Smoke Signals – September 2022 WHITESIDE SCHOOL DISTRICT #115

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MR. MARK HEURING, SUPERINTENDENT

WHITESIDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

MR. NATHAN RAKERS, PRINCIPAL

MRS. KIM BOSSLER, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Cross Country @ Belleville West 4:00 PM Soccer Game @ Pontiac 4:15 PM Softball Game @ Pontiac 4:15 PM Baseball Game @ Pontiac 4:15 PM
- 5 Labor Day NO SCHOOL
- 6 7th/8th Book Club Meeting
 Soccer Game @ Wolf Branch 4:15 PM
 Softball Game @ Wolf Branch 4:15 PM
 Baseball Game @ Wolf Branch 4:15 PM
 PTC Monthly Meeting 7:00 PM
- 7 Early Dismissal (MS 1:45 PM, ES 2:00 PM)
 ES Hat Day
 STEM Club Applications Due (6th-8th)
- 8 5th Grade Book Club Meeting
 Fall Fest Parent/Staff Planning Mtg. 2:45 PM
 Cross Country Meet @ Freeburg 4:00 PM
 Soccer Game Home v Shiloh 4:15 PM
 Softball Game Home v Shiloh 4:15 PM
 Baseball Game Home v Shiloh 4:15 PM

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CALENDAR CONT.

- 21 Miles of Smiles at MS
 PTC Dine and Donate 11 AM 9 PM
 5th Grade Book Club Meeting
 Cross Country Meet @ OTHS Milburn 4:00 PM
- 22 PTC Dine and Donate 11 AM 9 PM
- 23 Middle School Hat Day MS Little Caesar's Fundraiser End Date
- 24 Child Passenger Safety Event 9:00 AM 1:00 PM

WHITESIDE MIDDLE SCHOOL

MRS. MONICA LAURENT, PRINCIPAL MR. JAIME COTTO, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

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- 9 6th Grade DARE beginsMS Little Caesar's Fundraiser Begin
- 12 STEM Club MeetingCross Country Meet @ Triad HS 4:15 PM6th Grade Team Building Event
- 13 Middle School Book Fair
 Soccer Game @ Grant 4:15 PM
 Softball Game @ Grant 4:15 PM
 Baseball Game @ Grant 4:15 PM
- 14 Middle School Book Fair
 Art Club Applications Due
 6th Grade Book Club Meeting
 Cheerleading Clinic 2:45 PM 4:30 PM
- 15 Middle School Book Fair
 Fall Sports 8th Grade Recognition Night
 Cheerleading Clinic 2:45 PM 4:30 PM
 Soccer Game Home v EMGE 4:15 PM
 Softball Game Home v EMGE 4:15 PM
 Baseball Game Home v EMGE 4:15 PM
 Regular School Board Meeting
- 16 Middle School Donut Day Cheerleading Tryouts 2:45 PM - 5:00 PM
- 17 Cross Country Meet @ SIUE
- 19 Cross Country Meet @ Clinton Hills 4:307th Grade Team Building Event
- 20 NJHS Meeting

- 26 Miles of Smiles at ES STEM Club Meeting
- 27 Miles of Smiles at ES Booster Club Meeting 6 PM
- 28 Miles of Smiles at ES
 NJHS Blood Drive 2:30 PM 5:30 PM
 6th Grade Book Club
- MS Fall Picture Day
 Fall Sport Picture Day
 Cross Country Meet @ Highland HS 4:00 PM
 Booster Club Skate Night 6 PM
- 30 ES Fall Picture Day
 5th Grade Donuts with Grown-Ups
 PTC Campout

Congratulations to the following elementary students who were selected by their teachers for

showing Respect!

Everett Doughty Hakeem Griggs-Bey Gerald Franklin Anthony Gater Caleb Suggs

Micah Halverstadt Bey Isabella Matney Emma Mixon Trel Halverstadt Cooper Frieze Morgan Brooks





Whiteside Family Camp Out

When: Friday, September 30, 2022 until Saturday, October 1, 2022 @ 9:00 AM. Setup starts at 4:30 PM. (Rain Date is Friday, October 7, No Refunds)

What: A Tent/Camper camp out on the elementary school grass (bring your own tent or camper)

Who: This event is open to Whiteside Elementary Families only

Food: Hot Dog, chips, and a drink will be included for Friday's dinner. Donut, juice, and coffee breakfast will be provided Saturday morning. Bring your own items for s'mores, camping and lawn chairs.

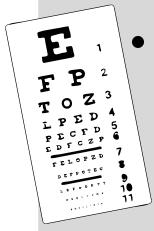


NURSES' NOTES

Welcome to the 2022-2023 school year! We are looking forward to a great year with students at both buildings! We have just a few reminders for all families.



- All medication needs to have paperwork on file with the nurse to be administered at school.
- Miles of Smiles will be at the Middle School on 9/21 and the Elementary School on 9/26, 9/27 and 9/28. Please watch for a dental consent form and additional information coming home with your student soon.



Don't delay getting those vision exams in. If your student is in kindergarten, or enrolled in an Illinois school for the first time, a vision exam must be on file by October 15th.

 Child Passenger Safety Event: 9/24/22 from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Certified Child Passenger Safety Technicians will be available to check car seat installation, ensure your child is riding in the proper



Activities: Games, kickball, bags, washers, bonfire, friendship, FUN, and much more!

Cost: \$5.00 per person

Registration: Be sure to complete reservation form by Friday, September 23rd at <u>https://whiteside-family-camp-out-</u> <u>copy.cheddarup.com</u>

Extended School Program

- We are full and no longer accepting any registrations
- Please email <u>kristy.frazer@wssd115.org</u> if you have any questions.

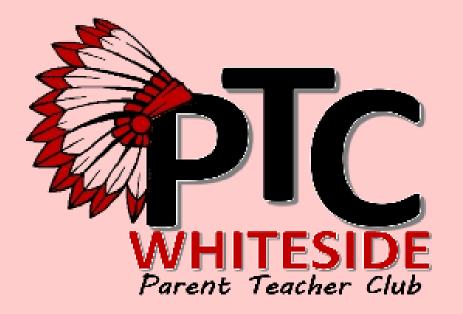
seat and answer questions about vehicle safety.

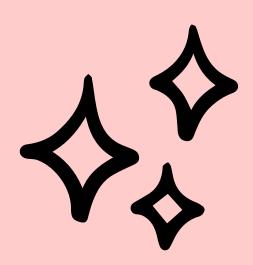
Have a great and healthy start to your school year! ~Nurse Heather ~Nurse Molly

Middle School Book Fair

The Middle School Book Fair will be open September 13th, 14th, and 15th. It will open at 8:30 AM each morning and close at 3:30 PM. Please make sure to send your child with cash to make any purchases these days!







PTC Corner

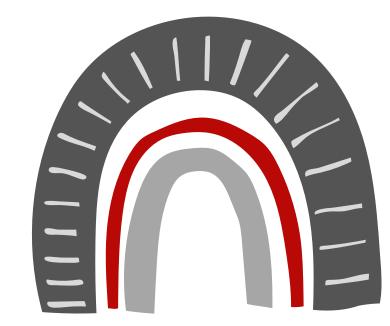
UPCOMING EVENTS

- Tuesday, September 6th Monthly PTC Meeting
 - 7 PM in Middle School Library
 - Join us for our monthly Whiteside Parents & Teacher Club meeting. We will have updates from the Administrators and on upcoming events.
- Wednesday & Thursday, September 21st & 22nd Whiteside Wednesday
- Join us for lunch or dinner at Joe's Pizza & Pasta at 4628 N Illinois Street, Fairview Heights at 618-416-4464 for carryout or dine-in between 11a-9p and mention Whiteside to support the PTC
 Friday, September 30th – 5th Grade Donuts with Grown Ups

 5th grade families please join your student for donuts, juice, & coffee between 7:15 AM -7:45 AM at the Middle School

 Friday, September 30th – Elementary Family Campout

 See the Campout section for more details



SAVE THE DATE

Tuesday, October 4

ELEMENTARY (K - 4TH) CLASS PARTIES

Whiteside PTC plans 4 parties in collaboration with our teachers for K-4th grade
classes including Halloween, Winter, Valentine's
Day, and End of Year parties.



To provide the supplies needed, each classroom collects \$10 for every student to support these parties. Please submit your child's \$10 by September 9th using this link <u>https://2022-room-party-payment-</u> <u>copy.cheddarup.com</u>

- The first class to 95% before Sept 9th will earn a pizza party!
- Cash in an envelope with your child's name & teacher on it can also be turned into the office.

PTC Monthly Meeting 7 PM

Wednesday, October 12

Whiteside Spaghetti Dinner & Elementary Book Fair

- 4:30 PM 7 PM at Whiteside Elementary School
- Order your tickets today! <u>https://2022-spaghetti-</u> <u>dinner.cheddarup.com</u>

Friday, October 14

6th Grade Donuts with Grown Ups

Athletic Area

8th Grade Recognition Night

Come help us celebrate our 8th grade soccer, softball, baseball and cross country athletes at our games on



September 15th.

Upcoming Tryouts



See the adjacent section about cheerleading tryouts. Be on the lookout for more information about basketball tryouts. Sports packets must be turned in by September 28, 2022 and all school fees must be paid to be eligible to tryout.



Current Team Stats

Soccer: 6-0 Cross Country: 2 meets in - Running well! Baseball: 4-5 Softball: 6-1

Thank You Coaches

Shoutout to our Early Fall coaches, Troy Griffith, Amanda Dermody, April Nail, and Dawn Vollmer. Thank you so much for leading our Warrior Athletes in so many ways this season. Thanks also to our parent volunteers who assisted our coaches in any way.

Students in Mr. Martinez's 7th grade literature class have a goal of 1000 minutes of silent reading hours by winter break.



Cheerleading Tryouts			
Clinics:			
Wednesday, Sept. 14	2:45 -4:30		
Thursday, Sept. 15	2:45 - 4:30		
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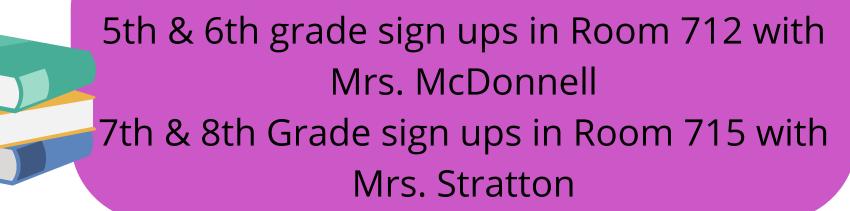
NJHS Blood Drive



NJHS is hosting a blood drive on Wednesday, September 28th with Impact Life. The drive will be from 2:30 to 5:30 in the Middle School MPR. People interested in donating need to make an appointment online. Use the website:

<u> https://login.bloodcenter.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/113249</u>

BOOK CLUB



- Signup sheet is located in the MS Gym.
- Sports packet must be on file in the MS office
- You must be present for both clinics in order to tryout.
- You cannot participate in another fall sport if you make the squad
- Cheerleading is limited to 7th and 8th graders only
- Join the Google Classroom to start practicing the cheers for Tryouts - Class Code: jc54wf2

See Mrs. Moore in room 607 if you have questions



Whiteside Wednesdays

Join us for lunch or dinner at Joe's Pizza & Pasta either Wednesday September 21st, Thursday, September 22nd, or BOTH for carryout or dine-in between 11a-9p and mention Whiteside to support the PTC.

> 4628 N Illinois Street Fairview Heights 618-416-4464

Thank you S.O.S. Lunch Supporters!



We at Whiteside wish to express our sincere appreciation to Cornerstone Christian Church, Belleville First Church of the Nazarene, Faith Family Church, Towerview Baptist Church, and Living Hope for their volunteer efforts and generosity provided thousands of nutritious meals to families in our district. If you have questions or wish to make a contribution, contact the office.

We also appreciate the NJHS members and the many teachers/staff members for faithfully showing up every day. With everyone's help, great things were accomplished again this summer.

Monday, September 12, 2022 2:45 PM - 4:00 PM This event will be an opportunity for all 6th graders to get to know their peers and fellow students through fun, non-competitive activities. The emphasis will be on positive communication, discovering common experiences, and sharing and listening to one another. The more students share in common, the more apt they are to encourage each other and build up their peers!

6th Grade Team Building Event

This will be an action packed and fun filled evening and we hope that all 6th graders are able to join us for this 5th annual event.



7th Grade Team Building Event

Monday, September 19, 2022 2:45 PM - 4:00 PM This event will be an opportunity for all 7th graders to get to know their peers and fellow students through fun, non-competitive activities. The emphasis will be on positive communication, discovering common experiences, and sharing and listening to one another. The more students share in common, the more apt they are to encourage each other and build up their peers!

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