Winchester High School Parent Faculty Association Newsletter November 1, 2021

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PRESIDENT'S NOTE





Please note: More pictures of Seniors would have been taken BUT as soon as they got their BOO they ate it--parents could not get pic in time for us or they just didn't tell their parents! :0

Dear Fellow WHS Families,

Wow – time flies! Happy November 1st! Today is school picture day for ALL grades! Don't forget – there is **NO SCHOOL TOMORROW**, Tuesday,

November 2nd.

Good luck to all of our WHS Seniors who are submitting their Early Decision and Early Action college applications TODAY! This is a huge accomplishment – CONGRATS!

Every WHS Senior was BOO'ED for Halloween (all 345 of them)! Thank you to all of underclassmen and families who made it happen! You made high school memories that will always be remembered!

Congratulations to all of the fall sports teams for a great season! It's almost time to head into the playoffs! Come out to support our WHS teams! Stay tuned for details.

A few friendly reminders:

- Please consider donating to the <u>Direct Appeal campaign</u>. WHS Teachers are submitting fantastic grant requests! See below for more details.
- Parent "Harvest Hoedown" to support the Senior Class. THIS
 Friday, Nov. 5th 7-10pm at the Sons of Italy. All parents welcome!
 Come join in the fun. More details and to purchase tix below under "Class of 2022". Hosted by Class of 2022 Parents.
- The In-Person Fall Spirit Fair is BACK! Saturday, November 20th, 10 AM 1 PM at the WHS Dining Commons. WHS teams, clubs, and organizations will be selling RED AND BLACK branded gear, as well as Winchester-themed items. Come and do some holiday shopping, show your support and be part of the fun. You won't want to miss it! More info on how to sign up for a table below.

As always, please reach out with any ideas, questions or concerns!

Warmly, Abbie DiMatteo & Brenda Mandile Co- Chairs

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has." – Margaret Mead

THE MASKED WHS STAFFER Week #9!



- What high school did you go
 to? Whitman-Hanson Regional High School
- 2. What was your favorite subject in high school? Science
- 3. What sport and/or extracurricular were you involved in high school? Soccer and Track
- 4. What is one of your hidden talents? I'm not a bad cook
- 5. **FavoriteMovie/Book/Band/Food?** Country Strong, lots of favorite books but anything by Ruth Ware, Backstreet Boys (obviously), Buffalo Chicken Dip
- 6. Is there a quote or saying that you live your life by? Worrying today does not take away tomorrow's troubles.

*Don't forget to scroll all the way down to find out who this is!

WHS IMPORTANT DATES - MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Click here for District School Calendar

TUE 11/2 - No School

MON 11/8 - Quarter 2 starts

THU 11/11 - No School

WED 11/24 - 1/2 day - Early Release

THU 11/25 & FRI 11/26 - NO SCHOOL

TUE 12/7 - Picture retakes

MASKS

Starting November 1st, the main office will no longer be distributing masks to students who forgot to bring them to school. Students must report

to school with their own masks each morning and are strongly encouraged to keep extras in their backpacks in the event of a broken or lost mask during the day.

Students who arrive without a mask will be expected to wait outside the building until a parent/guardian arrives to deliver one.

We appreciate your support with this while we work to keep everyone safe and healthy.

FOLLOW US!

Want a peek into what is happening at WHS?

Check out our **twitter** and **instagram** feeds!

We highlight some of the creative, smart, inspiring things our WHS students do there! Awesome example Below!

Tweets

Tweets & replies

Media

Likes



Dennis Mahoney @whsmahoney · 4d We loved seeing our WHS chemistry students designing their own experiments to study what factors affect the rate of a chemical reaction.



IMPORTANT NOTE FROM WHS ADMINISTRATION

Please be aware that going forward, **NO** spectator backpacks will be allowed at any inside or outside athletic event at WHS for the foreseeable future.

Please plan ahead and do not come to any athletic or other large school events with a backpack, as you will be denied entrance.

We appreciate your understanding as we work to keep everyone safe.

COLLEGE VISITS

The following colleges will be visiting the **Guidance Office from 8:00-8:25 AM**

All Juniors and Seniors are welcome!

November 1st - University of New Haven & Washington College

November 3rd - Trinity College & Fisher College

November 4th - School of the Art Institute of Chicago

SHOW YOUR RED & BLACK!

Looking to show some Winchester pride? Student Council has opened pre-ordering for Winchester sweatshirts, T-shirts, and bags.

This link will take you to the pre-ordering google form.

We hope to see your school spirit!



The In-Person Spirit Fall Spirit Fair is BACK!

One-stop shopping for holiday gifts for friends and family while you support WHS's teams, clubs, and organizations!

WHAT: WHS teams, clubs, and organizations will be selling RED AND

BLACK branded gear, as well as Winchester-themed items

WHEN: Saturday, November 20, 2021, 10 AM - 1 PM

WHERE: WHS Dining Commons

Come and show your support and be part of the fun. You won't want to

miss it!

To sign up, fill out this **form**.

In addition, the ENKA Society Food Pantry will be collecting Chunky Soup cans. Please bring a can or more to the Spirit Fair to help the cause!

For questions contact:

Maria O'Connor or Kim Savage

Student reps: Addison Adams, Elle O'Connor & Charlie Savage

SPIRIT FAIR PARTICIPANTS:

Friendly reminder that sales should not include Sachem-logo'd gear. Thank you!

Doors open for set-up at 9:15 AM

WHSPFA Direct Appeal

Get us across the finish line...



Thank you parents and guardians who have supported this important fundraising activity!

We are 2/3 way to reaching our \$30,000 goal!

We have 1 more month to raise money to support our faculty, staff and

students. We have received many grant requests from WHS faculty and staff. The requests are being reviewed and will be approved based on our fundraising efforts.

No amount is too small or too large. All grants support WHS faculty and staff create a richer learning environment.

DONATE NOW via PAYPAL

or mail a check payable to:
WHSPFA
10 Cranston Road, Winchester, MA 01890

Don't forget Corporate Matching Gift programs offered by your employers. You could double your impact to WHS. Keep in mind that we're a non-profit organization under section 501(c)(3) so each dollar is tax deductible.

AMAZON SMILE

Did you know you can support the WHSPFA by shopping at **AmazonSmile**?

It makes shopping and giving work together!



- Visit <u>smile.amazon.com</u> and sign in with your Amazon credentials.
- Choose Winchester High School Parent Faculty Association as your
- charity. Amazon donates .5% of the price of your eligible purchase.
- Start Shopping.
- Friends and Family can do the same!

Change your charity anytime.

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STUDENT COUNCIL

Have any concerns, ideas, comments, or questions regarding the school? Contact your own student council representatives using the contact section of the student council website **here**.

All submissions are anonymous if one so chooses!

WHS SPORTS

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

If you have scores from games and pictures of WHS athletes please email them to us!

All team schedules can be found at WHS Team Schedules



Here's this week's fall sports schedule!
All games live on the public channel,
and streamed live online

CHEER

Please send us pictures and updates











CROSS COUNTRY

Girls won against Woburn 25-36! Boys won against Woburn 19-44!

Great end to the season especially for our Seniors who felt the love from their team mates with personalized posters and treats!

CONGRATULATION S!



Seniors: Lucy Freeman, Isabella Ryan, Coach Healey, Julia Lobello, Katherine Herlihy & Ellen Kurr



Celebrating last meet for Seniors with love!



Seniors: Andy Gosselin, Nico Goluboff, Steven Burchfield, Noah Klm, Alex Boskovic, Sean Campbell, Jay Kensicki - missing Boshen Li

FIELD HOCKEY

Congratulations!

WHS Field Hockey clinched Middlesex Liberty League title with their **1-0** win against Lexington on Wednesday - Congrats Team!! They head into the playoffs with a record of 15-1-2 for the season.











Congrats to our JVA and JVB Field Hockey Teams for a great season!

FOOTBALL

The team played an amazing game against Arlington on Friday night. They won 45-28. **Senior Derek Gianci** had 4 touchdown runs!





GOLF

Please send us pictures and updates

SOCCER

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SWIM & DIVE

The Girls Swim & Dive team competed in the Middlesex League meet.

They came in 2nd out of 10 teams.

Divers Tabitha Chen-Fiske and Donna Zhang placed 1st and 2nd out of ALL the divers! CONGRATS!

Swimmers who earned points for Winchester, listed below:













200 Free - Charlotte Kaduson won the event, Morgan Landry got 3rd, Vivian Brooks got 7th & Mary Arangio got 15th

200 IM - Emma Kawai got 2nd, Julia Valcourt got 10th & Elissa Bennett got 12th

50 Free - Megan Han got 5th, Annie Xing got 10th, Emily Moh got 12th & Nella Chmielewski got 14th

100 Fly - Elle Michaud got 4th, Elissa Bennett got 8th & Phoenix Chamberlin got 15th

100 Free - Vivian Brooks got 7th, Julia Valcourt got 11th, Megan Han got 13th

& Annie Xing got 15th

500 Free - Charlotte Kaduson & Morgan Landry went 1, 2!!

100 Back - Emma Kawai got 3rd, Emily Moh got 6th, Mary Arangio got 8th & Enna Huseinovic got 13th

100 Breast - Elle Michaud got 7th, Amy Luo got 10th, Amelia Semmes got 11th & Laura Wagner got 13th

400 Free Relay - Winchester's A Relay team WON, earning Winchester 40 points!

Now the girls are off to Sectionals - Good Luck!

SKI TEAM

For those interested in joining the **Nordic Ski Team**, we are having an informational meeting **Thursday, November 4, in Mr. Carlson's room (B204) at 3:15.**

Anyone can join and no experience is required!

We hope to see you there.

If you have any questions or can't make it, please email

VOLLEYBALL

Please send us pictures and updates

WHS ARTS, MUSIC & THEATER

BAND SENIORS

Thanks to Danielle Marquardt who took amazing pictures of the Seniors and their families on Senior Day

Click here to view the pictures

Pictured below, the band performing at the home game against Reading



WHS's GOT TALENT!

Get ready for the 2021 NHS Talent Show! Right now the prospective date is **Tuesday**, **November 23**. We cannot give that much information since so

much is up in the air right now, but we are interested in looking for participants! Participants can be from any grade, and since we are most likely going to

have an in-person talent show this year, this is a perfect opportunity to show off all the talents you learned during quarantine!

Use this **google form** to sign up if you want to perform!

WHS CLUBS & GROUPS

Click here for a <u>list</u> of WHS Clubs and Organizations Check this section for current club news, meetings & events

ART CLUB

Starting this week, the Art Club will be meeting **every Thursday** at 3:15 (as opposed to every other Thursday) in room C109.

CALLING ALL CLUBS!

An exciting MLK Day of Service is in the works and we want you to be a part

of it! This year's theme is Global Citizenship and we invite a diverse group of organizations to participate in a huge service-learning fair.

All Winchester High School Clubs are invited to have a booth or room in the cafeteria to help spread awareness on MLK.

Club officers: If you are interested, please click on the link below for more details! See you January 17th Click here for form

CLASS OF 2022 NEWS

HOWDY FOLKS! Now that the kids are settled-- it's a perfect time to call your girlfriends, have a date night, catch up with neighbors or just have a great time-- **COME JOIN US for a FUN night THIS Friday, November**5th at 7pm for a HARVEST HOEDOWN!

There will be a live line/ square dance caller and DJ ready to make us move to the music and possibly sore the next morning-- but so worth it! This is a fundraiser for the WHS Class of 2022 all proceeds will help offset their end of the year events (remember your kids will soon be in the same spot!).

Limited space so buy **TICKETS** now-- it will take you 3 minutes!

If you have any questions please reach out to Mai Harrison
It's going to be an awesome night! Hope to see you there!



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