DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR FEBRUARY 22, 2024

<u>George Washington's Birthday</u> - This observance day honors the first president of the United States for his efforts to create a new nation dedicated to the rights of the people. Washington was born February 22, 1732 and died in 1799.

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

"My humanity is bound up in yours, for we can only be human together." —Desmond Tutu

<u>Walk of Champions - Wrestling!</u> Congratulations to senior, Faith Pritzlaff, for qualifying for this year's Individual State Wrestling tournament held at the Kohl Center in Madison. Faith is a strong leader for the girls wrestling team, which had nine girls participate, the most ever. Faith is a two-time state placewinner, placing 4th in 2022 and 5th in 2023. She has a career record of 83-29. She comes into this year's state tournament as the 5th seeded wrestler in her bracket. Good Luck, Faith!

<u>If you attended Mrs. Callender's falcon time yesterday about youth apprenticeships,</u> the QR code doesn't work. Email Mr. Hermann for the forms at thermann@whitnall.com

<u>Seniors</u> - If you are a senior and have not yet sent Mrs. Freyer how you would like your name to be printed on your diploma, you need to do that by this Friday – that's tomorrow. If you don't respond by Friday, we will use the name as printed in Infinite Campus.

Clubs/Activities

<u>Lift Club</u> meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 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 Wednesdays, March 6 and March 20, after school in room 256.

<u>The Way</u>, a Christian club, will meet on February 23, from 7:00-7:30am in room 110 (the computer lab downstairs).

The Whitnall Area Bowling Club saw a record number of kids at tryouts (20). We were able to field a Varsity team and two JV teams - the most in the history of the 16 year program. Our teams were built with a total of eight seniors, two juniors, two sophomores and eight freshmen. Our JV teams developed their skills throughout the year and were able to get some valuable experience with some wins against some pretty good teams. Varsity members all improved their bowling while competing to win the division that we struggled to be .500 in last year. Our biggest moment was beating Pius at Lucky Lanes to tie up the division in early January. Pius has won the division the last couple years and has a very good caliber of bowlers. We won a couple more must needed matches and had a position round to determine the division winner and a state bid against that same Pius team on January 27. Unfortunately, the pins did not fall in our favor that day, and we finished 2nd in the division, just missing a state bid.

Our JV teams bowled very well during the JV conference tournament, but just missed out on placing that day. Our Varsity team led qualifying (15 games) during the Varsity conference tournament all day, and while they bowled great, they fell just shy of first place by four pins, but still took a well deserved second place!

The final week of our high school season was this past Saturday with the Individual Scholarship Tournament. This was an optional tournament for the individuals to make some scholarship money. We had 11 bowlers attend in different categories based on skill level. We had two freshmen that took second place in their respective divisions which was awesome to see with the number of kids bowling this event.

Below are some individual accolades from the season:

Preston Hubacz finished as the first alternate to State (17th out of 164 boys in Varsity) Nyla Duzon finished as the first alternate to State (10th out of 94 girls in Varsity) Nyla Duzon, Second Team All District

Preston Hubacz, Second Place scratch division scholarship tournament Eliezer Hauer, Second Place handicap division 2 scholarship tournament

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.

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:

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

<u>College Visits</u> - 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, Thursday, February 22, 10:00-12:00pm

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.

<u>The Charlie B's</u> 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.

<u>Military Visits</u> - 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, April 24
- Army National Guard March 5, March 19, April 2, April 16, May 5, May 21, June 4
- Marines February 27, April 9, April 23, May 14, May 28
- Navy March 4, April 1, May 6, June 3

Lost and Found - Check the lost and found table outside the office for things you might be missing.

<u>Activities Registration Required</u> - 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.

<u>Return Daily Chromebook Loaners</u> - Students who have borrowed a chromebook from the Help Desk need to return it at the end of the school day. These are <u>daily</u> 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.

<u>Check for Scholarships</u> - Students, remember to check Xello for a listing of scholarships. New ones are added periodically.

<u>Health Room Process</u> - 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.

<u>All Students</u> - 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.