D211 POST: SCHAUMBURG HIGH SCHOOL KICKS OFF ST. BALDRICK'S FOUNDATION FUNDRAISER



A group of Schaumburg High School students and staff yell in excitement at the St. Baldrick's fundraiser kick-off.

Schaumburg High School kicked off its annual St. Baldrick's fundraiser with an interview by WGN Television's Patrick Elwood Feb. 23. The interviews are scheduled to air March 9.

During the start of the annual fundraiser to fight childhood cancers, Elwood spoke with Janelle Martin whose son Blake Guzman passed away following a two-year battle with cancer. In the emotional interview, Martin discussed how the school rallied behind her son during his fight, including holding a graduation ceremony for him.



Janelle Martin speaks with WGN's Patrick Elwood about her son Blake Guzman during Schaumburg High School's St. Baldrick's kick-off.

Students, including seniors David Kessler, Nikki Singh, and Megan Gildemeister, spoke about the importance of standing together in the fight to end childhood cancers. Junior Maddy Bier, who has never had her hair cut, stated that she will have two-feet of hair cut off which will be used to make wigs for cancer patients.

Schaumburg's St. Baldrick's fundraising will culminate in a school-wide assembly on March 16, where participants who raise more than \$1,000 will have their heads shaved. The school's total goal is \$75,000. For more information about the school's St. Baldrick's participation click here or go to http://shs.d211.org/st-baldricks-rock-the-bald-on-march-16/.