TH SCISSORS IN hand, Perry I. AFTER SEEING HIS new hair. Alle by (12) cuts off portions of Aidan ougan (12)'s hair before it gets oved. "(Shaving my head) gives me a way to directly support ce," Welfig said. 2. IN THE childhood cancer research, children with cancer in hospitals and raise awareness," Dougan said. ave her hair shaved. "I cl d. 3. AT THE START of











v. 5. WATCHING THE HAIRCUTS, S 6. POST SHAVING HER hai all.," Hiken said. photos by m



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STUDENTS SHAVE HEADS IN MEMORY OF DOUGAN'S (12) SISTER TO RAISE CANCER AWARENESS SEPT. 24

The last thing you might expect to hear when walking into the breezeway on a Friday afternoon is have let it grow out over a two-year the sound of buzzing razors. However, period to then donate," Dougan for Aidan Dougan (12), this is just a part said. of an almost yearly routine to raise awareness for cancer,

"My sister is the reason I am shaving my head. When she was 3 years old, she was diagnosed with neuroblastoma. When a patient undergoes chemotherapy, it's targeted radiation against the cancer cells to kill them. It also hits other parts like hair cells. Because of Dougan said. this, many cancer patients have no hair," Dougan said.

Besides shaving his head in honor of cancer patients go through, Dougan also shaved his head to benefit other cancer patients.

"A foundation called St. Baldrick's hosts events all over the country to raise money for childhood cancer research. They invite participants to shave their heads and raise money," Dougan said.

In the past, Dougan's shaving made little difference to his original hairstyle, but he decided to make a cancer patients can have hair," change for this year's event.

"The first few times, my hair was much shorter, but the last four times, I

In his efforts to educate others on cancer awareness, Dougan gained the admiration of both teachers and friends, their support shining through alongside Dougan Sept. 24.

"I have done it (shaving my head) alone in the past. This time I won't be. I have recruited some teachers and other students to shave with me,"

One of these students, Hannah Hiken (9), chose to support Dougan by more than just donating money; she had her head shaved as well .

"I felt a little nervous when it was happening, but mainly excited," Hiken said.

With many watching, Dougan started by having chunks of his hair cut off, followed by a final shave,

"The hair I donate goes to a different organization called Children with Hair Loss who takes the donated hair and turns it into wigs so those Dougan said,



lucher (11) build the formation of their cells 2. HANDLING VARIOUS MATERIALS, Jadon Bowman (12) and Alexander Helmkampf (11) discuss class nformation while working on their project. 3. WITH PIPE CLEANERS and foam, tudents construct cells. 4. USING SCISSORS TO help create her project, Shreeya indranath (11) constructs with her partner, Sophia Saleeby (11) photos by

