance are key factors.

Access and review your student's class progress, attendance, and testing schedules on FOCUS and the school web site.

Talk to your student about ways to improve school life. You've 'been there/done that', and probably know how you might have improved your experience.

Identify and encourage tutoring and study assistance classes available at the school. Lemon Bay offers tutoring and classroom assistance Monday through Thursday after school for one hour.

6. Help your student to increase focus and effort. 'Coasting' is a natural tendency at times, but too much can be an unproductive, especially at the conclusion of the school year.

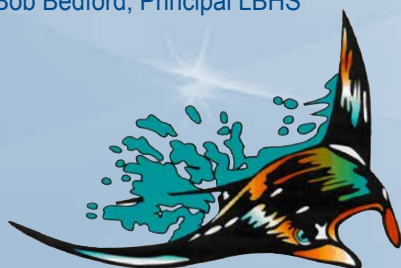
Your involvement is a tremendous positive factor for a successful high school experience. Your interest, willingness, and dedication to helping your child succeed provides an unmistakable message. Your child will thank you for it - someday.

If you have any questions or concerns about the progress of your child, please contact the high school at (941)-474-7702 and we would be happy to answer your questions.

I am looking forward to a great fourth quarter.

Go Mantas!!!

Bob Bedford, Principal LBHS



## Career Resource Center (CRC)

Mrs. Teresa Dailey

**Senior Scholarship Night is May 8th** – Seniors that will be receiving scholarship/ awards will receive an invitation in the mail. There will be a list posted of students that are invited to the Scholarship Night on the CRC doors by May 1st.

**Summer is a great time to volunteer...** earn those hours to be recognized your senior year at graduation with a SILVER CORD (150 hrs) & GOLD CORD (250+ hrs). Forms are on the homepage under quicklinks and just outside the CRC door.

**Class of 2024** it is time to start working on your Local Scholarship Packet! On the LBHS website click on Academic & Guidance, scroll to the bottom and under Additional Resources look for Local Scholarship Info: Creating a Local Scholarship Packet, Goal Statement Guide, Resume & Application (application will open Sept. 1st) We will be meeting with the Juniors after May 8th to start sharing this information.

**PARENTS & STUDENTS – make sure you are signed-up for the CRC's REMIND Text based on graduation year**

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Text to: **81010**  
Message: **@696b9g**

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Class of 2027  
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## Band News

Join us for our Spring Concert on Thursday, April 27, 2023, at 7:00 PM! The concert will take place in the Lemon Bay Performing Arts Center and will feature our Concert Band, Symphonic Winds, and Jazz Ensemble (The "Jazz Rays"). Admission is free, but donations are always appreciated.

Marching Mantas Band Camp will be held on the following dates/times. All events take place at the LBHS Band Room. Band Camp is a required activity for anyone interested in participating in Band at Lemon Bay HS during the 2023-2024 school year. Please contact Mr. Eyrich ASAP at philip.eyrich@yourcharlotteschools.net if you are interested in joining Band but are unable to attend Band Camp.

- ♦ Percussion/Color Guard Camp: Thursday-Friday, August 4-5, 1-5 PM
- ♦ Full Band Camp: Monday-Wednesday, August 7-9, 2-6 PM
- ♦ Full Band Camp: Thursday-Friday, August 10-11, 3-7 PM
- ♦ Parent Showcase & Pizza Social: Friday, August 11, 7 PM



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## Think Pink Club



Members of the Think Pink Club have been working hard this school year trying to raise funds for the American Cancer Society Fight Against Breast Cancer Campaign. October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month and traditionally, has been the Club's best fund-raising month. Hurricane Ian put a damper on fund raising efforts by cancelling/rescheduling many of the home football games. With great student leadership and hard work Think Pink still raised over \$2,000.



## Shout Out At The Bay/ Poetry Slam Winners

We are pleased to announce our 10th Annual Shout Out at the Bay Winners this year.

**1st Place Winner - Alan Schleden**  
**2nd Place- Alexandria Harris**

The winners are pictured with Mr. Ellis from the Suncoast Writers Guild. Mr. Ellis will join us to host Creative Writing Club from 2:20- 3:20 on April 26th.

## JROTC Manta Challenge

**April Fool's Day!** On April 1st, Lemon Bay HS NJROTC hosted 5 area schools in a traditional military field meet here at LBHS. Venice, Port Charlotte, Charlotte, North Port, DeSoto and Lemon Bay JROTC Units participated in 10 different physical competitions. The April Fools part was that all 6 schools were mixed into teams made up of members of each unit. Camaraderie, Esprit de Corps and Fun was had by all hands!



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## Guidance Team 2022-2023

<b>Mrs. Bedford</b>	Grade 9 A-G and Grade 10
<b>Ms. Patterson</b>	Grade 9 H-N and Grade 11
<b>Mrs. Ragazzone</b>	Grade 9 O-Z and Grade 12
<b>Mrs. Dailey</b>	College & Career Counselor
<b>Ms. Robinson</b>	School Social Worker
<b>Mrs. Grzechowiak</b>	School Social Worker
<b>Mrs. Diaz-Rawlins</b>	Guidance Office Administrative Assistant
<b>Mrs. Henry</b>	Data Management Technician

## National Honor Society

National Honor Society had an amazing year and we want to wish all of our graduating members good luck as they begin the next chapter of their educational careers. Elections for new officers will take place on April 20th. We want to thank our current officers; Blake Ahlers – President, Logan Ho - Vice President, Austin Lowder - Secretary, and Juan Hidalgo – Treasurer for their dedication and hard work.

Congratulations to our new Spring NHS inductees: Jacob Close, Sofia Ferjani, Ethan Grossenbacher, Alayna Harms, Sara Holt, Hunter LaChance, Mackenzie Long, Drew McAskill, Mailee Minitello, Lucas Newcomb, Maggie Shakan, Avery Shirley, Emily Szaflarski, Owen Tannehill, Vincenzo Vega, Aydan Wear, and Caleb Whitmore.

We look forward to next school year with all of our new members.

## Manta Rays “RIP” into Bullying

Student conflicts occur on any high school campus. Those conflicts typically result in a difference of opinions. Overcoming differences and embracing diversity is what we believe makes Lemon Bay High School a great school for our students. Our students strive to support each other and demonstrate kindness and compassion. Our school district and school take a strong stand to ensure bullying behaviors do not occur. Keep in the mind, the following “RIP” acronym if you are unsure if bullying is occurring and should be reported:

- R** = Repeated (occurs more than once)
- I** = Imbalance of Power (is the victim perceived as younger, weaker, less smart, or less socially accepted)
- P** = Purposeful (it was deliberate or intended, not accidental)

**What is Bullying?** Bullying, which includes cyberbullying, occurs when a person or group of people repeatedly hurt, embarrass, or frighten another person. Cyberbullying means bullying through the use of technology or any electronic communication regardless of whether the bullying occurs on or off school grounds. Examples of cyberbullying include but are not limited to: text/instant messaging, e-mails, creation of a webpage impersonating another person and/or other electronic means through the internet.

### Bullying is not:

- An altercation between equals
- Good natured playful teasing among equals or peers
- An isolated incident

You can report a bully situation on our school's website using the “Report Bullying” button. You can also talk to an Assistant Principal about a situation you feel needs reported. Remember, we are here to help!



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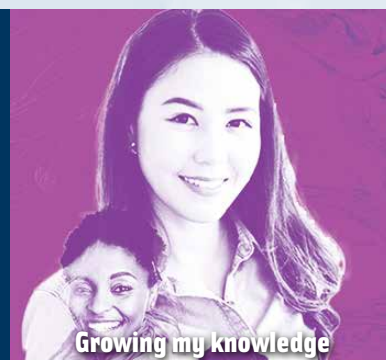
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### Your School Officials

The tip report goes to your local school officials when submitted.

### Local Law Enforcement

Your local police department or sheriff office receive copies of your tips automatically.

### State-Level Officials

State-level officials also have access to your tips to make sure proper steps are taken.

FortifyFL is a suspicious activity reporting tool that allows you to instantly relay information to appropriate law enforcement agencies and school officials. FortifyFL was created and funded by the 2018 Florida Legislature as part of the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School Public Safety Act.

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## THANK YOU to Local Group

A big Thank You to Oyster Creek Homeowners Association Activities Club for donating \$1560.00 to Lemon Bay High School. This amazing group has donated to LBHS for years. Their donation goes to helping our families facing hardship through our school social work fund. **THANK YOU!!**

## Reporting Suspicious Activities or Threats

Students, parents, CCPS employees, and members of the community have a responsibility to report suspicious activities and potential threats to schools. Any suspicious activity or threat shall be promptly reported to one of the following individuals, agencies or reporting tools:

- School Resource Officer or local law enforcement agencies.
- School Administrator or any available staff member.
- The FortifyFL Reporting APP or to the Crimestoppers Tipline (1-800-780-TIPS).
- Contacting the Supervisor of District Security and Emergency Management at (941) 255-0808
- Calling 9-1-1.

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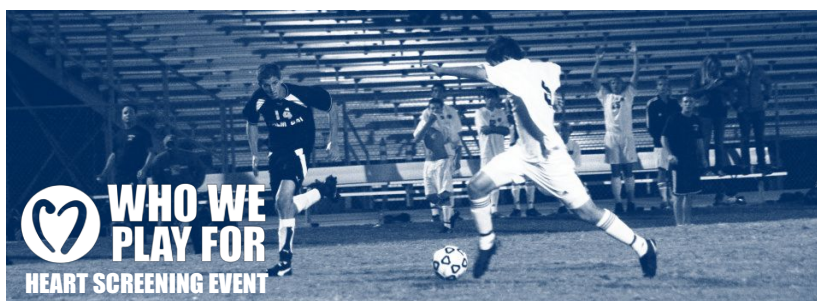
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## Lady Mantas Soccer Information

Head Varsity Coach: Katie Cooke  
Email: [katie.cooke@yourcharlotteschools.net](mailto:katie.cooke@yourcharlotteschools.net)  
Assistant Varsity Coach: Jason Cooke  
Head JV Coach: Bonnie Ibrahim

Remind Code: text@c322ak to the number 81018

Social Media: Facebook: Lemon Bay Girls Soccer  
Twitter: @soccerlemon

Official Start date: October 18th

Tryout dates: October 18th -20th: Will be posted on our social media sites, at school, and on WMTV news. You will be required to sign up for tryouts- ALL PAPER WORK MUST BE COMPLETED BEFORE TRYOUTS

### Preseason Workouts:

**Summer work outs:** Begin June 12th: Fitness practices Mon, Wed, Fri 8am-9am (just bring tennis shoes and water)

- Fall Preseason workouts: September 5th @ Coach Katie's Classroom 2:30pm -3:30pm
- Fall Workouts will be held almost every: Tues/Thurs - all preseason conditioning is optional (but if you want to be considered for leadership opportunities you must show up to as many as you can)
- Sunday Night Kick Around: 5:30pm to 6:30pm any middle school/high school age female who wants to play is welcome. They are held at the Englewood Sports Complex (monitor Facebook and Remind for any cancellations or changes) Starts June 11th.

### Lip Sync:

- Meetings and rehearsals will be held every Tuesday and Thursday in Coach Katie's classroom directly following fitness 3:30-4:30pm
- You must be able to attend MOST rehearsals to be able to perform in Lip Sync
- Additional rehearsal dates may be added as needed.

\*\*\*\*\* You must have your physical and ALL athletic paperwork completed to participate in Preseason conditioning held on campus\*\*\*\*\*

ALL athletics forms can be found at <https://lemonbayhigh.com/activitiesandathletics.html>

### About our Program:

- LBHS Women's Soccer were Regional Champs and made appearances in the final Four in 2020 and 2021
- District Champions 2020 and 2022
- District Runner Up 2021, 2023
- Advanced to Regional Semi Finals 2022
- 7 players made All Area Team in 2021
- 1 player Named Player of the year 2021
- 8 players made All Area Teams in 2022

It's important that you follow our FACEBOOK page for the most up to date information on what is happening with the girls' soccer program!!

## Mantas Cross Country Information

Head Varsity Coach Boys: Joe Casale  
Head Varsity Coach Girls: Katie Cooke Email: [katie.cooke@yourcharlotteschools.net](mailto:katie.cooke@yourcharlotteschools.net)

Preseason workouts:

- Begin June 10th @LBHS Track 8am
- Workouts will be held almost every: Monday-Friday

Official Season Start : 1st Day of School August 10th

\*\*\*\*\* You must have your physical and ALL athletic paperwork completed to participate in Preseason conditioning held on campus\*\*\*\*\*

FREE PHYSICALS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT LBHS date TBD

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### Grades 2 - 6

June 1st - 16th

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\*\*\* June 16th from 1 PM - 5 PM

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\*\*\*Covers the cost of the camp, snack will be provided, t-shirt, and includes 2 tickets to the performance. More tickets can be purchased for \$5/each.

\*\*\*Materials for the camp/online access will be sent two weeks before camp begins

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### Grades 7 - 11

June 5th - 15th

1 PM - 5 PM

\*\*\* June 16th from 8 AM - 12 PM

June 19th - 30th

9AM - 4 PM

**Performance June 30th at 7 PM**

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Covers the cost of the camp, snack will be provided, t-shirt, and includes 2 tickets to the performance. More tickets can be purchased for \$10/each.

\*\*\***For the weeks of June 19th - 30th, students will need to bring their own lunch.**

\*\*\*Materials for the camp/online access will be sent two weeks before camp begins

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