

CLUB NEWS

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1ST PRIORITY - Our purpose is "Reaching our Campus for Christ". We meet every Friday at 7:30am in the Library. Anyone in grades 6th—8th are encouraged to attend. Services are led by the students. We have a great time! Our 8th grade leadership includes; Zoie Wilson, Andrew Middleton, Hannah Jones, Randy Miniard, Noah D. Saylor, Morgan Blakley, and Amber Blanton. Our 7th grade leadership includes; Kaleigh Nicley, Makayla Brewer, and Kirsten Massingale. Our 6th grade leadership includes; Sierra Brock and Dustin Blanton.

REMEMBER: "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another". John 13:34

BETA CLUB - Students at Wallins are recognized in many ways, and one of those ways is by being invited to join the National Beta Club. In order to be a member of Beta Club, students may only have 1 "C" for the year and NO "C's" in behavior. Mrs. Laura Curry, sponsor, states that students had a successful annual trip to the nursing home and says there is a fun trip coming up. The date has not been decided as inclement weather has prevented a date from being set. Ms. Curry stated, "Every year I'm blown away by the amazing grades, work ethic, and generosity of these students. They make me proud!"

UNITE CLUB - The UNITE Club is for grades 5th through 8th. "UNITE" is an acronym meaning Unlawful Narcotics Investigations Treatment and Education. Operation Unite was launched in April 2003 by U.S. Congressman Hal Rogers. UNITE's goal is to educate and activate individuals by developing and empowering community coalitions that no longer accept or tolerate the drug culture. Wallins students always celebrates Red Ribbon Week by wearing red and create red posters which are hung throughout the school. There are currently 90 registered UNITE Clubs in 21 counties in the state of Kentucky. These clubs have approximately 6,900 students.

MIDDLE SCHOOL ACADEMIC TEAM - Our Middle School Academic Team just competed in the District's Governor's Cup and won 2nd place. We also walked away with 2nd place in Quick Recall, which include; Taylor Spurlock, Brett Roark, Edmund Dye, Noah D. Saylor, Cody Clayborn, Tony Reynolds, Randy Miniard, and Hayston Saylor. Other winners for individual tests include; Math: 2nd place-Taylor Spurlock and 4th place-Noah D. Saylor; Science: 1st place-Brett Roark and 3rd place-Jimmy Rouse; Social Studies-1st place-Hayston Saylor, 2nd place-Edmund Dye, and 4th place -Brett Roark; L/A: 4th place-Noah D. Saylor; Composition: 3rd place-Zoie Wilson; A&H: 4th place-Edmund Dye. Middle School Academic Team Coach, Lyndsey Carmical stated, "I am so proud of my Middle School Academic Team. They have worked really hard and their effort has paid off."

ELEMENTARY ACADEMIC TEAM - The Elementary Academic Team members have been and are currently working very hard at practice and at home. They are studying material in the following subject areas: Language Arts, Math, Science, Arts/Humanities, Science, Social Studies, Composition, and Future Problem Solving. Quick Recall is the favorite among students because they get to use the buzzer system to answer questions out loud against another team. Mrs. Hill, the Elementary Academic Team Coach said, "I am very proud of my team and expect them to do great things!" The students will compete in the Governor's Cup competition on the following dates:

FPS & Composition—Tuesday, February 23rd
Written Assessment & Quick Recall—Saturday, February 27th

FUTURE PROBLEM SOLVING - "There are so many good things that I could say about the Wallins Academic Team," said Coach Ginger Rice. "It is hard to narrow the comments down enough to fit in this article. The members of this team are dedicated, exhibit good team work and sportsmanship, and they enjoy what they are doing. I am blessed to have the opportunity to be a part of the team. I always tell my Future Problem Solving Team members to do their best and they definitely did that during the district competition. They had some unexpected setbacks going into the event, but they didn't give up. They went in there and gave it their all, making me extremely proud," Rice said.

MATH COUNTS - The MATHCOUNTS Competition Series is the only competition program of its kind, with live, in-person events in all 50 states, as well as U.S. territories and schools worldwide through the U.S. Department of Defense and State Department. The Competition Series is ideal for students who have a talent and passion for math who need to be challenged. At Wallins Elementary School, the Mathcounts coach is Mr. Roberts. Students meet several times a week during 7th period to calculate higher level math problems in order to prepare for the competition. The winner of the regional Mathcounts competition series earns a 4 year scholarship. The regional completion is held at the Southeast Community College Middlesboro campus. The Wallins participants will be: Edmund Dye, Eric Inman, Casey Lee, Randy Miniard, Brett Roark, Hayston Saylor, Noah D. Saylor, Elisha Smallwood, and Taylor Spurlock.

The regional competition is tentatively scheduled for February 20th.