

DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR FEBRUARY 2, 2024

February is Black History Month, and to recognize this, we will be including a special quote each day.

“The time is always right to do what is right.”

—Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Walk of Champions - Dance Team! Our Whitnall Varsity Dance athletes placed 2nd in D3 pom and 6th in D2 hip hop at regionals, securing spots for both routines at WACPC Dance State. A special shoutout to our trio routine that competed at regionals for their State Placement – Calla Dombrowski, Sam Sengstock, and Evelyn Paulos – who received 5th place in the overall Duet/Trio category and claimed their 1st place spot for Trios statewide! Big props to our senior soloists – Hayden Jackson, Riley Jackson, and Rachel Thrift – who delivered standout performances in their solo routines this past weekend at regionals! Huge props to our hard working dancers and coaches, Julia Stasiewicz and Rachel Papez. Their dedication paid off, and we're proud to represent Whitnall at WACPC State tomorrow where the team is set to dominate!

Lift Club meets today from 3:00-4:00pm in the weight room. Check it out!

Join the Track & Field team! This no-cut spring sport starts in March. Come to an informational meeting about track & field on Monday, February 5, right after school in the multipurpose room. Contact Mrs. De Valk if you have any questions.

Costa Rica, 2025? - Love Spanish? Want to learn about Spanish speaking cultures? See how you can travel with friends and practice your Spanish language skills in beautiful Costa Rica in 2025! Bring your parents or guardians with you to an informational meeting next Wednesday, February 7, 6:30-7:30pm, in the library. Check the fliers around school for the QR code for details.

DECA is hosting a drive for Stuffed Animals For Emergencies (SAFE) next Thursday, February 8, at the Whitnall boys basketball game. Please bring unused stuffed animals to donate. You will get raffle tickets for each stuffed animal brought during the game.

Clubs/Activities

Lift Club meets on Tuesdays, 4:00-5:00pm, and Fridays, 3:00-4:00pm, in the weight room. Everyone is welcome – including staff – and there is a workout plan for beginners and off-season athletes or experienced lifters.

Geology Club will meet on Wednesday, February 7, and February 21, after school in room 256.

Dual Enrollment Academy - For students who will be seniors next year, there are still a couple of opportunities to learn more about MATC's Dual Enrollment Academy program. Check the posted flyers or the website calendar for a QR code for details on these sessions or go [here](#). Anyone interested in this program will need to submit an application in February, 2024.

Spring Sports Registration - Students who want to participate in a spring sport need to have a valid sports physical and have registered before the first date of practice or tryouts in order to participate:

- Baseball (Boys) - March 18 (Tryouts)
- Golf (Co-Ed) - March 25 (Practice starts)
- Soccer (Girls) - March 18 (Tryouts)
- Softball (Girls) - March 11 (Tryouts)
- Tennis (Boys) - March 25 (Practice starts)
- Track & Field (Boys and Girls) - March 4 (Practice starts)

College Visits - Representatives from universities periodically come to Whitnall. You need to sign up in the Counseling Office by noon the day before the visit if you want to attend.

- MATC, Mondays, 10:00am-12:00pm

Want a snack in the afternoon? Stop at the Snack Bite table at about 12:30 and after 7th hour and get something for only \$1.00. The students sell these outside The Cafe on the upper level.

The Charlie B's school store is open during all lunch hours. Come grab a snack, drink or some spirit wear! Charlie B's is located behind the cafeteria.

Military Visits - Representatives will be in the cafeteria during lunch periodically. Stop by their table to find out more and get your questions answered.

- Air Force - February 28
- Army National Guard - February 6, February 20
- Marines - February 13, February 27
- Navy - February 5

Order Your 2023-24 Yearbook - Order [here](#).

\$70 (Now-February 28, 2024)

\$80 (March 1-April 1, 2024)

The final deadline to place an order online is April 1. There is no guarantee yearbooks will be available if not ordered in advance. There will NOT be any reorders after the final deadline in early 2024.

Lost and Found - Check the lost and found cabinet in the main entrance for things you might be missing.

Activities Registration Required - If you are participating in a Whitnall High School activity or club, you need to register in Infinite Campus. Although there might not be a fee associated with a particular activity, all participating students – and parents – need to review and sign the Whitnall code of conduct which is part of the registration process.

Return Daily Chromebook Loaners - Students who have borrowed a chromebook from the Help Desk need to return it at the end of the school day. These are daily loaners to be used for one day. Fees will be added in Infinite Campus for those not returned.

Regarding Falcon Time, teachers or administration might assign you to a class. If you don't sign up for a Falcon Time, you will be assigned. You may be assigned to a silent study hall or "general study" that is not one of your classroom teachers. You need to go to the Falcon Time on your schedule that day or you will be marked absent. All same day Falcon Time change requests must go through the teacher. If you signed up for a Falcon Time yourself, you can change that up until the day before.

Health Room Process - If you are not feeling well, you first need to be excused from class and get a pass from your teacher to go to the Health Room. If that staff member feels you need to go home, your parent/guardian will be contacted. Do not just contact someone to come pick you up. If you are leaving the building, you need to check out at the main office window with Mrs. Beyer.

Help Desk - The Help Desk is located on the lower level in room 150. It is open for technology assistance on school days, 7:30am-3:00pm, or fill out a Help Desk ticket [here](#). A hall pass is REQUIRED when visiting during class time.

No Chromebook chargers loaned out - Make sure your Chromebook is charged every day. The Whitnall Helpdesk does not loan out chargers of any kind. If you need your laptop charged, bring it to room 150, and they will provide you a fully charged device while your own device charges. The Help Desk will not charge your personal electronics. Charge swaps and daily loaners are limited to three uses per month, repairs notwithstanding.

All Students - You need to scan your ID if you are coming in late or leaving early. This includes seniors with open campus so make sure you have your ID ready when you are at the window. If you lost your ID, there is a \$5.00 replacement fee. See Ms. Kolberg in the office if you need an ID.

Meal Account - When having breakfast and/or lunch at Whitnall High School, you will need your ID. Families can put money in their meal account through Infinite Campus or put cash or a check, made payable to Whitnall School District, in the lock box in the cafeteria or outside the district office. Make sure you have the student's first and last name and grade included.