



Dear Vandalia-Butler businesses and community,

You are invited to sponsor, and or attend the **Blake LaForce 41 HOPE Memorial Football Game** and participate in the post-game **Lap for HOPE** supporting the **Blake LaForce #41 Memorial Scholarship Fund**. Your **sponsorship donation will be highlighted, on a custom Sponsor Banner Wall, at Butler Memorial Stadium and on the 41 HOPE website:**
<https://41HOPE.com>

The Blake LaForce 41 HOPE Football Game and post-game Lap for HOPE is Friday, August 28, at BUTLER Memorial Stadium starting at 7 PM.

Blake LaForce, a 2009 graduate of Vandalia-BUTLER High School, fought a long battle to beat leukemia, which he did, by having a bone marrow transplant. During his recovery, of building a new immune system, an unexpected parasitic infection appeared and ravaged his body. Blake's body immediately shut down. He was not able to communicate. We didn't know what he was thinking. We just had eye contact, for over eleven months. Blake's suppressed fragile new immune system finally succumbed to this unexpected deadly infection, on July 3, 2009. Blake forever won by beating leukemia and understanding his purpose in life. His legacy continues to make a difference. This Memorial fund has awarded 30 scholarships to student athletes (15 girls & 15 boys) totaling \$60,000 to date. The fund is not only for these annual scholarships, it is also for the enhancement of our student athletes' high school experience. The fund also gives to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society to support the fight against all blood cancers.

Athletics + Community = TEAM! Business, community & youth support are necessary, for this high school fundraiser, providing the best for our student athletes. You can support this worthy cause in these ways:

1. Purchase a sponsorship (see levels on the back).
2. Provide in-kind donation (perishable, promotional items, or gift certificates) for the post-game **Lap for HOPE**.
3. Attend the Football Game. Purchase a **41 Hope game tee-shirt** from the students. Participate in the post-game **Lap for HOPE**.



Please consider the following participation levels:

- **Platinum:** \$1,000+ name on a 41 HOPE Framed Award personally presented, name the 41 HOPE website, hosted online 24-7-365, as well as, on the 41 HOPE sponsorship banner wall in BUTLER Memorial stadium, at a main entrance / exit gate.
- **Gold:** \$750+ name on the website & sponsorship banner wall
- **Silver:** \$500+ name on the website & sponsorship banner wall
- **Bronze:** \$200+ name on the website & sponsorship banner wall
- **Purple:** \$100+ name on the website & sponsorship banner wall
- **Post-Game Lap for HOPE:** Donations welcomed and appreciated

Please visit <https://41HOPE.com> and <https://vandaliabutlerathletics.com> to learn more. This is for our youth, community and fighting cancer. Participating makes a positive difference for many. **We need to receive your Sponsorship donation by Friday, August 21, so to insure printing your business name, or name on the Sponsorship Banner Wall. We can pick up your donations, as well.** Contact Kelly Stevens, BHS Athletics Director, and or me anytime.

Thank you, TEAM BLAKE!

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