Calendar of Events – FEBRUARY

3  Spring Picture day at ES
8  Transition 4 begins; all students Mon-Friday In-Person (no remote days)
15  NO SCHOOL – President’s Day

Yearbook order forms were sent home with students. Yearbook orders are due by Feb. 13, 2021. Students/families can get an extra yearbook order form from our office, or families may order the yearbook online at: ybpay.lifetouch.com. Our yearbook ID code is: 1452721

Spring Pictures will be taken at the Elementary on Wednesday, February 3. Due to COVID restrictions and social distancing efforts, only individual pictures will be taken this year.

Extended School Program “ESP”
Our after school ESP program is currently at capacity. We are not accepting any additional students at this time. If you would like to be put on a waiting list for participation in after school ESP, please contact the elementary school office at 618-239-0000 or email Kristy Frazer, kristy.frazer@wssd115.org

Book Fair
Book Fair dates: February 17 – March 2
Shopping hours: 24 hours a day
http://www.scholastic.com/bf/whiteside

**Whiteside School District is conducting in-person classes at this time. We encourage all families to be prepared for an additional adaptive pause due to future COVID concerns. Whiteside School District may change to remote learning in the event of additional COVID cases, transmission evidence, and/or the availability of staff.**

REMINDER: Transition 4 begins February 8; students attend in-person Monday through Friday

Important Note: If you are not receiving phone calls and/or emails, log into your Skyward account and update your contact information.
STUDENTS OF THE MONTH:

MIDDLE SCHOOL:
Dai’Ja Leonard
Christian Crask
Lainey Burress

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:
Georgia King – K
Kaevion Spencer – K
Adam Zahran -1st
Cheyenne Vredeveeld – 1st
Nathan Rachels – 2nd
Brody Light – 2nd
Anttania Strong – 3rd
Konrad Sporleder – 3rd
Devlyn Knowles – 4th
Cruz Barnhart – 4th

Tuesday, Feb 2: PTC meeting at 7pm via Zoom
Friday, Feb 12: Box Tops due

If you still have traditional Box Tops clips, we will be collecting BOX TOPS at both schools. The deadline is February 12th. Please put Box Tops in a baggie including the teacher’s name so your class gets credit for them and turn them into the school office.
Box Tops has gone digital. Download the Box Tops mobile app available on the App Store or through Google Play. Then you just scan your grocery receipts for Whiteside to get the Box Tops credit!
Visit https://www.boxtops4education.com/ for more information on the app. If you do online grocery ordering and pick up, after creating a Box Tops account, forward your digital receipt to receipts@boxtops4education.com using the same email you used for your Box Tops account.

Wednesday, Feb 16: Dine to Donate TBD

Spirit Wear:
Our online ordering store for Whiteside spirit wear is now open! Items will arrive in mid-March. They have masks & clothing in children & adult sizes that will be perfect to show your Warrior Spirit! The store will be open until Sunday, February 7th.

https://wp2021.wswebstore.com/store

Save the Dates:
Friday, Mar 26th: Virtual Family Reading Night
April 1st – 30th: Warrior Marathon
We are looking for prize donations and t-shirt sponsors for this event. Please reach out to WhitesidePTC@wssd115.org if you or business would be interested in supporting us.

For more information email WhitesidePTC@wssd115.org or follow us on Facebook at Whiteside School PTC.
A NOTE FROM OUR NURSES:

Take Care of Your Heart

February is American Heart Awareness Month! Here are some tips to make sure your heart stays in good health:

- Get 30-60 minutes of exercise each day
- Cook meals that have low sodium (salt) and are low in unhealthy fats
- Eat healthy snacks like fruits and veggies
- Get plenty of sleep each night (at least 8 hours)
- Manage stress by relaxation, yoga, or reading a good book

Make a goal as a family to make one heart healthy change in February!

Need help finding ways to make a health change? Talk to your school nurses for some fun ideas.

-Nurse Heather and Nurse Kayce

COVID-19 Dashboard

Our COVID-19 Dashboard will be emailed to all parents on Fridays through our Skyward student management system. The COVID-19 information will provide parents the current, as well as a historical perspective, into the District’s COVID-19 cases.

Many parents have been in contact with the school’s nurses due to many COVID-19 situations. We want to thank and continue to encourage all parents to make these contacts and share COVID-19 information with the district.

Your willingness to share this information helps provide a safe environment for students and allows the district to continue to provide in-person learning.

NO TIME FOR BREAKFAST?

Breakfast is served at both schools from 8-8:30 a.m. Fuel up to start the day! This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

MEAL PACKS AVAILABLE FOR PICK UP AT THE MIDDLE SCHOOL DAILY FROM 10:30-12:30

Please remember to complete the online form that is emailed out every day to reserve your meal packs (especially on virtual days)! We want to make sure we always have enough for everyone.

Thank you!