## Winchester High School Parent Faculty Association Newsletter October 25, 2021

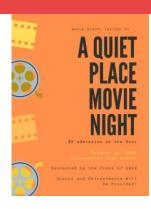
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## PRESIDENT'S NOTE







Dear Fellow WHS Families,

Happy Monday! We would like to give a big shout out to 3 WHS students who were selected to represent our athletes as MIAA Student Ambassadors last Friday! Our great athletic director, Marc Arria stood proudly with seniors Maggie Fortin, Liam Doherty and junior Amanda Harrison as they participated in a day of exciting collaboration with student-athlete leaders from 35 Massachusetts schools! Congrats kiddos!

We are so lucky to have such special community that continues to come together for important causes. Last week many high school parents showed support for Winchester Got Lunch's annual concert that was kindly sponsored by Winchester Cooperative Bank. The Winchester's own

wonderfully talented band, Miss Ellaneous, had the crowd dancing and singing along throughout the night! Below are more events that bring us together and will make great memories—don't miss out!

#### Things to keep on your "radar screen":

- All Student Movie Night. Thursday, October 28th at Winchester High School at 7pm. Please see flyer for details and reach out to Sam Palacios (<a href="mailto:spalacios@winchesterps.org">spalacios@winchesterps.org</a>), teacher advisor, for any questions.
- Parent "Harvest Hoedown" to support the Senior Class. Friday, Nov. 5th 7-10pm at the Sons of Italy. All parents welcome! Come join in the fun. More details and to <u>purchase tix</u> 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.
- WHS Tweets & Insta! A great way to learn more about what is going on in school and feel more connected! Look below for more info and an example of what kind of interesting things Mr. Mahoney shares!

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 #8!



- 1. What high school did you go to? Wilmington High School
- 2. What was your favorite subject in high school? Auto shop (I was TERRIBLE)
- 3. What sport and/or extracurricular were you involved in high
- school? Some baseball and some hoops
  4. What is one of your hidden talents? I
- was the all time leading scorer (2g 1a) on the Greek National Lacrosse team. Until Stavros Vallas took over!
- 5. Favorite Band? Wu-Tang Clan

\*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

**MON 11/1 -** Picture Day (make-up day 12/7)

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

#### **BUILDING INFORMATION**

The cafeteria will be closed to students after school on Monday to accommodate the town flu clinic. Students who normally spend time in the cafeteria after school should make other plans.

Thank you for your understanding.

#### SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

Please see <u>this important notice</u> from our school lunch program regarding menu changes and supply chain issues.

#### FROM THE NURSE'S OFFICE

It is important that we have updated medical information for your students each school year.

Please take a moment to complete our Annual Nurse Emergency Form.

Here is the link to the form.

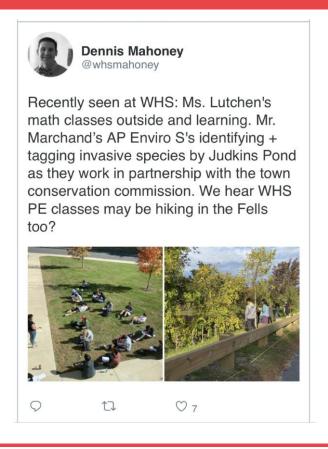
As always feel free to reach out to the <u>WHS nurses</u> with any questions or concerns about your student's health.

#### **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!



#### 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.

#### SIGN UPS FOR AP EXAMS

AP Exam 2022 sign up will start on October 11th. Students who are in AP classes need to join the class (Code available from your teacher) for exams to be ordered.

Forms are available outside B208 and completed forms should be

handed in to Mrs. Chakladar, B208 by Nov.1st.

#### **COLLEGE VISITS**

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

#### All Juniors and Seniors are welcome!

#### October 25th

Layola Marymount University

#### October 26th

The University of Arizona & Kenyon College During WIN block: Bentley University - Guidance office & Syracuse University - LG 2

#### October 27th

Emerson College & St. Lawrence University

#### October 28th

University of Tennessee & Western New England

#### **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**

We're on our way...

# Thank you parents and guardians who have supported this important fundraising activity! We are ½ way to reaching our \$30,000 goal!

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 – please help us now! A sampling of requests from previous years include:

- Scientific calculators
- Digital microscopes
- Supplies for Learning Center
- Software to support the Music Department
- E-readers for World language
- Registration fees for conferences and competitions
- Books and subscriptions
- Authorfest
- Full-size human skeleton

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.



#### MLK DAY OF SERVICE

Volunteers for MLK, Jr. Day of Service Planning Committee needed!

Planning meetings will be **Wednesday mornings during October at**7:30 AM outside in the circular sitting area at the back of WHS
(meet in LG 1 in case of inclement weather).

This year's theme is Global Citizenship. Bring your ideas for service projects, community booths, and educational seminars. Bagels provided!

Co-sponsored by the Connect & Commit Club and WPS Service Learning. MLK Day of Service is scheduled for **January 17**, **2022**.

Contact Ms. Edenhofner in the Social Studies Department for more info.

#### ORDER YOUR 2022 WHS YEARBOOK!

It's time to order your 2022 yearbook!

Go to <a href="https://www.yearbookordercenter.com">www.yearbookordercenter.com</a> & enter school code 13780.

The cost is \$85

#### STUDENT SURVEY

All 10th, 11th, and 12th graders, please consider filling out this form! We are collecting data on lessons learned during the pandemic. Please take a moment to fill out this **anonymous survey**. Thank you very much in advance!

#### 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 <a href="here">here</a>.

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

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

Click here to view the pictures

**CROSS COUNTRY** 

Boys & Girls ran hard against Arlington- lost but won in spirit!



#### **FIELD HOCKEY**

Three Big wins this week and a fantastic senior night!
3-1 Belmont
3-1 Arlington
2-1 Lincoln-Sudbury

Pictured below: **Varsity Field Hockey Seniors**Camille Clark, Brooke Moloney-Kolenberg, Cassie Menounos, Kate Bicks, Ceci Villalobos, Zoe Vallas, Clara Fuller, Charlotte DeLucia, Jenna Cho, Shannon Miranda, Maddie Dengler



### **FOOTBALL**

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#### **GOLF**

Please send us pictures and updates

#### **SOCCER**

Celebrate our **8 Senior soccer players** as they play Woburn at Knowlton Turf on **Tuesday October 26th at 6 PM!** 

Pictured bottom left - Zoe Colman, Pictured bottom right - Susie Kotwicki





Pictured bottom left - Mia Nicholas, Pictured bottom right - Sofia Rich





Pictured bottom left - Lilly Stone, Pictured bottom right - Maggie Fortin





Pictured bottom left - **Devon Krayer**, Pictured bottom right - **Farrah LaMontange** 





The varsity boys soccer team played 3 competitive games last week. The game on Wednesday was their Senior Night and Charity game. The Boys Soccer team celebrated Senior Night with a fundraiser for MA based breast

cancer support group, The Ellie Fund. The community and team raised over \$1800 for the Ellie Fund which is a local breast cancer support organization.

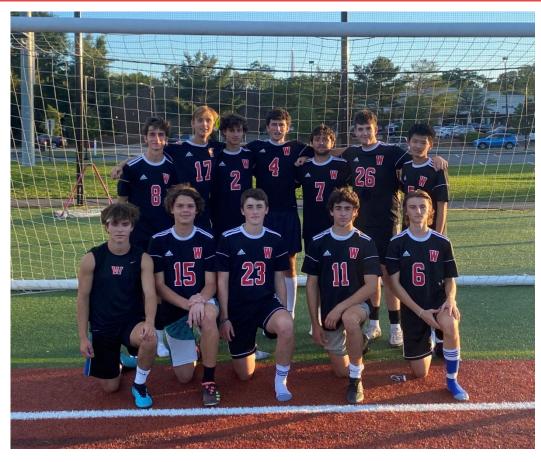
Thank you to all who came out to support the Seniors, the team and the fundraiser!

They have 2 more games next week to wrap up their season.

Pictured below: Senior Jonah Barry after his goal in the Reading game on Monday.



**Seniors:** Jonah Barry, Charlie Bella, David Dodge, Henri Duplessis, Gavin Dunlap, Max Durand-Morris, Thomas Kelley, Joaquin McManus, Declan Mahoney, Jude Munson, Brian Shen and Matthew Walton





#### SWIM & DIVE

Girls having an awesome season with great spirit and smiles!



#### **VOLLEYBALL**

Calling all Winchester High School Students! Come join the Winchester Girls Volleyball Team in their 12th annual "Serve For The Cure Match" on **Monday, October 25th at 5:15 PM**, against Woburn High School.

It will be an incredibly fun night with a thrilling and dynamic game, various raffles with amazing prizes, and most importantly a great way we can all show our support and raise awareness towards breast cancer.

All proceeds will go towards the Winchester Hospital Breast Care Center.

We hope to see you all there!

WHS ARTS, MUSIC & THEATER

#### **BAND SENIORS**

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#### 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

The Purple Club will be hosting a pumpkin painting event on Friday, October 29th from 7:00-8:00 PM.

We will be having our event in the WHS cafeteria. Admission will be \$10, but additional donations are welcomed and encouraged. The goal of our pumpkin painting project is to spread awareness through art and decoration!

We are only accepting responses for this event until **Wednesday, October 27th.** 

Please fill out **this form** by then if you are interested.

#### **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

Are you interested in learning more about what makes your speaker wireless or how your computer works? Come by the **Computer and Electronics club** to learn more about electronic hardware at Ms. Lamson's Room of C112.

No prior experiences are necessary and bring your friends

## **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 on 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 <u>TICKETS</u> now-- it will take you 3 minutes! If you have any questions please reach out to <u>Mai Harrison</u> It's going to be an awesome night! Hope to see you there!

