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Appreciation and Celebration

Huge thanks to all of the students and families members who walked with us and/or donated to our team for the Out of the Darkness Walk for Suicide Prevention last Saturday. We were the top fundraisers, again, with over \$1100 raised! Many team members arrived after we snapped this photo and 2 of our students were volunteering to hydrate us at about mile 2!



Thanks to all of the donations of items for the Elev8hope thanksgiving baskets. More than 35 local families will have a wonderful Thanksgiving because of the generosity of **Clark students, staff, and families**. Special thanks to **Jasmyne Echevarria** and **Elijah Sanitago** who took this mission on and have been working diligently to assemble and sort all the items.



Thank you from **Clark Interact Club** to all who gave monetary donations this week during the Change for Change drive! \$100.33 was raised to go along with a pledge of \$250 from Interact to Elev8 Hope for their holiday mission!!!!!! How absolutely heartwarming to see and hear the generosity and the caring nature with which our **Clark community** has been contributing so that others in need may have a Thanksgiving of hope!

We want to thank the amazing Veterans who participated in our Veterans Day panel on 10/31 and shared valuable, personal information about their experiences that spanned several conflicts from 1966-2015. So many fascinating similarities in their stories, yet very different experiences. The intro to the panel by assembly founder, **Chris Wood**, starts at about 19 min in. We had some trouble with our new system as far as sound, but please enjoy our experience. **Thanks to the grandfather of Lauren Wadsworth, father and grandfather of John Reddick, and our own Mr. P!** [View here](#)

Congrats to the **Clark Caring student of the week, Kylie Becraft!** Kylie was recognized by a peer who appreciates her for “helping me with work I don’t understand.” Peers helping peers is what makes for a great world!

Thanks to the family of **Liz O’Brien** for staff breakfast this week!

Congrats and best wishes to Clark sophomore, **Erin Craig**, as part of the SFHS cross country team who made it to the state championship meet in Tallahassee. What an accomplishment!

Kudos and good luck to another Clark sophomore, **Jonathan Rucker**, who qualified for swimming regionals as part of the SFHS team. Fingers crossed for making it on to states!

Congrats to our 2019 mARTies nominees: **Crystal Aguilar & Miguel Paes** (Visual Art), **Brandon Gunter** (Performing-Music), **Gina Saxton** (Performing- Theatre). Learn more about the event on Nov. 14 where the winners will be recognized and about our amazing, talented students [by clicking here.](#)

[Updates and Announcements](#)

Winter Dance is next Friday! Tickets are \$15. Guest forms due to Ms. Judd by noon Thursday. No tickets sold at door. Flyer attached. Come have some fun!

Spirit Week starts on Tuesday with “Dress Like a Teacher Day.” I predict a sea of tropical shirts! Check out the attachment for each of the days.

Interact Club still has a handful of candy and chips they’d love to sell you for only \$1 to help their many charitable causes. Stop by the front office to stock up while supplies last!

Seniors- Grad bash Nov. payment of \$25 is now due. There is 1 seat left on the bus. Also, **Baby photos and quotes are due Nov. 15.** Join the google classroom with the code ulixwiz from Clark email to submit the quote and photo.

Come out to support MCHS Drama Dept, including our own **Emily Campbell** (stage crew), in a production of The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe. Nov 8-9 and 15-16 at 7 pm. Just \$10.
<http://mchstheatre.booktix.com/>

Volunteer Opportunity: Molly’s House is currently looking for a student to assist them with a project. They need assistance with organizing and formatting information in Excel into a format that is organized and easy to use. They need someone to help with this as soon as possible. Please contact Dr. Bonds for details.

What are you thankful for? Mrs. Wood has made a beautiful calendar that is used to “countdown” the month of November in order to help us remember the things we are thankful for. There are fall leaves in a bag for you to write a note on, then place it in the pocket on the calendar.



Herbs and Poinsettias will be available for sale starting next week. Stay tuned for an email and order forms for this fundraiser from our Parents as Partners.

Join Kaplan's Free SAT vs. ACT Practice Test Weekend. Try both tests to see which is right for you, November 16 or 17. Plus join our experts to review your results and learn key strategies. [Save your seat.](#)

Clark "Rule Reminder" of the week

From the parking and driving agreement: "students are not to loiter in the parking lot or remain in cars." The SRO and Clark admin will continue to monitor for this violation.

Items of Interest for Parents

We spend a lot of time speaking with students about the power of words- both written and spoken, in person and online. It seems our youth likes to write hurtful, or even dangerous, words and conversations off as "just a joke." This week I've opted to share a couple articles related to how seriously the law is taking the words of young people. Please have conversations with your children about the power of the words that they type and say.

[Former Boston College Student Charged in Boyfriend's Suicide after Thousands of Texts](#)

[Teen charged with soliciting hit on school employee](#)

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