Calendar of Events

1  Group Picture Day Retake @ MS
   7/8 Boys’ BB Regional Semis at Home
   Boys’ VB at Signal Hill
   5/6 Girls’ VB Home v. Signal Hill 4pm
   7/8 Girls’ VB at Signal Hill
   Scholar Bowl @ Wolf Branch 4:15p
   PTC Meeting @ MS 7:00 pm

2  Art Club Meeting
   Bowling Meet v. Signal Hill at Bel Air
      3:30p-4:30p
   Scholar Bowl @ Signal Hill 4:15p

3  7/8 Boys’ BB Regional Finals at Home

7  Math Team Meeting
   Boys’ VB Home v. Belle Valley
   Chess v. EMGE
   5/6 Girls’ VB Home v. JAMS 5pm/6pm
   7/8 Girls’ VB Home v. Belle Valley

8  Boys’ VB at JAMS
   7/8 Girls’ VB at JAMS

9  Boys’ VB Home v. West Jr. High
   7/8 Girls’ VB Home v. West Jr. High
   Student Council Meeting

10 5/6 Girls’ Volleyball @ Belle Valley

11 ES Hat Day

12 Drama Club Auditions 9am-11am
   Chess Tournament at Pontiac
   Boys’ Basketball Elite Eight

14 Math Team Meeting
   8th Grade Honor Band Concert at
      Belleville East HS
   5/6 Girls’ VB at JAMS 4:00p

15 Boys’ VB @ Central
   7/8 Girls’ VB @ Central
   Bowling v. Emge @ Bel-Air 4:00pm

16 6th Girls’ VB @ Mascoutah 4:00pm
   Whiteside Wednesday @ Bennie’s

17 Boys VB Home v. Pontiac
   7/8 Girls VB Home v. Pontiac

18 Boosters Dine & Donate @ Chicken Salad Chick
   ES Family Reading Night

19 Scholar Bowl Tournament @ Grant

21 President’s Day-NO SCHOOL
   7/8 Girls’ VB Home v. St. Theresa
      5:00pm

22 Boys’ VB Home v. Wolf Branch
   5/6 Girls VB @ Emge
   7/8 Girls’ VB Home v. Wolf Branch
   Bowling v. Signal Hill @ Bel-Air 4:00pm

23 Bowling v. Central @ Bel-Air 3:30pm

24 Boys VB @ Shiloh
   5/6 Girls’ VB Home v. Emge 4:00pm
   7/8 Girls’ VB @ Shiloh

25 7th Grade Solo and Ensemble Music Festival

28 Boys’ VB @ Emge
   7/8 Girls’ VB @ Emge

Monday, February 21 - No School for President's Day

If school is cancelled due to weather, the closing will be announced on TV channels 2, 4, 5, and 11 and on the district website. You will also receive a call via Skyward. Please check Skyward to ensure your phone number is current. Whiteside will never dismiss early, but you may pick up your child at your discretion.
Notes from our Nurses

February
We hope everyone had an enjoyable Thanksgiving. The holiday season is upon us and it is more important than ever to stay as healthy as possible!

A few reminders
- Masks must be worn at all times by students in staff when indoors. Please make sure your student comes to school with a mask every day.
- 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.

Dental Information
Each year, students in Kindergarten, 2nd grade and 6th grade must have a dental exam on file by May 15th. If you have not already scheduled a dental appointment, please do so soon to ensure your student is compliant with the State of Illinois.

Covid 19 Vaccine Information
Please make sure to inform your building nurse if your child has had their COVID vaccinations so we can update them in the system!

-Nurse Heather and Nurse Molly
Extended School Program (ESP)

- Registration is still closed but the Waitlist is open. Please turn in registration forms, but no payment will be accepted at this time. You will be contacted if a spot opens up for your student.
- Please email kristy.frazer@wssd115.org for more information.

PTC Corner Continued

Save the Date

- **Saturday, March 19, 2022** Glo Bingo & Auction
  - Event will be at Tribout’s Bella Vegas, doors open at 5:30pm & Bingo starts at 7pm. Cost is $25/person (must be 18) in advance, $30/person after 3/4/22.
  - To reserve your ticket or sponsor the event, register at https://2022-glo-bingo-auction.chedarup.com
  - We are looking for committee members to help make this event a success through donation solicitations, decorations, marketing, and day of help, please sign up at https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F054BAAAE28A5FC1-glo-bingo. The upcoming committee meeting will be February 1st after the PTC meeting.

- **Saturday, April 30, 2022** Date Change – Whiteside Color Run & Wellness Fair
  - Save the Date for Whiteside’s first ever Color Run & Health Fair! If you would like to help with planning or have a way to contribute to this fun & health promoting event, please contact Julie Miller – julsmith03@gmail.com for more information.

For more information, email WhitesidePTC@wssd115.org & follow us on Facebook @WhitesideSchoolPTC

Whiteside Wednesdays

On the 3rd Wednesday of every month
Join us this month at Bennie’s Pizza at 113 E Main Street, Belleville on February 16, 2021 11am - 8pm. Be sure to mention Whiteside and they will make a donation to the PTC!

For more information, email WhitesidePTC@wssd115.org or follow us on Facebook @Whiteside School PTC.

Check out our website for the link to order your yearbook by February 28th or use ybpay.com. ID code: 1452722.
Athletic Area

Volleyball Games

All students attending volleyball 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

Spring Sports

- Boys’ Track (5-8)
- Girls’ Track (5-8)
- Golf - Boys and Girls (6-8)

If your child is interested in trying out for a spring 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 Middle School Mental Health Awareness Week
February 22-25
Hosted by Student Council

Each day this week, themed activities will take place in the lobby upon arrival to the school or in their homeroom class to encourage positivity and happiness here at Whiteside Middle School.

Daily Themes
- Mindful Monday (no school this day)
- Together Tuesday
- Wellness Wednesday
- Thankful Thursday
- Feeling Fabulous Friday

Drama Club Auditions!

Drama Club Auditions will be held for 6th-8th grade students on Saturday, February 12th, 9:00-11:00 am. Applications must be turned into Mrs. Phillips by February 10th to audition.

Drama Tech Crew Applications Due
Drama Tech is open to 5th-8th grade students who are interested in supporting the play through Set Design, Prop Creation, and Sound and Lighting needs. Applications must be turned into Mrs. Runyan by February 25th.

Hearts for Heartlinks

Dates of Fundraiser:
February 1 - 18

What is being collected?
Bring $1 to donate and get entered in a weekly drawing

How to donate?
Bring to Mrs. Bossler’s office after AM announcements

Heartlinks Grief Center is a resource for grieving families and kids before and after a loss, grief support at schools with groups, staff education and consulting for special needs!

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