

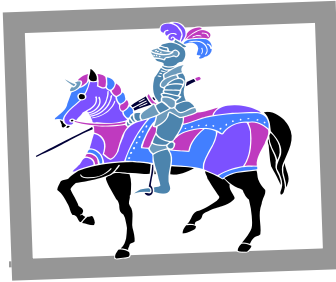
**LaVoy Exceptional Center**

**LaVoy Lancers Newsletter**

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A Hillsborough County Public School



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Student hours: 8:30AM—3:15PM

To report your child's absence Please call 813-872-5285, then press 1 and leave a message.

Thank you.

**Upcoming Events:**

March 7th - Non-Student Day

March 11th - Special Olympics

March 11th - End of 3rd Quarter

March 12th - Plant Sale 8AM—12PM

March 14th - 18th - Spring Break - No School

March 21st - Non-Student Day

March 29th - SAC 8:10AM

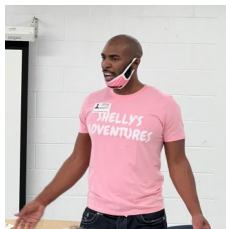
**Kindness and Black History Month**

February began with 14 Days of Kindness. Students and staff were encouraged to do random acts of kindness such as "help someone clean up" and "compliment someone". Our Kindness Days culminated with our Valentine's Day Dance. Thank you PTA for the decorations!

Black History Month was recognized in many ways. The focus was African American artists. We heard a quote or song from famous African American artists on the morning announcements, there was a book display in the Media Center, teachers taught lessons and students did activities about African Americans and their culture. At the end of the month, we had a Soul Festival Celebration with a movie featuring African American music, popcorn and sno-cones. BIG thanks to PTA for purchasing the sno-cone machine and everyone who made these celebrations a success!

**Author Kentrell Martin**

On February 17th, author Kentrell Martin came to visit our students. Mr. Martin is the author of many of the books in the Shelley's Adventures series. This series teaches children and adults American Sign Language in an easy and entertaining way. He is also the creator of the Shelley's Adventures animated online series. Our students truly enjoyed seeing a "real life author" and learning some ASL. You can find out more information about Mr. Martin at [shellysadventures.com](http://shellysadventures.com).



**Students of the Month**

Each month several outstanding students are chosen as Students of the Month. These students have excelled in some way at LaVoy. Congratulations to all of February's Students of the Month!

- Alaa S.-B.
- Bryce M.
- Angel G.
- Bryan H.-T.
- Anthony C.
- David M.



**Staff Appreciation Week**

LaVoy's Staff Appreciation Week will be May 2nd - 6th. Our PTA has begun planning and would love any ideas, donations of time, and donations of items/ money that you can give!

**Title 1/ Parent Connect**

Title 1 is a large federal assistance program for our nation's schools. The goal of Title 1 is a higher quality of education for every child. Our school receives Title 1 funds to pay for additional resources to support the needs of the students and parent involvement. Our parent involvement program at LaVoy is called Parent Connect. If you are interested in joining our School Advisory Committee, please contact Ms. Lauren Klein at (813)872-5285.



**School Board**

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**Teacher Certification**

The following teacher is out of field or is continuing her education to earn an additional endorsement:

Annette Jasicki  
Elem Education

**Superintendent of Schools**

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