

Wayne County Schools participate in child abuse prevention month

Wayne County Schools' Family Resource Centers at Walker Elementary, Bell Elementary and Turner Intermediate recently conducted Pinwheels for Prevention art contest during child abuse prevention month.

Their efforts are part of a statewide campaign to improve the lives of Kentucky's children and prevent child abuse and neglect. The Prevent Child Abuse Kentucky (PCAK) mission is using the national symbol for child abuse prevention to help raise awareness. It was chosen to represent hope and promise, when individuals take part in this campaign they are making the statement, "every child deserves to be raised in a healthy, safe and nurturing environment," said Wayne County Family Resource Director Leslie Randall.

"It is our hope this image can positively help impact the way the public views children, as well as the prevention of child abuse and neglect," noted Randall.

Local Family Resource Centers believe prevention can occur by valuing children, supporting and educating families, and engaging communities. They distributed the pinwheel color pages earlier this month for the contest and determined winners representing grades K-1, 2-4, and 5-6. Prizes for first place \$25 gift cards were provided by Monticello Bank and second place \$10 gift cards were provided by Pizza Hut.

Last year, 37,000 blue and silver pinwheels were distributed across the state to 89 different agencies hosting campaigns in 105 of Kentucky's 120 counties (covering 88 percent of the state). Wayne County Schools is pleased to be a part of this worthwhile effort.

(For more information go to <http://www.pcaky.org/Pinwheels.html>.)



Destiny Linder won 1st place at Bell Elementary



Justin Vaughn won 1st place at Walker Elementary



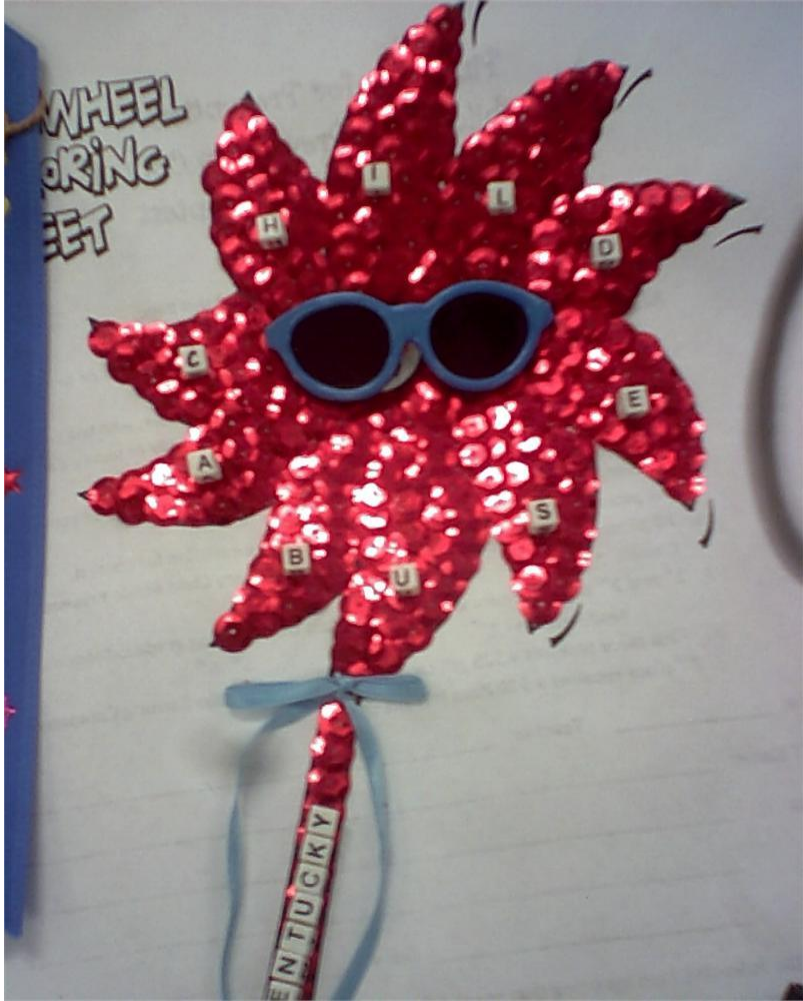
Nathan Uran won 2nd place at Walker Elementary



Shelby Daniels won 2nd place at Bell Elementary



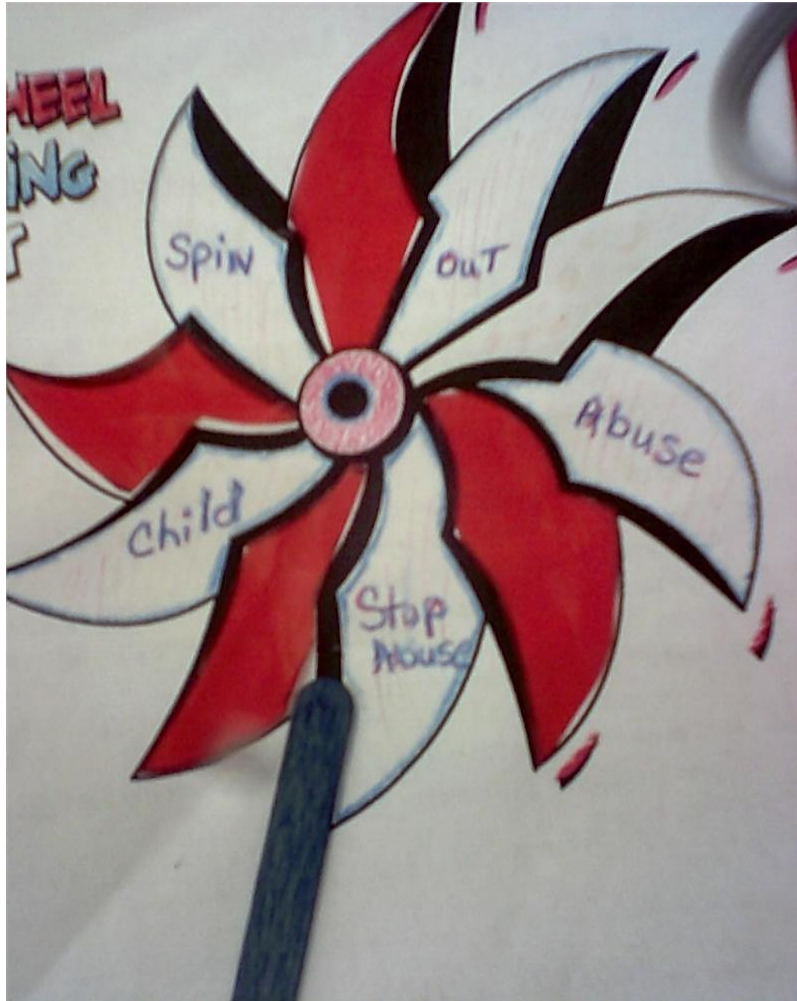
Brandon Gregory placed first at Turner Intermediate



Brandon Gregory's winning Pinwheel



Sylvia Summer placed second at Turner Intermediate



Sylvia Summer's winning pinwheel