Calendar of Events

5  PTC Monthly Meeting 7:00 p.m. @ MS
6  8th Grade Field Trip 8:40 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
   Art Club Meeting
7  Middle School Picture Day
8  Elementary School Picture Day
   Sports Packets & Physicals Due for Basketball tryouts
   End of Quarter 1
11 Columbus Day - NO SCHOOL
12 Basketball Tryouts
   7th Boys 3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. @ MS
   5th Girls 3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. @ ES
   8th Boys 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. @ MS
   6th Girls 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. @ ES
13 Student Council Meeting
   PTC Drive-Thru Spaghetti Dinner
      4:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. @ ES.
   Basketball Tryouts
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   6th Boys 3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. @ ES
   5th Boys 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. @ ES
   7th & 8th Grade Dance 5:00 p.m. - 7:00
18 STEM Club Meeting
19 Early Dismissal (MS: 1:45 p.m. ES: 2:00 p.m.) - No PM PreK or Early Childhood classes
   Parent Teacher Conferences 4:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
   Covid 19 Vaccine Clinic 3:00-7:00 p.m. @ MS (1st dose)
20 Art Club Meeting
   Band Concert- Jazz & Concert Bands
      7:00 p.m. @ MS
21 Early Dismissal (MS: 1:45 p.m. ES: 2:00 p.m.) - No PM PreK or Early Childhood classes
   Parent Teacher Conferences 4:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
   Covid 19 Vaccine Clinic 3:00-7:00 p.m. @ ES (1st dose)
   Regular Board Meeting 7:00 p.m.
22 Teacher Conference Day - NO SCHOOL
25 STEM Club Meeting
27 Fall Fest @ MS 2:50 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
28 *Fall Fest Rain Date*

No School October 11th & October 22nd!

Parent/Teacher Conferences

October 19th and October 21st
4:00 - 7:30 p.m.*

*Please schedule a conference with your child’s teacher for a specific time
Extended School Program (ESP)

- Registration is still closed & Waitlist is open. Please turn in any registration forms, but no registration fees will be collected until a space has opened for your child(ren).
- We are in search of ESP staff. Applicants must be high school seniors or older. Hours are Monday-Friday 2:30-5:30.
- Please email kristy.frazer@wssd115.org for more information.

Notes from our Nurses

Important Health Dates

September 27-29th: Miles of Smiles will be at the elementary school for dental exams
October 5th: Miles of Smiles will be at the middle school for dental exams
October 15th: Vision exams are due for all kindergarten students and students enrolled in an Illinois school for the first time.

A few reminders
- Masks must be worn at all times by students in staff when indoors.
- Please keep your child home if they are ill. If you have questions about returning to school, contact your respective nurse.
- Please make sure to get all health documents turned in to the school if you haven’t already done so.

-Nurse Heather and Nurse Molly

PTC Corner

Upcoming Events

- Tuesday, Oct 5 – Monthly PTC Meeting at 7pm
  o Join us in-person at the Middle School Library (*masks required*) or virtually through zoom: https://zoom.us/j/94014621730...
    Meeting ID: 940 1462 1730 Passecode: 8kG2Xq
- Wednesday, Oct 13 - Drive Thru Spaghetti Dinner 4:30-7p
  o Reserve your tickets by 10/5
  o See Spaghetti Dinner section for more information
- Friday, Oct 29 - Elementary Halloween Room Parties
  o Congratulations to Mrs. Frank, Mrs. Reeb, Mrs. Watkins, Mr. Way, & Mrs. Zalesky classes for winning the 90% paid by 9/9 competitions. These classes will enjoy a pizza or popcorn party!
  o Students will enjoy a game, crafts, and snacks for the Halloween party.
- Saturday, Oct 30th - Trunk or Treat
  o More Info to Come
- Saturday, November 13th - Holiday Market
  o Crafters and Vendors wanted. Holiday Market 11/13/21 10-3pm at the Moose Lodge in Swansea.
    The vendor fee is $55, please reach out to Misty Godd-McCray 618-741-3611 via text with any questions or interest.

Save the Date:
- Wednesday, November 17th – Whiteside Wednesday Dinner to Donate with Papa Johns.
- Friday, December 3rd – Gingerbread Night
- Wednesday, December 15th – Whiteside Wednesday Dinner to Donate with Signature Tap House
- Saturday, March 19, 2022- Ola Bingo & Auction

Middle School Picture Day is Thursday, October 7th.

Elementary School Picture Day is Friday, October 8th.

Please send your order forms and payments in with your child on these days!
Character Counts

Fourth graders at Whiteside Elementary School have been chosen for Character Council. These students were chosen by their teachers because they represent the 4B’s: Be Safe, Be Caring, Be Respectful, and Be Responsible. They will have a chance to share character advice on the morning announcements and help with school activities throughout the year. Congrats to the following for their AWESOME character!

- Eli Jensen
- Brooke Harmon
- Kelvis Kidd
- Arabella Orellana
- Cyrenity Crain
- Raymon Winfrey
- Natalie Rachels
- Cayson Westbrook
- Mark McLaughlin
- Caroline Dickerson

Basketball Tryouts:

Tryouts for Basketball will be as follows below. All sports packets and physicals must be turned into the MS office by Oct. 8th to participate. Please contact the coaches if you have any questions.

8th Grade Boys (Troy Griffin)
- Oct. 12th 4:30-6:00 pm MS Gym
- Oct. 13th 3:00-4:30 pm MS Gym

8th Grade Girls (Joe Glynn)
- Oct. 14th 3:00-5:00 pm MS Gym
- Oct. 15th 3:00-5:00 MS Gym

7th Grade Boys (Troy Griffin)
- Oct. 12th 3:00-4:30 pm MS Gym
- Oct. 13th 4:30-6:00 pm MS Gym

7th Grade Girls (Joe Glynn)
- Oct. 14th 3:00-5:00 MS Gym
- Oct. 15th 3:00-5:00 MS Gym

6th Grade Boys (Nathaniel Leingang)
- Oct. 14th 4:30-6:00 pm ES Gym
- Oct. 15th 3:00-4:30 pm ES Gym*

6th Grade Girls (Emily Nelson)
- Oct. 12th 4:30-6:00 pm ES Gym
- Oct. 13th 3:00-4:30 pm ES Gym*

5th Grade Boys (Nathaniel Leingang)
- Oct. 14th 3:00-4:30 pm ES Gym*
- Oct. 15th 4:30-6:00 pm ES Gym

5th Grade Girls (Emily Nelson)
- Oct. 12th 3:00-4:30 pm ES Gym*
- Oct. 13th 4:30-6:00 pm ES Gym

*ESP bus will transport students to elementary school for 3:00 tryouts. All other transportation needs to be arranged.

Virtual Book Fair (Elementary School)

The Elementary School book fair is coming up! It will be virtual and will run from October 11 - October 24. Flyers will be going home with the kids soon. The link for the fair will be sent out via Skyward blast and all orders will be shipped directly to you. Orders over $25 qualify for free shipping!!

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

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<td>Congratulations to the following elementary students who were selected by their teachers for showing RESPONSIBILITY:</td>
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| Middle School |
| Stella Willson |
Fall Fest

Fall Fest is back! This event is a great way for middle school students to come together and celebrate the beginning of Fall. Students will enjoy food, music, crafts, games, ghost stories, an obstacle course, and a pumpkin patch!

Who: The first 100 Middle School Students (Grades 5-8) who turn in permission slips
Where: Whiteside Middle School
Cost: Free
Date: Wednesday, October 27th
Start Time: The festival will begin after school (students will report to the gym by 2:50 p.m.)
End Time: All students must be picked up from the middle school by 4:30 p.m.

Additional Information
- Permission slips to attend Fall Fest will be available in student homerooms starting Monday, October 4th.
- Only the first 100 students who return their permission slips back into the front office will be able to attend.
- If Fall Fest needs to be rescheduled due to weather, the rain date will be Thursday, October 28th.

Covid-19 Vaccine Clinic

Whiteside will be hosting a Covid-19 Vaccine Clinic that is open to the public.

First Dose:
- October 19, 2021 3:00 - 7:00 p.m. at Middle School
- October 21, 2021 3:00 - 7:00 p.m. at Elem. School

Second Dose:
- Dates/Times TBD at Middle School

More details will follow.

Band Concert

Wednesday, October 20, 2021
Whiteside Middle School’s Concert Band and Jazz Band will host a concert starting at 7:00 pm in the Middle School Gym.

Whiteside PTC

Drive-thru Spaghetti Dinner

Wednesday, October 13, 2021
Whiteside Elementary School
4:30-7:00p

Drive-thru spaghetti dinner includes: spaghetti/meatballs, salad, bread, and dessert

To purchase tickets, register online at https://whiteside-ptc-spaghetti-dinner-copy.cheddarup.com by October 5th.

Email WhitesidePTC@wssd115.org or visit us on Facebook @whitesideschoolPTC for more information.