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Winchester High School Parent Faculty Association Newsletter November 16, 2020

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PRESIDENT'S NOTE

Dear Fellow WHS Families,

One of Winchester's very special traditions is how we remember, celebrate, and **honor our veterans**. This year we did not have our full Veteran's Day parade, but there were touching and meaningful ceremonies at the World War One Memorial on Mt. Vernon Street and the Veterans Memorial at town hall. Winchester Police Department, Winchester Fire Department, the Color Guard, the Boston Fireman's band, town officials and town residents came together on this special day to honor those who have and who still do protect us and our nation.

We are so fortunate to live in a town where we honor veterans and impart to our children the lesson that their bravery enables us to live freely every day. Thank you again to our veterans and families who dedicate their lives to our freedom!

These are some pictures of this year's ceremonies as well as a few from last

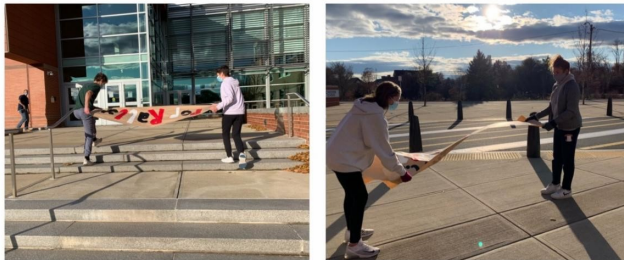


year so you can see the wonderful participation from our high school, McCall, and our elementary schools. We hope to all gather and parade together again next year!



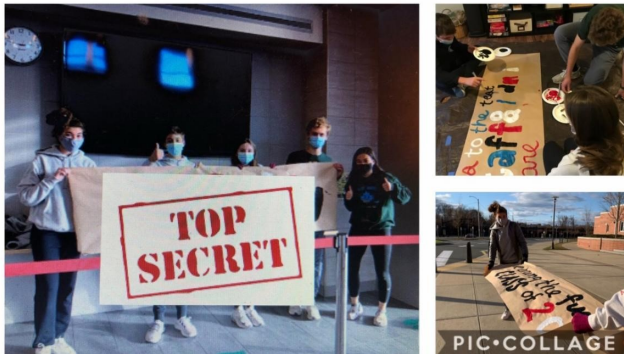
TOP SECRET: Somethin's a'-brewin'—what could it be?! WHS PFA has obtained these surveillance photos of the **Student Council** in cahoots with—what?—the Admin & PFA (oh shoot—we implicated ourselves)! What “peppy” activities are we all up to? Well, you can ask, but we won't tell! Read the next newsletter for more info on the down low!

Don't forget that there is a **WHS PFA Zoom meeting tonight, 11/16 at 7pm**. [Here is the Zoom link](#) and the Passcode is: 055262



Here are a few friendly reminders:

- **WHS Gives Back** – Please sign up to receive or give gift cards!
- Family Fun! Planning Thanksgiving Weekend--add some good old fashion FUN with the **En Ka Turkey Trot**--not too late to sign up!
- Our **Virtual Spirit Fair** has so many GREAT gift ideas for the holidays- shop "WHSZON" (get it not "amazon" ;) t-shirts, joggers, sweatshirts, blankets, water bottles-money raised helps our kids buy new uniforms, equipment, supplies for clubs and saving for future class events!

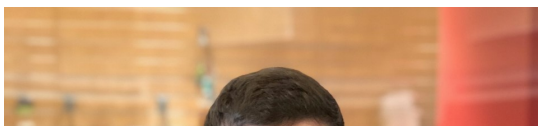


As always, please reach out with any ideas, questions or concerns! Stay safe and healthy!

Warmly,
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 9



What high school did you go to? *Winchester High School (Class of '12)*

What was your favorite subject in high school? *Tie, Forensic w/Mrs. White, Film & Video w/ Mr. Mack*

What sport and/or extracurricular were you involved in high school? *Baseball*

What is one of your hidden talents? *Very good at the video game Super Smash Bro's.*

Favorite Movie/Book/Band/Food? *Happy Gilmore/ Belichick and Brady: Two Men, the Patriots, and How They Revolutionized Football/ Taylor Swift/ Steak w/Rice*

Is there a quote or saying that you live your life by? *"Be the type of person you want to meet"*

***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 11/16 - WHS PFA Meeting, 7 PM on [Zoom](#) (Passcode: 055262)

Thu 11/26 & Fri 11/27 - No School - Thanksgiving Holiday

WHSPFA Direct Appeal One and Done

Help Us Cross the Finish Line!



We're almost at our goal of \$20,000 for WHSPFA's only fundraiser. We're excited to support activities, programs, and products that enhance our children's education. Here's a partial list of *WHS-teacher* requested grants:

- E-Readers for World Language Department
- Scientific calculators and various supplies for Learning Centers
- Bridge/Car Frames for the Physics Program
- LCD Digital USB Microscopes and Lens adapters for Biology/Forensic Science
- Software to support remote learning in the Science Department
- Soundtrap Software for the Music Department

Please consider donating now to this important cause – no amount is too small or too large – it all goes to support our students, teachers, and staff in providing a top-notch education in this unprecedented school year.

Keep in mind that we're a non-profit organization under section 501(c)(3) so each dollar is tax deductible.

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.



Click [here](#) to subscribe to Winchester High's student-produced newspaper **the Red & Black**.



The Spirit Fair has gone virtual this year!

You will have two weeks to purchase merchandise from your favorite Winchester High School teams, clubs, and activities.

Use the link below to view the slideshow and see what's available!

SPIRIT FAIR

Intergenerational Programs and Community Service Projects Workshop

All WHS students are invited to join a workshop on how to plan Intergenerational Programs and Community Service Projects. This is a great opportunity for students who are interested in working with senior citizens and the elderly, as well as those who want to learn about how to get their community service project ideas off the ground.

Monday, 11/16 from 4-6 PM via Zoom. This program is sponsored by the Jenks Center.

Register at [Intergenerational Workshop](#) or [Contact Ms. Edenhofner](#) for more information.

WHS Gives Back

WHS Gives Back and its partnership with the WHS PFA is BACK, but, like everything else, looks a little different. This year we will raise money to donate gift cards to children who attend any of the Winchester Public Schools.

[Click here](#) to find out more information about the program and the form to complete to receive gift cards.

Please complete the form as soon as possible and return to [Nicole Dieuseul](#) or [Amber Haines](#), adjustment counselors in the Guidance Department at WHS.

Forms can be emailed to Amber or Nicole or dropped at the high school main office. Forms have a hard deadline of **November 30, 2020** so that the gift cards can be purchased in time for the holidays.

Any questions can be directed to Amber and Nicole or to [WHS Gives Back](#)



What is WHS Gives Back?

WHS Gives back is an opportunity for the students and residents of Winchester to come together as a unified body to provide holiday gifts for those in need.

We collect money and divide it among the Winchester residents who need assistance providing gifts for their families.

Last year, 99 children received \$150 worth of gifts and each family received a Market Basket gift card so they could enjoy a holiday meal.

This year families will receive a Target gift card to buy gifts for their children and if we raise enough, we can get them a Market Basket gift card as well.



How do I donate?

Due to COVID-19, all donations will be collected online this year. Use this [LINK](#) to make an online donation. We start collecting donations

MONDAY NOVEMBER 9th

until **December 2nd.**

[LINK](#) TO DONATE TO WHS GIVES BACK

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!](#)

Congratulations to **Niki Micciche** (pictured on the right) who broke the Winchester Field Hockey all-time scoring record! Niki's 4 goals and 2 assists Wednesday gave her 93 total points surpassing Courtney Tavener's (WHS, 08) previous record of 91 points. Way to go Niki!





Congrats for the 10-0 win over Woburn on Veterans Day!

BIG WIN on Saturday defeating Lexington 7 to 2!
Until this game Lexington had not been scored on!

Check out the [Boston Globe article](#) on the BIG WIN!



Girls Varsity Soccer defeated Woburn Memorial HS, **6 to 1** on Veterans Day.
On Saturday they defeated Lexington HS **2 to 0**.

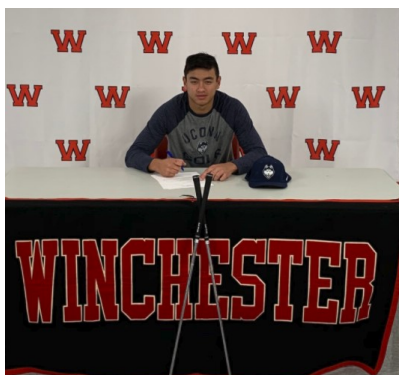
Congrats to **Hannah Curtin, Ellie Rappole & Ally Murphy!**

They have all committed to playing soccer in the Ivy League next year.
Hannah at Dartmouth,
Ellie at Yale &
Ally at Princeton.



Support the Girls Varsity Soccer team by purchasing black masks with a "W" logo for **\$12 each**. Orders can be placed for teams/groups or individuals who wish to order.
Venmo **@AllyMurphy36** for payment or

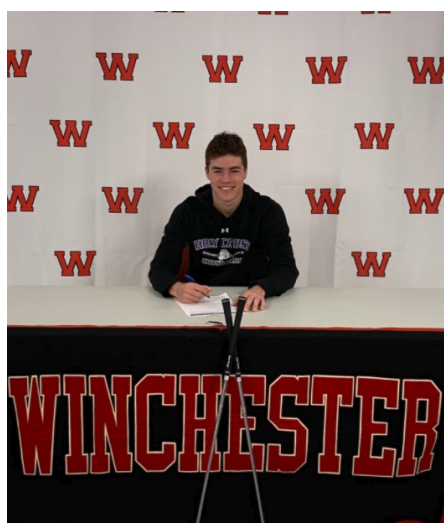
email with any questions



Congrats to **Trevor Lopez** for signing his NLI today to play Golf at UConn!



Congrats to **Christine Mandile** for signing her NLI to play Golf at the University of Richmond!



Congrats to **Owen Egan** for signing his NLI today to play Golf at Holy Cross!

Two tough losses for the Boys Varsity Soccer team when Woburn Memorial HS defeated them, **3 to 2** and Lexington HS defeated them **2 to 0**.

Boys Cross Country Team Seniors

- Ben Burns
- Yaozu Chen
- Alex Cumming
- Evan Edler
- Alejandro Gonzales
- Jack Hamilton
- Joris Hoogendorn
- Kevin Huang
- Ray Kraft

Alex Lee
Pat Medek
Danny Russell
Will Sun
Eric Tang
Noah White
Gavin Yang
Michael Zhang

The Boys Cross Country team battled and had great performances by sophomores **Dante Perrone** and **Gabe Watson** but not enough to beat a strong Lexington Boys team **35-20**.

Congrats to the Girls Cross Country team going **undefeated** with a **33-24** win over Lexington and to **Camryn Menninger** for going **undefeated all season** in the Liberty League!



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

WHS ARTS, MUSIC & THEATER

Check this section for updates about WHS Arts, Music & Theater

WHS CLUBS & GROUPS

Click here for a [list](#) of WHS Clubs and Organizations

See below for current club news, upcoming meetings & events

- **DRAMA CLUB** - WHS! Are you missing performing on-stage? Are you trying to step out of your comfort zone and meet new friends in a safe way? Join our WHS Drama Club: Curtain and Cue! Curtain and Cue is doing a project where students pick monologues and after being thoroughly rehearsed and perfected, we will record them on stage. If you are interested, please reach out to [Mrs. Cella](#) or [Abbie Gatto](#).
- **ITALIAN CLUB** - Join the Italian Club on **Tuesday, November 17th** from 3:20-4:20 PM. We will be playing Italian themed Jeopardy. Snacks will be provided. Meet at the circular seating in back of the school. All are welcome. See you there.
- **PURPLE CLUB** - In honor of it being Epilepsy Awareness Month, the Purple Club is organizing a virtual walk on **Sunday, November 22nd!** All you have to do is get outside and walk 2 miles at any point in the day. Make sure to wear purple and send in pictures to the club Instagram @_Purple_Club. You don't need to be a member to participate, so tell your friends, wear your masks, and get walking!

CLASS OF 2021 NEWS

To the Class of 2021 **STUDENTS ONLY:**

[Senior Superlative Nominations](#) are here!

If you're a senior make sure to get your nominations in by this coming **Monday, November 16th at 11:59 PM.**

If you can believe it, it is already time to order your cap and gown!

The cost is **\$15.50** and all students will be wearing red.

The order comes with one 2021 tassel.


Get online and **[order now!](#)**

2021 Winchester High School Class of 2021 **2021**

Purchase Our Products → [Here](#) ←

In order to ensure all gifts are in by the holidays, our store will close on November 15th

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Camo Sweatshirt - \$45	Sherpa Blanket - \$45	Admin Shirt - \$20
		
	Snap-Up - \$50	

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[The Class of 2021 Online Store](#)

CLASS OF 2022 NEWS

The Class of 2022 is selling handmade blankets and Zoom University T-shirts!

T-Shirts are \$20 and blankets are \$25!

Blankets also come with customizable tags, making it the perfect gift for around the holidays!

Please visit our [online store](#) to place your order and for more details! You won't want to miss out! Thank you for your support!

[The Class of 2022 Online Store](#)

CLASS OF 2022

\$20 ZOOM U. "no pants required" TEE \$25 Cozy Fleece HANDMADE blanket Class Officers Selling Spirt Wear! Blanket Packaging & Custom Message

ORDER YOUR **HANDMADE** BLANKETS FOR JUST **\$25** AND ZOOM UNIVERSITY TEE FOR **\$20** TODAY!
Custom message on blanket tag available! Both are perfect as holiday gifts!

CLASS OF 2023 NEWS

CLASS OF 2023
LINK TO STORE! → [HERE](#)

- Sherpa Blanket \$35**
Great for fall/winter for outdoor activity! Perfect for sports teams! Customized with logo (minimum holiday gift)
- Winchester Flag \$60**
Best way to show school spirit and support your school!
Must have for Class of 2023! Generous incentive!
3 colors (White, gray, black)
- Hoodie \$45**
Demanded back by popular demand!
Great for all weather!
Embroidered with logo designed by Class of 2023!
= Bonus \$ - XX!
= Attracting holiday gift!
- Class of '23 Package \$140**
= Sherpa Blanket and Flag
= Free Class of 2023 Sewing bag
= All items at discounted price!

[The Class of 2023 Online Store](#)

CLASS OF 2024 NEWS



CLASS OF 2024

STORE LINK HERE

CLASS OF 2024 HOODIE- \$45

WINCHESTER HOODIE- \$45

WINCHESTER JOGGERS- \$45

Logo:

[The Class of 2024 Online Store](#)

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.

Generously Sponsored by Winchester Realtors & Businesses
 Thank you to the Realtors for supporting us since 2016!

Sven Andersen Andersen Group Realty	Liz Darby Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Commonwealth	Monte Marrocco Marrocco Group Coldwell Banker	Lucille Murray William Raveis Real Estate	Philip J. Vita Leading Edge Real Estate	Deb DePeter Bryant Park Designs	Becky Tellefsen Bryant Park Designs	Carolyn Nolan Ameriprise Financial Services, Inc.

Let's Make 01890 Shine Like A Diamond

Spectacular Diamond Jewelry Drawing to
Benefit the Winchester Chamber of Commerce's
Town Beautification

Tickets on Sale Nov. 15 - Dec. 16
 \$20/ticket | \$100/6 tickets | \$200/12 tickets
 winchesterchamber.com • BookEnds (cash or check)

Drawing Dec. 16

The Winchester Chamber of Commerce needs your help to make it happen!

- Hanging Baskets
- Lights in the Center
- Holiday Wreaths

Winchester Chamber of Commerce
 25 Waterfield Road, Winchester, Massachusetts 01890 | 781-729-8870
 info@winchesterchamber.com | winchesterchamber.com



Coping with Covid-19: Managing Stress, Anxiety, and the Upcoming Holidays



Lisa Damour, PhD
Tuesday, November 17, 2020
7 p.m.
[**REGISTER HERE**](#)

Dr. Damour is a clinical psychologist and author of the award-winning *New York Times* best sellers *Untangled: Guiding Teenage Girls Through the Seven Transitions into Adulthood* and *Under Pressure: Confronting the Epidemic of Stress and Anxiety in Girls*

The holidays can be stressful for families in a normal year and this year is anything but normal!

Join us to learn more about:

- how to keep pressure and tension from reaching toxic levels
- how to parent effectively in the current circumstances
- how to address the challenges presented by the holidays ahead



winchestercoalition@gmail.com

REGISTER [HERE](#) for Lisa Damour, PhD



The poster features a central wreath of green leaves and branches. The text 'Festival of Wreaths' is written in a large, red, cursive font across the wreath. Below it, a yellow ribbon banner contains the year '2020'. The text 'Online this year!' is written in a large, black, cursive font below the wreath. The dates 'November 23rd-30th' are written in red, bold font. The website 'www.01890-festivalofwreaths2020.com' is written in black. The text 'Proceeds will benefit the WH&G Club's continued support of beautification of our community.' is written in white on a green background. The text 'RAFFLE TICKETS PURCHASED ONLINE winners will be drawn on December 2nd' is written in white on a red background. The logo of the Winchester Home and Garden Club is in the top left corner. The text 'FIFTH ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF WREATHS EXHIBITION 2020' is written in red at the top.

WINCHESTER HOME AND GARDEN CLUB EST. 1934

FIFTH ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF WREATHS EXHIBITION 2020

Festival of Wreaths

2020

Online this year!

November 23rd-30th

view online at
www.01890-festivalofwreaths2020.com

Proceeds will benefit the WH&G Club's continued support of beautification of our community.

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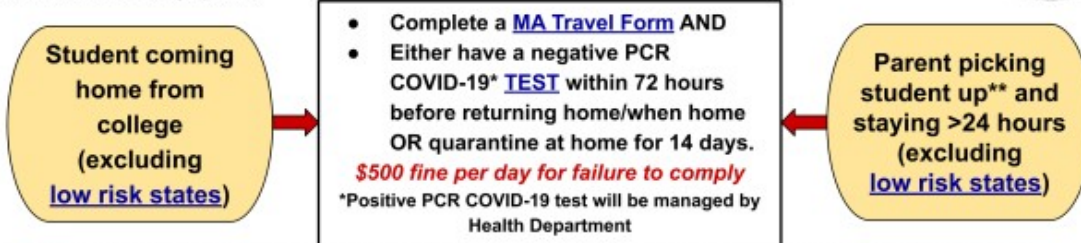
Have a child returning home from college?



Have a child returning home from college?



If yes, make a plan for their safe re-entry back to Winchester. Even if your child had a negative test before coming home, this does not mean they are COVID-19 free. Take precautions within your household and be on the lookout COVID-19 symptoms.



****Parent driving student home and anyone else in car should wear a mask and open car windows to create airflow**

Precautions to consider for 14 days after return home	How to Stop the Spread
STAY HOME	Practice social distancing and wash hands frequently
Wear a mask (even indoors at home)	Wear a mask with anyone outside your household, even outdoors. <i>The State updated face-covering order to include all public places, at all times.</i>
Create distance during meals (eat outside when possible); sit at opposite ends of the table; open windows to create airflow	If need to ride in a car with someone outside your household wear a mask and open car windows for airflow
Sleep in a separate room. Use a separate bathroom and disinfect any shared bathrooms after every use.	No parties! Large gatherings are not safe indoors or outdoors (including Fells/wooded areas). The State announced 10pm curfew and reduced social gathering numbers: details here

Keep informed: winchester.us/coronavirus

Make Your November Appointment Today!



Special This Month:

Choose from a selection of seasonal fall pies!
Shop our other special Thanksgiving pantry items!

Food Pantry Hours
by Appointment Only
Sundays, Tuesdays & Fridays

Text, Email, or Call
781- 369-5844
socialservice@enkasociety.org



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.

**Town of Winchester
Thanksgiving 2020
Recommendations**

**Happy Thanksgiving
Winchester!**

Safer At Home This Year

*Indoor Covid
Transmission is Real*

**Looking Forward to
November 2021!**



<u>Low Risk</u>	<u>Moderate Risk</u>	<u>High Risk</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small dinner with people in household only • Virtual dinner with extended family and friends • Watching sports & parades at home with household members only • Online "Black Friday" shopping 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small OUTDOOR dinner with family and close friends • Pumpkin patch/orchard (wear masks and use hand sanitizer!) • Local outdoor sports event, race or parade with masks and social distancing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • INDOOR dinner with people who don't live with you • Using alcohol or drugs (indoor or outdoor), which can impair judgment • Crowded (or indoor) sports event, race or parade • In person "Black Friday Shopping"

Adapted from the CDC Thanksgiving guidelines:
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/holidays.html#thanks>

REGISTER TODAY!
En Ka Society's FIRST VIRTUAL TURKEY TROT



Walk, Trot or Run 3.1 miles (5k) in your neck of the woods on your own time!

Thursday, November 26th through Sunday November 29th

\$30 for adults, \$10 for children under 12

We couldn't have the En Ka Fair this year, but we *can* still have a GOBBLE of a good time while raising funds that go right back to our Winchester community!

SIGN UP at En Ka Society Website: enkasociety.wildapricot.org

**En KA Turkey Trot [Registration Here](#)
Family Fun for ALL AGES!**



Along with the local chapter of the [Make a Wish Foundation](#), this year's sales of the UWL-W Luminaria kits will benefit

WINCHESTER GOT LUNCH





**Sunday, December 13
@ 5:00 pm**

*(Rain/Snow Date:
Monday, December 14)*

It's easy to participate:

- 1. Order as many luminaria kits as you need [HERE](#) by [Tuesday, December 8th](#)**
- 2. We will deliver your order to your doorstep by Saturday, December 12th**
- 3. Assemble, set out and illuminate the luminarias along your front yards, walkways or driveways or path on Sunday, December 13th at 5:00 pm**

Unite With Light-Winchester is a town-wide Luminaria Night event organized by the children of Winchester to celebrate the beginning of the winter season with beautiful light and raise money for a child-charity that will strengthen our community and our world

**The
Winchester Chamber of Commerce
merrily presents
Annual Holiday House Decorating Contest**





be original have a theme be creative

Judging will be Thursday December 17th
Register online: winchesterchamber.com
\$25 Registration fee

DO YOU FEEL THIS WAY?

- There is so much anger around me and I can't stand it
- I feel hopeless about the holidays
- Because of Covid-19 I can't see my family and my friends the way I used to -- I feel so alone
- I'm so afraid of being quarantined!

TALK TO SOMEONE WHO UNDERSTANDS
CALL
INTERFACE



INTERFACE
Mental Health Referral Helpline

CALL: 888 244 6843
Monday - Friday
9am - 5pm

FREE SERVICE
For Winchester Residents



For the Woburn Council of Social Concern

Due to the pandemic, FAN's annual food drive will look a bit different this year! We invite you to **support the Woburn Council of Social Concern through a monetary donation.**

FAN will be **matching up to \$1,000** of donations **until November 23!**

Ways to get your donation matched:

1. Send your donation to FAN's Venmo (@FAN-Winchester), or
2. Donate directly to the Council and send your receipt/confirmation to treasurer@fanwinchester.org, so your donation is included in our Matching Campaign!

Learn more about the Council at socialconcern.org!



The logo for FAN Family Action Network of Winchester features the letters 'FAN' in large, colorful, stylized font (F is red, A is yellow, N is blue). Below 'FAN' are three stylized human figures in red, yellow, and blue. To the right of the figures, the text 'FAMILY ACTION NETWORK' is stacked vertically in blue, with 'of Winchester' in a smaller font below it.

ALUMNI NEWS

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ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

***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 [LinkedIn](#), [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) for our Alumni Spotlight Series that celebrates past WHS students now around the world or check out our website [HERE](#).



**Check out our latest
alumni spotlight!**

[Taryn Duran, Class of 2013](#)



**UNMASKED: Our awesome Special Education
teacher Philip Michienzi!**

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

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU

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!

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

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

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