

Winchester High School  
Parent Faculty Association Newsletter  
February 13, 2023



PRESIDENT'S NOTE



Good Morning WHS Families,

Thank you to everyone who has donated to this year's "Cupid Café". The contributions are rolling in and we are so grateful for your generosity. Please feel free to drop your sweets off today at the front desk! We will have pictures for your viewing pleasure of the café in next week's newsletter.

Thank you to our WHS Parent Team, "Winchester Well Read and Black" for participating in the Annual WFEE Trivia Bee last week! No trophy but they are #1 in our eyes!! Also, BIG buzzing shout out to our WHS Faculty Team and all the WHS parents and kids who represented other teams! Scroll down for pics!

Please see below for a message from the Social Studies Department and consider volunteering for the "**Financial Literacy Fair**", one of our favorite and fun interactive student events of the winter. (You don't have to be a parent of a Junior to participate). Read below for more information and a link to volunteer.

Have a wonderful week and a sweet Valentine's Day,  
Brenda Mandile & Adrienne Spignesi  
WHS Co-Presidents  
[whspfa@gmail.com](mailto:whspfa@gmail.com)

**\* \* \* \* Message from the Social Studies Department \* \* \* \***

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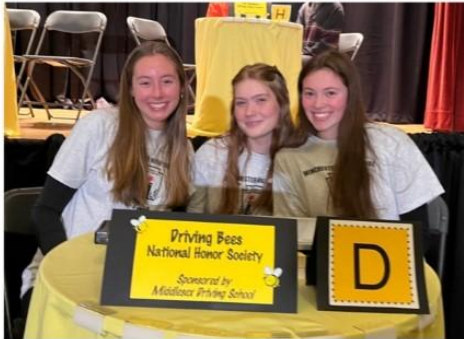
We are looking for volunteers from the community to assist with the Fair. Volunteers will help guide students through their activities, provide deeper explanations for any of the financial tasks, and/or help with the Fair's functioning. If you've made any adult decisions like getting a job, buying a car, or renting an apartment, then you have the required experience to assist us!

The Fair should run for about one hour, from approximately 2.00 to 3.00 PM. Volunteers should arrive at WHS between 1.30 PM and 1.45 PM, in order to receive assignments and a short training before the Fair begins. More information will be provided to volunteers in advance.

If you are interested in volunteering, please fill out this [Google form](#) and feel free to forward this notice to any interested parties or local organizations.

If you have further questions, suggestions, or concerns, please feel free to contact Scott Spencer [sspencer@winchesterps.org](mailto:sspencer@winchesterps.org) or Andrew Langlois [alanglois@winchesterps.org](mailto:alanglois@winchesterps.org) at Winchester High School.





WHS IMPORTANT DATES - MARK YOUR CALENDAR

## 2022-2023 District School Calendar

**Q3:** January 23- April 7

**Mid quarter:** Friday, March 3

**Q4:** April 10- June 14 (with no snow days)

**Mid quarter:** Monday, May 15

**Seniors' last day of classes:** Friday, May 26

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**WED 2/15** - College Planning Night for Juniors - WHS Auditorium

**MON 2/20 - FRI 2/24** - No School! Winter Vacation!

**WED 3/8** - No School

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### ATTENTION EVERYONE!

To kick off Valentine's Day, the Class of 2023 will be selling hot chocolate and baked goods outside the high school on February 13th from 3:15-4:00 PM.

Hot chocolate will be \$3 and baked goods will be \$2.

Thanks so much and can't wait to see you there!

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### CRADLES TO CRAYONS

Cradles to Crayons is a nonprofit organization that provides school supplies and clothing to children who are homeless or have low income. Cradles to Crayons is collecting donations for pajamas for children ages 12 months to 20 years old. All pajamas must be new!

If you would like to donate please drop new pajamas in the bin labeled "Cradles to Crayons Pajamas Drive" located in the **main office** from **February 1st to March 15th**.

Our goal is to donate 200 pajamas!



If you want more info [click here](#) or [email](#)

Thank you for your support!

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**The Red & Black School Newspaper's** January Edition is out! Visit our updated website available to students and staff at [www.whsredandblack.com](http://www.whsredandblack.com), or pick up your physical copy outside the library. Read about the junior prom venue, upcoming 2023 WHS events, WHS sports, and more!

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Best wishes,  
Scott & Andrew

## CLASS OF 2023 NEWS

[The Class of 2023 Spring Event Schedule](#)

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PLEASE JOIN US FOR A

Mom's



BUNCO

Night

PROCEEDS  
GO TO  
WHS  
SENIOR  
CLASS



TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

LET THE GOOD TIMES ROLL!

THURS, MARCH **16** 7PM - 10PM

Lohnes' House

80 Myopia Road, Winchester 01890

DROP OFF ONLY

*Wear your GREEN it's the theme!  
And bring some green for fun raffles!*



Roll the dice and celebrate our Seniors one last time!  
Many moons ago, the Winchester Neighbors Club hosted Bunco every month for Moms to escape the bedtime routine and see their friends. Now, it's our time to come back together before our Seniors walk across the stage at graduation. Bring your friends and the luck of the Irish and play the game of bunco.

No experience necessary! Bunco is easy and FUN!

**Sign-up** NOW! Space is limited, don't miss out! This is an adult event and drop-off only (no parking). Snacks, desserts, and beverages will be provided.

Bring some cash for your chance to win a raffle!  
All money raised will help pay for upcoming Class of 2023 Events!

**Event Timing:** Thursday, March 16th, 7:00 pm

**Event Address:** Lohnes' Home 80 Myopia Road

**Theme:** St. Patty's Day! The best Dressed wins a prize!

Questions? **Contact - Maria O'Connor**

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## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS OPEN

- Applications for the Christopher Mitropoulos Memorial Scholarship are due **April 8th**. Please see the guidance office and Naviance program for more information.
- Applications for the Rotary Club of Winchester Scholarship are available in the guidance office.
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- Applications for the Joseph M. Murphy III Scholarship are now available in Guidance and in Naviance.
- The Association of Teachers of Mathematics in Massachusetts will be awarding 3 scholarships for high school seniors. Students can apply online by filling out the google form linked **Here**. The

application is due **March 14!**

## CLASS OF 2024 NEWS

**Wednesday, February 15th - WHS Auditorium 7-8:30 PM**

The Guidance department's College Planning Night for juniors features local admissions professionals who will describe the admissions process from the colleges' perspective. The panel will include Admissions representatives for three area schools (Boston University, Merrimack College & UMASS Amherst).

Guidance Coordinator Suzanne Ontso will discuss how to get started on the college selection process and provide an overview of what was shared with students in junior workshops. The College Planning Night is the first in a series of workshops designed to equip parents and students with as much information as possible about the college process. Students should attend this presentation with their parents/guardians.

The presentation will be recorded and posted on the Guidance website for any families unable to attend.

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VITAREALTY  
presents

# 80s Musical Bingo

**FRIDAY**

**MARCH 31**

**SONS OF ITALY**

**7:00 PM**

**COME READY TO PARTY  
LIKE IT'S 1988!**



**TICKETS: \$50**

**BREAKFAST CLUB**

**TABLES OF 10**

**AVAILABLE**



Funds raised  
support the  
Class of 2024!  
This is not a WHS  
run event

**[CLICK HERE TO BUY TICKETS](#)**

Questions? email Danielle Adams - [awesome.adams@yahoo.com](mailto:awesome.adams@yahoo.com)

Sponsors Include: Vita Realty, Peppercorn House, Pediatric Dental Associates, Stretch Med Winchester, Winchester Sports Foundation, Sole Amour, Integral Hockey Winchester

[Click to Purchase Tickets](#)

## CLASS OF 2025 NEWS

### UPCOMING EVENTS

CALLING ALL SOPHOMORES! During Winblock **Tuesday, February 14th** help organize your...SOPHOMORE SEMI-FORMAL DANCE. We will be discussing music, decorations, and set-

up/clean-up plans. Sign up on sign-up genius for win block that day and join us in B107.

SOPHOMORES, make sure to fill out [this form](#) to fill your March calendar with fun class activities, mainly....YOUR CLASS DANCE!!

We are excited to hear back from you all!

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### COOKIE WALK

The Class of 2025 will be having a Cookie walk on **Thursday, February 16th**. We are looking for donations of baked goods. All donations should be individually wrapped and nut free. Please drop donations off by noon on Thursday 2/16.

A slot = at least 1 dozen of a dessert. Thank you!

[Sign up HERE](#)

## CLASS OF 2026 NEWS

We still have class t-shirts available for sale! \$15/t-shirt and they can be bought before or after school in room A312 (Ms. Palacios' room).

# Freshmen Class of 2026 T - Shirts



WHS SPORTS



## **WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!**

If you have scores from games and pictures of WHS athletes in action

**[please email them to us!](#)**

All team schedules can be found at **[WHS Team Schedules](#)**



### **ALPINE SKI**

Please send us updates!

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### **BOYS BASKETBALL**

Please send us updates!

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### **GIRLS & BOYS HOCKEY**

This Wednesday, Feb 15th, at the O'Brien Rink in Woburn, we will be celebrating our AWESOME Hockey Seniors!

To kick off the festivities we have Todd Angilly, who sings the National Anthem for the Boston Bruins, singing the anthem for both the Girls and the Boys games.

Puck drops for the Girls Game at 5pm (Seniors announced at 4:40pm)

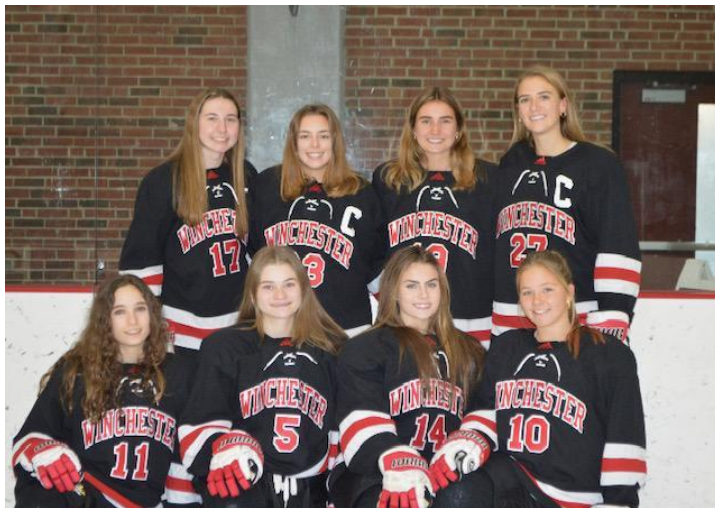
Puck drops for Boys Game at 7pm (Seniors announced at 6:40pm)

There is no fee for admission and all are welcome.

*\*There will be a raffle at both games ~  
all proceeds going to support the Donna Gildersleeve Scholarship*

Senior Girls pictured below: (top row) Irene Mandile, Alexandria Dente, Sophie Parks, Annie Ettenhofer, (bottom row) Alyssa Freedman, Sam Kimball, Kate Sardone, Sally Burke

Senior Boys pictured below: Daniel Freedman, Shane Napolitano, Jamie Cogan, Kevin Bertocci



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## GIRLS JUNIOR VARSITY HOCKEY

JV Girls played their final game of the season defeating  
St. Mary's High School (Lynn) 1-2

*Picture below:*

*Back row:*

*Lila Griffin, Chloe Goldberg, Cate Sheehan, Sonia Carnes, Henna Porecha, Clara Brennan,  
Edie Burke, Sophie Madden*

*Front row:*

*Mya Salyards, Courtney Fisher, Josie Chang, Hollis Johnsen, Celia Lavery*

*Missing: Goalie Bella Morovitz*



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## **GIRLS BASKETBALL**

Please send us updates!

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## **GYMNASTICS**

Please send us updates!

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## **INDOOR TRACK & FIELD**

Nationals here we COME!!!





LACROSSE

WHS Lacrosse starts in March!  
Order your personalized WHS lacrosse bags online from LaxGear  
in Red and Black!

password: winchester



ORDER HERE

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## NORDIC SKI

Please send us updates!

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## SWIMMING

Good luck to the swimmers heading to States!

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## WRESTLING

On Saturday the varsity team competed in the D1 Central/Metro  
Sectional Championship.  
The following wrestlers finished in the top 4 of their weight classes  
and qualified for the D1 State Championship Tournament:  
Henry Wallace - 4th  
Andrew Sim - 4th



Eddie Donlon -3rd  
Anthony Donlon - 2nd  
Elias Kourafalos- 3rd  
Finn Paragas -3rd  
(Alternate - Jihyun Kang - 5th)

**CONGRATS!!**

## WHS ARTS, MUSIC & THEATER



LAST DAY! Please [ORDER NOW](#) and help support WHS Band,  
Chorus, and Orchestra!

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**Supporting  
Our Team  
Is Easy Peasy**



Order Today from [our Pop-Up Store](#)

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## WHS MUSIC DEPARTMENT DISNEY TRIP

Attention any student currently in the WHS Music Department.  
Please read an important announcement [here](#) regarding  
fundraising for the 2023 Disney Trip.

We need all hands on deck!

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**CONGRATULATIONS!**

Congratulations to the following students:  
**Dahlia Lubin, Caterina Miotto and Penelope Ratz**

They each have won the creative writing competition by the Italian Consulate. WHS brought home three prizes out of three! Their original work is now published in the [Harvard hosted site](#)

Great Job!

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## **SUPPORT THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT!**

The Music Department is hosting two fundraisers. The first is Double Good Gourmet Popcorn sta. WHS Music Dept will put 100% of the proceeds towards this year's Disney World Trip. We are hoping to lower the costs for each student and provide scholarships where needed!

For more information and to order, click [here](#).

The second fundraiser will be "Stage on the Street", performances and a bake sale at Starbucks beginning this Saturday. Please encourage your musician to [sign up](#) for a slot to perform! There is also a [sign up](#) for donating baked goods! Thank you for making their trip possible. Please forward to anyone who needs this information and help spread the word for "Stage on the Street".  
Dates are quickly approaching.

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It was a successful first "Stage on the Street" this past Saturday! Students braved the cold and their music warmed the hearts of all who passed by! **THANK YOU** to all the parents who donated baked items, volunteered to sell and for all the students who volunteered to sell and perform! Look forward to next time on Saturday, March 4th! Until then please consider buying some delicious popcorn!





**WINCHESTER HIGH SCHOOL**

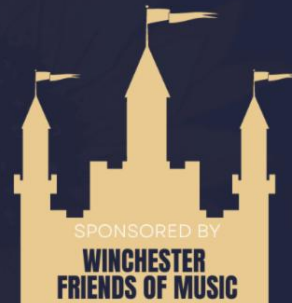
*brings you*

# STAGE ON THE STREET

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11 & MARCH 4, 2023**  
**9AM - 1PM**

**BAKE SALE AND PERFORMANCES  
IN FRONT OF STARBUCKS  
WINCHESTER TOWN CENTER**

ALL PROCEEDS GO TOWARD  
**WHS MUSIC DEPARTMENT'S  
2023 DISNEY TRIP**



**SAVE-THE-DATE**



WHS is thrilled to present its own rendition of *Guys and Dolls*.  
We have many students involved in all aspects of the production,  
and they are all having a lot of fun.

Please mark your calendar and come out to support them all.  
A great audience makes a great show.

**Friday, March 17th and Saturday, March 18th (7PM)**

**Sunday, March 19th (2PM)**

General admission \$20

Students \$10

WINCHESTER HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS

# GODS & DOLLS

*A Musical Fable of Broadway by  
Frank Loesser, Jo Swerling and Abe Burrows*

## Tickets

\$10 Students

\$20 Public

*Tickets for Sale  
at the Door*

*Rolling the dice on...*

*March 17th, 7 PM*

*March 18th, 7 PM*

*March 19th, 2 PM*

Winchester High School  
80 Skillings Road



WHS CLUBS & GROUPS

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