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## **Principal's Message**

I wanted to take a minute to thank the staff, students, parents, and community for a great year. It was not always easy, but as we made our way through the fourth quarter, we were able to celebrate much like we did in prior years. It started with GradBash for the seniors and Prom was a huge success on Boca Grande. We had a virtual Senior Awards Night, and we were able to hold our annual senior goodbye ceremony and senior pool party on senior's last day. We were able to celebrate our seniors with our great community at Senior Scholarship Night. What a scholarship celebration night it was as over 150 community members gave out over 450 scholarships to deserving seniors. We also

celebrated underclass awards where over 500 students received at least one award based on academic achievement. Overall, 1,300 awards were given out to underclassmen. As we approach the final two weeks of school, we look forward to celebrating Baccalaureate, Senior Breakfast and of course Commencement.

I hope everyone has a safe and restful summer and I look forward to the start of a new school year on Wednesday, August 10th.

Go Mantas!!!

Bob Bedford

# **MANTTA MESSENGER**

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## Senior Scholarship Night

Over 400 scholarships were awarded to LBHS seniors on May 9, 2022 at our Senior Scholarship and Awards Night. Thank you to our amazing Englewood community for their generosity.



## Manta Rays Welcome Our New Families

After learning we had several families join our community from Ukraine, the Manta Spirit Club wanted to do something to help welcome them here. We decided to have a fundraiser within the school and use that money to purchase some items that might help the families as they get settled here.

The club sold goodbye messages with candy to students wishing to say farewell to seniors about to graduate and donated all the money earned to the cause. There were other clubs, such as the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and the Academic Integrity Club, in addition to some generous staff members, who also contributed.

Ultimately, we were able to welcome these special families to Englewood with gift baskets that included Manta t-shirts, sunscreen, beach towels, and several gift cards for local stores.

The families were extremely happy to receive the baskets and certainly felt welcomed. Mission accomplished. Thank you, Mantas!



## Band News

### JOIN THE MARCHING MANTAS!

All students are invited to join the Lemon Bay HS Marching Mantas as we kick off the Fall Marching Season with our 2022 show: "Take Me to Mars," featuring the music of Bruno Mars! This activity is open to everyone, regardless of experience level! Opportunities to join the brass, woodwind, percussion, and color guard sections are available – no experience required! Our Summer Band Camp schedule is listed below:

- August 4th-5th (Thurs-Fri) – 1:00-4:00 PM
- August 8th-9th (Mon-Tues) – 1:00-5:00 PM
- August 11th-12th (Thurs-Fri) – 3:00-7:30 PM

Note: Participation in marching band at Lemon Bay High School is FREE – however, students will be asked to purchase their own band shirt, marching shoes, and instrument accessories (reeds, drum sticks, valve oil, etc.). Additionally, all wind/percussion/color guard students will be required to enroll in the appropriate band class. Join us this fall as we continue our SUPERIOR tradition!

Questions? Contact Mr. Eyrich at [Philip.Eyrich@yourcharlotteschools.net](mailto:Philip.Eyrich@yourcharlotteschools.net)



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## Career Resource Center (CRC)

Mrs. Teresa Dailey

- Senior Scholarship Night May 9th was back in-person and can be viewed through the summer from LBHS website: [www.lemonbayhigh.com](http://www.lemonbayhigh.com)
- 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.
- Class of 2023 it is time to start working on your Local Scholarship Packet! On 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)

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

Career Resource Center – Class of 2023	Text To: 81010	Message: @696b9g
Career Resource Center- Class of 2024	Text To: 81010	Message: @crc2024
Career Resource Center- Class of 2025	Text To: 81010	Message: @crc2025
Career Resource Center- Class of 2026	Text To: 81010	Message: @crc2026

## Guidance Team 2021-2022

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

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## National Honor Society News

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. With their departure, NHS would like to congratulate next year's new senior officers; Blake Ahlers – President, Logan Ho - Vice President, Austin Lowder - Secretary, and Juan Hidalgo – Treasurer. Looking forward to another great year.

All members have been very busy this quarter tutoring and participating in community service events such as our annual Englewood Beach Cleanup on April 15th. Dedicated members spent two hours scouring the beaches and parking lots where and were able to collect over 8 bags of trash. Great job Mantas!



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## Think Pink Club

Think Pink Club donated \$4,000 to the American Cancer Society "Fight Against Breast Cancer Campaign".

## Guest Speaker In Mrs. Cooper's Class

We were honored to have Jax Mendelsohn come to speak in our classrooms; Mrs. Cooper's & Miss Kelly's. Jax had just won 1st Place in the Science Fair with his category: Earth & Environmental Sciences. His project title: *The Influence of Mimicry Attire Wind Turbines on Bird Movement Patterns*.



Our class was studying the Unit, Atmosphere and exploring wind turbines. It was perfect timing and very engaging to our students. Jax expounded on his knowledge and supported his project with enthusiasm, it was a motivating and awesome experience for the students and staff! He was a great speaker, clearly explaining his hypothesis and describing the details of how he received his data. Our students asked him questions that he articulated so eloquently. Jax truly did an amazing job sharing his Science Project with our classes!

Shout out to all of his Science teachers who helped light the spark we were witness to. And, thank you Mrs. Beamesderfer for allowing him to come to our class during your class period. We are excited to see what the future holds for him.

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#### Your School Officials

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

#### Local Law Enforcement

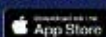
Your local police department or sheriff's office receive copies of your tips automatically.

#### 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 Mickey Stevenson Douglas High School Public Safety Act.

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## 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!

## 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).
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Additionally, Emilie McCall received a \$500 Scholarship, Angelina Vargas and Beatriz Dela Cruz \$100 each private donor award!

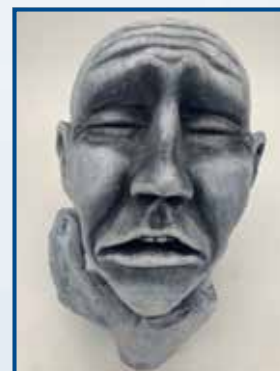
Madeline Dufur 3rd b/w drawing  
Olivia Roberts 3rd Photography  
Colton Moser 2nd Photography

Bennett, Kendell 3rd Ceramics  
Oliver Seward 2nd Ceramics  
Emilie McCall 1st Ceramics

Beatriz Dela Cruz 3rd Sculpture  
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