

Winchester High School Parent Faculty Association Newsletter March 7, 2022

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PRESIDENT'S NOTE



Mr. Buford and his brave chorus kids participated in the annual "Polar Plunge" on Saturday to help raise money for the Special Olympics! AWESOME JOB!



Having FUN for a very special cause! Brrrrr!



Our Student Council led by teacher advisor Ms. Ledoux "Putted for Patients" on Saturday! A great day had by all while raising money for the Jimmy Fund! NICE JOB!

Dear WHS Families,
Second semester is in full swing and our students are cranking out amazing work! Thank you WHS teachers for inspiring our kids. We have so many reasons to be proud of our WHS community! Check out all of the activities that our students devote their time and passions to in addition to their academics (pictured above are just a couple of examples)! It's truly incredible!



This Wednesday (3/9) is a professional development day - no school for students! However, EVERYONE is invited to the WHS cafeteria at 6pm for the annual **WHS Night of the Arts!** Join the Student Council to support and celebrate WHS art and music programs! Bring a friend – You will be VERY impressed with NOTA!

Think Spring, it's working!

Best,
Abbie DiMatteo & Brenda Mandile, Co-Chairs
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"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has." – Margaret Mead

THE MASKED WHS STAFFER Week #25!



1. What high school did you go to? **Nottingham High School, Syracuse, NY**
2. What was your favorite subject in high school? **Biology (so surprising)**
3. What sport and/or extracurricular were you involved in high school? **Theater**
4. What is one of your hidden talents? **Baking (not so hidden talent) and can burp on command (very hidden talent)**
5. Favorite Movie/Book/Band/Food? **Fiddler on the Roof/2 books: Pride and Prejudice & To Kill a Mockingbird/Depends on the day and my mood/Anything with chocolate**
6. Is there a quote or saying that you live your life by? **"Keep your words short and sweet, because you never know when you will have to eat them"**

*Don't forget to scroll all the way down to find out who this is!

WHS IMPORTANT DATES - MARK YOUR CALENDAR

[Click here for District School Calendar](#)

WED 3/9 - No School - Teacher Professional Day **and** Night of the Arts, WHS Cafe, 6:00 PM

MON 3/14 - WHS PFA meeting, WHS Library, 7pm

FRI 3/18 at 7 PM, SAT 2/19 at 7 PM, & SUN 3/20 at 2 PM - WHS Spring Musical "Anything Goes"

SUN 3/27 - WHS Royals, WHS Auditorium, 5-10 PM

WED 4/6 or THU 4/7 - Spring Band Concert and Spring Fling, WHS Auditorium, 6:30-8:30 PM

FRI 4/8 - Spring Choral Concert, WHS Auditorium, 7-8:30 PM

MON 4/11 - Q4 begins

MON 4/18 - FRI 4/22 - NO SCHOOL - April Vacation

FRI 5/6 - Jazz Night, WHS Auditorium, 7-9 PM

THU 5/12 - Strawberry Pops, WHS Auditorium, 6-8 PM

SUN 5/15 - Orchestra/Chamber Concert, TBD 7:30-9:30 PM

FRI 6/17 - LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

PARENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! FINANCIAL LITERACY FAIR

The Social Studies department at WHS will host a Financial Literacy Fair for the entire Junior class (Grade 11) on the afternoon of **Wednesday, March 16**. The Fair will introduce students to the financial basics of post-collegiate life.

We are looking for **volunteers** from the community to assist with the Fair. Volunteers will help guide students through their activities, provide deeper explanations for any of the financial tasks, and/or help with the Fair's functioning. If you've made any adult decisions like getting a job, buying a car, or renting an apartment, then you have the required experience to assist us!

The Fair should run for about one hour, from approximately 2-3 PM. Volunteers should arrive at WHS between 1:30 PM and 1:45 PM, in order to receive assignments and a short training before the Fair begins. More information will be provided to volunteers in advance.

If you have any further questions, suggestions, or concerns, please feel free to contact **Scott Spencer** or **Andrew Langlois** at Winchester High School.

SIGN UP HERE TO VOLUNTEER

CANDID YEARBOOK PHOTOS

Juniors, Sophomores and Freshman: The Underclassman Editors of the yearbook are looking for candid photos of your 2021-2022 high school experience! If you want to be represented in the yearbook please add photos to your grades respective Google Photos album linked below.

[Junior Candid](#)
[Sophomore Candid](#)
[Freshman Candid](#)

Any questions can be sent to [Ellen Stewart](#)

REMINDER: ATHLETIC EQUIPMENT

No athletic equipment may be left in the main office during the school day. Students are to store this equipment in the locker rooms or team rooms.

THE RED & BLACK NEWSPAPER

ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS: The Red & Black Newspaper has created a new website, and all students have access to a free account. [Check Out the Website Here!](#)

ATTENTION ALL DANCERS

Ellen Stewart is collecting new and gently worn dancewear to donate to dancers in need at Boston Dance Alliance, Fall River RE-Creation, and Berkshire Pulse.

Please bring in new or gently used leotards, costumes, or dance shoes (ballet, tap, jazz) or new tights. Any sizes are accepted.

There is a bin at the front office. For more information [please email](#)

MORNING DROP OFF REMINDERS

For everyone's safety and to help facilitate a better morning traffic flow with student drop offs, we ask that all families who drop off students, to please drive as far up through the traffic circle toward the stop sign.

Please do not drop off on the corner as you pull in. Please do not drop off in the crosswalk area. Please pull up as far as possible and have your student(s) wait until it is safe to get out of the car.

WPS COVID-19

ALL positive COVID-19 test results should now be submitted via [this form](#) (regardless of whether the test was taken at home or through a clinic). This is required to determine your student's clearance date for returning to school.

- You do not need to contact your school nurse
- Please remember to report your student absent as you normally would
- While isolation guidance for COVID-19 has been shortened to 5 days if you never had symptoms or if symptoms have resolved, it is your responsibility to monitor your students and keep them home longer to recover, if needed

Available Information: Please Check First Before you Call:

- Please refer to the [Daily Symptom Checker](#)
- [WPS COVID-19 Protocols](#)
- [WPS Testing Program](#)
- [Email us](#) for resources for students in isolation or quarantine
- [Town of Winchester COVID Page](#) (includes guidance on what to do if test positive or if have been exposed to someone with COVID-19)

CLASS OF 2022 NEWS

IMPORTANT CLASS OF 2022 DATES

TUE 3/22 - Senior Parent Night & Senior Internship Meeting, 6-9 PM, WHS

Auditorium

FRI 5/27 - Seniors' Last Day

WED 6/1 - Senior Prom, 6-10 PM

FRI 6/3 - Graduation, 6-8 PM

YEARBOOK PICTURES

The WHS yearbook WANTS your photos from this school year: dances, performances, sports and all grades!

Please email them by March 9th

IT'S CAP AND GOWN TIME!

Please log on to highschool.herffjones.com to place your order. Click on login and set up your account Type Winchester in the "find your school" box, click on Winchester High School and place your order.

The website is now active so place your order as soon as possible!

The cost is **\$20.00**, this includes cap, gown and a 2022 red and black tassel.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Applications for the **Christopher Mitropoulos Memorial Scholarship** are **due by April 9th**.

Applications for the **Joseph M. Murphy III Scholarship** can be picked up in the Athletic Office and **are due by April 15th**.

The Winchester Rotary Club offers an opportunity for current high school Seniors graduating in 2022 to apply for a **scholarship** based on your community service. All Winchester Residents are eligible.

The deadline is 3/31. Online submission or drop off is accepted.

Please see the Guidance Office and Naviance program for more information.

CLASS OF 2023 NEWS

IMPORTANT CLASS OF 2023 DATES

FRI 4/8 - Musical Bingo adult fundraiser (SOLD OUT), 7-11 PM, Sons of Italy

CLASS OF 2024 NEWS

IMPORTANT CLASS OF 2024 DATES

MON 3/7 - Class Dinner, 4-8 PM, WHS Dining Commons

FRI 4/1 - Class Dance, 7:30-10 PM, WHS Dining Commons

Get excited! It is finally time for the Sophomore **Red Carpet Semi Formal!**
Come one and all to the Class of 2024's first ever dance!

April 1st, 7-9:30 PM

WHS Dining Commons

More information about tickets coming soon.

Hope to see you there!

CLASS OF 2025 NEWS

IMPORTANT CLASS OF 2025 DATES

FRI 4/29 - CLASS DANCE, 7-10 PM, WHS Dining Commons

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](#)



Watch games live on the public channel,
and streamed [live online](#)

Please [email us](#) pictures and updates!
(whspfnewsletter@gmail.com)

ALPINE SKIING

Five WHS students participated in the MIAA state alpine ski racing championships on March 1st.

Pictured below from left to right are are:
Charlie Easton (Gr 11), **Lukas Schemmel** (Gr 9), **Erik Bergstrom** (Gr 10),
Liam Carlin (Gr 10) and **Maddie Taylor** (Gr 11).



Thank you Mahoney's Garden Center

The WHS Alpine Ski team sends out a huge Thank You to Mahoney's for sponsoring the Ski Team Christmas Tree Sale! Mahoney's donated the proceeds from the tree sales to support the WHS Ski Team. The team is incredibly thankful for Mahoney's generosity!



BOYS BASKETBALL

CONGRATS to the boys for their **56-55 Win** over Natick on Friday night in the first round of the MIAA State Tournament.

Thanks to all of the WHS students for the great turn out and support!
Come cheer the boys on again as they face Andover at Andover High School tonight at **7:00PM**



BOYS HOCKEY

Good luck to the Boys Varsity Hockey team as they take on St. John's Prep

tonight in the 2nd round of the State Tournament.



GIRLS HOCKEY

On Saturday, WHS girls hockey beat Wellesley in first round of playoffs **4-2**.
Next up Braintree on Wednesday night.
GOOD LUCK GIRLS!





INDOOR TRACK & FIELD

The Winchester Track & Field Team would like to congratulate (pictured below):

Dan Killian for being named Middlesex League All-Star in the 55 Dash

Andy Gosselin for being named Middlesex League All-Conference in the 2 Mile

Easton Tan for being named Middlesex League All-Conference in the 55 Hurdles

Tessa Geddes for being named Middlesex League All-Conference in the 300 and Long Jump. **Tessa** was also named Middlesex League Co-MVP.



ANOTHER ROUND OF CONGRATULATIONS

To **Easton Tan** for finishing **3rd** in the New England Championship!
Next up Nike Indoor Nationals.

GOOD LUCK EASTON!



WHS ARTS, MUSIC & THEATER



Night of the Arts

join Student
Council to support
and celebrate the
WHS art and music
programs!

WHS CAFE
6 PM
MARCH 9 2022

Winchester High School Presents

ANYTHING GOES



WHS AUDITORIUM

MAR

18th

7 pm

MAR

19th

7 pm

MAR

20th

2 pm

\$20 General Admission

\$10 Student Admission

Free admission for ages 5 and under

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