

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

1

Cheerleading Holiday Gift Drive (cont.)
NJHS Meeting

2

STEM Club Challenge

3

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

4

Math Team Meeting

5

6th Grade DARE Graduation 10:00AM in Gym
PTC Elementary School Gingerbread Night

8

Student Council Meeting 2:50 - 3:45 PM
PTC Monthly Meeting 6:00 PM

10

Cheerleading Holiday Gift Drive - Final Day

12

Middle School Hat Day & Donut Fundraiser

13

Wreaths Across America at Jefferson Barracks

15

NJHS Meeting

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STEM Club Challenge

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Early Dismissal (MS 1:45 PM, ES 2:00 PM)

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Math Team Meeting

19

End of 2nd Quarter
Elementary Winter Class Parties

22

No School - Winter Break
December 22 - January 5

6

School back in session

NO SCHOOL
WINTER BREAK



DECEMBER 22
-
JANUARY 5

*STUDENTS RETURN TUESDAY,
JANUARY 6, 2026*

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

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

Lucy Boland
Remington Buck
Mia Chandler
Gracie Finley
Amelia Franklin
Brian Guerrero-Marshall

Treasure Holmes
Olivia Kadlec
Adrian Leverston
Kinsley Lindner
Ruby Snowman
Zuri Williams

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

Randy Foston
Evelyn Remijan



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WHITESIDE BAND

Winter Band Concert December 18

featuring the 5th Grade Beginning Band, The 6th Grade Band, The Concert Band, and The Jazz Band.

We will have our annual cookie reception immediately following the concert.

Take note of these important dates:

January 12 All 8th Grade Honor Band at Belleville East

January 26 Belle Fair Band Festival (selected students)

March 13 Solo and Ensemble Contest (6th, 7th, and 8th grade)

April 14 National Anthem at the Cardinals Game (6th, 7th, and 8th grade)

May 2 Six Flags Music Festival (Concert band)



Guess what time it is?! Time to find your Eden's Army hat to wear for hat day Friday, December 12th!

Eden's Army is an organization founded in memory of baby Eden Neville.

Middle school students can wear their favorite hats and purchase Krispy Kreme doughnuts for \$1.00.

All money raised for Eden's Army goes to St. Louis Children's Hospital. Please be sure to watch the [video](#) about Eden's Army and learn about all the awesome things this foundation does.

Thank you for being a part of Eden's Army!!



STEAM CARNIVAL

Thursday, February 26, 2026

6:00 - 7:30 PM

Elementary School Gym

GLEE CLUB

Glee Club performs at the Whiteside Elementary Gingerbread Night on **Friday, December 5!** Wear your Glee Club shirt or a Christmas themed outfit. Meet in the Music room at 6:10 PM.

~Mrs. Keys
nicole.keys@wssd115.org



STAFF SHOUT OUTS

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

NOVEMBER

Troy Griffith

Pam Kaercher

IXL Fall Challenge

Congratulations to the following students for their hard work improving their Math and ELA skills.

Kindergarten



Mia Ahart



Jahseh Powell



Jonah McNeil



1st



Aubrey Hunt



Miles Taylor



Jaxson Tucker

5th



Trinity Clark



Laith Fares



Ibrahim Jadallah

2nd



Nova Lawson



Ramiah Kelly



Audrey Berry

6th



Aniyah Smith



Christian Parks



Dominic Lettau

3rd



Anchanlica Sourn



Emberly Tucker



Jackson Schultz

7th



Alexandra Parker



Lawrence Clark
& Hannah Lettau



Camden McErlain

4th



Naomi Tucker



Jamani Derisca



Cori Jones

8th



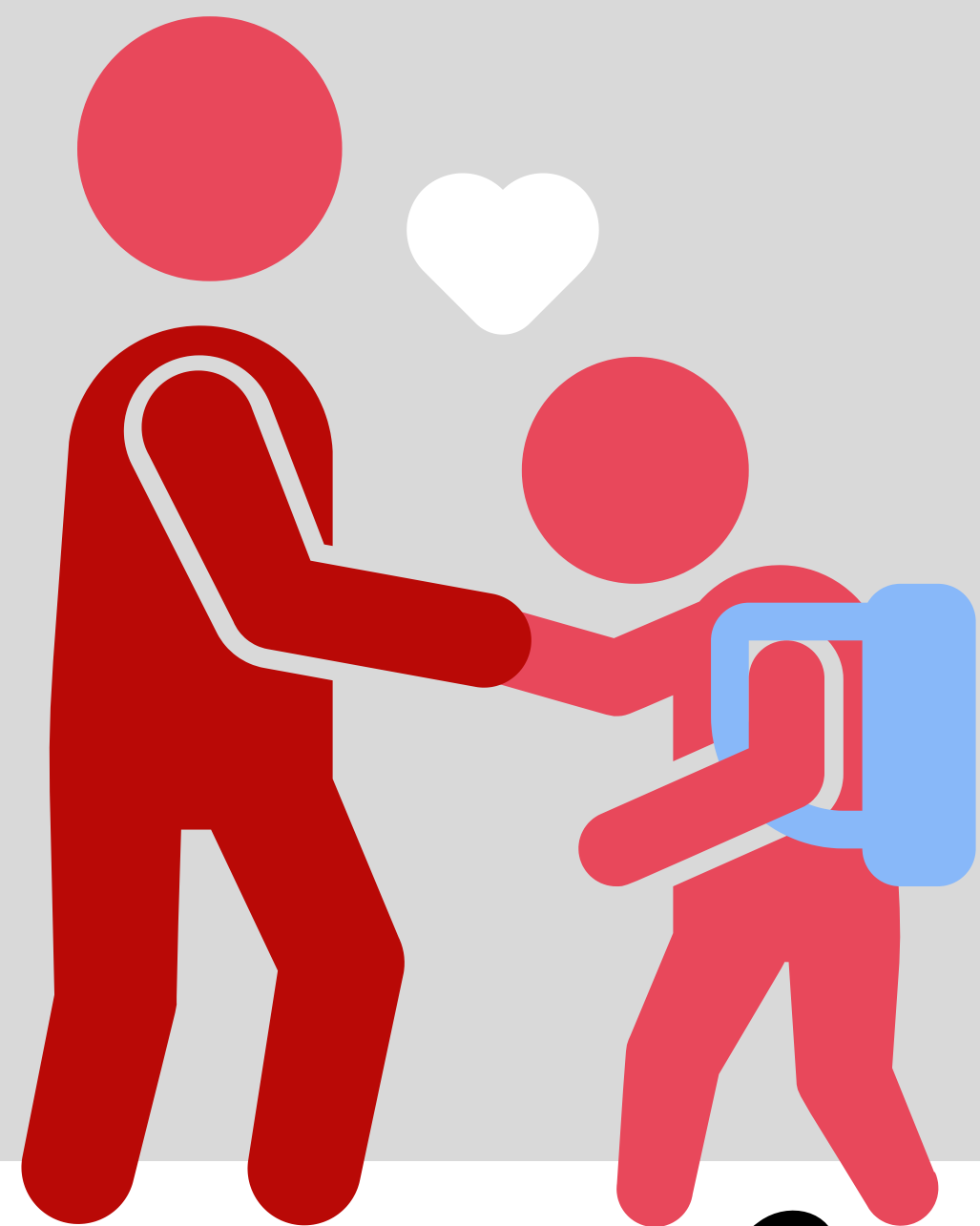
Nelson Bochantin



Jaxson Alexander



Zion Frazier



PTC CORNER

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Friday, December 5
 - Elementary School Gingerbread House Night
- Monday, December 8 - 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](#)
- Friday, December 19
 - Elementary School Winter Class Parties

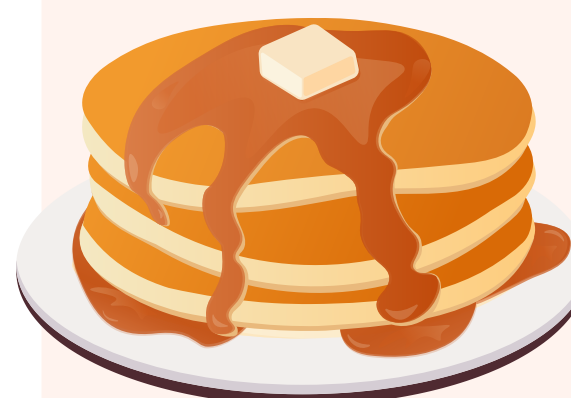
SAVE THE DATE

Monday, January 12

Monthly PTC Meeting
6 PM

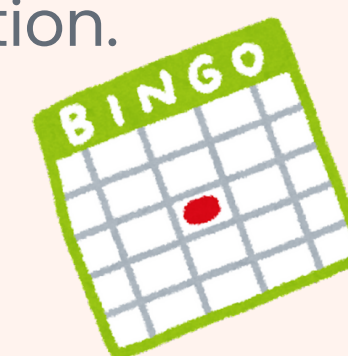
Saturday, January 24

Pancakes and Pajamas



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.



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28TH**

Show your Whiteside Spirit with your very own Whiteside T-shirt, sweatshirt, hoodies, pants and hats!

The Whiteside store will remain open through November 28. Estimated time of completion/shipping : December 18



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Athletic Arena

Sports Packets Due!

Sports packets are due on December 11th for any students wanting to tryout for Volleyball and Bowling. As a reminder, students **MUST** have a current physical on file, be in good academic standing, and have ALL fees paid to be eligible.

Basketball Stats

5th Girls 5-2
6th Girls 4-1-2
5th Boys 10-0
6th Boys 10-0
7th Boys 7-1
8th Boys 14-0
8th Girls 7-6



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, December 3rd - Booster Club Meeting in the MS lobby at 6pm



Sports Calendar

- 2** 4:00PM Home v. Wolf Branch - 5th & 6th Boys
4:00PM Whiteside v. Wolf Branch - 5th & 6th Girls
6:00PM Home v. Wolf Branch - 7th & 8th Boys
6:00PM Whiteside v. Wolf Branch - 8th Girls
- 3** 4:00PM Home v. Pontiac - 8th Girls
4:00PM Whiteside v. West - 5th & 6th Girls
6:00PM Whiteside v. Pontiac - 7th & 8th Boys
- 4** 4:00PM Home v. West - 5th & 6th Boys
6:00PM Whiteside v. Freeburg - 8th Girls
- 5** TBD 7th Boys Feeder at Belle Valley
- 6** TBD 7th Boys Feeder at Belle Valley
- 8** TBD 8th Girls Feeder at JAMS
TBD EMGE Tournament - 6th Boys
- 9** TBD 8th Girls Feeder at JAMS
TBD EMGE Tournament - 6th Boys
- 10** TBD 8th Girls Feeder at JAMS
TBD EMGE Tournament - 6th Boys
- 11** TBD 8th Girls Feeder at JAMS
TBD EMGE Tournament - 6th Boys
- 15** 4:30PM Whiteside v. Fulton - 7th & 8th Boys
- 17** 5:30PM Whiteside v. St. Clare - 7th & 8th Boys
6:00PM Home v. St. Clare - 8th Girls
- 20** TBD Carbondale SO Tournament - 8th Boys

Shout Out to the 7th & 8th Grade Boys Basketball Teams for being responsible and cleaning up after themselves at the Milton Wiley Tournament. Thank you for representing Whiteside well!



K.E.Y.S. Boys Mentoring Program

Visit from retired prison warden Sharlette Rodgers.

The Warden came out to talk with us about topics ranging from positive actions, peer pressure, the struggles our young men face daily, and staying on the right side of the law and out of prison. The boys locked in and asked all the right questions, leading to a great session. #KEYSTALK



HOLIDAY GIFT



DRIVE



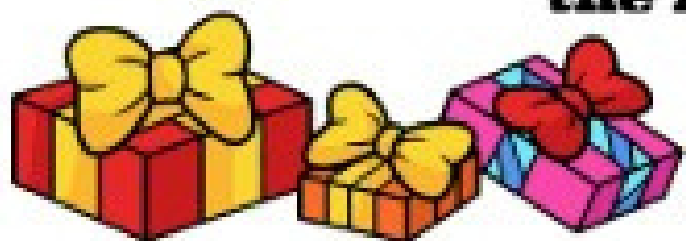
Sponsored by the Whiteside Cheerleaders

November 24-December 10

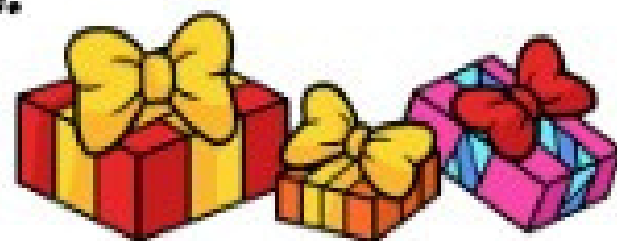
**Collecting new/unopened toys & gifts for children
ages 4-14.**

**All items collected will be distributed to families in
Whiteside School District.**

**Items can be dropped off in the Middle School Lobby or
the Elementary School Office.**



Ideas for Donation



Board Games
Art Supplies
Over the Ear Headphones
Crafts

Books
Squishmallows
Star Wars
Superheroes

Pokemon Cards
Fuzzy Socks
Winter hats
Winter gloves



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.





Wreath Sponsorship
Wreaths Across America
Saturday, December 13, 2025

Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery
2900 Sheridan Road
St. Louis, MO 63125

Whiteside Middle School will be participating in the National Wreaths Across America Day again this year at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery on Saturday, December 13, 2025. Our students will attend the ceremony and participate in the wreath laying.

If you would like to sponsor a wreath, please turn the flier into the middle school office no later than Tuesday, November 25, 2025, and then send your payment (cash or check made payable to Whiteside Middle School) into the middle school office by Friday, December 12, 2025.

Thank you for participating in the National Wreaths Across America Day!

Whiteside Education Foundation Fundraisers

Need groceries? Why not make them count for something bigger? **Until May 15, EVERY** Instacart Gift Card you buy through our fundraising page helps support Whiteside Education Foundation. Redeem it on the Instacart app for delivery or pickup nationwide from top stores like Target, Walmart, Costco, Safeway, Kroger, and CVS. Get all your groceries, snacks & essentials while giving back at the same time. Groceries that give back? Yes, please! Get yours here:



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