

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

1

Band Butter Braid Fundraiser (cont.)
All District Jazz Band (selected students)

3

Treats for Troops
Student Council Meeting 2:50 - 3:45 PM
NJHS Meeting
PTC Monthly Meeting 6:00 PM

4

Treats for Troops
STEM Club Challenge

5

Treats for Troops
Elementary School Hat Day
Early Dismissal (MS 1:45 PM, ES 2:00 PM)

6

Elementary and Middle School Picture Retakes
Cheerleading and Basketball Team Photos
Math Team Meeting

7

MS Veteran's Day Breakfast *RSVP ONLY*
Concert Band performance (during school)

10

No School

11

No School
Dine and Donate - Joe's Pizza & Pasta

12

Band Butter Braid Fundraiser Ends
Dine and Donate - Joe's Pizza & Pasta

13

Math Team Meeting
Dine and Donate - Joe's Pizza & Pasta

17

NJHS Meeting

18

Band Butter Braid Delivery
STEM Club Challenge

19

Early Dismissal (MS 1:45 PM, ES 2:00 PM)
Booster Club Meeting - 6:00PM

20

PTC Nintendo Switch 2 Raffle Drawing

22

All District Band (selected students)

26

No School - Thanksgiving Break

27

No School - Thanksgiving Break

28

No School - Thanksgiving Break

NO SCHOOL



- NOVEMBER 10

- NOVEMBER 11

- NOVEMBER 26

- NOVEMBER 27

- NOVEMBER 28

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

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

LiRick Brown

Bellamy Clay

Caydence Fulks

Erik Gordon

John Juengain

Milayah Kunzl

Kalon Ladd II

Thomas Norton

Tesla Penrod

LaTerri Robinso

Lucas Robinson

Congratulations to the following middle school students who were selected by their teachers!

Elias Chiquillo Leon

Marli Cobbs

Tra'Mya Edmonds

Jackson Richards

WHITESIDE BAND

Our annual **Butter Braid Fundraiser** started on October 28 and will end on November 12. The delivery date will be November 18. Every band student was included in the on-line store. Students have also received a paper copy of the order form. The money from this fundraiser goes to the Band Parents Association and helps us with instrument and music needs. Cash prizes are available for the top sellers. Thank you in advance for helping make this event successful.

Congratulations to the following students who were selected to the ILMEA All District Band: Tristan Ash, Jacob Ballard, Riley Benson, Thomas Biondo, Lawrence Clark, Jillian Costello, Rocco Fares, Kamarianna Fluker, Ava Houston, Zoe Howse, Elijah Jensen, Isabelle Johnson, Adeline Jung, Elijah Leonard, Hannah Lettau, Paul Pickens, Mia Ramirez, Evelyn Rozenski, Konrad Sproleder.

Congratulations to Paul Pickens and Konrad Sporleder who were also selected to the ILMEA All District Jazz Band.

5th Grade Parents - Orders for our red performance shirts will be coming home in November. Students will also need black pants, black socks and black shoes.

Take note of these important dates:

November 1 All District Jazz Band (select students)

November 7 Concert Band presents a Veterans Day Concert (during school)

November 12 Butter Braid Fundraiser ends)

November 18 Butter Braid delivery

November 22 All-District Band (selected students)

December 18 Winter Band Concert for ALL grades 6:30PM. Cookie reception to follow.

~Mrs. Korak
jennifer.korak@wssd115.org

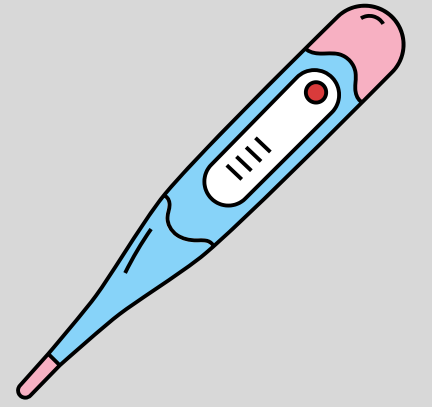


NURSES' NOTES

ILLNESSES AND SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

If your child has a fever, please keep him/her at home. Your child should also stay at home when he/she has:

- Vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Unexplained Rash
- Continuous coughing or sneezing
- Any other contagious condition



He/she may return to school once:

- Fever free for 24 hours without medication
- Free of vomiting and/or diarrhea for 24 hours
- The type rash is known and a doctor's note releases the child to return to school.
- Any contagious condition is treated, if needed and the doctor approves return to school.
- The child feels better and is able to participate in all aspects of the school day.

Please notify the school's nurse when your child has a contagious condition such as strep throat, chickenpox, or pink eye.

Hearing and vision screenings will start soon at both the Elementary and Middle Schools. Be on the lookout for more information!

~Nurse Heather ~Nurse Crystal



STAFF SHOUT OUTS

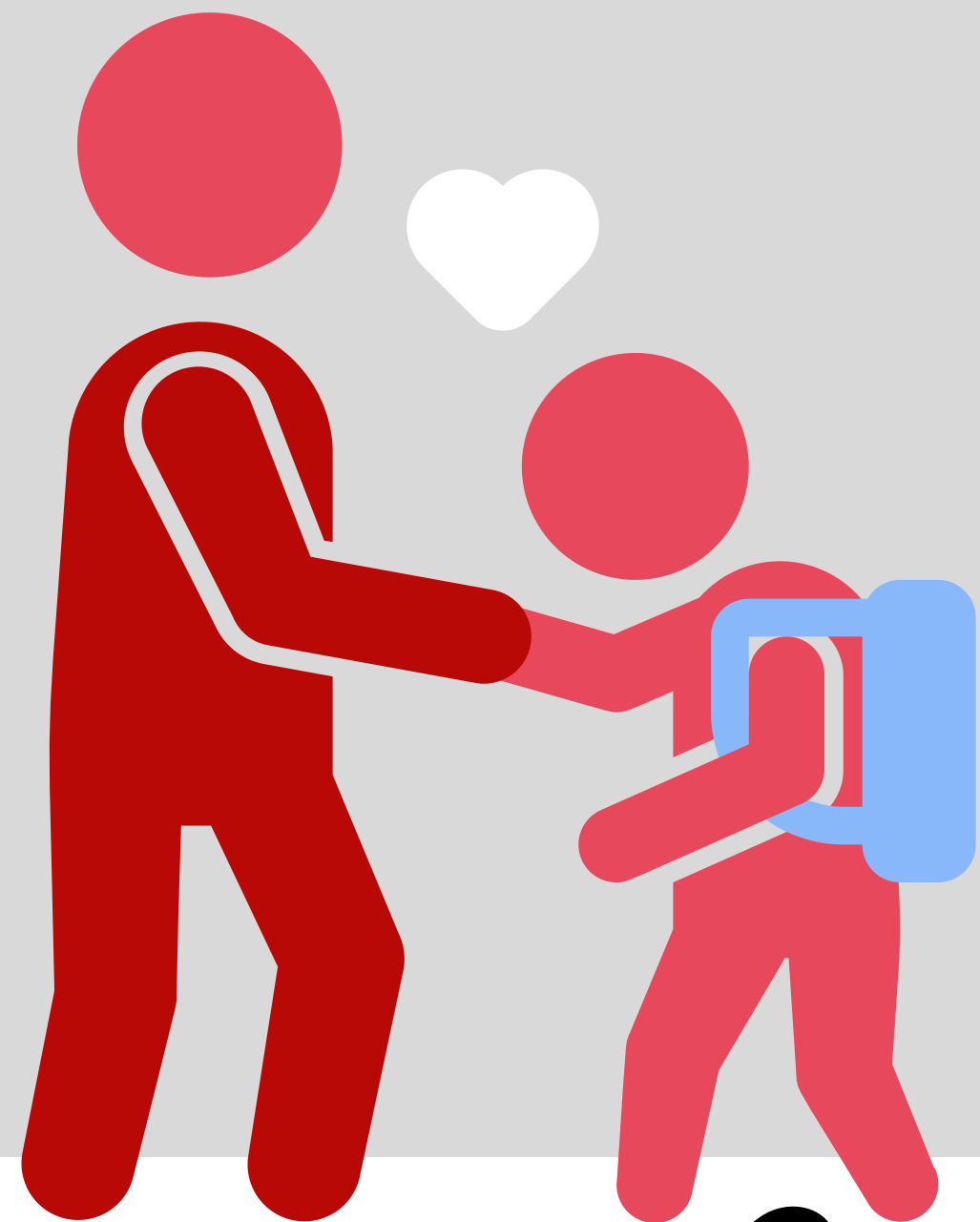
A special THANK YOU to these staff members for their hard work and dedication to excellent service for our students.



OCTOBER

Deann Doolittle

Rachel Rist



PTC CORNER

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Monday, November 3rd - Monthly PTC Meeting
 - 6 PM in Middle School Library
 - Join us to find out what's happening in our schools and be in the know with all the events coming.
 - Can't join us in person? Join us on [Zoom](#)
- November 11-13
 - Dine & Donate - Joe's Pizza & Pasta in Fairview Heights
- Tuesday, November 20 - Nintendo Switch 2 Raffle Drawing

SAVE THE DATE

Monday, December 1

Monthly PTC Meeting
6 PM

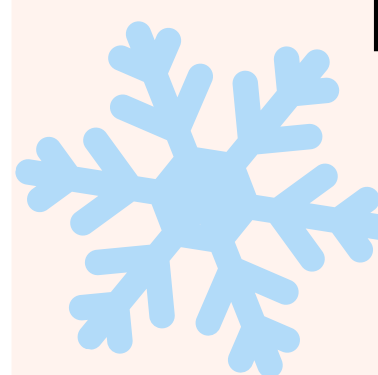
Friday, December 5

Elementary School
Gingerbread House Night



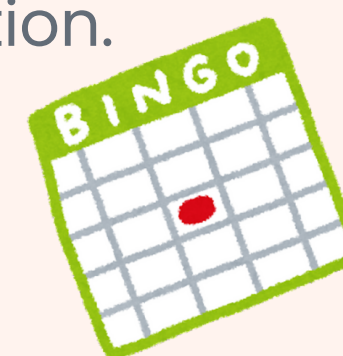
Friday, December 19

Elementary School
Winter Class Party



Glo Bingo is fast approaching! Save Friday, March 27, 2026 on your calendars for this year's fun night!

If you own or know someone who owns a local business that would like to sponsor this event or make an in-kind donation, please contact the PTC to give us their contact information.



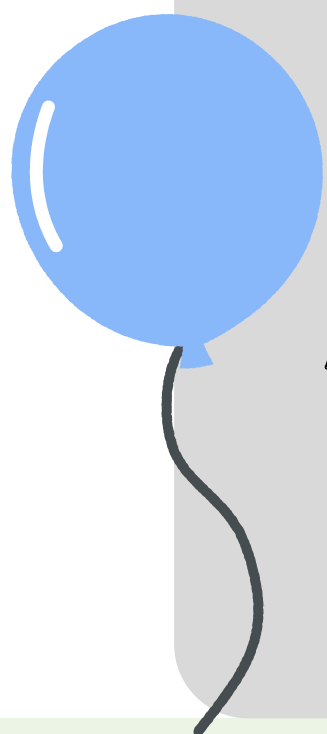
ELEMENTARY (K - 4TH) CLASS PARTIES



Whiteside PTC plans 4 parties in collaboration with our teachers for K-4th grade classes including Fall, Winter, Friendship, and End of Year parties.



We were excited to share that Mr. Rakers and Mrs. Bossler agreed to a school-wide pajama party when we reached 75% completion! The elementary school reached this goal and had a Pajama Day on Wednesday, October 22nd! Thank you to all who made contributions to our class party fund!



Athletic Arena

Congratulations!

A HUGE shoutout to our Baseball team for being STATE CHAMPIONS for the first time in Whiteside history!!

Congratulations to Rocco Fares for competing at the State Cross County meet. This is an amazing accomplishment!

Basketball Stats

5th Girls 3-0
6th Girls 1-1-1
5th Boys 3-0
6th Boys 3-0
7th Boys 3-0
8th Boys 6-0



Admission Prices for Basketball Games:

Adults - \$3
Students - \$2
Seniors (65+ with ID) - Free
Under 5 - Free

- Athletic Director Luke Ryterski



Booster Club

The Whiteside Booster Club is looking for more members and encourages everyone to participate in these upcoming events.

- Wednesday, November 19th - Booster Club Meeting in the MS lobby at 6pm



Sports Calendar

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| 1 | 4:30PM Whiteside v. Harrisburg - 8 th Boys
at Rend Lake College |
| 3 | 5:00PM Home v. Fulton - 8 th Girls |
| 4 | 4:30PM Home v. Carriel - 8 th Girls |
| 5 | 4:00PM Home v. JAMS - 5 th & 6 th Girls
6:00PM Home v. JAMS - 7 th & 8 th Boys
TBD Whiteside v. JAMS - 8 th Girls |
| 6 | 4:00PM Home v. Belle Valley - 5 th & 6 th Boys
4:00PM Whiteside v. Belle Valley - 5 th & 6 th Girls
6:00PM Home v. Belle Valley - 7 th & 8 th Boys
TBD Whiteside v. Belle Valley - 8 th Girls |
| 8 | Spiritfest Cheer and Dance Competition at OTHS |
| 12 | 4:00PM Home v. Signal Hill - 5 th & 6 th Girls
4:00PM Whiteside v. Signal Hill - 5 th & 6 th Boys
6:00PM Home v. Signal Hill - 8 th Girls
TBD Whiteside v. Signal Hill - 7 th & 8 th Boys |
| 13 | 4:00PM Home v. West - 5 th & 6 th Boys
4:00PM Whiteside v. West 5 th & 6 th Girls
6:00PM Home v. West - 7 th & 8 th Boys
TBD Whiteside v. West - 8 th Girls |
| 18 | 4:00PM Home v. Grant - 5 th & 6 th Girls
4:00PM Whiteside v. Grant - 5 th & 6 th Boys
6:00PM Home v. Grant - 8 th Girls
6:00PM Whiteside v. Grant - 7 th & 8 th Boys |
| 19 | 4:00PM Home v. Wesclin - 8 th Girls |
| 20 | 4:00PM Home v. EMGE - 5 th & 6 th Boys
4:00PM Whiteside v. EMGE - 8 th Girls
6:00PM Home v. EMGE - 7 th & 8 th Boys
6:00PM Whiteside v. EMGE - 8 th Girls |
| 24 | 4:00PM Home v. Central - 5 th & 6 th Boys
4:00PM Whiteside v. Central - 5 th & 6 th Girls
5:00PM Whiteside v. High Mount - 7 th & 8 th Boys |

Veterans Day Recognition Breakfast

When: Friday, November 7 at 8:30AM RSVP REQUIRED

Where: Whiteside Middle School

RSVP by November 4, 2025.



**Thank you for your service to
keep our school safe and free!**

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 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 VETERAN'S DAY!***

***JUST PLACE YOUR CANDY IN THE BIN LOCATED AT THE ELEMENTARY MPR
OR MIDDLE SCHOOL OFFICE EACH MORNING NOVEMBER 3RD-5TH.***

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

QUESTIONS? CONTACT MRS. BRUEGEMAN AT MAURA.BRUEGEMAN@WSSD115.ORG



The **Middle School Art Room** is looking for donations! We love to make **ART** with **FOUND** and Recycled Objects. Ms. McGehee is looking for bottle caps, recycled plastic food containers, lids, old buttons, cans, jars (especially cleaned baby food or yogurt jars), water bottles, and other knick-knacks. Help us breathe new life into something you might otherwise throw away.

