

WHITESIDE SCHOOL DISTRICT #115

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WHITESIDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

MR. NATHAN RAKERS, PRINCIPAL

MRS. KIM BOSSLER, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

WHITESIDE MIDDLE SCHOOL

MRS. MONICA LAURENT, PRINCIPAL

MR. JAIME COTTO, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 2 Labor Day - NO SCHOOL
- 4 Early Dismissal (MS 1:45 PM, ES 2:00 PM)
- 9 Donuts with Grown Ups - 7:45 AM - 6th Graders
PTC Monthly Meeting - 6:00 PM
- 16 Donuts with Grown Ups - 7:45 AM - 7th Graders
NJHS Meeting
- 18 Early Dismissal (MS 1:45 PM, ES 2:00 PM)
- 20 Donuts with Grown Ups - 7:45 AM - 8 Graders
PTC Camp Out
- 21 PTC Camp Out
- 30 Elementary School Book Fair
NJHS Meeting

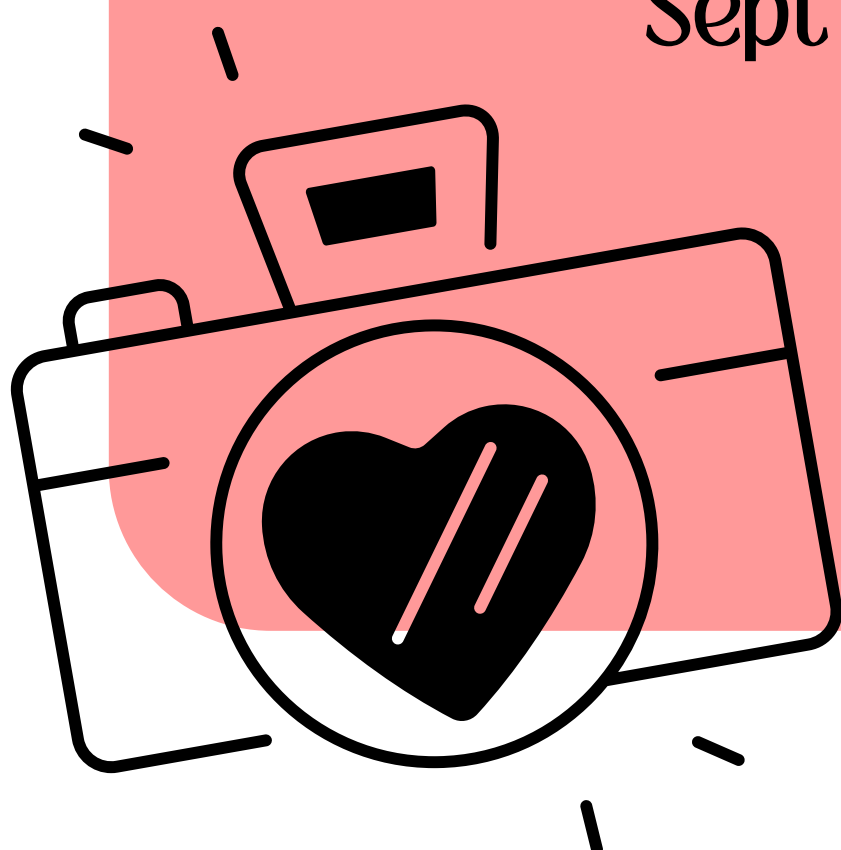


**NO SCHOOL
SEPTEMBER 2
LABOR DAY**

PICTURE DAY!

Elementary and Middle School Pictures

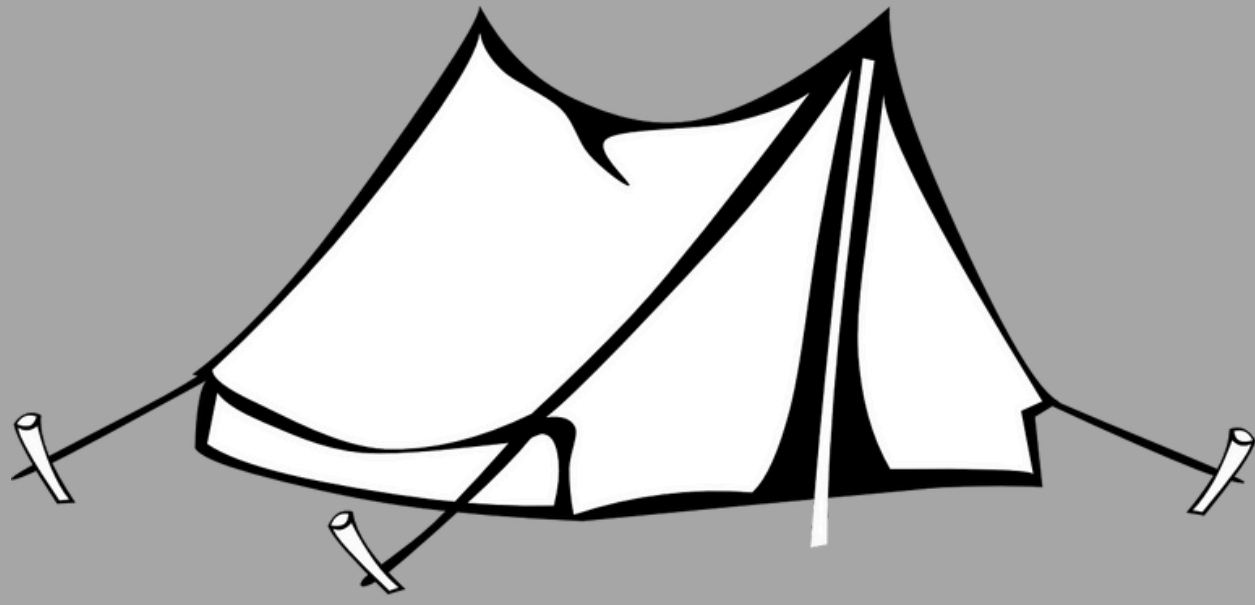
Sept 27th!



Thank you S.O.S. Lunch Supporters!

We at Whiteside wish to express our sincere appreciation to Cornerstone Christian Church, Belleville First Church of the Nazarene, Faith Family Church, Towerview Baptist Church, and Living Hope for their volunteer efforts and generosity provided thousands of nutritious meals to families in our district. If you have questions or wish to make a contribution, contact the office.

We also appreciate the NJHS members and the many teachers/staff members for faithfully showing up every day. With everyone's help, great things were accomplished again this summer.



Whiteside Family Camp Out

When: Friday, September 20, 2024 until Saturday, September 21, 2024 @ 9:00 AM. Setup starts at 4:30 PM. (Rain Date is Friday, September 27, No Refunds)

What: A Tent/Camper camp out on the elementary school grass (bring your own tent or camper) (All generators must be OFF from 10pm - 7am)

Who: This event is open to Whiteside Elementary Families only

Food: Hot Dog, chips, and a drink will be included for Friday's dinner. Donut, juice, and coffee breakfast will be provided Saturday morning. *Bring your own items for s'mores, camping and lawn chairs.

Activities: Games, Kickball, bags, washers, bonfire, friendship, FUN, and much more!

Cost: \$5.00 per person

Registration: Be sure to complete reservation form by Friday, September 6th at <https://whiteside-family-campout-2024.cheddarup.com/>



Please contact Heather Ziats or Cassie Downs with any questions!

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September - Student of the Month

Congratulations to the following elementary student who was selected by their teachers for showing Respect!

Aubrey Hunt.....Amardy Alvarado
Floyd Mayhue.....Reese Doyle
Zaya Adkins.....River McMillian
Caleb Logan.....Ben Edwards
Finnegan Boykin.....Leen Dannoon
Makacia Smith.....Braelyn Yates



GLEE CLUB!

Glee Club Rehearsals are to begin the week of Sept. 9th. Students will receive Glee Club Shirt order forms Prior to this first rehearsal. Shirt order forms & money Due Sept. 13th. Don't forget to sign up for Glee Club in REMIND app for Glee Club Reminders and Notifications.



Glee Club Rehearsal Times

Second Grade - Mondays 12:20-12:42

Third Grade - Tuesdays 11:52-12:15

Fourth Grade - Thursdays 12:30- 12:55



NJHS Blood Drive

NJHS is hosting a blood drive on Wednesday, September 25th with Impact Life. The drive will be from 2:30 to 5:30 in the Middle School MPR. People interested in donating need to make an appointment online. Use the website:

https://login.bloodcenter.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/119238



STEM

Applications for 6th - 8th grade are due by Sept 4th!

Meetings will be held every 2nd and 4th Monday.

Upcoming September Meets

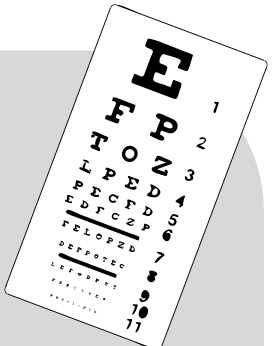
September 9th and 23rd.

Character Coaches at the Middle School

Ms. Selliers and Mrs. Spiller are looking for 6th, 7th, and 8th graders who show good character and want to make a positive impact on our school. If you are interested in joining Character Coaches after school club, pick up an application from your homeroom teacher today. Applications are due September 13th.



NURSES' NOTES



WELCOME TO THE 2024-2035 SCHOOL YEAR! WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO A GREAT YEAR WITH STUDENTS AT BOTH BUILDINGS! WE HAVE JUST A FEW REMINDERS FOR ALL FAMILIES.

- **ALL MEDICATION NEEDS TO HAVE PAPERWORK ON FILE WITH THE NURSE TO BE ADMINISTERED AT SCHOOL.**
- **PLEASE MAKE SURE TO GET ANY UPDATED PHYSICALS OR IMMUNIZATIONS TURNED IN TO THE NURSES ASAP.**
- **MILES OF SMILES WILL BE AT THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 10/15 AND 10/16/2024 AND AT THE MIDDLE SCHOOL ON 10/17/24. PLEASE WATCH FOR A DENTAL CONSENT FORM AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION COMING HOME WITH YOUR STUDENT SOON.**
- **DON'T DELAY GETTING THOSE VISION EXAMS SCHEDULED. IF YOUR CHILD IS IN KINDERGARTEN, OR ENROLLED IN AN ILLINOIS SCHOOL FOR THE FIRST TIME, A VISION EXAM MUST BE ON FILE BY OCTOBER 15TH. VISION EXAMS MUST BE DATED 10/16/24 OR LATER.**
- **THE ANNUAL CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY EVENT WILL TAKE PLACE ON 9/21/24 FROM 9:00 A.M. TO 12:00 P.M. AT THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. CERTIFIED CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY TECHNICIANS WILL BE AVAILABLE TO CHECK CAR SEAT INSTALLATION, ENSURE YOUR CHILD IS RIDING IN THE PROPER SEAT AND ANSWER QUESTIONS ABOUT VEHICLE SAFETY. THIS EVENT IS FREE AND OPEN TO EVERYONE IN THE COMMUNITY.**
- **NURSE HEATHER IS ALWAYS IN NEED OF BOYS AND GIRLS PANTS SIZES 6-16. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO DONATE PANTS, YOU CAN DO SO TO THE ELEMENTARY OFFICE, OR BY SENDING THEM WITH YOUR STUDENT TO SCHOOL.**
- **NURSE CRYSTAL IS IN NEED OF BOYS AND GIRLS PANTS FOR THE MIDDLE SCHOOL.**

WE LOOK FORWARD TO A HEALTHY SCHOOL YEAR WITH YOUR STUDENTS!

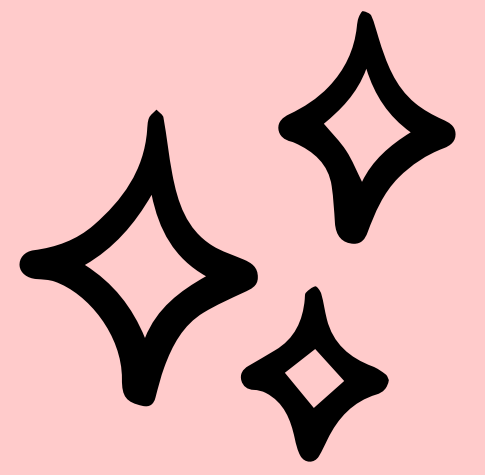
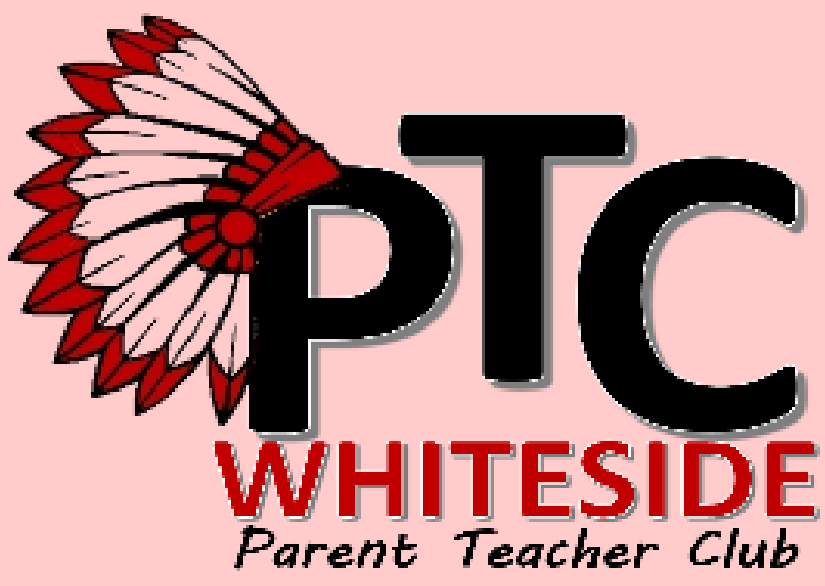
-NURSE HEATHER AND NURSE CRYSTAL

Extended School Program

ESP is currently on a wait list.

Parents can email me at

jenna.bennett@wssd115.org for further questions.



PTC Corner



UPCOMING EVENTS

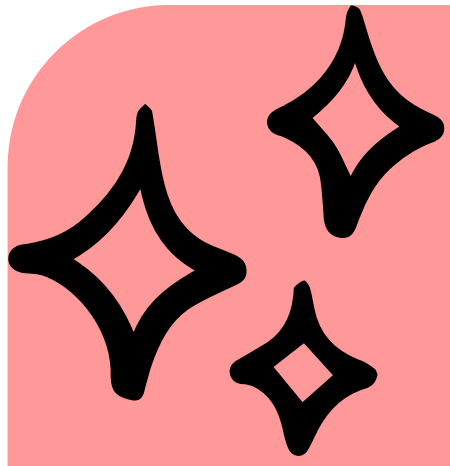
- Friday, September 6th
 - 6th Grade Donuts with Grownups
 - 7:15 am - 7:45 am
 - MS Lobby
- Monday, September 9th
 - Monthly PTC Meeting
 - 6:00 pm
 - MS Library
- Friday, September 13
 - 7th Grade Donuts with Grownups
 - 7:15 am - 7:45 am
 - MS Lobby
- Friday, September 20
 - 8th Grade Donuts with Grownups
 - 7:15 am - 7:45 am
 - MS Lobby
 - Whiteside Family Campout (Elementary)
 - 4:30 pm - 9:00 am (see section above for more details)
- Monday, September 30 - Friday, October 4
 - Elementary Fall Book Fair

Save the Date

- Wednesday, October 2
 - Spaghetti Dinner
 - 4:30 - 7:00
 - Glee Club performance
- Friday, October 18
 - Trunk or Treat
- Monday, October 21
 - PTC Monthly Meeting 6 pm
- Thursday, October 31
 - Fall Class Parties

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.
- To provide the supplies needed, each classroom collects \$10 for every student to support these parties. If you haven't done so for K-4th graders, please submit your child's \$10 today!
- <https://2023-2024-class-party-payment-copy.cheddarup.com/>
 - The first class to 98% before September 9th will earn a pizza party!
 - Cash in an envelope with your child's name and teacher on it can also be turned into the office.



Spaghetti Dinner

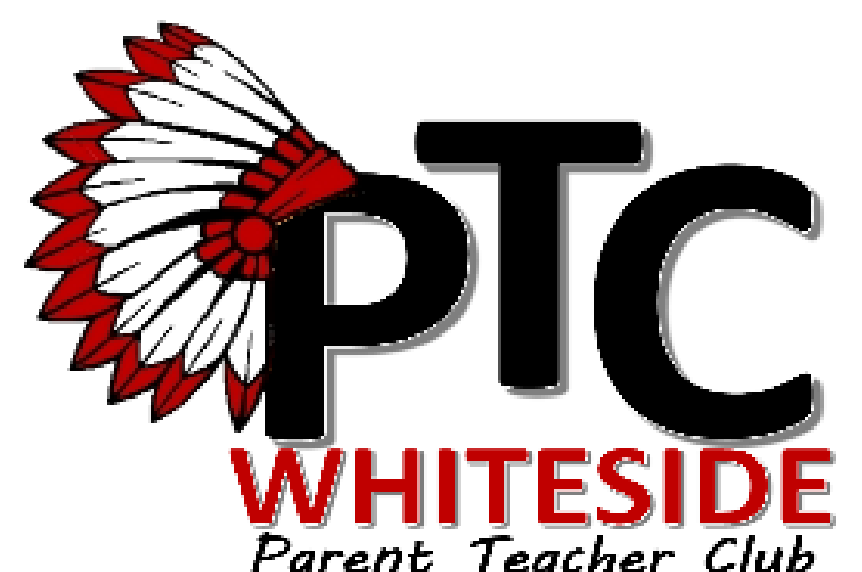
Please join us on Wednesday, October 2, 2024 at Whiteside Elementary School Cafeteria and MPR (Multi-Purpose Room) between 430-7p. We will be offering both dine in and carry out options. The Middle School Band will perform at 530p and Elementary Glee Club will perform at 630p. Book fair will also be OPEN!

Spaghetti Dinner includes Spaghetti with meatballs, salad, bread, drink and dessert

Adults are \$12 each and Children (12 and under) are \$6/each. Order your tickets today!

<https://2024-spaghetti-dinner-whiteside-ptc.cheddarup.com/>

The PTC is also looking for soda donations for our annual Spaghetti Dinner. The top class that donate the most packs (12 cans) of name brand soda before September 30th will be treated with a party. Soda can be dropped off at the office. Be sure to attach a note with your student's teacher's name on the packages. Thanks for your support!



Athletic Area

Thank you Spring Sports Coaches!

We finished up an amazing Track and Golf season this spring. Thank you to all of our spring coaches

Cheerleading Tryouts

Be on the lookout for upcoming tryout dates!

Fall Sports

September 27th

2024-2025 Sports Packets

Sports Packets will be available on the website and in the Middle School office. All students must have a new 2024-2025 packet turned into the office to try out for any and all sports in the 2024-2025 school year.

-Athletic Director Joe Glynn

WHITESIDE NIGHT AT GATEWAY GRIZZLIES



September 10, 2024

Baseball Game Begins at 4:30

Softball Game to follow

- Whiteside Baseball and Softball Teams will be playing at Grizzlie Stadium against Belle Valley
- Two games for the price of one ticket. Each ticket is \$5.00. Children 3 and over must have a ticket. Children two and under get in free but do not receive their own seat.
- Middle School students have the opportunity to take a Fan Bus.
- Contact Athletic Director, Joe Glynn, with questions about ordering tickets to attend



September Games

- 3 4:00 PM Whiteside vs. Milstadt Cross Country @ Belleville West
- 4:15 PM Whiteside v. Wolf Branch Baseball
- 4 4:15 PM Home vs. Columbia ICS Baseball
- 4:15 PM Home vs. Milstadt Softball
- 5 4:15 PM Home vs. Summersville Baseball
- 9 4:15 PM Home vs. St. Clare
- 10 4:15 PM Whiteside v. Belle Valley (Gateway)
- 11 4:15 PM Home vs Albers/Dville Baseball
- 4:15 PM Whiteside vs. Wesclin Softball
- 12 4:15 PM Home vs. Emge Baseball
- 13 4:00 PM Whiteside vs. Freeburg Cross Country @ Freeburg
- 16 4:00 PM Whiteside vs. Triad Cross Country @Triad HS
- 17 4:15 PM Whiteside vs. Grant Baseball
- 18 4:15 PM Home vs. Columbia Baseball
- 19 4:15 PM Home vs. Central Baseball
- 21 10:00 AM BIG MEET @ SIUE Campus
- 25 4:00 PM Whiteside vs. Carriel/Fulton @ O'Fallon Milburm

Booster Club

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

- Wednesday, September 27th - Booster Club Meeting in the MS lobby. 6pm



BAND



Announcements

The 5th Grade is in the process of signing up and selecting instruments for the Beginning Band. Forms went out August 30 and need to be returned by Friday, September 6. All band students will need to have an instrument by September 16. More information about how to get an instrument will be sent home to students who sign up for band after they have picked the instrument they want to play.

All District Band auditions for both the ILMEA Jazz Band and ILMEA Concert Band must be submitted by video by October 2. We have worked on some of the music during class but students can sign up for extra help with Mrs. Korak after school to prepare this music for the audition. Students selected for the Honor Jazz Band will perform in the All District Jazz Festival on November 9. Students selected for the Honor Concert Band will perform at the District festival on November 23. We have some very talented students and I would encourage them to try-out for these opportunities.

The Concert Band (7th and 8th Grade) will have their first performance on September 21 as they join other future lancers in a combined performance with the Belleville East Marching Band. Students will be performing for the pre-game of the football game.

The 6th Grade Band and Concert Band will be performing at the Spaghetti Dinner on October 2 at the elementary school.

