



# WJHS NEWSLETTER



The official newsletter of WAVERLY JUNIOR HIGH

## "Celebrate Life. Live Drug Free."

By: Madison Jones

WJHS students learned about being drug and alcohol free during Red Ribbon Week: Oct 24-28. The slogan for Red Ribbon Week this year was "Celebrate Life. Live Drug Free." All WJHS students attended a Red Ribbon Week assembly on Thursday. High School "P.A.W.S." students talked about the importance of being drug and alcohol free. These students, who commit to not using drugs and alcohol, discussed how they can be more successful by staying clean. They also shared real life examples of drug and alcohol abuse affecting them and their families. The assembly also included some very funny games. Additionally, students and staff dressed up for the following days: PJ Day, Country vs Country Club Day, Crazy Hat Day, Dress To Impress Day, and Costume Day. The theme days are a way to build excitement around Red Ribbon Week.

### Scenes from Red Ribbon Week



High School P.A.W.S. members lead 8th grade students in a game for the Red Ribbon Week assembly.



6th grade students Elle Shepherd, Sadie Crace, and Emily Montgomery dressed up as the Sanderson Sisters for costume day.



7th grade student Layla Brimmer won the Red Ribbon Week poster contest.

### Fall Sports Wrap Up

by: Carson Nibert

The Waverly Junior High fall sports had an amazing run this year. The soccer team under Coach Davis Remy had a record of 12 wins and 2 losses this season. It's also Coach Davis's last year coaching in the Jr. High Soccer program. He reflected on what coaching has meant to him: "Coaches get to be a positive role model for kids who might not have anyone else to look up to. It is the coaches job to teach them not only their sport, but how to be a contributing member of society. I'm just glad that I could not only help coach these kids to be better at soccer, but to be better people in general."

The Junior High Volleyball teams also had a great year with 7th Grade having an undefeated season with 14 wins and 0 losses. The eighth grade team had a record of 7 wins and 7 losses.

The Junior High Cross Country did awesome this year, with the girls coming in second at the SOC meet. The junior high boys didn't have enough runners for a team, but those who ran did their best.

Great job to all the fall sports for an amazing year! Go Tigers!

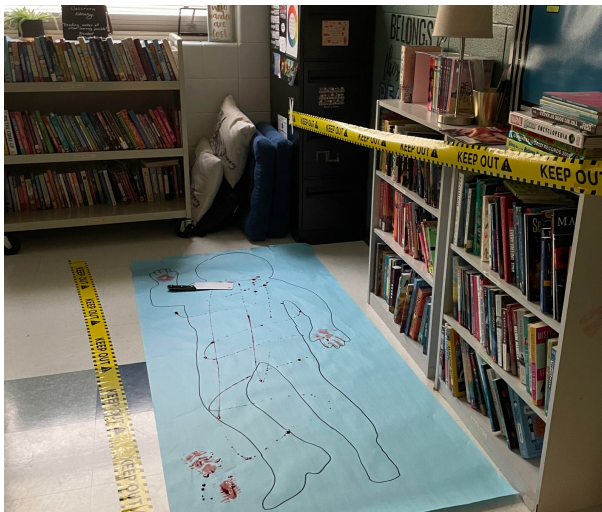
# Middle School Musical

By: Zoe Maynard

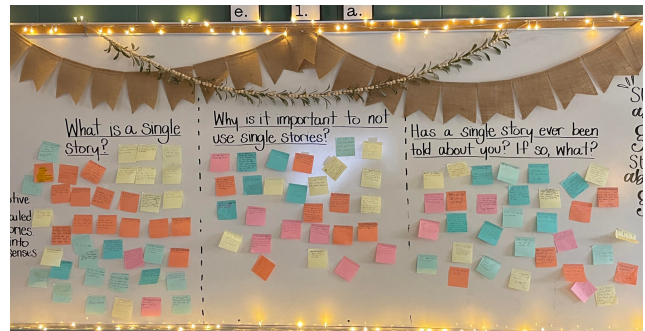
On December 2nd and 3rd, the Waverly Music Department will proudly present *Shrek the Musical, Jr.* The cast, consisting of students in 4th to 8th grade, is practicing every Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. Ms. Allyson Johnston, the director, is looking forward to sharing the cast's hard work with the community: "Musical practice is going really well. I think everyone will really enjoy this performance. There is a lot of comedy and some really great singers. We definitely still have some work to do, especially with set design and costumes, but, again, this is a performance you won't want to miss!"



Students in Mrs. Shaffer's 8th grade English class walked into a crime scene on Friday, October 28. Who was murdered in room 103? Mrs. Shaffer made them all detectives for the day as they searched the room for clues. Students were able to solve the crime and find the motive as they analyzed the body (pictured below), a diary left behind, an insurance policy, a ransom note, and two 1st class plane tickets to Jamaica.



# Single Stories



By: Paisley Turner

Has a single story ever been told about you? In Ms. Barley's 7th grade English class students learned about single stories. They watched a Ted Talk titled "The Danger of a Single Story." Then Ms. Barley had them read the transcript and annotate as to how they related to the text on a personal level. Once they had a better understanding of single stories, students were given Post-it notes and had to respond to one of three questions: What is a single story? Why is it important to not use single stories? Has a single story ever been told about you? If so, what? Students answered the questions anonymously. Ms. Barley's goal with this lesson is for students to see people for who they actually are and not for something they've heard or assumed about them. October is National Bullying Prevention Month, so this activity helped students understand the dangers of labeling their peers.