

Whiteside Elementary School

Mr. Nathan Rakers, Principal

Mr. Kevin Johnson, Assistant Principal

Whiteside Middle School

Mrs. Monica Laurent, Principal

Mr. Jaime Cotto, Assistant Principal

Calendar of Events – March

- 3 5/6th grade Girls' Volleyball vs. St. Teresa's 4/5pm Location TBD
- 6th grade Boys' Volleyball vs. St. Teresa's 6pm Location TBD
- 7/8th Grade Girls' Volleyball vs. Wolf Branch 4/5 p.m. HOME
- 7/8th Grade Boys' Volleyball vs. Wolf Branch 6/7 p.m. HOME
- 7/8th Teacher Appreciation Night at Volleyball games HOME
- Band Parents Association Meeting at 6:30 in MS Band Room
- 4 Family Science & Math Night at Middle School 3-5 p.m.
- 7/8th Grade Boys'/Girls' Volleyball at Central Jr. High 4/5 p.m.
- 5 5/6th Grade Girls' Volleyball vs. Emge 4/5 p.m.- HOME
- 7/8th Grade Girls' Volleyball at Emge 4/5 p.m.
- 7/8th Grade Boys' Volleyball at Emge 6/7 p.m.
- 6 End of 3rd Quarter
- 7 GLO Bingo & Auction
- 9 First Day of Wacky Warrior Week (March 9-13)
- 10 5/6th Grade Girls' Volleyball at Belle Valley 4 p.m.
- 7/8th Grade Girls' Volleyball vs. BelleValley 4/5 p.m. – HOME
- 7/8th Grade Boys' Volleyball vs. BelleValley 6/7 p.m. – HOME
- 11 6-8th Grade Track & Field Tryouts 3:15-4:30 at Middle School
- Middle School Student Council Meeting after school
- 12 6-8th Grade Track & Field Tryouts 3:15-4:30 at Middle School
- Girls' Volleyball Conf. Tournament Time TBD - HOME
- 13 Girls' Volleyball Conf. Tournament Time TBD - HOME
- WACKY WARRIOR ASSEMBLY
- 18 Boys' Volleyball Conf. Tournament at B. East – Time TBD
- Geography Fair at Middle School 6-7 p.m.
- 19 Boys' Volleyball Conf. Tournament at B. East – Time TBD
- 20 TEACHER INSTITUTE DAY – NO SCHOOL
- Kindergarten Registration at Elementary School 7am-1pm
- 27 Fellowship of Christian Athletes 7:45am MS Rm 612
- Middle School Game Night 3-5 p.m.
- Elementary School Family Reading Night 6-8 p.m.
- 7/8th Grade Spring Dance 7 p.m.
- 30 Middle School Spring Pictures
- 31 Girls' Track at West Jr. High 4 p.m.



Fellowship of Christian Athletes at Whiteside Middle School

Meeting for any student athlete:

Friday, March 27 at 7:45 a.m. in Room 612

Fellowship of Christian Athletes is not affiliated with Whiteside Middle School - Contact Mrs. Crask with any questions at:

Julie.crask@wssd115.org or

Phone: 239-0000 x 3612



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Assessment of Readiness

Students in grades 5-8 will participate in the IAR test this year. **IAR testing will be conducted during the following times:**

8th Grade: April 6-8

7th Grade: March 16-18

6th Grade: April 15-17

5th Grade: March 30 – April 3

4th Grade: April 20 – April 24

3rd Grade: March 23 – March 27

NO TIME FOR BREAKFAST?

Breakfast is served at both schools from 8:00-8:15 am, with extended time for later arriving bus students.



Fuel up to start the day!



WACKY WARRIORS

NJHS will be hosting Wacky Warrior Week **March 9th-13th!** Here are your spirit days! The Wacky Warrior Assembly will be held on March 13th during 7th and 8th hours!

Monday: Color Day
5th Grade: Green
6th Grade: Pink
7th Grade: Red
8th Grade: Blue

Tuesday: Twin Day/ Squad Day

Wednesday: Character Day- dress as your favorite cartoon character or superhero

Thursday: Throwback Thursday- Dress as your favorite decade

Friday: Wacky Warrior Day

The Elementary School Spring Fundraiser will take place from **February 24th through March 11th**. All orders and money are due back to the Elementary School by Wednesday, March 11th. NEW this year!!! Top Sellers will earn time playing video games on the Video Game Truck!! Profits will be used towards purchasing more technology for our school. *Orders will be available for pick up Wednesday, April 1st from 2 - 5 p.m. at the Elementary School.*



The Middle School Fundraiser T.J.'s Pizza will take place **March 2nd through March 13th**. Order forms will be coming home with the students. Delivery/Parent Pick-up will be Thursday April 2 from 3-4:30 p.m.

Whiteside Middle School



Presents:

**The Enchanted Bookshop
by Todd Wallinger**

April 17th at 7:00pm



**Whiteside Middle School
10th Annual Family
Science & Math Night -
Team Challenge
Wednesday, March 4th
3:00 pm - 5:00 pm**

Registration is required.

Students need to return the registration form and \$1 per team member to Ms. Tami by Monday, February 17th. (Elementary siblings are welcome to attend with a parent.) Must be present to win door prizes!

Tryout Dates:

March 11th & 12th Time: 3:15 - 4:30 p.m.



**Where: Whiteside Middle
School Track**

Bring appropriate clothing for running, as well as water. Sports packet, current physical and payment for fees must be

turned in by March 11th in order to participate in the tryouts. No exceptions!



**First Annual Whiteside
Dodgeball Tournament**

April 3rd from 6 - 9 pm at
Whiteside Middle School.

Teams of 10 (with at least 3 girls per team). Cost is \$8.00 per person and includes a dodgeball shirt. See Mrs. Mentzer or Ms. Tami for entry forms.

**Whiteside Middle School
Dance
for 7th & 8th Graders
Friday, March 27th at 7 p.m.**



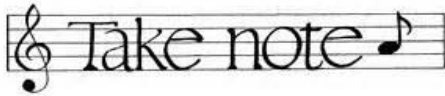
Come support our students and staff for a fun new Whiteside Tradition! Admission \$2.00 for adults, \$1.00 for students. Concessions including pizza and Chick-fil-a will be available.



4th Annual Middle School Game Night

Hosted by the GO Team
Friday, March 27th - 3-5 p.m.
Join us for friends, fun and snacks!!!

Middle School Band



The Band Parents Association will have a meeting on **Tuesday, March 3 at 6:30 p.m.** in the band room.

Congratulations to all the band students on spectacular performances at the Solo and Ensemble Contest.

The following students were selected by their judge as the best performance of the day:

- Alyssa Ballard - Flute*
- Ashlyn Tessereau - Oboe*
- AnnaRose McManus - Clarinet*
- Mark Gelin - Saxophone*
- Max Merchiori and Brennan Ossman - Trumpet*
- Connor Becker-Pecina - Low Brass*
- Allison Dorn - Percussion*

"Unleash Your Good Character" by T-Mobile Winter Character Award

19 students from the Elementary were nominated for the "Unleash Your Good Character" by T-Mobile Winter Character Award: *Shazelle Brown, Drew McKenna Norris, Lanae Starks, Jamie Chen, Sorayah Lopez, Christien Wagner, Savannah Basquine, Chico Austin, LaShane Stevenson, Jayce Mettler, Malia Brewer, Madison Finley, Wesley Rivera, Sophia Remijan, Alea Mayo, Ajani Mitchom, Gabrielle Johnson, Dylan Childs, and Patrick McDaniel* will all be honored at an assembly on **March 16th** and treated to lunch by the Principals. The winner of the award will also be announced at the assembly.



Geography Fair at Middle School March 18 6-7 p.m.



A MESSAGE FROM OUR WHITESIDE NURSES

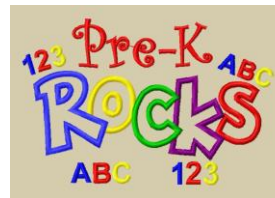
It's that time of year- cold and flu season! Please keep your students home if they have a fever, are coughing continuously or are too ill to participate in their usual school program. Remember, hand washing is your best defense against illness! **All students must be fever free for 24 hours, without medication, before returning to school.**



The end of the school year is quickly approaching! **Please remember all fees have to be paid in full in order for students to**

attend field trips and any end-of-year activities. Please check your student's account for any outstanding lunch or school fees.

Whiteside Elementary School Pre-K



Do you have a child who will be 3 on or before September 1, 2020? Are you interested in having your 3 or 4-year-old

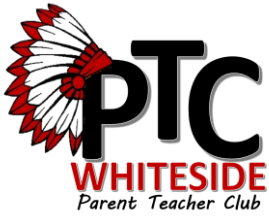
attend Whiteside Elementary School's half day Pre-K program? **The next screening will take place in the spring.** Please contact Laura or Bridget at the Elementary School Office at 239-0000 x 2317 or x 2314 to add your child's name to the screening list.



ATTN: 6th Grade Parents & Kindergarten and 2nd Grade Parents:

Dental exams are needed for all students before May 15, 2020. (Disregard if you have already turned one in or you participated in the Miles of Smiles in January.)

PTC CORNER



Upcoming Events

March 3 - PTC Meeting - WS Middle School at 7 p.m.

March 7 - Bibbidi Bobbidi Glo Bingo and Auction - 7 pm at CK & L of I Country Club ~ \$20 per person (tables up to 8 people). Must be 18 to attend; door open at 5:30p; to register send the registration form into the office or register online at:

<https://whitesideptc.ticketleap.com/Whiteside>.

For donations or to volunteer please contact Jeremy at WhitesidePTC@wssd115.org

March 27 - Family Reading Night - 6-8 pm at the Elementary School

Save the dates:

April 3rd - Dodgeball Tournament

April 18th - WS Warrior Wellness Day and 5K

April 24th - Food Truck Friday and Movie Night

May 21st - Whiteside Elementary School Carnival

BOX TOPS for Education

THANK YOU to everyone who turned in box tops for the February contest!! We continue to collect BOX TOPS at both schools. Be sure to download the Box Tops for Education app to scan in your receipts.



Congratulations to Mrs. Watkins class for winning the February Box Tops Contest! They will be enjoying a class party!!

For more information on WS PTC events please contact whitesideptc@wssd115.org or follow us

Facebook: Whiteside PTC



The little free libraries are now in place outside both schools.

These libraries give the opportunity to take a book and read it, while donating a book to the library that someone else may enjoy. The elementary

school library contains mainly early reader books while the middle school library has young adult to adult books.

Thank You
Graham Gunn

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Registration for all incoming Kindergartners for the 2020-2021 school year will be held on **Friday, March 20th from 7:00 am to 1:00 pm at the Elementary School**. You will need to provide a copy of your child's certified birth certificate and your current proofs of residency in order to complete the registration process. Proofs of residency include: (if you are renting) a lease, occupancy permit and 2 current utility bills or (if you are purchasing or own) a mortgage statement or tax statement and 2 current utility bills. Your child must be 5 on or before September 1st, 2020 to be eligible for Kindergarten for the 2020-2021 school year. **All current Pre-K and Early Childhood students who will be going to Kindergarten next year MUST come in and complete the Kindergarten registration process.** If you cannot come on this date, please come to the office between 9-2 during the school week.

