WHSPFA Newsletter November 13, 2023



PRESIDENT'S NOTE

WHSPFA Direct Appeal



Good Morning WHS Families,

We would like to start the morning off with a **HUGE Thank You!**

Thank you to over 165 families who donated to this year's campaign.

We met our goal of \$20,000!

Monies raised provide support for WHS faculty, staff, clubs and extra needs during the school year. Because of you, we are funding many grants for teachers, staff, and students. Keep following the WHSPFA Newsletter to

hear more about this year's approved grants and thank you again.

November has started with a BANG! Between seniors scurrying to make college application deadlines to WHS teams playing in MIAA Playoffs, WHS is busy. Everyone gets a fresh start this week with the beginning of Quarter Two, and as this is the last whole week before the holiday season begins, it is sure to whiz by.

Here are a few things to keep on your radar:

- This Saturday, November 18th, from 11 AM-2 PM Annual Spirit
 Fair brought to you by WHS Student Council (STUCO). This is an
 excellent opportunity to start your holiday shopping, as you can find
 all things Winchester at the booths. All while supporting clubs, sports,
 class officers, and STUCO! Hope to see you there.
- Tuesday, November 21st at 6:30 PM Come cheer for the 2nd Annual Girls Flag Football Tournament. Canned Good and \$10 entry fee.
- Thanksgiving Day, 10 AM (Woburn High Stadium) Before you eat that turkey, be part of the annual tradition of Woburn vs. Winchester. Cheer the WHS Football team on and be part of the ending of a fantastic season!
- Wednesday, November 29th at 7 PM in the WHS Library for our next PFA meeting. (Please note this is a date change from November 13th.)

As always, please reach out with questions, concerns, or just to say "hi." Have wonderful week!

Very Fondly, Adrienne Spignesi & Mai Harrison WHS Co-Presidents

whspfa@gmail.com

* to enlarge pictures in collages on computer -just click on them :) if you are looking on your phone -so sorry we are so zoomed again- still can't figure out how to shrink our photos :0



Ps if you have pics to share of our great WHS students, families and community please **send** to our forever amazing news editors Audrey and Tara!

If you would still like to **DONATE** to our WHS Direct APPEAL (tax deductible) it is always appreciated. Thank you!!

THANK you to all who came out to our town's annual **Veteran's Day Parade!** Our WHS Marching Band played beautifully! Our community came together to pay tribute to our brave Veterans- we are so grateful and will not forget all you and your families have sacrificed for our freedom!





WHS IMPORTANT DATES - MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Click Here for 2023-2024 District School Calendar

MON 11/13 - Q2 - starts as a Day 1

SAT 11/18 -Spirit Fair Market 11am-2pm WHS Dining Commons

SAT 11/18 - Class of 2024 Parent Social - details in class section

TUES 11/21 Girls Flag Football, Knowlton 6:30 pm

WED 11/22 - Early Release Day

THU 11/23 & FRI 11/24 - NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Break

THU 11/23 Winchester v. Woburn Football game,10 AM (Woburn High Stadium)

WED 11/29 WHS PFA meeting, 7pm WHS Library

FRI 12/1 - Class of 2024 Semi-Formal - details in class section

COLLEGE VISITS

The following colleges will be visiting WHS in the Guidance Department from **8:00-8:30 AM** unless otherwise noted.

MON 11/13 - Lesley University, Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts

TUES 11/14 - The School of Fashion Design

WED 11/15 - Assumption University & UMass Dartmouth

THU 11/16 - U.S. Air Force Academy & Bentley University

HELPFUL ATTENDANCE REMINDERS

All attendance notifications can be emailed

to whsabsentline@winchesterps.org, at any time of the day. It is our preferred method of communication, as it is the fastest way for it to be seen and recorded. If you are unable to email, you can still call the main line and select option 1 to leave a message on the attendance voicemail. You do not need to do both, one method of communication will suffice.

Absences

- Please be as specific as possible so we can code your students attendance correctly.
- Medical notes can be emailed to the attendance line or brought into the office when the student returns to school.
- College Visits please email or bring in documentation regarding the visit so that we can excuse the absence.

Tardies

- Students MUST always check into the main office when they arrive to school late, at any point in the day. Even if we received an email regarding the tardy. Their attendance will be coded incorrectly if they do not.
- We ask that if you know your student may be late, even by a few minutes, to please let us know.
- If you emailed/called that your student was going to be late to school BUT ends up not coming to school PLEASE let us know so we can update attendance.

<u>Dismissals</u>

- Students should pick up a dismissal slip at the main office prior to their dismissal. If they are returning to school they MUST check back into the office.
- Students should check out at the main office before leaving the building. If you have sent a dismissal notification you do not need to come into building to pick your student up.
- Students should not leave the building without prior

confirmation.

 If your child is sick while at school please have them see the nurse. They will be medically excused by the nurses.

SURVEY

Hi WHS parents and students! This semester we are enrolled in Honors Active Citizenship where we are completing a civic engagement project. Our group's focus is on local affordable housing, and we are gathering information to better grasp the ins and outs. Please complete this **google form** by **Monday**, **11/13** to help us collect data! Thanks!

GIRLS FLAG FOOTBALL



Join us at Knowlton Stadium on Tuesday, November 21st at 6:30 pm. Canned good ad \$10 required for entry for fans ages 10 and up.

No canned good will result in a \$15 entry fee

STUCO's 12th Annual



Join us in the WHS cafeteria on Saturday the 18th!

Come support your WHS teams & clubs before this holiday season

Want to sell your merch this year? Sign up here!



PARKING PASSES

Student parking passes are now available to all Seniors and Juniors* (*who have had their license for 3 months) by filling out this form.

Even if you had a parking pass last year you must fill out this form for a NEW parking pass each year. Once the form is complete they can pick up their pass at the main office with Mrs. Hanlon or Officer Chiuccariello in Room A102.

Students must have their license with them to pick up the parking pass. You **must** have a parking pass to park in the student lot or designated street spots on Skillings Road, failure to do so will result in a ticket or possible tow.

CLASS OF 2024 NEWS

FROM THE GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT

1st quarter grades for seniors are NOT automatically sent to any schools as the majority of schools do not require them except for Early Decision applications but many students like to share them as an additional piece of evidence to support their application. Students should check their individual school requirements.

Seniors who wish to have their Q1 grades sent to all the schools they are applying to should complete the Q1 Grade Requests to Schools Form. Requests are processed in the order that they were received beginning after Q1 report cards go live and students have had a chance to review them.

Please see your Guidance Counselor directly with any questions

YEARBOOK

Please visit this **2024 WHS Yearbook Info** to all the important information you need to know about Senior Pictures and the 2024 WHS Yearbook.

Also, more details to follow from your class officers but keep these important dates for the Class of 2024 on your calendar!

11/18 - Parent Fundraising Event12/1 - Semi-Formal DanceTBD - Class Dinner

SATURDAY NIGHT FEVER DANCE PARTY

It's time to boogie and get those dancing shoes on! Join the Class of '24 parent advisors at a dance party like no other!

Dress your best for Saturday Night Fever Dance Party sponsored by Andersen Group Realty!

Use <u>Venmo</u> to pay and please note guests names. Any questions contact parent advisors tagged. Spread the word all are invited.

Please note: This is an Adult ONLY event



CLASS OF 2024 SEMI-FORMAL DANCE

It's the Class of 2024's last semi-formal. It will be in the dining commons at the HS on **Friday 12/1 from 7:00-9:30 PM**

Class of 2024 Semi-Formal Wishlist - please <u>click here</u> to view the online sign up sheet.



CLASS OF 2025 NEWS





CLASS OF 2026 NEWS

Sophomore Class will be selling one of a kind spirit blanket throws! Each one hand made by a Class of 2026 student and family member! Limited number for only \$25! We'll be at the Spirit Fair this Saturday! Also, our popular black "W" hooded sweatshirt will be available for \$40! Don't miss out!

Great gifts!





CLASS OF 2027 NEWS

CLASS OF 2027 WREATH FUNDRAISER

Please check out our holiday store and help raise money for our class! There are many different wreath options and other products to choose from, and 3 different shipping dates starting as early as **November 20th**.



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!

All team schedules can be found at WHS Team Schedules



MIAA Sports Rankings

Click here to see where Winchester ranks!

Great representation by our student-athletes at the MIAA Sportsmanship Summit at Gillette Stadium last week!



Winter Sports Registration is now open!

ATTENTION - All parents of students, and students, wishing to play a Winter Sport. Please see the important informations in the links below.

Winter Sports Information Packet

Click here to register.

ALPINE SKI

There will be a meeting for anyone interested in going out for Alpine Ski on Wednesday, November 15th right after school in the auditorium.

BOYS SOCCER

What a game! The Boys Varsity Team fought hard and beat Belmont in the "Elite 8" on Sunday, 1-0. Many thanks to everyone who came out to support the team. They move on to the "Final 4"--their next match in the State Semi-Finals is vs. Needham on Tuesday at 6:30 pm at Manning Field in Lynn. Come cheer them on!



CROSS COUNTRY

Boys finished 5th at the Div 1B Meet, qualifying for next week's All State Meet. Girls finished 11th, congrats to Mikayla Ferguson as individual qualifier for All States Meet.

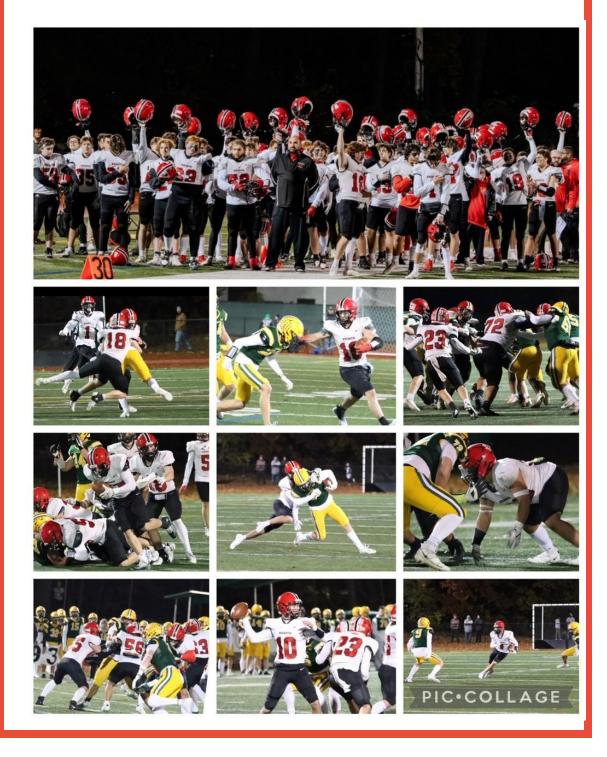
FIELD HOCKEY

Congratulations to the girls' JV Field Hockey team for capping off an undefeated regular season with a hard-fought 1-0 victory over Reading on Thursday, 10/26. They finished their season with an amazing 17-0 record and allowed in zero goals for a complete season shutout! Way to go girls!!



FOOTBALL

Valiant effort against King Phillip but our boys are already prepping for our BIG Thanksgiving game against Woburn! If you are around-please come to the game and cheer our team on! Let's G-O!!!







To purchase your official Football team swag to wear to support the team from the stands, see flyer below.

Contact Christine Lowenstein with any questions.

WHS FOOTBALL MERCHANDISE 2023



Roster/ Schedule \$5 Lanyard \$5 NEW! Pom-Pom Hat \$25 Baseball Hat \$30





PJ Pants S, M, L, XL \$35



Black Hoodie S, M, L XL, 2XL \$35







RETIRED JERSEYS \$5 SALE



T-shirt
White: YM, YLS, M, L, XL, 2XL
Pink: YM, XL only
(Breast Cancer Awareness)
\$10 SALE



Under Armour Long Sleeve T S, L, XL, 2XL \$40



Contact: Christine Lowenstein christinelowenstein@verizon.net Cash, Check to WHS Football Boosters, or Venmo @WHS-Football

Gymnastics season is coming up. There will be an informational meeting on **November 17th at 3:15 PM**.

For questions, contact **Sophia Tsiantos** or **Brooke Anderson**

BOYS HOCKEY

There is an upcoming parent meeting for parents of boys who will be trying out for hockey this season.

The meeting will be:

Wednesday November 15th at 7pm in the WHS library. Coach Khachadourian will be talking about tryout expectations and season expectations.

INDOOR TRACK & FIELD

There is a sign-up meeting for anyone interested in competing on the Indoor Track & Field Team on Monday, November 13th at 3:15 in LG 1.

SWIMMING

The girls' swim team did awesome on Saturday. Winchester was 5th overall.

Elle Michaud won both the 200 free and 500 free

Elissa Bennett was second in the 100 fly (was just out-touched for first)

Winchester's 400 free relay and medley relay both placed 3rd and the 200 free relay was 5th- all 3 relays were best times!

Emily Moh was 4th in diving

Lots of top 8 podium finishes, too!

WHS ARTS, MUSIC & THEATER





THE WHS MUSIC DEPARTMENT'S ANNUAL

GOURMET POPCORN

Fundraiser

POP UP STORES OPEN DECEMBER 4TH - DECEMBER 8TH

Order from your favorite **WHS Music Student** or buy directly from our online store.

More information will be coming soon!

All popcorn is delivered DIRECTLY to your home, and all proceeds go to the

WHS MUSIC PROGRAMS

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

If you have updates or pictures of WHS Arts, Music & Theater students please email them to us!

WHS CLUBS & GROUPS

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

Hi WHS! The National Honor Society is hosting our annual Talent Show on **November 17th.**

We are looking for talent across all ages from elementary to adults!

Please sign up with **this form** to perform and spread the word!

LITERARY MAGAZINE

Submissions for the fall edition of the Literary Magazine are now open! You can submit writing or artwork using this **form**.

Submissions will close on **December 1st**.

You can view our <u>FAQ document</u> for more information and <u>email</u> with any remaining questions.

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.

GIRLS LACROSSE CLINICS

WGYL will be sponsoring clinics for HS players in the fall and winter again this year.

Visit their <u>website</u> to register (you have to create a Demosphere

account to register for their programming) 2023 FALL OUTDOOR CLINICS:

High School Late Fall Clinic @ Ciarcia Field (Skillings Turf)

- Sundays 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM; 11/19, 11/26, 12/3 & 12/10 2023- 2024 WINTER INDOOR CLINICS:

High School Winter Clinic @ WHS Gym

- Sundays 6:30 pm - 8 pm; 1/7, 1/21, 1/28, 2/4, 2/11, 3/3, 3/10 & 3/17



Local news coverage you can trust.

DONATE TODAY

NewsMatch

Winchester News has been accepted into the NewsMatch program. NewsMatch is a national collective fundraising campaign designed to assist communities in supporting public service news reporting.

Individual donations to nonprofit news outlets are matched by national and local funders. The NewsMatch matching gift campaign runs from **November 1st to December 31st**.

In 2023, the individual match cap is \$1,000 per individual and the campaign match cap is currently \$13,000.

Make the most of your donation!

In addition, community or local matches are welcome during this period. If a funder(foundation or business) or group of funders is willing to match donations made to Winchester News during the NewsMatch campaign please let us know.

Click Here for More Information

Click Here to Donate

WINPAC HOSTS WEBINAR

Join us for the Basic Rights: Evaluation and Eligibility free virtual workshop about the basics of complex special education laws and procedures. The virtual webinar will take place on **November 13, 2023 from 7-9 pm.**

Register <u>here</u>.



Basic Rights: Evaluation and Eligibility

A Free Virtual Workshop for Parents and Professionals

Basic Rights: Evaluation and Eligibility provides an introduction of the complex special education laws and procedures.

Workshop Topics:

- Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and Massachusetts Laws
- Evaluations and Referrals
- · The Team Meeting
- Individualized Education Program (IEP) and 504 Plans
- Effective Progress
- Transition
- Review of Important Timelines
- Strategies for Success and more!



About Your Host:

The Winchester Parent Advisory Council (WinPAC) is a state-mandated group of parents and guardians who work with teachers, administrators and the School Committee to provide special education information and resources.

Join us for this upcoming webinar!

Presenter: Claire Vann, Esq

Date: 11/13/2023

Time: 7 pm-9 pm
Registration Link:

https://fcsn-org.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwpdeyh

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For more information about the educational workshops available from The Federation for Children with Special Needs, please visit us at fcsn.org/ptic/workshops or email: workshops@fcsn.org

Winchester School Committee Meeting

November 14, 2023: 6:00 PM Winchester High School - Room LG1 (B118) 80 Skillings Road, Winchester MA

Live streaming via Wincam: https/wincam.org/watch/education

- I. Call to Order (6:00 PM)
- II. Public Comment (around 6:05 PM)
- III. Superintendent, Chair & Student Remarks (around 6:25 PM)
- IV. Consent Agenda (around 6:35 PM)
 - A. Consideration of Acceptance of \$4,389 Grant from EnKa Society for a Canopy and Weight for the WHS Track & Field Team
 - B. Consideration of Acceptance of \$1,640 to the Post Graduate Program at WHS
 - C. Consideration of Acceptance of \$1,000 Donation from Cummings Community Giving to the WHS Class of 2024
 - D. Consideration of Acceptance of \$2,000 Donation from Winchester Chinese School to Vinson-Owen
- V. Report, Update & Action Items (around 6:40 PM)
 - A. Distribution & Presentation of School Improvement Plans
 - B. Consideration of Approval of the Strategic Plan Framework
 - C. FY25 Budget Development: Discussion of Process & DRAFT Timeline
- VI. Future Agenda Items (around 7:30 PM)
 - A. Strategic & Facilities Planning
 - B. FY25 Budget Development
- VII. Future Meeting Dates: December 5, December 19
- VIII. Executive Session: (around 7:35 PM)
 - A. Purpose (2) to conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel;
 - B. Purpose (3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining because an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the Committee.
- IX. Adjournment (around 8:00 PM)



The Holiday Season is upon us!

If you will be entertaining, how about having fun non-alcoholic drink options available for your family members and friends who are living alcohol-free, looking to cut back or just for something new?

Mocktails are all the rage! Come on out to see what they are all about!

We'll have a few signature holiday versions and a variety of others to sample.

Whether you are looking to cut back, curious about living alcohol-free or already are, the holidays can be super fun with zero proof drinks!

Coach Courtney will provide recipes and tips on mixing things up during the holidays and beyond.

RSVP winchestercoalition@gmail.com

RSVP HERE



Accepting and Showing Up For the Child You Have with Debbie Reber



Nearly all parenting challenges are rooted in a disconnect between our expectations for who we think our kids "should be" or what our experience as parents "should" be like, and what's actually happening in the day-to-day. But when we make the conscious choice to lean into and accept who our kids inherently are, things start to feel so much better.

In this presentation (followed by a Q&A), NY Times bestselling author and founder of TiLT Parenting, Debbie Reber will talk about the power in parenting the child we actually have and share strategies for just how to do that.

When we commit to this parenting reframe, we can:

- build stronger connections with our kids
- · reduce conflict in the home
- foster our kids' sense of agency and confidence
- lessen our own sense of overwhelm and burnout, and find more joy in our families

Thursday, November 16th 7:00PM Lincoln School Auditorium

All Programs Are Free and Open to the Public

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parenttoparentwinchester.org



Epiphany Christmas Fair Returns: Holiday Shopping, Kids Store, Crafts, Homemade Desserts & More

All are welcome to join our community in celebrating the Parish of the Epiphany's annual, renowned holiday tradition on Saturday, November 18th from 10 AM to 4 PM at 70 Church Street

in Winchester, MA. Browse through a variety of unique and beautifully crafted, warm, and cozy gifts, and support this age-old tradition spanning three decades.

In addition to items created by skilled and talented parishioners at the knit and craft tables, works of art by parish artist John McConnell will be on display. Returning this year are gifts by Studio on the Common, mittens by Cashmere Resewn, jewelry by Mei Mei of Lexington, pottery by Christa Bennett, and jewelry by Linda Preston. Choose from costume jewelry and White Elephant treasures of the past, among many other finds. Our non-profits

this year include Holy Nativity Convent (candles), Haiti Peace Quilts, the American Friends of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem,

Unite with Light, and Food for Fido. To entertain the kids while you shop, check out the Kids Store for a "kids only" holiday shopping experience (no adults allowed!) where children can purchase

family gifts, some crafts, and children's books.

This year's Silent Auction will have items such as tickets to sporting and cultural events plus festive baskets. We will also sell homemade apple pies, lemon curd, jams, and bread and butter pickles. All this in addition to cookies, breads, and treats for the holidays available at the bake table which make great housewarming gifts. Last year every single item sold out!

The Knit and Craft table will again feature 600 Epiphany's hand sewn hearts and many wooden crafts as well as aprons, knitting needle cases, and other holiday crafts. The café will offer a delicious menu and a nice place to gather with family and friends.

Part of the warm and welcoming feel of Epiphany's community are the people of all ages who dedicate hours of their time to preparing for and generously supporting this fair every year! Some of the proceeds will benefit local and global nonprofit organizations that the parish supports.

Call the Parish of the Epiphany @ 781-729-1922 with any questions and/or visit us online.

Handicapped accessible and admission is free.

Farmers Market and Arts Exhibition

The Winchester Farmers Market is collaborating with the Winchester Cultural District and the Winchester Unitarian Society to host a town wide, multi venue, artist and craftspeople exhibition and sale on Saturday November 18th.

The Farmers Market will be held at the Jenks Center with many of our regular vendors plus over a dozen artists and music provided by the Winchester Community Music School and Shukulele. We're open between 9:30am and 3:30pm



Please join us for our First Annual Open Studios!

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 18 9:30AM - 4:30PM

Participating Venues

First Congregational Church 21 Church Street

Griffin Museum 67 Shore Road

Jenks Center/Winchester Farmers' Market 109 Skillings Road

Carolyn Swett Leaf 5 Winslow Road Susan Livada Studio 30 Glen Road

Rubini Art Gallery 22 Park Street

Carolyn Sirois Studio 10 Wyman Court

Studio on the Common 22 Church Street

Winchester Unitarian Society 478 Main Street

Sponsored by









Bounce Out the Stigma's Nationally Acclaimed Challenged Youth Basketball Clinic Returns to Winchester, MA for a Special 1 Day Event on Nov.19, 2023



3 Hour Basketball Clinic November 19, 2023

Ages: Ages 8-21 - Co-Ed

Time: 9:00am to 12:00 noon Location: Winchester High School Gym

80 Skillings Road Winchester, MA

Camp Fee: \$75.00 per attendee Each Attendee Receives a Camp Basketball and Tee Shirt

Pre Registration is Required

Special Needs Require Special Programs and This is One of the Best in the Nation

Camp is non-competitive and seeks to empower <u>each</u> child through motor skill development, confidence building, fun challenges, and our special blend of positive reinforcement. Personal attention is given to EVERY child.

We Feature:

Low Child to Counselor Ratio for Added Support Special 1 on 1 "Shadow" Support May Be Available Kids <u>Never</u> Experience Peer Pressure or Mistrust Continual Positive Reinforcement

You Must Register Online at Bounce Out the Stigma.com or Scan the QR Code

Clinic Has Limited Enrollment This Event Will Fill Up Fast, Please Register Early Scan With Your phone ->



To learn more about our Programs or Register call 855.997.3900 or visit bounce out the stigma.org

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For Children with UNIQUE NEEDS

This camp is geared for children with
Autism, ADHD, Epilepsy, and
Mental / Emotional challenges.
Kids with learning disabilities and
slow motor skill development along with
social interaction issues will
do well in our nurturing camp environment.



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Camps & Clinics in Over 24 States

19 Years of Building Trust with Families

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Kids Learn What They Can Do and So Do Their Parents. Building Self-Confidence Improving Motor Skills Developing Peer Trust Making Friends Having FUN and Yes, Basketball



Visit our Social Sites and Read Parent Reviews





"Limits Will NOT Define Me, My WILL Defines My Limits."

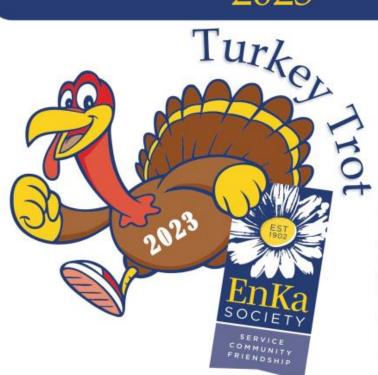
Founder "Mighty Mike" Simmel

Learn More and Register

REGISTER TODAY!

En Ka Society's Annual TURKEY TROT

2023





Thursday, November 23rd at 8:00 am

Walk, Trot or Run 3.1 miles (5k)

SIGN UP at En Ka Society Website: enkasociety.org

Registration is open for the Enka Turkey Trot 5k Road Race on Thanksgiving morning. Participants are able to sign up through this link: Enka Turkey Trot registration





PROUDLY

Monday, November 27th

- 5-9 pm: Midnight Madness returns!
- 7-8:30 pm: Caroling by Chamber Singers

Tuesday, November 28th

6-9 pm: Jingle All The Way to PDA Dental Group's Open House

Wednesday, November 29th

- 12-2 & 6-8 pm: Home & Garden Club's "Festival of Trees", 80 Myopia Rd.
- 6 pm: Holiday Cocktail Class, A Tavola Restaurant

Thursday, November 30th

• 7 pm: Battle of the Bartenders, First House Pub

Friday, December 1st

- 5:30 pm: Holiday Storytime with Matt Tavares, Book Ends
- View, Vote on Gingerbrea Free Popcorn & Hot Chocolate and a visit with Olaf!

 Saturday Doznak • 7 pm: "Lighting of the Trees" Celebration, Town Common

- 12 pm: "Best in Stroll" Dog Show, Town Common
- 1, 3 & 6:30 pm: Ballet Arts Centre's "Nutcracker Suite", Next Door Theater
- 3-6 pm: Yule Ball, Book Ends

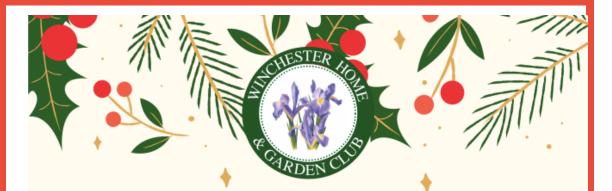
Sunday, December 3rd

- 1 & 3 pm: Ballet Arts Centre's "Nutcracker Suite", Next Door Theater
- 4 pm: Drawing for "Troll on the Stroll" Scavenger Hunt winner
- 6 pm: Drive-By Visits with Santa behind McCall Middle School

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Eighth Annual • Winchester Home & Garden Club's

FESTIVAL OF TREES AND WREATHS

Wednesday, November 29, 2023 12pm-2pm and 6pm-8pm Lohnes Residence, 80 Myopia Road

Admission \$20 and 10 tickets towards opportunity raffle to win a beautiful tree or wreath. Drawing will take place Nov. 29 at 8pm. Free valet parking.

The donations will directly benefit the continual beautification efforts to our Community.

WINCHESTER HOME & GARDEN CLUB | WHGCLUB.ORG





Saturday, Dec. 2, 2023 7:30 PM—Free Admission

A Taste of NOLA

The Traditional Music of New Orleans



Inspired by a recent visit to New Orleans, faculty members Tad Hitchcock and Valerie Walton will present "A Taste of NOLA," featuring songs from jazz history that still have a profound influence in New Orleans today. These are songs made famous by Louis Armstrong, King Oliver, Danny Barker and more. The ensemble will include Tad Hitchcock on guitar, vocals, and banjo; Valerie Walton on saxophone and clarinet; and additional guest musicians Anne Linders, trumpet; Dan Fox, trombone; Matthew Berlin, bass, and Jon Kraus, washboard. In-person and live streamed.



FACULTY CONCERT

407 HIGHLAND AVENUE, WINCHESTER MA 01890 | 781-721-2950 | WINCHESTERMUSIC.ORG























Concert for Kids!

Sunday, December 3, 2023 2:00 PM

BLUEGRASS

with the Mike Block Trio

WCMS is pleased to present a family-friendly concert for all ages! Join us for a special performance by guest artists Mike Block (cello), Joe K. Walsh (mandolin), and Zachariah Hickman (bass). This talented trio is known for their fresh takes on bluegrass and American roots music, and have received numerous accolades and awards—both individually and together. Their creativity, humor, and toe-tapping music are sure to bring smiles to everyone's faces!

\$5 General Admission
Tickets at WCMS or winchestermusic.org

407 HIGHLAND AVENUE, WINCHESTER MA 01890 | 781-721-2950























Vaping & Gummies Cory Mashburn, M.Ed.

December 5, 2023 @ noon

Town Hall, Winchester Room (near Town Clerk's office)



Join us for **lunch and a conversatio**n about vaping and gummies.

JUUL might have fallen out of favor (watch the Netflix documentary if you haven't!) but some kids are still vaping. And some kids are trying gummies and other unhealthy products.

Learn what is out there and how to talk to your kids about why these might not be healthy options for them.

No judgment! We are all about education and informed choices.

And our lunches are delicious!



winchestercoalition@gmail.com



5th Annual Town-wide LUMINARIA NIGHT FUNDRAISER

with all proceeds to benefit

WINCHESTER GOT LUNCH and the

MAKE-A-WISH Foundation, MA & RI Chapter

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10th at 5:00 PM

(Rain/Snow Date: Monday, December 11th)

For more information and to order your kits via credit card, please visit: www.unitewithlightwinchester.org

\$20.00 per kit - contains all supplies & instructions to make 10 luminaria lanterns

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ALUMNI NEWS



Are you a WHS Senior?
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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 <u>database</u> 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>.

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!

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