

**Winchester High School
Parent Faculty Association Newsletter
November 14, 2022**



PRESIDENT'S NOTE





Happy Monday WHS Families,

This past Friday, our community came together to honor and give thanks to our veterans by taking part in Winchester's annual Veteran's Day Parade and Civic Exercises. We are so fortunate as a community to have this special Veteran's Day observance; it reminds us and, even more importantly, teaches our children about the invaluable contributions that the men and women of the US military have made to preserve and protect our freedom.

Please note, **tonight, our November 14th PFA Meeting, originally scheduled for 7pm will be moved earlier to 6:15pm** so parents are able to attend the Coalition for a Safer Community's Speaker, Harry Cunnane, on Gateway Drugs at 7pm (Flyer Below).

Please keep the following items on your radar:

- **11/19 - Fall Spirit Fair: Saturday, November 19th, 10am - 1pm** in the WHS Dining Commons. WHS teams, clubs, and organizations will be selling **RED AND BLACK** branded gear, as well as Winchester-themed items. Come and do some holiday shopping,

show your support and be part of the fun. You won't want to miss it!
More info on how to sign up for a table below.

- **Now through 12/03 - WHS Gives Back~** As the Holidays approach, this is a great time to think about "giving back" to those who are in need in our own community through our annual WHS Gives Back program. Last year over 153 children in Winchester Public Schools benefited from your generosity. Please see the below flyer for more information. [Click here for PayPal link.](#)

Lastly, we want to THANK all of those who baked and donated to our WHS election bake sale! It was a huge success! Student Council, Seniors, Juniors and Freshmen Class Officers did a great job selling last Tuesday, not only did they sell out of baked goods they earned each group over \$900! Nice team work all!

As always, please reach out to us for anything at all. Have a great week!

Warmly,
Brenda Mandile & Adrienne Spignesi
Co-Chairs
whspfa@gmail.com



WHS IMPORTANT DATES - MARK YOUR CALENDAR

2022-2023 District School Calendar

MON 11/14 - PFA Meeting 6:15 pm (new time - was 7pm), WHS Rm LG1

SAT 11/19 - Spirit Fair - 1 AM - 1 PM, WHS Dining Commons

SUN 11/20 - WHS Unified/Adaptive Flag Football - 1-3 PM,
Manchester Turf Field

TUE 11/22 - Thanksgiving Pie pick-up

WED 11/23 - Early release day

THU 11/24 - NO SCHOOL - Winchester vs. Woburn Football game -
10:30 AM - Knowlton Field

FRI 11/25 - NO SCHOOL

COLLEGE VISITS

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

All Juniors and Seniors are welcome!

MON 11/14

Bucknell University
Dean College

TUES 11/15

Maryland Institute College of Art

WED 11/16

Franklin Pierce University
University of Southern Maine

THU 11/17

WINCHESTER GIVES BACK



What is Winchester Gives Back?

WGB is an opportunity for the students and residents of Winchester to come together to provide holiday gifts for those in need during the holidays.

We collect money and divide it among participants in the program. All participants are members of the Winchester community.

Last year 153 children benefited from your generosity!

Parents received a \$100 gift card to Target to buy presents and a \$25 gift card to Market Basket to enjoy a holiday meal per child.

We are hoping to raise enough this year to keep the tradition alive!

This program is sponsored by WHS, WHS Student Council, & WHS PFA.



How do I donate?

All donations will be collected online. Please donate through Barcode or paypal link (https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted_button_id=E8GYCCEEHD5MW).

We will be accepting donations until Friday, **December 3rd**.

PAYPAL LINK TO DONATE TO WHS GIVES BACK

NOVEMBER SAVE THE DATES

November is a super busy month for WHS students. To consolidate all of the dates students and parents are receiving, we created a "save the dates!" document.

[Click here](#) to see the fun activities happening in November.

REMINDER - PICK UP PIES!!

Pick up your pies on **Tuesday, November 22nd** at WHS.

Thank you for your support!!

MESSAGE FROM WHS STUDENT COUNCIL

Hi everyone! Student Council's website will now be updated regularly with relevant information useful to all students. Check it out [here!](#)

THE RED & BLACK'S OCTOBER EDITION IS OUT!

The Red & Black School Newspaper's October Edition is out! Visit our new [website](#) available to students and staff at www.whsredandblack.com, or pick up your physical copy outside the library. Read about girl's flag football, senior plans after college applications, Mahsa Amini protests, WHS sports, and more!

Reach out to redandblacknewspaper@gmail.com with any questions.

WINCHESTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS JOB OPENINGS

[Check out job openings here](#) for the Winchester Public School District. Our schools need good people like YOU! Please pass along to local friends and family members too!

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.

DONATE IN MEMORY OF DONNA GILDERSLEEVE



Please donate to the Donna Gildersleeve Scholarship fund.
[Support | Winchester Scholarship Foundation | Massachusetts \(winchestersf.org\)](#)

Donna Gildersleeve passed away this summer after a hard fought battle with cancer. Donna was a PE and Health Teacher at Lynch and McCall for 45 years. She was the Athletic Trainer at WHS for over 30 years and for the last 4 years, she was an Assistant Athletic Director. Donna's love for the Winchester Community and students was immeasurable. Donna would do anything and everything for "her kids". If you got the chance to

stand with Donna while watching a game, you could witness the number of people that would come over to say hello to her.

An important charity to Donna was the Winchester Scholarship Foundation (WSF). A unified tribute in Donna's name is underway. Please consider donating to the Donna Gildersleeve Scholarship fund, no amount is too small and will go a long way.

All scholarships given out by the WSF go to WHS graduates. To dedicate a WSF scholarship in Donna's memory, a minimum of \$10,000 has to be raised.

Individual and group donations are greatly appreciated!
Thank you to the fall sports teams who have already made donations in Donna's memory:

Varsity Cheer
Girls Soccer
Girls Cross Country
Boys Cross Country
Girls Field Hockey

[DONATE HERE](#)

SPIRIT FAIR



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

Please come by the high school dining commons on Saturday,

November 19th between 10 AM - 1 PM for one-stop shopping for holiday gifts for friends and family while you support WHS's teams, clubs, and organizations! And don't forget your canned soup and crackers donations to the ENKA Society Food Pantry!

If you want to sign up for your team, club, or organization, please fill out this [form](#) and register.

Questions? Ask student reps:

Elle O'Connor, Charlie Savage, or Addison Adams

CLASS OF 2023 NEWS



WHS CLASS OF 2023

**THE 10TH
ANNUAL SPIRIT
FAIR**



**NOVEMBER 19TH 2022
10 AM - 1 PM
WHS DINNING COMMONS**

**Order your holiday wreaths NOW! & Help
support The Class of 2023!! Wreaths will
be drop shipped right to your door!
Scan the code below!**



<https://threeriversfundraising.com/fundraiser/winchs-wr22>

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