

**1. SUPPORTING PENNIES FOR PATIENTS**, Julianna Brandberg, Jane Griffin, Kayla Renner, Rianne Jeffers and Hannah Resley, 08, volunteer to raise awareness for the fundraiser by holding up signs in the bus loop. "I like Pennies for Patients because we are able to give to people who need it more," Resley said. *photo by s. pallman*

**2. IN TUNE**, Lakyn Wilkinson, William Green, Andrew Smart and Gabriel Brock, 06, show off their musical talent to parents and peers at a Band Concert. After practicing all quarter, the musicians were excited to perform and see how much they had improved. "I really liked the Band Concert. Everyone together made it sound awesome," Brock said. *photo by k. tucker*

**3. RELAXING IN COMFORT**, Felicia Wilson, 06, spends time with family and friends while watching *The Greatest*

*Showman*. Wilson participated in the second annual Movie Night, hosted in the Main Gym. "It was fun because I was there with my friends and playing around," Wilson said. *photo by s. pallman*

**4. SPELLING OUT VICTORY**, Jane Griffin, 08, participates in the district-wide Spelling Bee. Griffin has participated in the event for several years, and has been successful on multiple occasions. "I liked getting to know people in the Spelling Bee and seeing people from other schools," Griffin said. *photo by s. damiano*

**5. PROUD OF THEIR PERFORMANCE**, the 7th grade Band takes a bow after their third quarter concert. They played many songs and impressed Mrs. Marie Watkins, the band director. "The concert went very well. The kids rose to the occasion and played very well," Watkins said. *photo by k. tucker*



## helping others ONE PENNY AT A TIME

NJHS STUDENTS LEAD STUDENT BODY IN PENNIES FOR PATIENTS FUNDRAISER IN FEBRUARY, NJHS HOSTED A SCHOOL-WIDE FUNDRAISER TO SUPPORT CANCER RESEARCH.

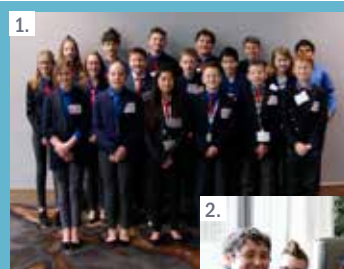
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Hoping to win the Olive Garden reward party, each CORE Plus participated in the penny drive and raised a total of \$3,512.71 for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, with \$1,605.39 donated in pennies alone. Because every penny was worth a point, and dollar amounts were used to sabotage other classes, the competitive aspect motivated many students to donate to a worthy cause. "I enjoyed the competition and how the money will go to kids with Leukemia," Ascher Bitner, 08, said. NJHS

volunteers encouraged donations by reminding Pumas about the event in the drop-off lane. "I really like that the money goes to people in need, so helping out is for a good cause," Kayla Renner, 08, said. Although both Mr. Eric Sadler and Ms. Yantze Zastrow came close to winning, Mrs. Mindy Enley's 8th grade CORE Plus came out top with 15,406 positive points and a total of \$160.06 donated. Mr. David Eilert's class collected the most money, at \$240.68, which accounted for almost 15% of the total funds raised. "I wanted to donate because the charity it's going to is very good," Emma Ceriani, 06, said.

## crushing the COMPETITION

AFTER PARTICIPATING IN THE LONG AWAITED TOURNAMENT, the TSA Team finished in third place in the state, with many students qualifying individually for nationals. Events focused on different skills, including leadership, problem-solving and teamwork strategies, all of which the TSA team excelled at. Overall, everyone was proud of the effort and commitment put into the Technology Student Association, and the group sported wide smiles throughout the competition. *photos by p. gobbie*



**1. AFTER COMPETING**, the TSA Team commemorates their accomplishments with a team photo. Graycee Bohlen, Julia Hildahl, Keira Kou, Caden Deines, Kaden Wass and Benjamin Spielmann, 06, celebrated alongside their teammates Reese Goldinger, 08, Peyden Gobble, 08, Chase Novinger, 07, Gerrit Clark, 08, Milo Estrada, 08, Parker Wedding, 07, Sierra Cromar, 08, Ryan Haskell, 08, Wyatt Feeley, 08, Blake Schwartz, 08, Joshua Wember, 07, and Ryan Fisher, 07. Following months of practice, the entire team was excited to put their skills to the test. "After 16 years of TSA, one of my proudest moments was getting to see the faces of my students when they qualified for nationals, getting 1st, 2nd and 3rd place," Diane Gaston, STEM, said. **2. EXCITED FOR THE TOURNAMENT**, Blake Schwartz, 08, Malcolm Wilkerson and Ryan Fisher, 07, give each other a pep talk before the event. "I like TSA because the people are fun, and they are all nice," Blake Schwartz, 08, said.



## cards, candy and SPECIAL GESTURES ON VALENTINE'S DAY HOW DID YOU CELEBRATE THE HOLIDAY?



"I gave candy to twenty of my friends: Sour Patch Kids, Fun Dips and lollipops from Student Council."

*photo by r. hunt*  
**NATALEE SWAN, 07**



"I ate my brother's candy. He got it from his Valentine's Day party at school and gave it to me."

*photo by r. hunt*  
**WILLIAM RICENBAW, 07**



"I went to school, gave my valentine chocolate, went home and played video games."

*photo by e. higgins*  
**ZABRINA WILLIAMS, 07**



"I was expecting flowers from my special someone, but when I got to school, he had no flowers. I then went home and ate candy."

*photo by r. hunt*  
**MAGGIE SCHUTZ, 07**

## making CHESS MOVES

AFTER PARTICIPATING IN THE NORTH HIGH SCHOOL CHESS TOURNAMENT, Sean Yilmaz,

06, received the third place trophy during his fourth block class, presented to him by a competition representative. After joining Chess Club in kindergarten, Yilmaz has placed in every District tournament. Yilmaz hoped to continue his winning streak.

"When I got the award, I was surprised because I wasn't prepared for it," Yilmaz said.



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"I'm playing and improving in football."  
**GABRIEL RaPUE, 06**  
*photo by s. miyazaki*



"I like to play with friends."  
**IAN MATHER, 07**  
*photo by l. sokolowski*



"I enjoy playing ice hockey."  
**THADDEUS SHARKEY, 08**  
*photo by t. bradford*



"I like watching hockey."  
**KARTER MCGARVEY, 06**  
*photo by t. bradford*



"I play volleyball."  
**ALYSSA ROE, 07**  
*photo by t. bradford*



"I hang out with friends."  
**LILY REINHOLD 08**  
*photo by n. gilbert*