

SUPERINTENDENT FAMILY BULLETIN OCTOBER 16, 2022

GREETING

Hey, Bobcats! I hope everyone had an enjoyable weekend! We continue to experience the typical Michigan "rollercoaster" weather with high temperatures in the upper 40s and a chance of snowflakes early this week, and then lower 70s and sunshine by the weekend! If the forecast for the weekend holds, I hope you can plan some outdoor activities as the mild weather will not last much longer.

As a reminder, October is National Principals Month! If you haven't already done so, I hope each family and/or student can consider a way in which to celebrate our fine principals for their hard work and efforts! These leaders go above and beyond each and every day for the students, staff, and families of our great district. Though this recognition is not expected by our principal team, let's please consider a small act of appreciation. It can be as simple as taking the time to write a handwritten note (little learners can draw/color a picture), a heartfelt email, or a small gift. Thank you to Ms. Marcy Anderson, Mr. Jeremy Fielder, and Mr. Jeremy Simmons for their on-going leadership and dedication!

BOND PROJECTS UPDATE

Our bond projects continue to make great progress after the delivery of the electrical gear in late August. The delay in receiving the gear pushed back the opening of the new art, band, choir, and weight room addition. The construction team is finalizing all interior finishes, completing all systems startup and commissioning processes, and preparing for installation of new furniture in the next couple of weeks in preparation for final inspections and building occupancy in early November. The new gymnasium and locker room addition is nearing building enclosure with the onset of winter weather with final completion set for July 2023. For details regarding the Bond Project, please visit the <u>School Bond</u> Information page on our website.

WHITEFORD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION - MEET THE CANDIDATE

The Whiteford Community Association will be hosting a Meet the Candidate event at St Michael Lutheran Church on October 25th at 7:00 pm. The church is located at 5790 W. Temperance Rd, Ottawa Lake MI, at the corner of Whiteford Center and Temperance Rd. This event will give residents an opportunity to meet and hear from the candidates running for Whiteford School board. A candidate introduction period will be followed by a timed question and answer session. An open floor discussion will follow, time permitting.

CELEBRATE WHITEFORD CARD

We want to celebrate the commitment and outstanding acts of kindness and charity of our school family by recognizing individuals who positively make a difference. This is a way to make the invisible - visible! As a parent or community member, you can also join in the attitude of gratitude by completing a card for any staff member. Celebrate Whiteford Cards can be obtained in either school office or the Superintendent's office. Just complete it, and leave it with the administrative assistant.

INFINITE CAMPUS

This summer, we have worked hard to develop ways to make the beginning-of-year completion of forms easier and less time consuming for our families. Many of the forms and agreements that were mailed in the past have now been "digitized" and can be accessed through our website or Infinite Campus. **This process will be replacing Registration Day Packets for 6-12th grades and the Emergency Cards for K-12th grades.** Please take a few moments to familiarize yourself with the information outlined in this <u>letter</u>. We hope that you will find it helpful as we start a new school year. The **ACTION STEPS** for each family are outlined in the letter.

BREAKFAST/LUNCH MENUS

https://whiteford.nutrislice.com/menu

SCHOOL CALENDAR

2022-2023 School Calendar

THIS WEEK

- October 17 MS Volleyball at Britton Deerfield 5:15pm
- October 17 JVB Volleyball at Emmanuel Baptist Christian 5:30pm
- October 17 JV Football at Erie Mason 6pm
- October 18 Varsity/MS Cross Country at Hudson (TCC Jamboree) 4:30pm
- October 18 Varsity/JVG Volleyball at Summerfield 5pm
- October 18 MS Football at North Central 6pm (8th Grade)
- October 18 Whiteford Parent Association (WPA) Meeting 6pm Elementary Cafeteria
- October 19 MS Football vs Erie Mason 4:30pm (7th Grade)
- October 20 Varsity/JVB Volleyball vs Britton Deerfield 5pm
- October 21 Dollar Hat Day MS Yearbook Fundraiser
- October 21 JR Bobcats Volleyball 3pm
- October 21 Varsity Football vs North Central 7pm
- October 22 TCC Flag Football at Whiteford
- October 22 Varsity Volleyball at Hudson 8am
- October 22 MS Volleyball at Sand Creek 8am
- October 22 Varsity Cross country at Airport Invite 12:30pm

NEXT WEEK

- October 24-28 Red Ribbon Week
- October 24 Hearing & Vision Screening (MS/HS)
- October 24-25 Hearing & Vision Screening (Elementary)
- October 25 Meet the Candidate (Sponsor: Whiteford Community Association) 7pm St. Michael Luthern
- October 28 Dollar Hat Day MS Yearbook Fundraiser

UPCOMING

- October 31 Half-Day Early Release MS/HS 11am, Elementary 11:10am
- October 31 Teacher Professional Development 12-3pm
- November 1 HS Band/Choir Concert 7pm High School Gymnasium
- November 4 End of 1st Marking Period
- November 6 Daylight Savings Time Ends
- November 10 Half-Day Early Release MS/HS 11am, Elementary 11:10am
- November 10 Parent-Teacher Conferences 12-3pm & 4-7pm

We are better together - We are Whiteford!

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