



*A publication designed to build community pride and awareness in the South Euclid Lyndhurst Schools*

## **SEL Schools: Top Quality Co-Curricular Opportunities**



*These Brush High School student-athletes were recognized earlier this year as officially signing to continue their interscholastic competition in college next year!*



*Members of the Academic Challenge team took first place on WEWS-News Channel 5's airing of Academic Challenge. See the full story on Page 3 of this publication.*

The SEL Schools provide a comprehensive offering of various co-curricular and athletic opportunities for our students in grades 7 through 12. A strong emphasis is placed on student involvement in these co-curricular offerings because of the life-skills that can be developed through such competitive activities. Values and traits such as teamwork, communication, collaboration, leadership and endurance are all life skills that the SEL Schools believes students can obtain from their involvement in these groups, which will last their entire lives. Along with the SEL Schools' dedication to technology and a commitment to the arts, this newsletter will focus on not only what co-curricular programs are available, but the successes with which our students have performed during the year.

### **A Tradition of Excellence with SEL Schools' Athletics**

The SEL Schools have a time-honored tradition of excellence among its athletics programs, and this begins with the leadership found in the department and the various coaches over the years. The South Euclid Lyndhurst Schools currently features three head coaches who are in their respective sport's State of Ohio Halls of Fame, including John Scramling, Rich Hagen and Jim Humpal. The example set by these individuals, in addition to the many other coaches who have committed themselves to excellence, establish a model for how our students are to conduct

themselves. There has been a steadfastness and excellence in the rich athletics program history. Our Boys' Soccer team boasts the 13 most wins in the history of the Ohio High School Athletic Association. The 1985 Brush High School Baseball Team finished as state runners-up, and have elevated 9 individuals into the professional ranks, including former MLB Player Steve Stone, who won the Cy Young Award for being the league's top pitcher in 1980. More recently, Roy Hall, Jr., who graduated from Brush High School in 2002, was a standout at The Ohio State University and played 5 seasons in the National Football League. Today's student athletes have a proud legacy of excellence as a footprint for success.

### **Co-Curricular Opportunities and Leadership**

In addition to athletics, the SEL Schools offer a wide variety of co-curricular opportunities for students. These groups provide students with the chance to learn valuable decision-making and problem-solving skills. This newsletter shares some of the successes of our co-curricular programs at various levels in the district. Some of the co-curricular opportunities that are available to students at Brush High School include: Academic Decathlon, Academic Team, Arcettes, AVTV Club, Book Club, Debate Team, Drama Club, National Honor Society (NHS), Student Congress, MAC 2.0, Peer Leaders/JFSA of Cleveland, Environmental Club, Fall Play/Spring Musical, Peer Tutors, Robotics Club, Science Olympiad and Yearbook.

**2nd Annual "SEL"EBRATE MOMS 5K race, 1 mile walk, Saturday, May 12, 2018 at 9:30 a.m. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. More information online at [www.sel.k12.oh.us](http://www.sel.k12.oh.us). Games, Live DJ and prizes on Korb Field to Follow!**

**Brush Boys Basketball Western Reserve Conference Champs!**

The Boys Varsity Basketball team won their second consecutive Western Reserve Conference Championship this past season. The Arcs were led all season long by 6-foot 9-inch Sophomore John Hugley who averaged nearly 18 points during the last half of the season. With the win, Brush improved to 15-6 on the season and 11-2 in the WRC. Over the past two seasons, the Arcs have a record of 24-3 in the WRC. Junior DJ Dial is only the fifth Arc in school history to score more than 1,000 points. The Arcs finished off their overall season by hosting the OHSAA tournament but dropped their playoff appearance to East Tech High School. The Arcs earned the #2-seed in the Division I Euclid District, an impressive accomplishment. The Brush High School Varsity Basketball team is led by Coach Chet Mason.



*Congratulations to the Boys Varsity Basketball Team, who won the Western Reserve Conference and featured a variety of individual accomplishments as well.*

**SEL Elementary MAC Ambassadors Make Special Trip to SEL Library to Meet Local African American Authors**

The Mentoring, Achievement, Community, or MAC Ambassadors program, is a very important co-curricular opportunity at our younger grade levels. Recently, our 3rd grade MAC ambassadors took a meaningful field trip to the local South Euclid Lyndhurst Branch of the County Public Library to meet a handful of some very special individuals. More than a dozen students met with local African American authors, who spent time interacting with students and reading excerpts from their own respective books. The authors encouraged our students, promoted the importance of education and reading and had very interesting conversations with them. In fact, each 3rd grade student was able to take two books from the group of authors home with them. Special thank you to Annie Beck for helping to coordinate this field trip. The SEL Schools also extends its gratitude to the local African American authors who demonstrated the value of mentorship and encouragement for our students. The MAC Ambassadors program is just one example of the co-curricular opportunities available to our younger and older SEL students.

**Adam Turk, Bryce Gordon Represent SEL Schools in All Star Game**

Congrats to seniors Adam Turk and Bryce Gordon for being selected to play in the 2017 Greater Cleveland Soccer Coaches Association All-Star game. Turk and Gordon were mainstays on the field for the Brush Arcs Soccer team this year. Bryce also earned Western Reserve Conference Player of the Year honors and was News-Herald Player of the Week earlier this fall as well. As a team, the Brush Boys Soccer program experienced a great amount of notoriety during the season, at one point being ranked 10th overall in the Greater Cleveland area for several consecutive weeks. They advanced to the District Semi-Finals for the second consecutive season as well, and finished in 2nd place in the Western Reserve Conference.

**Eve Horrigan Excels in Cross Country**

Eve Horrigan, a multi-year runner for the Girls Varsity Cross Country team, delivered a stellar performance this past fall. She served as a positive role model to her younger teammates and supplied her team with leadership and compassion. Congratulations to Eve on her accomplishments this past year. The Varsity Cross Country team is coached by Dale Swinerton and Sharita Washington.



*Adam Turk served as a captain on this year's Varsity Boys Soccer Team and was selected to play in the Greater Cleveland Soccer Coaches Association All-Star Game*



*Bryce Gordon was a standout on the soccer field for the SEL Schools this year, earning MVP of the WRC honors and being named News-Herald Player of the Week.*



*Eve Horrigan was a standout on the Cross Country team this past fall. Congratulations to Eve on all of her accomplishments!*



*Athletic Director Mike Murphy was recently awarded the NEOIAAA Athletic Director of the Year honor.*



*The Student Congress of Brush High School, another valuable Co-Curricular student organization, invited senior citizens to enjoy a morning of student performances, breakfast, lunch and individual time, helping to create a great intergenerational event.*

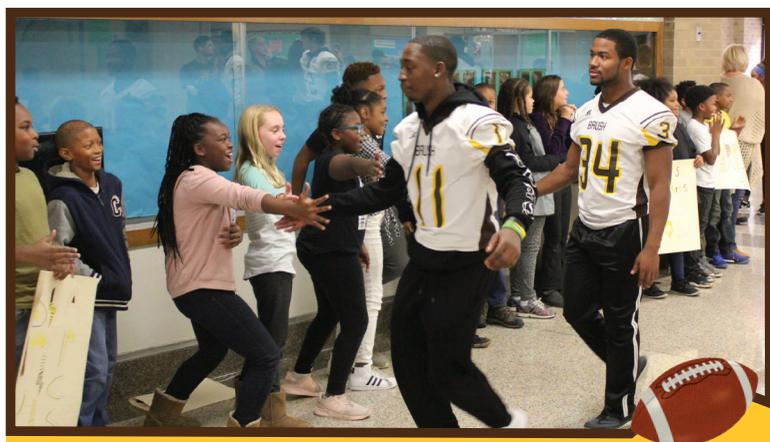


*The Brush High School Chess team had a tremendous following this past year and experienced a great deal of success.*

**Varsity football team Has Historic Season!**

The Varsity Football team had a record-breaking season this year, finishing with an overall record of 9 wins and 3 losses, advancing all the way to the regional semifinals. The season was characterized by grit, determination and hard work. A number of team and individual accolades were awarded throughout the season, and included:

- Western Reserve Conference Champions
- Seeded #4 overall in Region 5, hosting first-ever playoff game in school history
- Earning only the 3rd playoff appearance in 90-year history of the program
- Senior QB Godwin Joe had a record-breaking season, having been nominated for, or named to, a variety of awards and honors throughout the season



*Members of the Varsity Football team toured elementary buildings earlier this year, to encourage younger SEL students and connect various grade levels to their accomplishments.*

**Athletic Milestones During the 2017-2018 School Year**

**Congratulations to the following accomplishments earned this year by SEL Student Athletes:**

- In Boys Basketball, **DJ Dial** eclipsed the 1,000 point-mark, making him only the 5th player in school history to do so, and, he'll be coming back for his Senior season next year.
- In Wrestling, **Kennedy Moten** advanced to Districts at the 160 lbs. weight class.
- In Swimming, **Julia Kiefer** advanced to Districts in the 200 Individual Medley.
- In Swimming, **AJ Kogovsek** advanced to Districts in the 50 Freestyle.
- In Swimming, the 400 Relay Team consisting of **Oliver Wenzler, Alex Neyman, Max Campbell** and **Sean Pierce**, advanced to Districts.
- In Swimming, the 200 Freestyle Relay Team consisting of **Max Campbell, AJ Kogovsek, Alex Neyman** and **Oliver Wenzler** advanced to Districts.
- In Bowling, **Amiya Weaver** advanced to Districts.
- In Hockey, **Mike Kornet** set an Ohio record for most saves in one hockey game (106).
- In Indoor Track and Field, **Quentin Woodall** advanced to Districts.
- In Indoor Track and Field, **Jasmyn Allen** took 2nd place in 60 meter dash.
- In Football, **Godwin Joe** and **Markel Toney** earned first team all-Ohio honors.
- In Football, **Godwin Joe** was named the Tony Fisher Player of the Year in Northeast Ohio

**Brush High School Academic Challenge Team Wins Channel 5 Competition and Excels in other Area Contests**

The Academic Challenge team at Brush High School had a fantastic 2017-2018 school year, with many milestones and accomplishments. They took first place on this year's appearance on the WEWS-News Channel 5's airing of Academic Challenge, competing against Olmsted Falls High School and North Olmsted High School. The Brush High School team amassed an impressive score of 535 total points on the Saturday evening broadcast, making their appearance one of the highest scoring efforts during the 2017-2018 season. The Academic Challenge team also participated in a variety of other local competitions, including a very prestigious outing at Case Western Reserve University, as shown in the nearby picture. Congratulations to the Academic Challenge team, which is overseen by Mr. Nick Crane and Lynne Fearer, on this fantastic performance and thank you for being fine representatives of the South Euclid Lyndhurst Schools.



*The Brush High School Academic Challenge Team participated in a local competition at Case Western Reserve University*



*Elementary students were mentored throughout the Arc Elite Community Day by former collegiate and professional athletes on the values of hard work and character.*

**Roy Hall, Nick Patterson, Tyler Everett and Others Headline Arc Elite Community Day**

The SEL Schools hosted its first-ever Arc Elite Community Outreach Day earlier in the spring, featuring Brush High School Alumnus, Roy Hall, who was an Ohio State University standout and played in the National Football League. The event was a day of inspiration and community outreach for students and staff members. Reading sessions took place throughout the district and motivational assemblies were held with Mr. Hall. Nearly 10 other former Ohio State Buckeye or professional athletes played in a charity basketball game. A community Bar-B-Q Dinner then took place in the Brush High School cafeteria where former guest Buckeyes spoke to the crowd, a silent and live auction was held and autographs were signed. The SEL Schools kindly thanks Roy Hall and his Driven Foundation for helping to organize the day and create important discussions about character and leadership. The event was a tremendous opportunity for students to witness how their co-curricular involvement can lead to success in the future.



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# SEL SPOTLIGHT

## EDMUND HALL SELECTED AS NEW BRUSH HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL COACHES AND ALREADY MAKING A POSITIVE IMPACT ON THE PROGRAM.

South Euclid Lyndhurst Schools formally named Eddie Hall as its next Head Football coach at Brush High School, after having served as the offensive coordinator at Lorain High School and assistant coach during the past eight years. He becomes the 20th Head Football coach in the 90+ year history of Brush Football. "The best candidate for the position was selected after an intensive interview process," said district superintendent, Linda N. Reid. "We welcome Eddie Hall to our SEL family." Hall was hired after a pool of almost 50 applicants submitted for the vacancy that was recently created with the departure of Coach Jeff Fink, who will go on to coach football at John Carroll University.

"We feel that Coach Hall brings the excitement and true caring for the kids that will continue our program heading in the right direction," said Athletic Administrator Mike Murphy. "We had some very good applicants, but Coach Hall was able to separate himself from the others with his passion for kids!"

While Hall was at Lorain, the Titans advanced to the playoffs 3 out of the past 4 seasons, including winning their 1st two playoff games and advancing to the Regional semi-final game in 2016. He has coached multiple athletes that have successfully gone on to play at the collegiate and pro levels. Hall is also currently the Head Track Coach at Lorain HS.

Hall is a Lorain High School graduate. He continued his education at Seton Hill University where he received his B.S. in Biology. He also received his Masters of Education degree from Kent State University.

The South Euclid Lyndhurst Schools congratulates Eddie Hall on his hiring.



*The SEL Schools formally welcomes Coach Edmund Hall to Charles F. Brush High School and wishes him the best as he prepares for the 2018-2019 football season.*

