

EVERY HERO NEEDS A SQUAD

Hero Squad Update

June 2018

**+25,000 Schools
Raise \$30 Million!**

This year, over 25,000 schools---a quarter of all schools across the country -- participated in a Student Series program to help change the future of cancer. Students of all ages rallied behind their local Honored Heroes and became official Hero Squad members by filling their collection boxes, setting up online fundraising pages and learning about STEM topics that are inspiring the scientists of tomorrow.

Schools held talent shows, ran bake sales, taped their teachers to walls, partnered with community business, shaved heads, and so much more to support our brave Heroes battling cancer.

Because of this amazing work, donations from the 2017-2018 Student Series Programs are expected to total over \$29 million!

Thanks to these efforts and those of the teachers, parents and communities that support these extraordinary students, LLS is able to help blood cancer patients and their families. A world without blood cancers is the goal of LLS. And the millions of students who participated in this year's programs are making an impact.

We hope you will continue to support our efforts by joining our squad next year. To register your school for the 2018-19 academic year please visit:

www.studentseries.org

Western PA & West Virginia schools are changing cancer.



With more than 122,000 students at 275 schools in Western PA & West Virginia participating in Student Series programs this year, students, teachers, and families are showing blood cancer that it doesn't stand a chance.

To date, our Western PA & West Virginia schools have raised over \$300,000!

Donations continue to come in to our chapter office to support our LLS-funded researchers, as well as providing support services for local patients.



Thanks to our local sponsors:



Meet Amari
Leukemia survivor

Amari was diagnosed with precursor B-cell lymphoblastic leukemia in October, 2015 and is currently undergoing treatment. After his diagnosis, Amari earned the nickname "Too Tough." He is 5 years old and loves the Hulk and playing soccer.

A BIG thanks to our national sponsor, Olive Garden!

Olive Garden generously provides a pasta party to the top performing classroom at our participating schools. This partnership allows LLS to give back more of your school's hard earned donations to cutting edge research and financial assistance. Be sure to show your gratitude by visiting your local Olive Garden today!

Register your school for 2018-2019 Programs!



Top 10 Western PA & West Virginia Schools

McKnight Elementary	\$16,689
Emily Brittain Elementary	\$12,000
Marion Elementary	\$10,690
East Union Intermediate	\$6,398
Artman Elementary	\$4,801
California Area Middle	\$4,280
The Ellis School	\$4,100
Bower Hill Elementary	\$4,039
Marshall Middle	\$3,694
California Area Elementary	\$3,578

Inspiring Impact Award

The Inspiring Impact Award is presented to those exceptional schools raising \$10,000 or more.

McKnight Elementary	\$16,689
Emily Brittain Elementary	\$12,000
Marion Elementary	\$10,690

Rising Star Award

The Rising Star Award is given to the school with the largest percentage in year over year growth.

Ellis School	2607% Growth
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Decade of Difference Award

The Decade of Difference Award is given to the schools participating for 10 consecutive years.

Marshall Middle	2008 to 2018
Edgeworth Elementary	2008 to 2018
California Area High	2008 to 2018
Shady Spring Middle	2008 to 2018

Loyal Lincoln Award

The Loyal Lincoln Award is given to the schools participating for 5 consecutive years.

Shaler Area High	2013 to 2018
Penn Hills Charter	2013 to 2018
Frazier Elementary	2013 to 2018
Greenfield Elementary	2013 to 2018
Cochranton Elementary	2013 to 2018
Franklin Elementary	2013 to 2018
Springdale Jr Sr High	2013 to 2018
Glendale Jr Sr High	2013 to 2018
Allegheny Elementary	2013 to 2018

Rookie of the Year

The Rookie of the Year Award is given the highest fundraising school participating for the first time.

East Union Intermediate	\$6,398
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Our Amazing Hero Squads Across the Community

We have enjoyed working with every one of our schools this year on their Pennies for Patients campaigns. With your help, we are making a HUGE impact in blood cancer research. Here are some of our favorite moments from the 2017-2018 Pennies for Patients campaign:



East Union Intermediate



Holiday Park's Hero Squad Challenge



Eva Raised Over \$1,300!



We Met Mighty Marco!



Thanks Mr. Broman!

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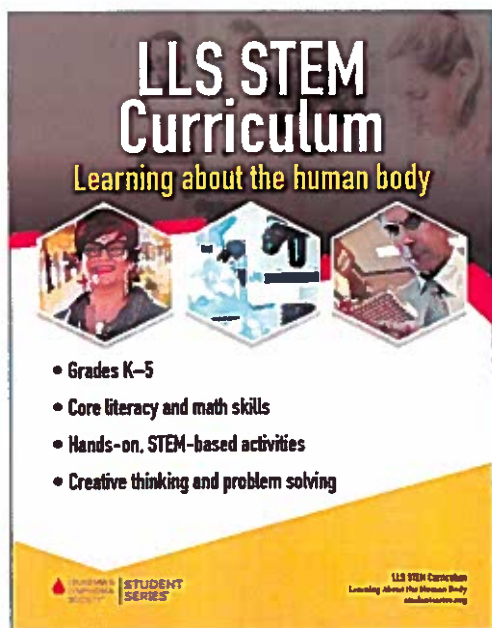
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Our Schools are Helping us Outsmart Cancer. Become a Part of it!

This year, LLS was proud to introduce it's very own K-5 STEM Curriculum to elementary schools across the country.

The United States will need 1 million additional STEM professionals in the next decade.

By participating in Pennies for Patients, your school is helping create the next generation of scientists by introducing key STEM skills to students early on in their academic careers.



Full Teacher's Guide



New to Our Curriculum?

If you weren't able to utilize our curriculum this year, we encourage you to speak with your colleagues about incorporating it into next year's academic schedule.

Ensure access to the latest edition of curriculum by registering your school for Pennies for Patients!

Download the 2017 Curriculum

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STEM
Curriculum
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Soon!**

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