

Winchester High School Parent Faculty Association Newsletter November 29, 2021

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PRESIDENT'S NOTE



National Honor Society organized a fun filled night filled with awesome talent last Tuesday!



Can't do it without a great tech crew! The crowd was cheering all night for the singing, acting, dancing, instrument playing and yo you talent!



What a Wednesday! Seniors started off with a fun turkey toss at 6am, to staff/student spirit support at school and then Fenway adventure with not only football, but our cheerleaders, band and cheering crowd to top the night! SWEET!

Dear Fellow WHS Families,

We hope that everyone had a great long weekend and CONGRATS to our WHS National Honor Society for wonderful Talent Show last week and WHS football team for such an exciting Thanksgiving game at Fenway!



- The Holidays are upon us and we know that many are looking for ways to be charitable. **Please consider donating to "WHS Gives Back"** we will be giving gift cards to 115+ students (K-12) in our own Winchester School District. **We are only collecting funds until this Friday, Dec. 3rd.** All monetary donations will be collected on line: [CLICK HERE](#) to donate. The "WHS Gives Back" SClub" is also collecting cards, hats and gloves. See below for more information.
- Come and support WHS's drama program! The Fall performance is the play: "The One Act Play that Goes Wrong", a very popular show on Broadway right now. This is a family-friendly comedy that will make you laugh for sure. WHEN: Fri. Dec. 3rd at 7 PM, Sat. Dec 4th at 7 PM & Sunday Dec. 5th at 2 PM. WHS auditorium. Tickets are \$10 each and will be sold at the door. Masks will be required and social distancing enforced. See Below for more info.

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

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 #13!



1. What high school did you go to? **Huntington High School, Long Island NY**
2. What was your favorite subject in high school? **Art and English**
3. What sport and/or extracurricular were you involved in high school? **Art - I went to a local art studio run by some amazing local artists after school and on the weekends.**
4. What is one of your hidden talents? **I can do a fairly smooth, inward dive pike**
5. Favorite Movie/Book/Band/Food? **Brazil, Brave New World, Ween, Egg Special from Bay Deli**
6. Is there a quote or saying that you live your life by? **"Happiness...is generally the byproduct of other activities"- Aldous Huxley**

*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](#)

FRI 12/3 - SUN 12/5 - Fall Play, WHS Auditorium

TUE 12/7 - Picture retakes

THU 12/23 - Early Release Day

FRI 12/24 - SUN 1/2 - Winter Vacation - No School

SENIOR PORTRAIT INFORMATION

It is time to take senior portraits! The deadline for submitting your picture for the yearbook is **December 1, 2021**. If Lifetouch took your student's portrait on picture day on **November 1**, they will send it to us.

If you use another photographer or you are taking your own, **YOU** are

responsible for making sure it's submitted to us on time.
Please [email](#) it to us by **December 1, 2021**.

You should have received an email detailing the specific dimensions that we are looking for, but if you have any senior photo related questions, please don't hesitate to have your senior contact [Hope Kingdon](#).

FROM THE NURSE OFFICE

We are thrilled to announce that we are rolling out weekly COVID-19 safety checks to WHS students, to keep our school and community healthy.

This will be a take-home PCR nasal swab test.
Both vaccinated and unvaccinated students can participate.

Click [this link](#) to find out more.

WHAT IS WHS "GIVES BACK"?



WHS "Gives Back" is an opportunity for the students and residents of Winchester to come together to provide holiday gifts for those families (within the Winchester Public School System) in need during the holidays. All recipients are confidential and gift cards will be distributed through WHS School Counselor, Amber Haines, LICSW.



Along with the donations we're collecting, we're also running a hats and mittens drive! We are currently providing for 116+ children! Please bring new hats, gloves and mittens to the

green collection box
outside the High School main office **by 12/7.**

We are also inviting all students to make Holiday Cards for the families receiving gifts. Those can be brought to the collection box as well.

We will be accepting donations between
Now through Friday, December 3rd.

All donations will be collected on line: [CLICK HERE](#) to donate.

[Click here](#) if you would like to make a monetary donation.

If you have any questions, [please email us.](#)

Thank you for your continued support!
The WHSGB Team

NHS TUTORING

Students, if you are looking for an NHS tutor, you can now [register](#) and easily pick a tutor based on your specific courses and teachers. All tutor matching and scheduling can be done right on the website.

Several tutors have already signed up. Get started now!

Reach out to [Shrivas](#) with any questions.

BUILDING HOURS

Please note that the building does not open for students until **7:30 AM**, unless students have made specific arrangements to meet with a teacher earlier (and in that case, the teacher should be meeting the student at the entrance to let them in. As winter weather approaches, we do not want students waiting outside in the cold unnecessarily.

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 sports schedule!
All games live on the public channel,
and streamed [live online](#)

BOYS BASKETBALL

Anyone interested in trying out for FR/JV Boys' Basketball should come to a meeting on **Monday, 11/29 after school in A106**

WHS ARTS, MUSIC & THEATER

Winchester High School Presents

ONE-ACT

**THE PLAY
THAT GOES
WRONG**

A Curtain & Cue Production

WHS AUDITORIUM

DEC	DEC	DEC
3rd	4th	5th
7 pm	7 pm	2 pm

\$10 Tickets sold at the door
Masks required
Social distancing will be enforced

FALL PLAY

The Fall Play is around the corner! Please SAVE THE DATE to come support our students as they finally perform on stage again!

This year's play is "The One Act Play that Goes Wrong", a very popular show on Broadway right now. This is a family-friendly comedy that will make you laugh for sure. A few things about the plot: the fictitious Cornley Polytechnic Drama Society, fresh from such hits as *The Lion and The Wardrobe*, *Cat*, and *James and the Peach* (or *James, Where's your Peach?*) has received a substantial donation and is putting on a performance of *The Murder at Haversham Manor* – a 1920s murder mystery play.

During the performance, a play within a play, a plethora of disasters befall the cast, including doors sticking, props falling from the walls....

WHEN:

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Sunday Dec. 5th at 2 PM

WHERE:

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WHS CLUBS & GROUPS

Click here for a [list](#) of WHS Clubs and Organizations
Check this section for current club news, meetings & events

Do you have a passion for music and enjoy playing it with others? You should consider joining the **Chamber Music Club!** We meet on Wednesdays from **3:15-4:00 PM in B118**. All who are interested in music are welcome; Vocalists, keyboards, percussion, woodwinds, brass, and strings!

We are currently in the need of CELLO, VIOLA, and FLUTE players. Interested? Please fill out [this](#) form or [email](#) for more information.
We hope to see you there

Join Fiber Arts Club! If you want to learn how to make the Tik Tok bees and Harry Styles Cardigan, or just take a break from schoolwork crochet, knit, or sew, come to Ms. Simeone's room (A205) **Thursday, after school from 3:07-4:00 PM**. Everyone is welcome!

RED & BLACK SCHOOL NEWSPAPER

Do you want to share your voice, engage within fun school activities, and show colleges your extracurricular participation? The Red and Black school newspaper is looking for new writers now! All students are welcome to publish work on topics that interest them.

[Please email](#) for more information.

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

Seniors decorated the hall way again in the traditional "hallway decorating contest"! They have won every year since Freshmen year... hoping they win again!

Class officers in their "DAD" spirit gear! They are totally in it to win it!



Seniors wishing to have Q1 grades sent to schools must complete the [Q1 Grade request Form](#).

Please note:

Naviance no longer allows report cards to be sent to individual schools so students making requests for grades need to be aware that they will be sent to all schools that the student applies to regardless of when they apply (but will never download to any schools until an application is submitted).

Requests are processed in the order in which they were received.

Mid Year Averages for all classes are automatically shared to all schools which students apply to (no request needed).

See your counselor directly with any questions.

CLASS OF 2023 NEWS

Check her for the latest 2023 class news

CLASS OF 2024 NEWS

Check her for the latest 2024 class news

CLASS OF 2025 NEWS

Class of 2025 - our online store closes 12/5.

Check out our class T-shirt, sweatshirt and joggers!

Here is [the link](#)

Don't miss out! Support your class!

NEWS AROUND TOWN

The WHS PFA does not specifically endorse events and organizations and shares information on events and activities that may be of interest to the WHS community as a courtesy for informational purposes.

LYNCH ELEMENTARY DONATION DRIVE

DECLUTTER BEFORE
THE HOLIDAYS

BOARD GAMES FOR INDOOR RECESS:

- *JENGA
- *KANOODLE
- *BLOKUS
- *SCRABBLE JR
- *TROUBLE
- *LIFE
- *UNO
- *CHARADES FOR KIDS
- *THE FLOOR IS LAVA
- *GUESS WHO
- *SORRY
- *CANDY LAND
- *TRIVIA PURSUIT JR
- *APPLES TO APPLES
- *BATTLESHIP
- *HEDBANZ
- *RUSH HOUR
- *ZOOB BUILDERZ
- *LARGE PCS LEGO SETS
- *LARGE CASE OF ASST
CRAYOLA MARKERS

NURSE OFFICE NEED:

1. GENTLY USED SWEATSHIRTS
AND PANTS FOR GRADE K-5
(ELASTIC BAND SWEATPANTS/ LEGGINGS)
2. NEW PACKAGED CHILDREN'S
UNDERWEAR SIZES XS, SM & MED

***PLEASE DROP OFF ALL DONATIONS
IN THE MAIN OFFICE.**

***DOUBLE CHECK EACH BOARD GAME
CONTAINS ALL GAME PIECES.
THANK YOU!**



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