

## **DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR APRIL 19, 2024**

*Patriots Day marks the date in 1775 when shots were fired in Lexington, beginning the Revolutionary War.*

### **Walk of Champions - Forensics!**

Your award-winning Forensics team has had a very successful season, with three speakers advancing to State at DeForest High School tomorrow. Forensics is a competitive speaking team where students perform interpretive/acting pieces or deliver speeches of different genres. Our State competitors are Valerie Borysenko and Milica Petricevic in solo acting, and Paisley Tonkinson in special occasion speaking. Help us celebrate these very talented speakers before their last performance!

### **National Honor Society - 2024-25 Officers are:**

President: Ella Radke

Vice President: Sadie Rios

Secretary: Emiliano Sanchez- Quintanilla

Treasurer: Elias Argyres

Historian: Maya Siettmann

**Whitnall Dance Team Dance Clinic** - The Whitnall Dance Team is hosting a dance clinic for Whitnall students who will be in grades 6-12 next year, regardless of experience level. The clinic is being held April 29-May 1. It's a fantastic chance for attendees to meet the team, learn new skills, and, for those in high school, to prepare for Varsity tryouts on May 2-4. Click [here](#) for additional information and to register.

- **Dates:** April 29-May 1
- **Time:** 5:30 - 8:30pm
- **Location:** Whitnall High School in Main Gym

**Whitnall Varsity Dance Team Tryouts** are scheduled for May 2-4 and are open to all interested students. Participants will have the opportunity to showcase their talent and dedication while auditioning for either our Game Day Team or Competition Team.

- **Dates and Times:** May 2-4, 2024
- **Location:** Whitnall High School Main Gym

Go [here](#) for information about the Dance Clinic, the team and tryouts.

### **Calling all candy lovers! Whitnall High School is putting on Roald Dahl's "Willy Wonka" on May 3-5.**

There will be Oompa Loompas, a mysterious Wonka, Golden Tickets, and kids with a big sweet tooth. Tickets are \$7 for students, and \$15 for others. Find the link to get your tickets on the website or [here](#).

**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

**For Seniors - 7th Grade Mud Run Helpers Needed** - Seniors, Whitnall Middle School 7th grade is still looking for help with their annual Mud Run at the end of the year (Friday, May 24). It's set to take place after lunch until the end of the school day with set-up happening on May 23. This will be considered a student

volunteer opportunity. Please sign up soon [here](#) if you are potentially interested in helping set up May 23rd, or helping run stations so they know how to plan. They will send a follow-up email if they have a job for you! Further details will be communicated in the coming weeks/months. If you have any questions, contact [aannacchino@whitnall.com](mailto:aannacchino@whitnall.com).

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

### **Clubs/Activities**

Geology Club will meet on May 1, May 15 and May 29, after school in room 256.

The Red Cross Club meets tomorrow morning at 7:00am in room 273 and every Thursday. Thank you to all that donated blood and helped save lives!

The Way, a Christian club, will meet on Friday, April 26, from 7:00-7:30am in room 110 (the computer lab downstairs).

**In December, REDgen organized a Teen Mental Health First Aid training** which gave the participants the resources to support anyone who may be going through a mental health crisis, or who may simply want support with their mental health. If you see a red ribbon tied to someone's backpack, know they have completed this training, and are there to support whatever you may be going through. These could be struggles internally, such as stress or anxiety, or externally, such as friendships or substance misuse; whatever support you need, we're here for you! These conversations will be completely confidential, unless you believe you would hurt yourself or someone else, then we'll help you find a trusted adult. *See a red ribbon, know we're here to listen!*

**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 - April 24
- Army National Guard - May 5, May 21, June 4
- Marines - April 23, May 14, May 28
- Navy - May 6, June 3

**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.

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

**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.