



# LAKEVIEWER



November Issue

2017-2018 School Year

## *From the Superintendent:*

Dear Lakeview School District Resident,

I strongly believe if you review the following information, you will use good judgment when voting on November 7<sup>th</sup>. Lakeview Local Schools has a 2.25 **renewal** school levy on the November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017 ballot.

This renewal levy comes at a critical time for us. Our state foundation revenues will be identical to last year's total. In fact, our state revenue has been static for the preceding two years. Adding to this fiscal concern, the coming two-year state projection has us flat lined both years. While our revenue remains constant, there are inflationary pressures in most of our expenditure areas.

We are very proud of the fact that we demonstrate high student performance while per pupil expenditure is very low. Lakeview spends \$9,008 per pupil while the state average per pupil expenditure is \$11,164. Our taxpayers continue to earn a superior return on their investment as Lakeview ranks 7<sup>th</sup> from the lowest out of 20 Trumbull County Schools in total operating millage.

The prestigious *US News & World Report* awarded a Silver Medal to Lakeview High School ranking it in the top 100 high schools in the state. While the current state report card does not label districts with an overall grade or rating, it does offer insight into district progress. I am in agreement with educators statewide who continue to rally against the report card for a number of valid reasons, most notably the achievement piece of the report card which is extremely subjective. However the progress component of the report card is a valid measure of student growth during a school year. A "C" grade indicates one full year of student growth. Lakeview earned an "A" in overall student growth (value added).

Lakeview's performing arts programs continue to be ranked among the very finest in the state. At adjudicated state functions our bands and choirs consistently earn high ratings. Our athletic and extracurricular programs involve hundreds of students and we are highly competitive in all areas.

Thank you for your continued support of Lakeview Schools. Please contact me if you need additional information.

Educationally,

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## **News from Lakeview High School**

The high school has been engaged in a comprehensive strategic planning 1:1 initiative for the inclusion of Chromebooks in the classrooms. Beginning in 2014-2015, LHS teachers have been engaged in 50+ hours of professional development in Google applications to effectively incorporate Chromebooks into the classroom. Our plan is evaluated yearly with data driven decisions to increase innovative techniques towards 21st Century Learning.

The five year plan of our 1:1 initiative is fluid to include the necessary modifications to increase student achievement. Chromebooks have become the symbol of the high school's commitment to 21st Century Skills before our students graduate and compete in the world.



*Principal Lawrence Herrholtz*

### **Important Upcoming Dates:**

- November 22:** No school in lieu of evening conferences
- November 23-27:** Thanksgiving Break—No School
- November 28:** School Resumes
- December 4:** MS Choir Concert, 7:00 p.m.
- December 6:** MS Band Concert, 7:00 p.m.
- December 12:** 8th Gr. Band/Choir Concert, 7:30 p.m.
- December 14:** HS Band/Choir Concert. 7:00 p.m.
- December 22:** Winter Break begins
- January 3:** School Resumes





### Lakeview Middle School

“The more you live with your heart, the richer you are,” states Leon Logothetis, the star of the Netflix series “The Kindness Diaries.” Lakeview Middle School art teacher, Jennifer Welshhans, presented the opportunity for Leon to speak to

Lakeview students in grades 3-7 on Wednesday, October 18th. The concept of Leon’s show centers around his departure from a high paying corporate job to live a more meaningful life. Leon sets out to travel around the world on his vintage motorcycle named Kindness One. Accepting only food, shelter, and gasoline, Leon gives viewers hope that kindness and humanity will prevail. In return for their kindness, Leon grants unsuspecting good Samaritans things they deeply need or hope for, but cannot obtain. The impact of his show is in the witnessing of people who have gone through difficult times in their lives, with not much to offer, display a willingness to help because they too believe in the goodness of others.



In honor of National Bullying Prevention month and to prepare for Leon’s visit, LMS students viewed a number of episodes of “The Kindness Diaries” and participated in a collaborating activity with LMS school counselor, Caitlin Schnurrenberger. Students had the opportunity to create a set of concepts and rules that will build a culture of kindness at Lakeview Middle School. They discussed, defined the problem, prototyped solutions, and ultimately drive the system that will inspire how students treat one another at Lakeview Middle School. Students were selected by the LMS staff to create a team of Kindness Ambassadors that were personally trained by Leon to spread his message.

Along similar lines in the culture of kindness theme, Lakeview Middle School rolled out two new Positive Behavior Intervention Supports. First, staff members are participating in Positive Office Referrals that allow them to send students to see the principal for a positive reason. Staff members are encouraged to reward what is considered *above and beyond behavior* by students. Over twenty students were given a positive write-up during August and September. The second initiative driving a positive student culture at Lakeview Middle School is the introduction of the Brag Tag reward system. Brag Tags are colorful, themed plastic tags that students display on their bookbag, Chromebook case, or lunch box. Students can earn Brag Tags for acts of service and kindness, showing leadership and strong character, and positive office referrals.

Principal Ashley Handrych

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### Lakeview Elementary Celebrating Our Past, Planning for the Future

We are celebrating the many years Bazetta School/Lakeview Elementary School has served the children of our community. As we prepare to enter the new elementary building during the 2018/2019 school year, we look forward to utilizing the new design to maximize teaching and student learning.

Our staff participated in a book study that discussed ways to maximize 21st century learning.

Several classes are collaborating on STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) projects this year that teach working together, problem solving, and creating an end product.

One of our Kindergarten classes will be working with Lake Vista residents.

We are attempting to create experiences that will promote lifelong learning skills. We are also utilizing a program called Mindful Music this year. Each morning a piece of classical music is played with a description of the piece and students are encouraged to find their breath in order to help with starting each day with calmness with the hope it promotes increased self regulation to enhance their learning.

These are just a few brief examples of the many exciting activities occurring daily at our school. We look forward to holding an event for the community to visit the current Lakeview Elementary one last time as we get closer to the end of the year. As one chapter is ending, a new exciting chapter will begin next school year.

Principal Scott C. Taylor