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Winchester High School Parent Faculty Association Newsletter April 12, 2021

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PRESIDENT'S NOTE



WHS Royals - Cast and Crew! WHAT A SHOW!



Dolly Pickelhaupt was crowned the first ever WHS Roya! Way to go, Dolly! Congratulations also go out to Eric Deng, 1st Runner up and Jack Menninger, 2nd runner up!

Happy April WHS Families, Staff, Alumni and Friends!

We are SO proud of all of the students who worked for countless hours over the last several months to make the first WHS Royals competition a huge success! The show was fun, funny and who knew the senior class had such talent!? A big thank



you to Mrs. Dot Butler - Director, the Senior Class Officers, WHS Tech Crew, WHS Film Crew, the Junior Class Officers, Choreographers, Contestants and their partners, the MCs and last but, not least the WHS Faculty Judges!

This Senior Spring kick off event couldn't have happened without the generous support of sponsors: Revel, Carole Kitchen and Bath, Gloria's Pizza, Russo Tux, Dress and Limousine, Andersen Group Realty and Winchester Co-operative Bank!

The senior class is making the most of their little time left at WHS! This coming Saturday, April 17th you'll see seniors running all over Winchester on a scavenger hunt! Next up for the seniors is Musical Bingo on May 5th!

SURPRISE! Senior yard signs are popping up like spring flowers! This week EVERY senior will have a yard sign at his or her home! Thank you to the Coalition for a Safer Community and the WHS PFA for sponsoring the FUN!

WHS has an AMAZING selection of spring activities for ALL students! Don't stop reading here, keep scrolling!

Have a great week!

Mai Harrison & Abbie DiMatteo
Your WHS PFA Co-Presidents





"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed, citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has."

--Margaret Mead



The WHS Masked Staffer Week 28

- What high school did you go to? Saugus High School
- 2. What was your favorite subject in high school? History
- 3. What sport and/or extracurricular were you involved in high school? Soccer, track, swimming, drama club, student council
- 4. What is one of your hidden talents? I can juggle, although I haven't practiced in years
- 5. Favorite Movie/Book/Band/Food? Raiders of the Lost Ark/The Wind in the Willows/The Beatles/doughnuts



6. Is there a quote or saying that you live your life by? "Grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference between the two." Reinhold Niebuhr

** Remember to read through the end of the newsletter and find out the identity of our WHS Masked Staffer!**

WHS IMPORTANT DATES - MARK YOUR CALENDAR

MON 4/19 - Fri 4/23 - NO SCHOOL - APRIL BREAK

THU 4/29 - WHS Student Blood Drive 10 AM - 3 PM - details below

WHS School Calendar

The last day of school for grades **9-11** is now **Friday**, **June 18th** and that will be an early release day. The last day for **seniors** is **Friday**, **May 28th**.

Here is the approved **2021-2022 Calendar** for planning purposes.

Letter from the WPS Nurses

Spring is right around the corner and for many of us, with spring, comes allergy season. Prevention is key for being sent home for questionable COVID versus Allergy symptoms.

See the attached letter for more information:

Seasonal allergies or COVID-19? | WPS Nurses Letter to Families

WHS COVID-19 Pool Testing Sign-Up

89% of WHS students did NOT participate in pooled testing last week. The pilot needs many more students registered and coming in weekly to test in order to make COVID-19 surveillance testing at WHS successful. It's so easy - we just need your nose! The whole process takes 2 minutes and you can get the peace of mind of being COVID free (at the time of the test).

An 11% student participation rate is low compared to other high schools in the state. WHS leads - let's live up our rep!





Testing Schedule in the gym: Staff: Tuesdays - 8:00-9:20 AM

Cohort A: Tuesdays - 8:30-9:20 AM Cohort B: Thursdays - 8:30-9:20 AM

Confused by the sign up process? If that sounds like you, you're not alone.
All students under 18 MUST have a unique WHS profile on Project
Beacon created by a parent or guardian. This profile will ask for an
"Org Code" which is: **WHSUnder18**

Some parents/guardians already have a public Project Beacon account for testing (outside of school). If that's you, log in to your Project Beacon and create a unique WHS profile for your child or children using THIS Org Code: WHSUnder18

Remember to click the checkbox to give your consent

Are you a parent or guardian who hasn't yet set up a Project Beacon account?

If that's you, click on this link to get started.

It has the WHS Org Code embedded in it.

If you're over 18 with no previous Project Beacon account, use this link here to register and create your profile.

Still need more guidance? Here is a step by step breakdown

The more participation we have, the more effective surveillance testing will be at minimizing the spread of COVID-19 in our schools and community.

Thank you - the WHS Covid Testing Team

WHS Blood Drive

We are currently gathering information as we prepare for a WHS-only blood drive in conjunction with the American Red Cross for **Thursday, April 29th** from **10 AM - 3 PM**.

If your child is 16 + and is interested, please have them <u>complete this form</u> to help us identify the number of students interested.

Winchester Mutual Aid

Winchester High school students have launched a community mutual aid network with the goal of creating a neighbor-helping-neighbor organization.

The idea is you tell us what you can provide or what you need.

Please fill out our form to participate
(it includes parts for both giving and receiving support and resources).

Visit our website or email us

Cradles to Crayons

Zoe Colman, a member of the class of 2022, is organizing a drive for the local charity Cradles to Crayons! Cradles to Crayons provides children from birth to age 12 with necessities like clothes, books, hygiene items, and more.

If anyone is willing to donate clothes (size 0-24 months to an adult size medium) or shoes (any size), in good condition, it would be greatly appreciated.

You can leave any donations at 8 Maxwell Road <u>Email Zoey</u> with any further questions! Thank you so much!

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

Spring Sports registration is now open

Registration for the **Outdoor Track & Field Season** is open. Go to Family Id to register now!

If you have any questions please contact **Coach Cacciapuoti**

WHS SAILING TEAM

The team has been selected and the season has begun! We're happy not having to deal with snow this year.

Close up of boat #9 is Sr. Jacob Hoertdoerfer and So. Sean Morrison.







GIRLS SWIMMING AND DIVING TEAM

The team lost to Lexington in a very close meet!

CONGRATULATIONS to the following girls for making their cuts!!

SECTIONAL CUTS:

Fr. Julia Valcourt - 200 Free Relay, 400 Free Relay
So. Morgan Landry - 500 Free
So. Phoenix Chamberlin - 200 Free Relay, 400 Free Relay
Sr. Emily Campo - 200 Free Relay, 400 Free Relay
Sr./Captain Sadie Fanton - 200 Free Relay
Sr./Captain Abby Luthern - 400 Free Relay

STATE CUTS:

Fr. Elle Michaud - 200 Medley Relay, 200 IM, 100 Breast & 400 Free Relay
So. Annie Xing - 200 Medley Relay & 200 Free Relay
So. Morgan Landry - 200 Medley Relay & 400 Free Relay
Jr. Amy Luo - 200 Medley Relay
Jr. Vivian Brooks - 200 Free Relay & 400 Free Relay
Jr. Lane Zimmermann - 200 Medley Relay
Jr. Charlotte Kaduson - 200 Medley Relay, 500 Free & 400 Free Relay
Sr. Sherry You - 200 Medley Relay, 100 Fly & 200 Free Relay
Sr. Emily Campo - 200 Medley Relay
Sr./Captain Sadie Fanton - 200 Medley Relay

FOOTBALL TEAM

*Friendly Reminder - only spectators with Football and Cheerleading lanyards will be allowed into Football games. The track, basketball courts

and skate park at Manchester Field will ALL be closed from 9 AM - 12 PM on game days.

The games are livestreamed by WinCam.

The boys had a tough loss against Lexington.

TRACK AND FIELD

Nice win for both the Boys and Girls teams vs. Arlington. Boys won 68-31 and Girls won 50.5 - 49.5!





GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

The girls varsity team won 3-0 in the 11th Annual Serve for the Cure match vs. Lexington. Money from the match will go to the Winchester Hospital Breast Care Center.

WHS ARTS, MUSIC & THEATER

Come to Night of the Arts!

NOTA is an annual art show celebrating the creativity and talent of Winchester High School students. This year, NOTA will run during the week of **April 12th-16th**.

Businesses in Winchester's downtown will display student artwork, and there will be a map, virtual gallery, and live performances on the

WHS Student Council website
Come check it out!

We are excited to begin the process of accepting your artistic submissions for

Calling all WHS artists!

our newly branded Winchester Red & Black and logo design! Our goals are to gather design submissions, narrow down our submissions to a finalist(s), have you - our WHS students - lend your voice by voting on our finalist(s) and use that design as our inspiration for the official unveiling of our Red & Black logo.

The finalist selected will be able to work with us on the final product and the official unveiling towards the end of May. Submissions will be accepted **from now until Wednesday**, **April 28th at 11:59 PM**.

Please send your submissions in electronic format <u>via email</u> or in-person to our WHS main office.

Please include your contact information with your submission:

Name, Grade and Email address

If you have any questions, please <u>email this address</u> or stop by the main office. Thank you and Go Red & Black!

WHS CLUBS & GROUPS

Click here for a <u>list</u> of WHS Clubs and Organizations See below for current club news, upcoming meetings & events

Join Coalition Z! Coalition Z is a national and youth-led organization that centers the progressive voices of Generation Z in political conversations through bridging the gap between youth and their elected officials.

Join us to focus on issues such as climate change, gun reform, and lgbtq+ advocacy!

Our first meeting is **Monday 4/12** from 6:30-7:30 PM

Participate in the Winchester Farmers Market Club Walkathon over **April break!** A walkathon is an exercise opportunity that uses sponsors to fundraise a specific program.

All donations for this walkathon will go directly to Anna's fund, a SNAP matching program at the Winchester Farmers Market that helps those in need to buy fresh produce.

Please fill out this form if you are interested and email us with any questions.

ATTENTION ALL WHS STUDENTS:

The Red & Black student newspaper is opening staff applications for next year!

These positions are not just writing-based. We have roles for dedicated layout editors, business managers, section editors, and more.

All are welcome to apply for these great opportunities that help you build valuable collaborative skills, and even look great on college applications!

Click this link to apply.

Click <u>here</u> to subscribe to Winchester High's student-produced newspaper **the Red & Black**.

CLASS OF 2021 NEWS



Senior Spring Events are HERE!

Senior families! Get ready, the Class Officers with input from their classmates have MANY amazing activities planned to end the year with a bang - a Scavenger Hunt, Musical Bingo, Outdoor Movie Night, Senior Sunset and Prom!

The Senior Class missed fund raising opportunities for the last year and a half. Please consider making a donation to help defray the costs of these class-bonding events!

You can donate by following the instructions on this document



Sign up to join WHS Alumni HERE by May 1st and receive a Winchester Alumni Bumper Sticker

Not Sure What's Next, Yet?
Sign up HERE for conversations or to connect with recent graduates sharing their experiences with colleges, vocational programs or gap pathways you are considering.

And if it helps... Learn more **HERE** about Alumni College responses to COVID in 2020.

Seniors who need transcripts or copies of their letters of recommendation **must** submit a request to Ms. Curran in the Guidance office.

Copies of letters cannot be given to students but we are happy to send them to the scholarship for you.

All requests are processed in the order they are received.

<u>Transcript request forms</u>

The end of the school year is in sight!

We are hard at work planning a safe graduation for you, but we need you to do your part. Some of you have **NOT** yet ordered a cap and gown.

It can be done online fairly quickly. The cost is **\$15.50** and all students will be wearing red. The order comes with one 2021 tassel.

Go online and order now

Scholarship Information

The **Winchester Scholarship Foundation** applications for the academic year 2021-2022 are currently available in the Guidance Department as well as online in Naviance.

Seniors interested in applying for the **Rotary scholarship** should click **here** for more information.

The 2021 **Christopher N. Mitropoulos** Scholarship application is available in the guidance office and on Naviance.

Applications for the **Joseph M. Murphy III Scholarship** are now available in the Athletic Office, the guidance office and on Naviance. They can be picked up during school hours any day during the week.

CLASS OF 2022 NEWS

Check this section for updates about the Class of 2022

CLASS OF 2023 NEWS

Class of 2023 is selling Winchester "W" flags.

Grab one now while supplies last!

Order **HERE**

CLASS OF 2024 NEWS

Check this section for updates about the Class of 2024

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.

Winchester Soccer Club Spring 2021 Registration is Open!

Calling all High School soccer players - girls and boys, all grades, all levels!

Registration is open for the Winchester Soccer Club In-Town High School Spring program. This is a fun league with games on the weekends in Winchester.

For more information on the High School program and to register, click here.

Games on Saturdays or Sundays, April 24th - June 13th, 2021.

Register today and join us for spring soccer!





Did you know?

Massachusetts enters a new vaccine eligibility phase today, **go to this website** for more information.

<u>Listen to</u> what our friend Mary Ellen Armstrong, RN, Winchester Hospital has to say about the vaccine.



From The Winchester Health Department:

Winchester is part of the Mystic Valley Public Health Coalition with Melrose, Malden, Medford, Wakefield, and Stoneham.

ELIGIBLE Winchester residents may receive their vaccine at clinics listed in those towns and at other designated sites throughout the state **NOW** by going to this site.

If you have a parent, family friend or neighbor, please help them register.

If they need additional assistance, have them

call the Jenks Center at (781) 721-7136.

The Winchester Health Department plans to vaccinate the most vulnerable and home bound residents when supply is available.

Click here for more information

TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE COVID HISTORY!

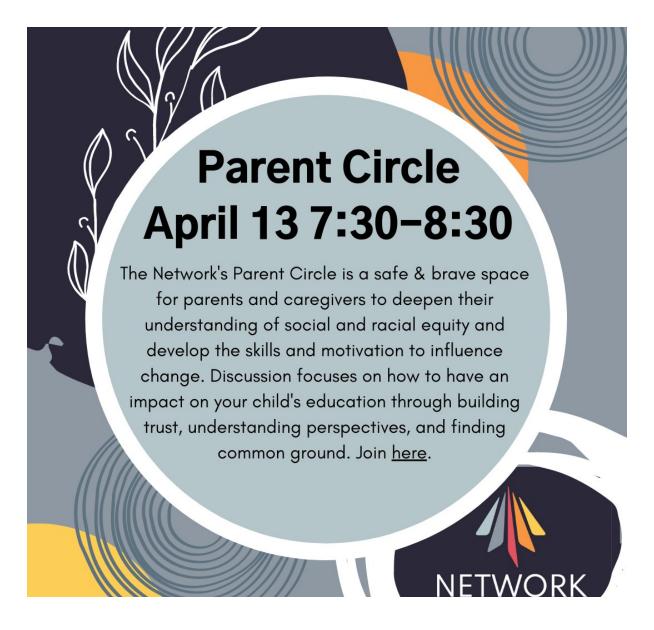


New Classes Begin April 12th: Winchester Community Music School

For kids, teens and adults!
Several new 8-week classes begin the week of **April 12th**, along with a 4-week music appreciation class on jazz legend Duke Ellington.

All group classes are being taught online this spring. Classes for kids include Music & Movement for Families, First Steps in Music, Intro to Guitar, and Ready Set Uke. For teens and adults, try group guitar, group ukulele, or music appreciation.

WCMS also offers private lessons (online or in-person) in 30+ instruments as well as music therapy. <u>Visit our website</u> or call 781-721-2950 to learn more.



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Click here to get added to the email list

Zoom Meeting Link

Meeting ID: 856 6985 2124 Passcode: 446964

One tap mobile +13126266799,,85669852124#,,,,*446964# US (Chicago) +19294362866,,85669852124#,,,,*446964# US (New York)

Join the Winton Club online for

Spring Into Pink

to benefit Winchester Hospital's A Caring Place



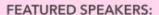
Take Care of Your Body and Your Body Will Take Care of You

Wednesday, April 14, 2021 | Virtual Event in Zoom | 7:00 p.m.

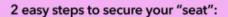
\$60. Admission all proceeds to benefit Winchester Hospital's A Caring Place

MODERATOR: Gloria Korta, MD

Chief Medical Officer, Philanthropy, Winchester Hospital



Kasia S. Masterpol, MD, FAAD Rachel Lucas, Personal Trainer and Nutritionist



PAY Admission via PayPal [CLICK HERE]

OR Mail checks to:

Winton Club-Spring Into Pink P.O. Box 714, Winchester, MA 01890

Then.

REGISTER via ZOOM [CLICK HERE]

Registration includes an SIP Gift Bag (\$100 value) plus 3 chances to win special prizes.









CLICK HERE to visit our website for more details.

Questions?

Contact Cathy Wrotny 617-721-6515 cjwrotny@verizon.net

Special thanks to our generous sponsors















Pay Via Paypal Here

Register for Zoom Here

This cup could cost you more than you realize



"Social Host Liability"

Wednesday, April 14
7pm
Zoom Meeting
REGISTER HERE

Join School Resource Officer Dan Perenick and Winchester Resident and Pediatrician Dr. Jennifer Hensley for a discussion about the current MA Social Host Liability law and the legal and health risks associated with underage drinking.

Bring your questions and let's talk!

winchestercoalition@gmail.com



Register Here







Spring Cookies are Here!

It's a sure sign that spring has arrived!

On Thursday, April 15, starting at noon, stop here for a great Spring Sugar Cookie special!

Buy 2 cookies for \$3, and get 4 more for free! Offer is good for the first 50 customers, courtesy of Winchester Savings Bank and Winchester Together.





European Bakery Café

30 Church St., Winchester Ma Facebook.com/LaPatisserieWinchester

"I have the simplest of tastes, I only want the best"



wednesday, April 21 11 am to 3 pm

School Vacation Special!



\$1 per slice!

While supplies last



A Winchester Together Initiative



BECAUSE WE CARE



Are You On Wheels? Please Roll Safely!

Calling all K-8 riders of bicycles, unicycles, tricycles, scooters, skateboards, longboards, RipStiks and any other wheeled contraption!

If you are spotted wearing your helmet by our helmet safety team, you may win one free slice of pizza from Joe's Main Street Pizza! We are so proud of you!

Our team will hand you a coupon which you can bring to Joe's to receive your free slice.

One slice per coupon. Coupons will be collected at Joe's.





Questions? Email winchestercoalition@gmail.com

Email with Questions





Help Fight Hunger In Our Community!

Winchester Got Lunch has been selected as the beneficiary of the @StopandShop Bloomin' 4 Good Program!

Each time the \$9.99 Bloomin' 4 Good Bouquet with the red circle sticker is purchased at our Winchester Stop & Shop during the

\$1 Donation = 10+ Meals Donated! It's as simple as that.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING WGL AND OUR FAMILIES!

winchestergotlunch.org



Visit our website



Kids' Corner's popular **After School Program** is back! Join us after school from 2-6 PM for more adventurous outdoor play, dynamic indoor free play, creative projects, fun theme days, special events & all the social emotional learning you can fit into a day! We have availability in all grades K-6 and offer a 2-5 day option. Spots are limited!

Looking for something fun during **April Vacation Week** for your K-6th grader?Kids' Corner will offer a full day program from **8 AM - 6 PM, April 20th-23rd**.

Each day will have a themed event (Animal Day, Circus Day, Jumping Day and Earth Day), as well as a field trip to Altitude Trampoline Park on Wednesday! We have a 1-4 day option.

<u>Click here to register</u> for our program





Plus our usual selection of personal items and non-perishable food.

Make your appointment today!

Food Pantry Hours by Appointment Only Sundays, Tuesdays & Fridays

Text, Email, or Call 781- 369-5844 enkapantry@gmail.com



1037 Main Street Winchester, MA 01890 Same location as the En Ka Exchange

Open to Winchester Residents

- Providing non-perishable food and personal care items to individuals and families living in Winchester who do not have adequate financial resources to meet basic needs.
- Use of the En Ka Pantry is limited to one time per month and does not prohibit individuals or families also visiting the Woburn pantry.
- The En Ka Pantry is open to all households, through pre-arranged appointments.

Email for an Appointment



The WSF Annual Charity Golf Event 2021 Registration is now open!

The event will be held on **Monday**, **May 17th** at the beautiful Winchester

Country Club. This is our signature fundraising event, and we hope you will join us to help support the WHS student-athlete program through the Tournament, Corporate, Gold and Hole sponsorships.

Please consider a level of sponsorship available on the golf registration page.

Please note, the 2021 event will be slightly different due to COVID 19 restrictions. The 18 hole round of golf will be the same, but limited to 100 participants. Lunch and dinner are also planned to be held, but the entire event will be subject to the guidance of government officials, public health authorities and the most recent Governor's Order available on May 17th, 2021.

Thanks to all who supported the 30 for 30 tournament in 2019, WSF was able to fund the lacrosse practice wall and batting cages at the Ciarcia Field Complex adjacent to Winchester High School!





Please register here

For any questions about the event, please <a href="mailto:emai

Thank you for your support and we look forward to seeing you in May!

The Winchester Sports Foundation

PRESENTED BY THE WINCHESTER NETWORK FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE, THE PLANNING BOARD, AND THE HOUSING PARTNERSHIP BOARD



Sign Up Here

Click Here for More Information

ALUMNI NEWS

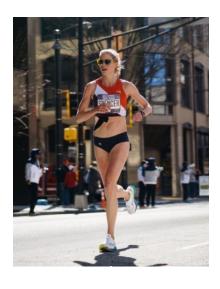


Are you a WHS Senior? Are you a parent of a WHS student or alumni? Are you a staff member of Winchester Public Schools?

You are invited to join the Winchester Alumni Association Become a member HERE

Winchester Alumni Association was launched in 2018 to support WHS alumni, staff and families in the many transitions of their lives after the 01890. Alumni who register through our **database** may receive information on upcoming Winchester events and volunteer opportunities, search for classmates, share news, and support current students and young alumni through networking and mentoring activities.

Follow us on <u>LinkedIn</u>, <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Instagram</u> for our Alumni Spotlight Series that celebrates past WHS students now around the world or check out our website <u>HERE</u>.



Check out our latest alumni spotlight!

Emma Spencer
Class of 2008



UNMASKED: Our Super Social Studies teacher Scott Spencer!

Thank you **Mr. Spencer** for participating and helping us get to know you better!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

We want to hear from you!

If you have any pictures, news, updates, we want to hear from you. **Please email us.** We would love to share with the WHS Community!

WHS PFA Direct Appeal



If you NO longer wish to receive the newsletter or you wish to change or add a new email address to your account, <u>please email us</u>.

To make a newsletter or a news blast submission, <u>please email us</u>
NO LATER than 12:00 PM on Friday.

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