

Winchester High School  
Parent Faculty Association Newsletter  
October 11, 2022

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## PRESIDENT'S NOTE

Good Morning WHS Families,

We hope everyone enjoyed the long weekend and will have a great short week! There were TWO 200<sup>th</sup> wins this week for Coach Whitey and Coach Fleming!!! Congratulations and please keep reading for more exciting events.

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

Thursday, October 13th ~ Special Concert to benefit Winchester Got Lunch (see details below) Buy \$40 tickets [HERE](#)

Saturday, October 15 - PSAT - 7:45 AM - 12:00 PM

Donate to Direct Appeal! Our "Grants" Committee is busy accepting "Teacher Grant Request" Applications. This is where the vast majority of our PFA Direct Appeal funding goes~ directly to teacher grants that benefit our kiddos (example- we helped fund WHS New E-Sports' Team-see Principal Mahoney's post below!) Please consider donating to our Direct Appeal ~ more information below .

**ORDER YOUR 2023 WHS YEARBOOK!** It's time to order your 2022-2023. See below for more information!

We love to include pictures from ALL clubs and teams but we need your help! Please take some for us and submit to [whsfanewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:whsfanewsletter@gmail.com). Thank you Mai Harrison for all of your amazing pictures and a huge thank you to Tara Salvietti and Audrey Siciliano our newsletter editors and mavens!

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**A Concert To Benefit  
Winchester Got Lunch**  
*When School Ends, The Need  
For Lunch Does Not*



**Live Music Is  
BACK!**  
Under the stars  
(& under a tent!)

Winchester's  
Own Miss  
Ellaneous spans  
pop to  
bluegrass with  
something for  
everyone!

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13**  
Doors open at 6:30pm; Music at 7:00pm  
Griffin Museum Patio  
Tickets: \$40

[Winchestergotlunch.org](http://Winchestergotlunch.org) or at BookEnds 

**WHS In Action:**

Congratulations to our new E-sports team! The team, lead by math staffers **Corinne Glenwerks** and **Fran Pelligrini**, took on the number one team in the state, Tewksbury, and also Greenfield in a tri-match. The team worked together and has the first block of a foundation to build on for future success! Be sure to talk it up to known "gamers" in our school!



**WHS IMPORTANT DATES - MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

**2022-2023 District School Calendar**

**SAT 10/15 - PSAT - 7:45 AM - 12:00 PM - WHS**

WED 11/2 - Q2 begins

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## COLLEGE VISITS

The following colleges will be visiting WHS in the Guidance Department @ 8AM (unless otherwise noted).

**All Juniors and Seniors are welcome!**

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## WHSPFA DIRECT APPEAL

*We're going strong!*

***Thank you to the nearly 200 families who have donated so far –***

***we're very close to our goal of \$25,000.***

***Please consider a donation of any size today!***

We know there are more of you who want to invest in our childrens' education.

Monies raised support our WHS faculty and staff with their extra needs during the school year. Your donation will help them enhance students' in-school learning, teaching, and counseling experiences.

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

**DONATE NOW via [VENMO](#) or [PAYPAL](#)**



WinchesterHS ParentFacul...  
@whspfa



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.**



## FROM THE WHS HEALTH OFFICE

Please remember to send in EpiPens and necessary medical forms if your student has a Life Threatening Allergy. We are also collecting 11th grade Health Forms as required.

Please feel free to contact us through [email](#) or by phone for any questions/concerns.

Thank you, Jennifer Markham and Lauren Vaccari  
[WHSnurses@winchesterps.org](mailto:WHSnurses@winchesterps.org)  
781-721-7020 ext 4011, 4012

### COVID Resources:

Please visit the WPS COVID-19 Measure website page for the current guidelines [here](#).

If your student tests positive for COVID-19 please report the positive case via the reporting form "[Self-reporting Form for Positive Test Results](#)" (Red box in the center of the COVID-19 website page). You will receive information regarding their required isolation days and returning to school.

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We are off to a great start of our 2022-2023 School Year!  
Please remember if you ever have any questions or concerns about your student's health, please do not hesitate to reach out to us. We are in the WHS Health Office daily from 8:15 AM - 3:15 PM.  
We can be reached by phone or email.

Please update pertinent health information for each of your students that attend WHS by filling out our google form attached. (If you prefer a paper copy to submit to us, please email us and we will send you a blank form for you to print and complete).

We do require written consent to administer Acetaminophen (Tylenol), Ibuprofen (Motrin) and/or Tums to your student during the school day. Please read these questions carefully and let

us know your preference.

Google form here: [WHS Student Medical Information Form](#)

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## **WHS GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT**

The Fall issue of the WHS Guidance newsletter with lots of helpful information is available for download on the [WHS Guidance website](#).

Please see your student's counselor directly with any questions.

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## **ESSAY CONTEST**

Any student interested in participating in the 22nd Annual MIAA Sportsmanship Essay/Multimedia Contest?

### **CONTEST GUIDELINES:**

#### **PARTICIPANTS**

Contest is open to students in grades 9-12 at MIAA Member Schools

#### **ESSAY ENTRIES**

Must be typed, double spaced, and contain no more than 500 words

#### **MULTIMEDIA ENTRIES**

Must be submitted as a public service announcement of 30 or 60 seconds in duration

### **CONTEST THEME:**

Entries must answer the prompt "How do courageous leaders demonstrate sportsmanship?" Please provide specific examples of positive/courageous sportsmanship in the stands, on the field of play, during interactions with game officials, or other areas of interscholastic athletics.

### **PRIZES:**

First Place (\$400) and Runner-Up (\$200) prizes will be presented in two categories (essay and multimedia).

Contest winners will present their entries as honored guests during the 28th Annual MIAA Sportsmanship Summit.

First Place and Runner-Up entries in both categories will be available on the MIAA website.

**CONTEST DEADLINE AND SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS:**

All entries must be received by **12:00 PM on Tuesday, 10/11**

All entries, essay and multimedia, must be [emailed](#)

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**SIGN UP FOR THE TALENT SHOW!**

Hosted by the WHS National Honor Society, the show is open to ALL AGES AND TALENTS. We can't wait to watch you perform!

[Sign up link](#)

**Sign up deadline:** October 14th

**Show date:** 7 PM on Friday November 18, 2022

**Location:** WHS Auditorium

Questions? [Email Us!](#)

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**PSATs**

The PSATs will take place at WHS on **Saturday, October 15th.**

Please see [this link](#) for more information.

The deadline to sign up is **October 7th.**

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**SPIRIT FAIR**



The [Winchester Spirit Fair](#) is back!

Please come by the high school dining commons on Saturday, **November 19th between 10AM - 1PM** for one-stop shopping for holiday gifts for friends and family while you support WHS's teams, clubs, and organizations!

If you want to sign up for your team, club, or organization, please fill out this [form](#) and register. Stop by, say hi to your friends, and snag your Red & Black branded sweats, beanies, masks, and tees! Golf umbrellas and stadium cushions! Blankets and baked goods, and so much more! Get your holiday shopping done early! And don't forget your canned soup and crackers donations to the ENKA Society Food Pantry!

Questions? Ask student reps Elle O'Connor, Charlie Savage, or Addison Adams

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## CLASS OF 2023 MUSICAL BINGO FUNDRAISER

Musical Bingo is SOLD-OUT!

If you would like to be placed on a waiting list, please [contact Maria via email](#).



Sponsorships are still available. Let us know if you are interested in supporting the event. All proceeds will benefit the senior activities of the Class of 2023 and is the biggest



fundraiser of the year. Thanks again!

Another way to help? We are in need of nominal gift cards to use as prizes, as well as some candy for the tables. If you are able to contribute to this event, [please sign up here](#)

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## WHS LITERARY MAGAZINE

Attention writers and artists! The WHS Literary Magazine is now accepting submissions! Students have a chance to publish their creative work—writing and visual art—in a schoolwide publication.

Find more info about how and where to submit on our [FAQ document](#).  
[Email](#) with further questions!

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## SUBSCRIBE TO THE RED AND BLACK!

The Red and Black school newspaper is back with our [subscriber form](#). Unfortunately, we only have 35 subscribers as of now and are aiming for at least 50 this year in order to support our work on the paper, so all generosity from subscribers would be very much appreciated. As the paper is entirely student-led, the ability of WHS's journalists to continue to write for The Red & Black is largely thanks to the paper's supporters, particularly subscribers.

A subscription to The Red & Black comes at the low cost of \$30 annually. With a subscription you will receive physical and/or digital copies of the newspaper each month, as well as access to [The Red & Black's website](#)

To subscribe, please fill out this [form](#).

Payments should be mailed to Winchester High School at 80 Skillings Rd, Winchester, MA 01890. Checks should be made out to "Winchester High School, Attn: The Red & Black."

Thank you!

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## PARKING PERMITS

Parking passes for Seniors and Juniors are now available!

Please fill out the [Google Form](#) and then see Ms. Hanlon in the main office or Officer Chiuccariello with your license to get your hang tag. Please remember Juniors need to have had their license for 3 months before they can receive a pass.

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## ATTENDANCE POLICY

Students' attendance is a significant factor in their success in school. The complete WHS attendance policy can be viewed in the student handbook available on our [website](#).

Specific questions you may have about attendance can be directed to the WHS Dean of Students, [Anna Paradis](#).

We recommend parents sign up to receive email notifications when your student is marked absent to class or school. To get these, you must enable this option in Aspen. This is done in the "Notifications" side tab. You can view your student's grade and attendance information in Aspen at any time.

Absence Procedures - The student's parent/guardian should email the school (from the parent's email) using [whsabsentline@winchesterps.org](mailto:whsabsentline@winchesterps.org).

The email should provide the student's full name, grade and reason for the absence, tardiness, or dismissal each day that the student is absent/tardy/dismissed.

Parents/guardians may still call the absent telephone line with the same information at 781-721-7020 ext. 3054, although email is the preferred form of communication. Excused dismissals must be reported prior to the dismissal.

# CLASS OF 2023 NEWS

## CLASS OF 2023 "MASQUERADE"

Semi Formal  
Friday, Nov. 4th  
7 PM at the WHS Dining Commons

More Info To Come

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## YEARBOOKS

The yearbook staff is already hard at work on your senior's yearbook, and we wanted to make sure important information is in your hands!

Here some info you'll want you to keep on your radar this fall:

- 1: Be sure to buy your yearbook, as we usually sell out each year - and we order very few extras. [CLICK HERE](#) to purchase.
- 2: Be sure your child submits their senior portrait by our Dec. 1 deadline. For more info, [CLICK HERE](#).
- 3: Lastly, begin to think about a senior family ad in the yearbook. Our PDF of instructions walks you step-by-step through how to do this. For guaranteed space and best pricing, **submit by December 1**. For more information, [CLICK HERE](#).

That's all for now! We hope your senior is having a great start to the year!

The WHS Yearbook Staff

# CLASS OF 2024 NEWS

Check back here for updates

## CLASS OF 2025 NEWS

Check back here for updates

## CLASS OF 2026 NEWS

### **Class of 2026 Parent Advisors**

Thank you to our Parent Volunteers!  
Judy Cox, Juan Li, Akari Dollard and Mai Harrison

## 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](#)**



### **CROSS COUNTRY**

Boys Varsity WIN to Belmont 31-26

Girls Varsity WIN to Belmont 39-20  
(Girls swept 1st, 2nd and 3rd place!)

*\* remember lower scores win in XC*



**2023**

**Come and cheer for  
our WHS XC Seniors  
today! Winchester  
VS Arlington at Horn  
Pond @ 4pm! Let's  
GO Red & Black!**



PIC•COLLAGE

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WHS Cross Country  
Seniors 2023



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## FIELD HOCKEY

Girls had a big 7-1 victory over Wakefield.  
**Huge congratulations to Coach Michelle White for picking up her 200th victory!**  
The girls also beat Melrose 3-0.





## FOOTBALL

Football had an incredible battle against Belmont, but came up short 30-32.







## GOLF

This week Varsity Golf beat Arlington – final score was 45.5 to 26.5. They also beat Lexington, final score was 44.5 to 27.5, and Concord Carlisle 42.5 to 29.5. Congrats to the team!



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## SOCCER

Boys Varsity had a tie game 1-1 against Wakefield and a 1-0 win against Melrose.

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The Girls Varsity team beat Wakefield 2-0.

On **Thursday October 13th**, the Girls Varsity Soccer team will dedicate funds raised at the charity game versus Belmont to our beloved and very missed WHS Trainer Donna Gildersleeve. Donna was a Winchester Physical Education and Health teacher for 45 years, and High School Trainer for the past 30. Please bring your loudest cheers as the girls play, and help remember Donna for all her contributions to WHS athletics and the community. Game at Knowlton Field at 4:15pm. Come early and support our

bake sale, Chick-Fil-A sandwiches, and raffle in honor of Donna! Donations will be made to Donna's favorite causes.

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## **SWIMMING & DIVING**

The girls lost a close one on Friday to Lexington. It was tied at 78/78 going into the final event (400 freerelay). Difference between first and second place was decided by approximately half of a second. Final score was 86-84.

The Varsity team lost in another close meet to Acton-Boxborough. Final score was 90-87.

Even with the losses, there were some amazing swims and cuts made! See Sectional and State qualifiers below.

### **SECTIONAL QUALIFIERS**

**200 Medley Relay** – Captain Mary Arangio, Captain Julia Valcourt, Phoenix Chamberlin & Captain Annie Xing

**200 Free** – Captain Julia Valcourt

**50 Free** – Megan Han

**500 Free** – Captain Morgan Landry

**400 Free Relay** – Anamaria Andronesi, Captain Mary Arangio, Captain Annie Xing & Emily Moh

### **STATE QUALIFIERS**

**200 Medley Relay** – Emma Kawai, Bess Tesluk, Ella Michaud & Megan Han

**200 Free** – Elle Michaud, Emma Kawai

**200 IM** – Elle Michaud, Emma Kawai

**50 Free** – Elissa Bennett, Megan Han

**100 Fly** – Elissa Bennett, Elle Michaud

**100 Free** - Elissa Bennett

**500 Free** – Ella Michaud

**200 Free Relay** – Captain Morgan Landry, Emily Moh, Captain Julia Valcourt, Megan Han

**100 Back** – Emma Kawai, Captain Mary Arangio

**100 Breast** – Bess Tesluk

**400 Free Relay** – Captain Morgan Landry, Bess Tesluk, Emma Kawai & Elle Michaud

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## **VOLLEYBALL**

For the past 13 years the girls volleyball program has hosted a fundraiser called **“Serve for the Cure”** to benefit the Winchester Hospital Breast Care Center - a cause very dear to our hearts.

The fundraiser will take place **Friday, October 14th** against Andover in the **WHS gym**. JV and Freshman teams will be playing starting at **4 PM** and Varsity will start around **5:15 PM**.

Come watch some fantastic volleyball and support breast cancer by buying raffle tickets for some amazing gifts or enjoying some delicious bake goods.

**SeRVE**

**FOR THE  
CURE  
2022**



**Winchester High School Gym  
Friday, Oct 14  
4:00 JV/FR 5:15 Varsity**

The Winchester Girls' Volleyball Program invites you to their 13th annual fundraiser event to benefit the Winchester Hospital Breast Care Center! Come out and have some fun for this great cause.

There will be raffle items, including a 50/50 raffle, bake sale items, pizza, candy, etc.

**Come see what Winchester Volleyball  
is all about!**



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