

Winchester High School
Parent Faculty Association Newsletter
June 12, 2023



PRESIDENT'S NOTE

Good Morning WHS Families,

Happy Summer! This is officially our last newsletter of the school year! A huge thank you to our Newsletter Editors Tara Salvietti and Audrey Siciliano who put in an enormous amount of time behind the scenes making sure that all our content is up to date ~ keeping us all on track!



The PFA bids a fond farewell to all of the families whose youngest kids have graduated! We wish you all the best and we know that a stellar group of WHS grads are joining our "Alumni" ranks!! Please click [HERE](#) for more info on how to have your graduate sign up for the WHS Alumni Organization.

A special thank you to our PFA BOD parent volunteers who are "graduating" out of WHS: Maria O'Connor, Abbie DiMatteo, Lori Sirignano, Kristen Geddes, Yogita Miharia (& Brenda Mandile). Thank you for all of your hard work and the many volunteer hours you logged in behind the scenes. We are pleased to announce that next year Mai Harrison will join Adrienne as the 2023-24 PFA Co-Presidents.

Have a Healthy and Safe Summer!

Fondly,
Brenda Mandile & Adrienne Spignesi
WHS Co-Presidents
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WHS IMPORTANT DATES - MARK YOUR CALENDAR

2023-2024 District School Calendar

THURSDAY 6/15 - LAST DAY OF SCHOOL!

Culminating Activity Schedule for 2023

As a reminder, all students are expected to attend **all** scheduled study halls and WIN blocks on these days.

	MON 6/12 (Day 5)	TUE 6/13 (Day 6)
8:30-10:07 (extended time built into the block)	D block extended block	A block extended block
10:12-10:52	B block	D block
10:57-12:40	WIN Red - lunch by grade level	WIN Black - lunch by grade level
12:45-1:25	F block	G block
1:30-2:07 (extended time built into the block)	G block extended block	C block extended block

MON 6/12:

9th - second lunch

10th - third lunch

11th - first lunch

TUE 6/13:

9th - third lunch

10th - first lunch

11th - second lunch

WED 6/14	Day 1
8:30-10:07 (extended time built into the block)	B block extended block
10:12-10:53	WIN Red*
10:58-12:41	C block*
12:46-1:53	E block*
1:58-3:07	F block*

Potential 8th grade tours at 2 PM on 6/14

All students must remain in the classroom for the entire 90 minute period.
Students may not leave early if they finish early.

THU 6/15	Period
8:30-8:55	A day 3
9:00-9:30 *extra time for announcements	B day 4
9:35-10:00	C day 3
10:05-10:30	D day 3
10:35-11:00	E day 3
11:05-11:30	F day 4

11:35-12:00

G day 3

HOSTING OPPORTUNITIES!

The WHS Spanish Exchange program is looking for a couple more host families to accommodate **3 boys and 2 teachers** that are visiting us from Madrid, Spain for two weeks September 9th – 23rd.

Hosting responsibilities include providing a bed, meals, and transportation to and from school unless you're in walking distance.

Please contact [Betsy Kean](#) for more information
or

whsspanishexchange@gmail.com

THE RED & BLACK

Didn't get a copy at graduation? Pick up a senior edition of The Red & Black newspaper in the WHS main office to learn about seniors' future plans, favorite memories, and more!

Copies are \$5 each and should be a check made out to Winchester High School attn: The Red and Black Newspaper. Payment will be collected upon copy pick-up.

Happy summer!

INFORMATION FROM THE WHS HEALTH OFFICE

Dear WHS Families,

With the end of the school year fast approaching, we are looking ahead to getting things in order for the 2023-2024 school year.

Incoming 11th grade students:

As mandated by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health,

all rising 11th graders who anticipate attending WHS in the fall will be required to submit the following documentation prior to the first day of school:

-Updated physical examination (dated Sept. 7, 2022 - Sept. 7, 2023)

-Documentation of having received one booster dose of the meningococcal conjugate vaccine (Men ACWY, Meningitis, Menactra, or Menveo) received on or after 16 years of age. **Total of 2 doses required for 11th graders.**

-Please note that the Meningococcal B does NOT meet the requirements (brand names Bexsero and Trumenba). However, many students may receive this immunization in the future, particularly if planning to attend college.

-Please call your child's pediatrician to ensure that your child is in compliance with these immunization requirements and please forward the required documentation, via mail or fax, to the WHS health office **prior** to the start of the 2023 school year.

WHS Students with Medical Concerns:

Students who have special medical circumstances such as life threatening allergies, a seizure disorder, diabetes, etc., should have appropriate medical forms submitted to the health office and parents/guardians are encouraged to meet with the WHS school nurses as necessary.

If your child has a life threatening allergy and requires an EpiPen in school, please fill out and return the **Secondary (middle & high schools) Individual Health Care Plan (IHCP)** (completed by parents), and the **Food Allergy Action Plan (FAAP)** (completed and signed by providers). Please also send in an EpiPen with your child for the health office by the first day of school. Links to forms provided below:

- **[LTA IHCP Secondary \(McCall-WHS\).pdf](#)**
- **[FAAP Plan.pdf](#)**

If your child takes any medications that you would like given during the school hours, please complete and return the medication form below along with a medication order from the prescribing health care provider.

- **Medication Form**

Medication Pick Up (EpiPens, Inhalers, OTC meds):

Please ask your child to stop by the health office on their last day of school to collect any EpiPens, inhalers or any over the counter allergy medications.

Please feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns. We are looking forward to working with your students next year!

Warm Regards,
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WINCHESTER GOT LUNCH

With summer break fast approaching it is time to make summer food plans. Did you know that Winchester Got Lunch provides **FREE** healthy lunch foods during the summer to Winchester children who typically receive free or reduced lunches during the school year?

This **confidential** ten-week program is easy to sign up for and consists of weekly deliveries to your home. Here's how it works: Monday mornings a bag of nutritious food is delivered to your door, including fresh fruits and veggies, with enough food for five lunches in each bag. This year, the first delivery will take place

on **Tuesday, June 20th**, due to the holiday.

Winchester Got Lunch is a completely confidential program and protects the privacy of our families. The information you provide online is never disseminated to more than the registrar and your family is assigned a number for delivery purposes.

To enroll your child(ren) online go to winchestergotlunch.org and click on the Register tab at the top of the home page.

COLLECTION FOR WGL

Winchester Got Lunch is collecting TUNA (5 oz can) the entire month of May from WHS ! Please drop off in the box outside of the main office.

StarKist, Bumble Bee, Chicken of the Sea
Tuna in a can, one- maybe three?

Whatever you can donate, bring it into School
The WGL Kids will think you're super cool!

FROM THE SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

If you are signed up for an AP Science class next year, please see the notices posted in the science wing about after school meetings this week for summer assignment information.

FROM THE SOCIAL STUDIES DEPARTMENT

If you are signed up for AP US History next year, please attend one of the following meetings to receive information about the summer reading assignment: Monday 6/12 after school (3:15) or Tuesday 6/13 before school (8:10) in Mrs. Malmede's room - A305.

If you cannot attend either meeting, please reach out to Mrs. Malmede directly.

SUMMER ENRICHMENT CLASSES

It's not too late to sign up for summer enrichment classes!

There are many wonderful summer enrichment classes that still have room. Classes are small and taught by Winchester school teachers and staff. If you haven't signed up yet, don't wait!

If you have already signed up, you will hear from us once we know which classes have enough students enrolled to run. If you know of others who might be interested, please help spread the word.

[Check out our website](#) for the great class offerings.

CLASS OF 2023 NEWS



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commencement photos.



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