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Happy Thursday BMS families! I hope you all have a lovely weekend, and for those who celebrate the holiday, a wonderful Good Friday and Easter! Please see the following important updates:

- Information went home today regarding a fundraiser for our NJHS and the local Northeastern CT Relay for Life. Please also see the information below.
- A reminder that there is no school tomorrow, April 15, for Good Friday. In addition, school is closed next week for April vacation. The building will be open during the week, but the office will be closed for business. I will be checking my emails here and there, so please send me emails with any questions or needs you have.
- Smarter Balanced testing will resume with Math the week of May 2.

Thank you Baldwin community and have a great vacation. As always, please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you,

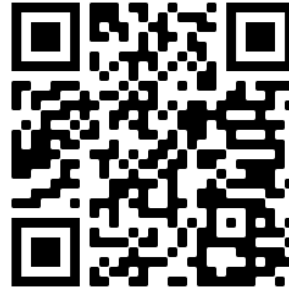
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Principal, Dr. Helen Baldwin Middle School

Hello!

The NJHS is super excited that you are interested in joining this year's Relay for Life team! Each member is being challenged to raise \$50 each. This can be done by asking family and friends to donate money and/or participating in the fundraiser to sell Hart's Hanging plants which will be delivered in time for Mother's Day.

Students, who are interested in joining the team, can sign up using this link: <http://main.acsevents.org/goto/DHBMS> or scan the QR Code
Please, follow the steps needed to complete the signup process on the site:



- Sign in using their school Google account
- Select why you are joining the relay team
- Set your fundraising goal to \$50
- You do not have to make a donation right away- hit No, thanks
- Add address information
- You can skip adding a phone number
- You will be taken to your Relay for Life Dashboard Page
- For an easy way to get donations, you can download the app

Remember: you have to sign up on the website to be considered a member of the team!

Relay for Life Most Asked Questions

What is Relay for Life?

This is a walk that is done every year to raise money and awareness for cancer research. Some teams participate for 24 hours, though our team will be participating for 12 hours from **9am to 9pm on June 4th**. The team will have a designated spot to set up Pop-up tents, chairs, etc, and that will be the home base for the team to hang out when people are not walking.

Do I have to raise money?

Yes- all students are required to raise money with a goal to raise \$50 each. This can be done by asking family members for money donations, selling luminaria bags, or by **selling plants for our Relay for Life fundraiser which starts on April 13 and goes to April 29th- all money due at time of order. See attached packet..**

What do I do during the event?

This is a chance to hang out with peers from school while walking around the track. You are not expected to walk the entire time. While walking, you can see what other teams have for sale. Sometimes there is a bouncy house that you can go in for a minimal fee. All money that you spend at the event is separate from what you raise for our team.

Where is the event?

The event will be at **Roseland Park in Woodstock, CT**. All members will need to arrange a ride to and from the event and be signed out when picked up. Students can be dropped off between 8:45-9:00 am and picked up from 8:45-9:00 pm.

Can my family stay with us?

Absolutely, family members are encouraged to stay, walk, and see what the event is all about. There are tons of activities put on by the Relay for Life committee and other teams. Some teams use the event as a way to continue raising money. Family members do not have to stay the entire time.

What about food?

All students are encouraged to bring snacks to eat throughout the day. There will be lunch and dinner provided to all participants. Other teams do sell food throughout the day, though students would need to bring their own money to pay for that food.

What activities are there?

There are tons of activities to do while at Relay for Life. We will be participating in the opening ceremonies which will highlight cancer survivors in the area. Students will be expected to walk periodically throughout the event. There are usually games that kids can play at the event. As more activities are announced- I will make sure to pass the information on to the students.

Can I hang with my friends?

Absolutely, and it is encouraged for people to walk in a group. All students have to be with a buddy and sign out with the designated person when leaving the site where the team will set up.

How does walking raise money?

Since the event is a relay, the idea is that at least one member from the team is walking the entire time. People donate money to individuals to walk around the track. Also, members of our team can earn donations by selling hanging plants.

What do I need to bring?

Students will be provided with a list of things to bring, usually people will need to bring extra clothes, sunscreen, camp chair, snacks, etc. that are dependent on the weather.

Have any more questions?

Contact a NJHS member or Ms. Doran at edoran@canterburypublicschools.org

Dr. Helen Baldwin Middle School
Relay for Life and National Junior Honor Society's
Mother's Day Hanging Plant Sale

Student Name:

All are 10 inch hanging plants and are priced individually. Please, indicate how many plants you would like in the boxes below. Colors may be requested, though not guaranteed. Flowers are from **Hart's Greenhouse**.

Name and Phone Number	Geranium \$25	Petunias \$25	Fuschia \$25	Impatiens \$25	Total Cost	Payment Method Cash or Check made out to <u>BMS</u>

This form and money must be submitted to Ms. Doran on Thursday, April 28.

Flowers will be available for pick-up at the Canterbury Community Center Parking lot from 1-4 on Thursday, May 5th.



Petunia



Impatiens

Geranium



Fuschia