Calendar of Events

2  5/6/7/8 Boys’ BB vs. BV Home 4 pm
   5/6/7/8 Girls’ BB at Belle Valley 4 pm
   PTC Monthly Meeting 7:00 p.m. @ MS
3  Art Club Meeting
4  Girls Group Meeting
   5/6/7/8 Girls’ BB vs. JAMS Home 4 pm
   5/6/7/8 Boys’ BB at Joseph Arthur 4 pm
7  Daylight Savings
8  STEM Club Meeting
   7/8 Boys’ BB vs. Smithton Home 5 pm
   6/7/8 Girls’ BB at Smithton 4 pm
9  7/8 Boys’ BB vs. West Jr. High 5 pm
   7/8 Girls’ BB at West Jr. High 5 pm
10 Student Council Meeting
   7/8 Girls’ BB vs. Central Jr. High 5 pm
   7/8 Boys’ BB at Central Jr. High 5 pm
11 Veterans’ Day - NO SCHOOL
13 PTC Holiday Market @ Moose Lodge
15 5/6 Girls’ BB at Joseph Arthur 4 pm
   Regular Board Meeting 7:00 p.m.
16 5/6 Boys’ BB vs. BV Home 4 pm
   5/6 Girls’ BB at Belle Valley 4 pm
   7/8 Boys’ BB vs. Pontiac Home 6 pm
   7/8 Girls’ BB at Pontiac 5 pm
17 Whiteside Wednesdays-Dine to Donate
   Art Club Meeting
18 Girls Group Meeting
   5/6/7/8 Boys’ BB vs. Wolf Branch Home 4 pm
   5/6/7/8 Girls’ BB at Wolf Branch 4 pm
22 STEM Club Meeting
   7/8 Girls’ BB vs. Shiloh Home 6 pm
   7/8 Boys’ BB at Shiloh 6 pm
23 Picture Retake Day @ MS
24 Thanksgiving Break - NO SCHOOL
25 Thanksgiving Break - NO SCHOOL
26 Thanksgiving Break - NO SCHOOL
30 5/6/7/8 Boys’ BB vs. Grant Home 4 pm
    7/8 Girls’ BB at Grant 5 pm

No School November 11th, 24th, 25th, & 26th!

Notes from our Nurses

November
Miles of Smiles will be back to perform restorative care for students with cavities throughout the month of November. If you haven’t heard from your respective nurse regarding follow up care, please contact us.

A few reminders
- Masks must be worn at all times by students in staff when indoors.
- As the weather gets colder, please remember to dress them accordingly and send a jacket/coat if necessary.
- Please keep your child home if they are ill. If you have questions about returning to school, contact your respective nurse.
- The best way to prevent illness is by washing your hands. Make sure your students practice good hand washing at home and at school.

-Nurse Heather and Nurse Molly
PTC Corner

Upcoming Events

- **Tuesday, Nov 2** – Monthly PTC Meeting at 7pm.
  - Join us for our monthly Whiteside Parents & Teachers Club meeting. We will have updates from the Administrators and on upcoming events.
  - Join us in person at the Middle School Library (“masks required”) or virtually through zoom https://zoom.us/j/92931130343?pwd=UXhCQWJTYnZwS2J0UH76cK2RLeenZJz09
    - Meeting ID: 929 3113 0343
    - Passcode: 11AuV1

- **Saturday, Nov 13** – Holiday Market at Swansea Moose Lodge 10-3p
- **Wednesday, Nov 17** – Whiteside Wednesday @ Papa John’s
- **Friday, Dec 3** – Gingerbread House Night & Selfies with Santa

Save the Date

- **Wednesday, December 15th** – Whiteside Wednesday Dine to Donate with Signature Tap House
- **Saturday, March 19, 2022** – Glo Bingo & Auction

Volunteers Needed

- **Friday, Nov 12th** from 8-10p at Swansea Moose Lodge to set up Holiday Market
- **Saturday, Nov 13th** from 3-4p at Swansea Moose Lodge to help “clean up” Holiday Market.
- **Wednesday, Nov 17th** from 6-7p – Holiday Class Party Planning meeting via zoom
- Glo Bingo Committees – Donations, Decorations, & Marketing
- Please sign up via https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70b0b4faca23a2f0-whiteside or email WhitesidePTC@wssd115.org. We appreciate all your help!

Covid-19 Vaccine Clinic

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

Second Dose (one night only):
  - November 16, 2021 3:00 - 7:00 p.m. at Middle School

Middle School Picture Retake Day is Tuesday, November 23rd.

Elementary School Picture Retake Day is Friday, December 3rd.

Picture RE-TAKE DAY
**Students of the Month**

**November**

**Elementary School**
Congratulations to the following elementary students who were selected by their teachers for showing PEACE:

- Aiden Hileman
- Amer Slaughter
- D’Journi Watson
- Hudson Harmon
- Morgan Fisher
- Taiyah Fulton

**Middle School**

- Ryan Hunt
- Gianna Ephron

**Band Pictures**

Band Pictures will be taken on November 23. We are ordering band polos for 5th and 6th grade now. Details will go home this week. Students will need their performance shirts, black pants, black shoes and black socks for the picture and also for our Concert on December 15.

**Calling All Drummers!**

You are invited to join us for Drum Club every Monday. Drum techniques will be taught by Mr. Vittetoe, a professional percussionist who performed with the Air Force Band and is now the Belleville East Drumline instructor.

**2:45 – 3:15**
5th and 6th Graders
(Activity bus available at 3:45 if needed)

**3:15 – 4:00**
7th and 8th Graders

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**Holiday Food Drives**

Both buildings will be collecting non-perishable food items during the month of November to fill holiday food baskets.

At the Elementary school, items will be collected starting Monday, November 1st until Friday, November 12th. Bins will be in the MPR at the Elementary for donations.

At the Middle School, items will be collected starting Monday November 8th, until Friday November 12th. There will be a cart in the lobby for the donations.

Examples of food needed include canned meats; stews; pasta; canned fruits and vegetables; cereal; macaroni and cheese; soups; rice; and beans. Please do not send any glass. All food collected will be distributed to Whiteside families in need during the holiday season. Show our Whiteside Pride by making a contribution!

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**Wacky Warrior Week**
(Middle School)
November 15-19

**Monday, November 15**
Grade Level Color
(5th-color, 6th-color, 7th-color, 8th-color)

**Tuesday, November 16**
Sports Team Day
(wear your favorite team shirt or jersey)

**Wednesday, November 17**
Squad Day
(get your friends to all dress the same)

**Thursday, November 18**
Wacky Warrior Day
(Show off your school spirit, Warriors!)

**Friday, November 19**
Mismatched Day
(Wear an outfit that doesn’t match)
Band Butter Braid Fundraiser

Whiteside Middle School Band has kicked off their fundraiser to raise money. The fundraiser will be running from 10/25/2021 – 11/08/2021. To order, please contact any member of Whiteside Middle School Band, or check out the District Website under current news! Thank you for supporting Whiteside Middle School Band!

Butter Braid Pick up will be November 16 3-5 pm

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TREATS FOR TROOPS

A CANDY GIVE-BACK PROGRAM

NOT SURE WHAT TO DO WITH ALL OF THAT EXTRA OR UNWANTED HALLOWEEN CANDY?

SEND IT TO THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FOR OUR "TREATS FOR TROOPS" SERVICE PROJECT.

WE WILL BE COLLECTING ALL OF THE CANDY AND SENDING IT TO SCOTT AIR FORCE BASE IN BAGS DECORATED FOR VETERANS' DAY!

JUST PLACE YOUR CANDY IN THE BIN LOCATED IN THE MPR EACH MORNING, NOVEMBER 1ST-5TH.

THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

QUESTIONS? CONTACT MRS. BRUEGEMAN AT bruegeman@wssd115.org

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Athletic Area

Basketball Games

All students attending basketball games this year must have a parent attending with them.

Admission Prices:
Adults: $2
Students: $1
Under 5: Free
Seniors (65 + with ID): Free

Boosters Season Pass:
(Gives free entrance to all HOME games this season excluding tournaments. Purchase at door.)
Families: $20
Individuals: $10

Winter Sports

Boys' Volleyball (5-8)
Girls' Volleyball (5-8)
Bowling (5-8)

If your child is interested in trying out for a winter sport this year, please make sure they have submitted a sports packet this school year into the Middle School office. (Available in the front office or on the district website.) Physicals must be less than 1 year old at the start of tryouts.

Contact the Athletic Director with any questions nathanial.leingang@wssd115.org
Whiteside Wednesdays
On the 3rd Wednesday of every month
Join us this month at Papa John's at 1630 Carlyle Ave (618) 355-7525 and mention Whiteside on November 17, 2021. Online, use the code SSW007 to order and Whiteside PTC will get up to 25% of the sales!
For more information, email WhitesidePTC@wssd115.org or follow us on Facebook @Whiteside School PTC.

Clothing Needs for Nurses
Our Nurses are running low on extra clothing to give to students who need to change while at school. Please consider adding to their clothing stash!

Elementary needs:
Sizes 5-14 boy & girl cold weather clothing

Middle school need:
Mostly gym shorts and tee shirts could be used at this time.

Please contact our nurses if you have any questions.

Holiday Market
SATURDAY, NOV 13TH | 10AM – 3PM
Moose Lodge
2425 N Illinois, Swansea, IL 62226
Cost $55.00

Join us for
A HOLIDAY SHOPPING EXPO INCLUDING
CRAFT & VENDOR BOOTHS, MOBILE BOUTIQUES & MORE

Find us on Facebook: Whiteside PTC or contact us at WhitesidePTC@wssd115.org

- Crafter and Vendor spots are still available. Holiday Market 11/13/21 10-3pm at the Moose Lodge in Swansea. The vendor fee is $55, please reach out to Misty Good-McCray 618-741-3611 via text with any questions or interest.
- Not a crafter or vendor? Come do some holiday shopping with our awesome participants!

Extended School Program (ESP)
- Registration is still closed, but 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)
- Please email kristy.frazer@wssd115.org for more information.

Curriculum Connections
Nov 4 – The Illinois Math & Science Academy (IMSA) along with Southwestern Illinois College (SWIC) will be at Whiteside Middle School where they will bring their Mobile Technology LAB. Mrs. Burton’s 5th grade class as well as the Whiteside Middle School STEM Club will have the opportunity to machine designs using math, tour the lab, and learn about the skills, pathways, connections, and careers related to machining within our region. Any 3rd-6th grade student interested in participating in other STEM learning opportunities can check out virtual and in-person Saturday STEM programs at: https://tinyurl.com/IMSA-Metro-East

Middle School Students,

Do you have a military veteran in your life (family member, friend, of the family or neighbor) you want to celebrate? If you answered yes, we would like them to join us for a Drive-Thru Recognition Breakfast on Wednesday, November 10th at 9:00 AM. Please stop by Mrs. Castillier’s office to pick up an RSVP form. RSVP forms are due by November 8th.