

Academic Decathlon Moves on to Nationals

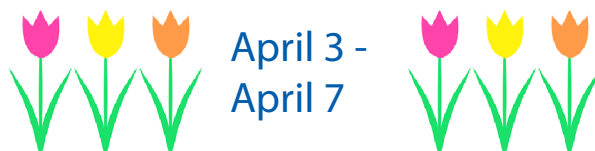
Congratulations to the Westhill Academic Decathlon Team who earned first place at the State competition to become the New York State Champions. The team competed at West Genesee High School against teams from West Genesee, Tully, Cazenovia and Jamesville-Dewitt.

Congratulations to Karlie McGann, who was a Trevor Cook Award winner (given to a student who demonstrates dedication and positive character traits). Several students won individual medals including: Karlie McGann (Honors Division: 1 gold medal, 1 silver medal, 2 bronze medals), Bodie Centore (Honors Division: 1 silver medal, 3 bronze medals), Andy Sondej (Scholastic Division: 1 gold medal, 1 silver medal), Izzy Leonardo (Scholastic Division: 1 gold medal, 1 silver medal, 2 bronze medals), Rachel Evans (Scholastic Division: 2 gold medals, 2 silver medals), Katie Hagrman (Varsity Division: 3 gold medals, 1 silver medal, 2 bronze medals), Ian Centore (Varsity Division: 3 gold medals, 2 silver medals, and 1 bronze medal), Sike Ajagbe (Alternate Division: 2 gold medals), and Laney Siple (Alternate Division: 1 gold medal).

Congratulations to the entire team, and good luck as they move on to the 2023 USAD Nationals!



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Walberta Park School

Kindness Challenge

During our “Kindness Challenge Week”, Walberta Park students donated and helped pack up boxes of food for St. Charles Food Pantry.



Spreading Kindness

Kindergarten and first grade students made Valentine cards and suncatchers for the residents at the Loretto Nursing Home. The residents enjoyed the sentiment, and their holiday was made even more special by the children’s gifts.



Force and Motion

Kindergartners have been having a blast learning about Force and Motion. In this latest science unit, students are exploring and testing what happens to objects when they change position, change speed and have a force exerted on them. In the photo, you will see the force of “wind” on the pinwheel and what happens. Students from Mrs. DeStefano’s class recorded their time walking and changed speed to see what happens to the distance traveled! Students also played with a variety of toys to describe the movement, like spinning, gliding and rolling.



Celebrating Kindness

As part of the Walberta Promise they recite each morning, WPS students promise to be kind. During the month of February, they took extra steps to be kind by helping here at school and around their homes. Pictured is Mrs. DeStefano’s kindergarten class under the kindness tree. The tree was made with hearts that students’ families sent in to school telling about a kind act of the students.



Cherry Road School

Read Across America Day

Second graders celebrated Read Across America Day by reading and analyzing some of the adults in our rooms favorite texts throughout the day. It was a great way to share our love for reading and learn more about each other in the process.



Math Games

That's right, playing games you have lying around the house can help your child learn math in a fun way. Students at Cherry Road learned about subtraction when playing Yeti in my Spaghetti. Do you know how many noodles are in the game? Students used that number to find out how many noodles were left when the Yeti fell in the bowl. Mrs. McDermott is always looking for fun games that can be played at home to learn math. So far, we've used Trouble, Perfection, War and Pop-Its. If you have a game you think would make a good math game, let her know!



Yoga Club

Namaste from 3rd Grade Yoga Club with Mrs. Hollis-Breen and Ms. Forty!



PS I Love You at CRS

Students and staff wore purple in order to foster kindness and a welcoming environment and educate others that mental health is just as important as physical health.



Cherry Road and Onondaga Hill Middle Schools

Valentine's Day

Students in Ms. Tooley's room celebrated the power of love on Valentine's Day with some snacks and an activity at their class party!



Science Olympiad

Congratulations to this year's Science Olympiad team who competed in the regional competition on Saturday, March 4th at the North Syracuse Junior High. Students completed in teams of two in a variety of topics including Meteorology, Dynamic Planet, Astronomy, Rocks and Minerals, Road Scholar, Disease Detectives and more. The team has been preparing for the completion since November.

Members of this year's team include 9th graders Kayleigh King, Andrew Sadowski and Alex Tyszka; 8th graders Austin Choe, Samantha Colangelo, Lucas DeLine, Teagan Kelly, Mary Kinney, Sam Vashchishin and Owen Wilmot and 7th graders Andrew Athanas, Danny Carroll, Reagan Dixon, Dean Francisco, Danny Ganley, Leo Ritz, Will Tyszka and Winnie Zheng. Special recognition goes to the following students for their strong performances:

1st Place

Dynamic Planet - Samantha Colangelo and Mary Kinney
Green Generation - Andrew Sadowski and Alex Tyszka
Write it Do it - Alex Tyszka and Will Tyszka

4th Place

Codebusters - Lucas DeLine and Winnie Zheng

6th Place

Flight - Samantha Colangelo, Reagan Dixon and Mary Kinney

2nd Place

Meteorology - Danny Carroll and Alex Tyszka

3rd Place

Rocks and Minerals - Andrew Athanas, Dean Francisco, Kayleigh King and Leo Ritz



Special thanks to all the parents, Mr. Bednarski and Mrs. Ta for their support and assistance this year, we couldn't have done it without you. Congratulations on another successful season. Any students in grades 7-9 who enjoy science, solving puzzles and building contraptions, should consider joining next year's team. See Mrs. Derrenbacher for more information.

Onondaga Hill Middle School

PS I Love You Day

On February 17, OHMS celebrated PS I Love You Day. The day was filled with fun activities that promote positive mental health. In the morning, motivational and inspirational speaker, Marc Mero, presented his personal journey of the ups and downs of his life to all students. Students and staff were very grateful and touched by his insightful, thoughtful story.

During the day, students wrote positive messages to their classmates, and also reflected and wrote about their goals for the future on purple hearts which they hung around all over the school.

The day ended with over 20 workshops in which students were able to participate in. Some of the workshops were African drumming, hot cocoa and crafts, button making, therapy dog, Yemen and Filipino cultures, The Amazing Race, virtual presentation with Casey Rogers and cup stacking, just to name a few. Students enjoyed these activities before going home for February break. Thank you to our high school volunteers from Character Ed who assisted with these workshops.



Special thanks to Mrs. Derrenbacher, Mrs. Maglente and Mrs. Rogers for organizing this amazing event. It was a great experience for OHMS!

OHMS Math Team

On March 17, the OHMS Math Team competed in their final competition at Camillus Middle School. The team consisted of seventh graders; Will Tyszka, Evan Chaddock, Stone Jaquint, Jade Eldred and Winnie Zheng. A special congratulations to Stone, who placed 1st overall, and Winnie, who placed 3rd. Great job, team!



Onondaga Hill Middle School

Students of the Month

January

5th Grade: Khloie Kelly displays many P2 traits on a daily basis. She is kind, honest and caring. She can always be counted on to be doing the right thing. Khloie hopes to become a teacher someday. She is off to a good start with the way she is always willing to help her classmates, and she often goes the extra mile to help her teachers as well. Khloie, your teachers appreciate your positive attitude and the smile that is always on your face!

6th Grade: Jack Cook is a respectful, kind and hard-working student. He gets along with his classmates and does not hesitate to help others. Jack is a well-respected leader of the class.

7th Grade: Naomi Diaz is always focused, does excellent work, puts forth effort even when tasks are challenging and is kind to all of her peers. She is so proud of her new baby brother and it is evident that her kindness extends from home to school.

8th Grade: Isabella Destito's love for learning is evident in all things she does. Her awesome smile and great questions are an asset to any class. Her kindness to others is also an inspiration to students around her.

February

5th Grade: Ellie Kalinowski is a very kind and thoughtful student. She includes others in everything she does, both inside the classroom and out. Ellie comes to school with a positive attitude and spreads kindness wherever she goes.

6th Grade: Kasey Mathews is kind, respectful, hard-working and always has a smile on her face. She comes prepared to learn and will persevere through difficult work. Kasey always has a positive attitude and it is a pleasure to have in class.

7th Grade: Sam Scozzari is kind, motivated to do well, always volunteers in class, participates well and engages with his peers in a positive way. Sam pushes himself every day to do better!

8th Grade: Kaden Bragg has really stepped it up lately. He is willing to participate in class, volunteers to read aloud and has a great attitude. Keep up the good work, Kaden!



Onondaga Hill Middle School

IDEAS Club

In February, IDEAS club celebrated Black History Month. The leaders took time to research one African American inventor or scientist and wrote bio poems. The bio poems were displayed throughout the foyer of OHMS. Also, during the month, a guest speaker, Klass Jones, spoke to the group about having "Power in our Words". The leaders really appreciated this activity.



Author Visit/Refugee Family Fair

We are so excited for our upcoming author visit with graphic novel author, Victoria Jamieson, on May 9. One of her books, *When Stars are Scattered*, was named School Library Journal Best Book of 2020. She co-authored this book with Omar Mohamed. This story is about Omar's life growing up in a refugee camp in Kenya. To highlight this story and the refugee work taking place in Syracuse, we are collaborating with Onondaga Free Library and Interfaith Works to host a Welcoming Refugees Family Fair. Parthenon Books will be there if your student wants to purchase any of Victoria Jamieson's Books. Our awesome 5th graders will have welcoming refugee art work they created on display in the art gallery. We hope your family can join us April 15 anytime between 11am - 1pm at Onondaga Free Library.

We will be collecting the following items to help us create welcoming kits for refugees in the Syracuse community: paper towels, dish soap, all-purpose cleaner spray, kitchen sponges, trash bags and laundry detergent, deodorant, shampoo, shaving cream, toothbrush, toothpaste, bars of soap, feminine hygiene pads and baby wipes.

Items can be brought to the OHMS Library or dropped off at the Onondaga Free Library anytime between now and April 15.

1,000th Day of School

Fifth graders celebrated the 1,000th day of school on February 14. They have had 180 days of school each year since kindergarten, plus 100 days of 5th grade. The students participated in a day of fun and educational activities. The 1,000th day of school started with the whole 5th grade gathered together and reading for 1,000 seconds. Students wrote about what school will be like in 1,000 years, how they would spend \$1,000 and their favorite memory from the past 1,000 days of school. In math, students proved that they have been in school for 1,000 days. They worked with math problems involving 1,000 and completed a dot-to-dot with 1,000 dots. They even competed against their teachers in a "Are You Smarter Than a 5th Grader" Kahoot game.



Fifth Grade EL Class

For their first EL module, fifth grade students read *Esperanza Rising* by Pam Munoz Ryan. Throughout the module, students explored human rights and the use of writing to raise awareness of human rights. Mrs. Martin's class wrapped up the module by writing letters to Pam Munoz Ryan. Students included their favorite parts of *Esperanza Rising* along with some memorable learning experiences in the letters. Pam Munoz Ryan responded to the students and mailed the class bookmarks.



OHMS Quarter 2 Honor Roll 2022-2023

Grade 8 High Honor

Adeline Alberts
Brahim Altheblah
Tatum Bagnell
Lottie Bruzdinski
Nicolas Cardoso
Austin Choe
Samantha Colangelo
Colleen Conley
Claire D'Agostino
Lucas DeLine
Isabella Destito
Giana DeTomaso
Isabella Domick
Aaliyah Enright
Isabella Gallardo
Tyler Gehm
Matthew Henesey
Louis Herne
Grace Horning
Caitlin Ide
Jake Jackson
Claire Kelly
Teagan Kelly
Samantha Kimball
Mary Kinney
Andrea-Ann Kodoe
Kaitlin Krenrich
Felicity McGee
Hazel McNeilly
Adelina Montalto
James Moore
Kaylin Murphy
Lucy Murphy
Mariana Nagraj
Allison Pawelczyk
Brielle Rouse
Serenity Ruski
Charles Scanlon
Mathew Shephard
Mariusz Sobotka
Eva Soule
Ivana Spasevski
Dhuha Thabet
Samuel Vashchishin
Elyse Walker
Emma West
Owen Wilmot
Zoe Zuckerman

Grade 8 Honor

Sadeen Abdallah
Sophia Abraham

Brooke Allen
Max Allen
Nevaeh Austin
Samantha Chandler
Bryson Clarry
Kailyn Columbus
Mackenzie Conroy
Lane Crawford
Lucy DeMore
Mary Detor
Christine Ellis
Grady Etoll
Ryan Finnerty
Jackson Frasier
Chase Goldman
Owen Gray
Kamora Gutierrez
John-Paul Headd
Anna Hodgkinson
Sophia Johnson
Liam Johnston
Charles Judge
Sophia Lasher
Thomas MacLachlan
Natalie MacMaster
Sean McGann
Ayanah McRae
Cooper Pendergast
Thomas Plochocki
Eulalia Primiano
Reagan Rogers
Elliette Ryan
Harjot Singh
Addison Taylor
Edhem Thabet
Amora Thompkins
Jaicier Tolbert
Daniel Young
Trevor Young

Grade 7 High Honor

Andrew Athanas
Schuyler Auringer
John Carruth
Patrick Cassalia
Angelina Centore
Evan Chaddock
Reilly Coleman
Emma Collacchi
Sophia DeFabbio
Clare Delay
Reagan Dixon
Cameron Dowd

Jade Eldred
Julia Flegel
Dean Francisco
Lyla Gaines
Daniel Ganley
Isabella Gerasimovich
Charles Glover
Stone Jaquint
Cayla Lin
David Maestri
Adrien Marceau
Joseph Marinelli
Emmett McMahon
Melissa Mondo
Shealyn Morse
Sabine Napolitano
Nicholas Pichoske
Hayden Platt
Alexandra Presley
Andrew Rewakowski
Caleb Ross
Sofia Savelesky
Samuel Scozzari
Noah Seitz
Fiona Starowicz
Emily Straub
Grace Stroman
William Tyszka
Cailin Viscome
Winnie Zheng

Grade 7 Honor

Bilal Abraham
Shahd Almamari
Rosella Belcore
Sophia Bova
Jasmine Brunson
Skylar Buckman
Sydney Buell
Daniel Carroll
Elsie Cecile
Averie Cognato
Hannah Columbus
Andrew Coy
Owen Davidson
Stef'Fonie DelRio
Naomi Diaz
Redd Donegan
Teagan Dunbar
Emma Fogarty
Maxwell Franco
Liam Gaffney
Henry Glover

Dylan Gridley
Brooke Hange
Daniel Hubert
Evan Hubler
Ahmad Ibrahim
Quinn Kelly
Aveyah Lane
Kaylie MacMaster
Leigh Mathews
Willa Morales
Matthew Ososkalo
Evangeline Parry
Leo Ritz
Addison Root
David Satalin
Stella Scarfino
McKenzie Schug
Khloe Scott
Kaleigha Spinner
Thomas Tarolli
Julia Tjaden
Peychenze Tolbert
Addyson Tremblay
Azhawn Weaver
Beckham Ziober

Grade 6 High Honor

Giada Auringer
Natalie Barcak
Jacqueline Battista
Jacob Besaw
Juliana Brown
Miraja Brown
Luke Campanella
Virginia Canavan
Elliott Carroll
Landon Carson
Logan Cobb
Carmella Colangelo
Reagan Coleman
Reagan Collett
Madigan Condon
Jack Cook
Kate Czaplicki
Real Danboise III
James DeLine
Amelia Destito
Bridget Detor
Gurtej Dhamoon
Luka Dimovski
Clark Durant
Nicholas Ellis
Isabella Engle

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Grade 6 High Honor cont'd

Keira Etoil
Lucas Eurich
Jackson Flegel
Brady Fraser
Connor Friend
Sophie Gallardo
Arianna Giannino
Dylan Green
Gavin Greenfield
Na'Zariah Gregory
Lamere Grenton
Evey Gumtow
Anne Horning
Griffin Jackson
Lyric Johnson
Antonia Judge
Khaya Konkol
Amelia LaSalle
Audrey Mahoney
Gabriella Mann
Kierra Manning
Reese McGann
Eliana Montalto
Ella Morgan

Sofia Olesh
Morgan Paparo
Tanner Pendergast
Tyler Pratt
Nicholas Preville
Adelina Primiano
Bryan Quattrocci
Brian Rogers
Michael Scanlon
Gianna Scheirer
Aedan Schilling
Brynna Sisack
Charles Soule
Eamon Sprouse
Harry Storinge
Michael Valenti
Reagan Walsh
Riley Walsh
Layla White
Beckett Wright
Elizabeth Young
Alexander Zuckerman

Grade 6 Honor

Sela Abdelfatah

Nour Alhanini
Yusuf Altheblah
Everett Bleskoski
London Boatman
Lloyd Brown
Madigan Burns
Luna Canavan
Livia Chase
Alyse Corning
Daniel Donegan
Tyler Fowler
Owen Fuller
Darcy Goodwin
Vita Gumtow
Albert Hagan
Matthew Headd
Brayden Hoegler
Audrey Hubler
Elizabeth Hughes
Owen Johnson
Emily Krenrich
Alaina LeFever
Gabrielle Liedka
Christopher Lorenzo Jr
Spencer Marshall

Stella Mastronardi
Nicholas Meola
Jacob Niemczal-Lowery
Charles Obernesser
Cielo Ramos
Teffero Rashid
Cassius Robinson
Mya Rowley
Levaja Rufus
Simone Sales
Dominic Sampo
Kiley Schermerhorn
Lillian Sierotnik
Stockton Sobotka
Madilin Speer
Franklin Stoddard
Matthew Taylor
Addison Terek
Alyaa Thabet
Trey Tjaden
William West
Liam Wright
Nic Zema

Westhill High School

Math Team

The Westhill Math Team had another successful season this year! We had a great showing at all four of the Meets and at the County Math Meet in January. Congratulations to all of our team members and best of luck to our seniors. Extra congratulations to junior Cade Caloia who scored in the top 30 scores of the county to make it onto Team Onondaga, which competes at the State competition. We look forward to having our members return next season as well as any other students who would like to join in on the fun!



Winter Teams Earn NYSPHSAA Academic Honors

At the end of each sports season, the New York State Public High School Athletic Association (NYSPHSAA) honors those teams and individuals that excel in the classroom. Those student-athletes, teams, and schools work very hard throughout the year and deserve to be recognized for their academic success. To receive Scholar-Athlete Team recognition the team's average GPA for 75% of the roster must be greater than or equal to 90%. If a team does not meet the Scholar-Athlete Team Criteria, the individuals on that team with a 90% or above GPA are considered individual Scholar-Athletes.

This winter, Westhill had five teams earning the team honor. Scholar Athlete teams include girls' basketball, boys' basketball, girls' indoor track and field, boys' indoor track and ice hockey. We had 124 varsity athletes participating in the winter sports program. Out of this 124, 92 earned a 90% or greater average for the 2nd quarter. Congratulations, student athletes!

WHS Quarter 2 Honor Roll 2022-2023

Grade 12

Ajagbe, Oluwafeyisore
Alt, Leonard
Antoine, Olivia
Bealer, Morgan
Bendall, Katherine
BenYehuda, Ella
Bergett, Alexis
Bleskoski, Julianne
Bolesh, Ashley
Caccamo, Mackenzie
Carter, Ashley
Centore, Bohdan
Colon, Gisselle
Cominolli, Nathaniel
Conley, Shannon
Cowin, Alexander
Curtis, Julian
Cusimano, Zantana
Czaplicki, Kalista
DeFabbio, Michael
Derrick, James
Dillabough, Karly
Donegan, Ryan
Donnelly, Nathan
Doss, Mia Avery
Franks Jr, Kahlil
Freeman, Alyvia
Galante, Joseph
Gilhooley, Rachel
Gonnella, Olivia
Goode, Aidan
Graf, Simon
Hagrman, Katelyn
Hamilton, Melanie
Hasan, Noar
Heise, Mackenzie
Holowinski, Olivia
Horner, Lizzie
Hynes, Lee
Kelly, McKenna
Kerr, Aiden
Kinsella, Lilyanna
Klamm, Domenica
LoCurto, Alex
Lowery, Adelaide
Lubel, Margaret
Markham, Iris
Mayes, Shawn
McGann, Karlie
McKeon, Madison
McQueeney, Lia

Militello, Samuel
Nicoll, Baillie
Olesh, Timofey
Osorio, Anthony
Pagano, Anthony
Pawelczyk, Amanda
Petroni, Benjamin
Polcaro, Elizabeth
Popp, Keara
Richardson, Brady
Rogers, Sean
Rose, Kennedy
Rosenberger, Anna
Roth, Charlotte
Ryan, Aidan
Schmitz, Hannah
Scrimale, Nicoletta
Singh, Sukhmanjit
Sisson, Caitlin
Snyder, Mary
Starowicz, Emmet
Stephenson, Sean
Stewart, Sincere
Stiner, Lucas
Taber, Bradyn
Thabet, Ilham
Trzonkowski, Mark
Valenza, Zachary
Varco, Enzo
Vaughan, Abbey
Walker, Delaney
Williams, Nazaire
Young, Devin

Grade 11

Allahar, Gabrielle
Allen, Bridget
Altheblah, Ayesha
Altheblah, Hasan
Amorese, Vincent
Battista, Megan
Borne, Gavin
Burdick, Bryce
Caloia, Cade
Campanella, Jack
Campbell, Ryan
Carfagno, Sophia
Carson, Kendall
Cognato, Nina
Cottrell, Catherine
Craven, Ryley
Curriden, Morgan

Darling, Damon
DeMore, Charles
Deno, Peyton
DeSanto, Emma
Dimovski, Sofia
Edlund, Shamus
Enriquez, Grace
Evans, Rachel
Falcone, Taylor
Finnerty, Sean
Formica, Lauren
Goodness, Hannah
Gratien, Joshua
Gray, Gracelyn
Herrera, Elle
Hogan, Jameson
Johnson, Isabella
Kleberg IV, David
Kleberg, Elena
Knohl, Caitlyn
Knohl, Connor
Knoll, Caroline
Kohanski, Morgan
Korrie, Alexa
Lancette, Alison
Lasher, Ava
Leonardo, Isabel
Lopez, Cameron
Martin, Nathan
McClave, Miley
McGlynn, Grace
McPeak, Benjamin
McPeak, Elizabeth
Mueller, Elizabeth
Nojaim, Carlos
O'Reilly, Andrew
Pens, Grady
Phillips, Marissa
Pickett, Luke
Rewakowski, Mary
Rinaldi, Emily
Rogers, Kathleen
Roth, Helaina
Saini, Danish
Sainsbury, Katelyn
Saya-Pucello, Adriana
Sexton, Keegan
Sherwood, Ryan
Simmons, Alexandria
Smithers, Samuel
Smyth, Shay
Sparks, Julia

Spasevski, Gianna
Stanton, Jane
Stiner, William
Stiner, Zero
Suddaby, Jackson
Taylor, Veronica
Thompson, Molly
Thornton, Ellie
Tjaden, Hannah
Walsh, Maggie
Young, Isabel
Young, Liliana
Zawadzki, Dominic

Grade 10

Abdelfatah, Amana
Aboushanab, Abdelmeguid
Ajagbe, Oluwafeyisike
Allen, Tate
Alt, Maille
Antoine, Ava
Balduzzi, Emily
Bergett, Grace
Burkett, Samantha
Burns, Phoebe
Caputo, Jocelyn
Cardoso, Anthony
Cecile, Annabella
Colangelo, Anabelle
DeLine, William
Detor, Claire
Donegan, Sophia
Dorfman, Molly
Eldred, Zane
Esposito, Stephen
Fitzgerald, Nora
Goldman, Adyson
Goral, Mya
Gorman, Emma
Griffin, Maxwell
Gumaer, Phoebe
Hamam, Israa
Hange, Georgia
Hayes V, Robert
Heise, Morgan
Henese, Luke
Holowinski, Aubrey
Jetter, Siena
Joyce, Camaryn
Kelly, Caleigh
Kimball, Lauren
Kodoe, Godwin

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Grade 10 continued

LaReau, Abigail
Loomis, Christian
MacBain, Sydney
Mathews, Camryn
McCann, Julie
Medeiros, Sydney
Merrick, Thomas
Metzgar, Julian
Moro, Breyanna
Mulholland, Owen
O'Hern, Keller
Pease, Jack Ryan
Pichoske, Thaddeus
Popp, Edward
Ramsing, Cadence
Rienhardt, Emily
Robinson, Omar
Rodriguez, Olivia
Rose, Conor James
Rosenberger, Kara
Scanlon, William
Scheel, Nicholas
Sheridan, Riley
Shiel, Colin Ryan
Sipley, Helena
Stanton, Laura

Starowicz, Avery
Tarolli, Evangelina
Taylor, Emily
Thabet, Ramzi
Thabet, Sabri
Valenti, Sophia
Wetherby, Elliott
White, Collin
Williams, Amaya

Grade 9

Aguayo, Isabella
Amidon, Aiden
Amorese, Gabriel
Bruzdinski III, John
Buckley, Grace
Campanella, Tyler
Clark, Riley
Cognato, John
Cordova, Vincent
Cruthirds, Caleb
Czaplicki, Benjamin
Eckert, Anna
Faigle, Grace
Forian, Gage
Fox, Malana
Ganley, Caroline

Goode, Delaney
Goode, Hadley
Goodness, Jackson
Goodwin, Zachary
Gorman, Grace
Hayes, John
Hoffman, Sophia
Holleran, Liam
Holstein, Eric
Jackson, Anna
Kaczor, Stella
Kenny, Ronan
Kenny, Tiernan
Kincaid, Cormac
King, Kayleigh
Langham, Allison
Lopez, Collin
Militi, Eva
Mondo, Andrew
Napolitano, Stella
Olesh, Anita
Ortiz, Leila
Parry, Eleanor
Pens, Kellen
Pickett, Ella
Pope, Sienna
Prince, Elias

Ramos, Carlos
Reilley, Olivia
Richardson, Carter
Roach, Meara
Ryan, Molly
Sadowski, Andrew
Sainsbury, Claire
Sainsbury, Ryan
Schmitz, Lily
Shepherd, Ellis
Somers, Adelynn
Soule, Madelyn
Sparks, Olivia
Speer, Trinity
Stotler, Adam
Swierk, Paige
Thabet, Loyal
Thabet, Rudayna
Turner, Braelyn
Tyszka, Alexander
Vaughan, Margaret
Ward, Alexis
Wilbur, Jena
Winkler, Avery
Wright, Reagan
Young, Katherine

Vive le Quebec

Thirty-five high school French students traveled to Québec City and Montréal during February break. Everyone had a wonderful time experiencing another country, language and culture. Here are just a few of the things we did; snow sliding at night in view of the Saint Lawrence and the Chateau de Frontenac, snow tubing at Valcartier, curling in Montreal, a night-time river cruise on the St Lawrence, city tours of Québec and Montréal, fantastic cultural meals, free time shopping in the old city of Québec, a tour of the Bell Center, home of Les Canadiens and a tour of the beautiful basilica Notre Dame in Montréal. Everyone practiced their French and were fantastic ambassadors for our country and Westhill High School. Join us in 2025 for our next adventure to France and Monaco!



Westhill High School

Winning Winter for Westhill Athletics

This winter Westhill Athletics achieved wondrous accolades. Westhill teams won Onondaga High School League Championships in girls' basketball and girls' indoor track and field. These successes led to Section III Championships in boys' indoor track and field, girls' indoor track and field and boys' basketball. Boys' basketball continued to achieve greatness on the court with a New York State Regional Title and successfully beat Catholic Central to become the 2023 New York State "Class B" Champions. This marks the 6th NYS Championship in program history. Shawn Mayes was named tournament MVP while Luke Gilmartin and Omar Robinson were named to the All Tournament Team.

Among our team champions, Westhill also had some individual Warrior champions on the track. Bodie Centore was the Section III Champion in the 3200 meter run, while Drew O'Reilly won in the 1000 meter run. Drew also qualified to run in the New York State Championships where he placed 24th in the State. Carter Buckman was an individual champion in the pole vault. The foursome of Julian Curtis, Bryce Burdick, Carlos Ramos and Bodie Centore took home a first place sectional medal in the 4x800 meter relay.

The girls were also very successful on the track. Ashley Bolesh was named the Section III Champion in both the 600 meter run and 300 meter run. She also qualified to run the 1000 meter run in the New York State Championship Meet. Kate Bendall brought first place home medals in the 55 high hurdles, long jump and the triple jump. Kennedy Rose, Allison Langham, Sabine Napolitano and Ashely Bolesh were awarded first place in the 4x200 meter relay. Mary Kate Rewakowski was named Sectional Champion in the pole vault while Isabel Leonardo won in the high jump.

Congratulations to all our Warrior winter athletes on an outstanding season!



Westhill High School

January Warriors of the Month

9th Grade: Vince Cordova has joined the Westhill learning community from the Philippines. Vince demonstrates the positivity traits of love of learning and curiosity. He enjoys learning and encourages others to learn. Vince brings a positive attitude to class and is eager to learn new concepts in all subject areas. His upbeat attitude and encouragement for others to try their best and not give up easily is amazing. He never fails to thank the students and staff that he works with. Vince is a great addition to Westhill!

10th Grade: Cadence Ramsing is continuously a student who is a role model to others through her constant participation in class and her willingness to take constructive criticism to ensure her work is completed at a mastery level. She always has a smile on her face and brings a positive attitude to class each day. She always demonstrates kindness towards her fellow classmates. She invites others who do not have a group to work with her. Cadence also takes on a leadership role during small group work and is great at problem solving.

11th Grade: Lizzy McPeak is simply an unbelievable student. Her ability to make higher level connections is extremely uncommon and it seems that her ability to retain information is unlimited. In addition, she has an incredible work ethic and consistently exceeds expectations on all of her assignments. Lizzy is the type of student that you brag about to other teachers, and I have no doubt that she will be an excellent representative of Westhill in the future.

12th Grade: Abby Popp is extremely persistent and hard-working. Abby holds herself accountable and handles herself with bravery and grace. She is able to advocate for herself and others, even when times are tough. She is open to advice and new ideas and never gives up on anyone or anything.



February Warriors of the Month

9th Grade: Grace Faigle embodies everything you want in a student. She is kind, enthusiastic and always positive. She goes out of her way to ask how other's days are going and does so with a smile. Grace truly makes the world a better place with one small action at a time.

10th Grade: Ryan Swierk is a student who exemplifies positive character traits on a daily basis. He is an outstanding leader in the classroom, who is never afraid to actively participate and share his thoughts and opinions. Ryan's enthusiasm and intellectual curiosity are character traits that will help him be successful for years to come. He is an extremely polite and kind person and a role model for his peers.

11th Grade: Cade Caloia is an incredible student who is a leader in the classroom. He continually exceeds expectations and is introspective in his approach to improving himself. He is willing to go out of his way to help others while remaining humble in his successes. Cade's positive attitude seems contagious as he helps make the class better for those he works with. Keep up the great work, Cade.

12th Grade: Tori Militi is always coming to class ready to learn. She constantly embraces trying new things in class and always approaches it with a positive attitude. Tori has a smile on her face and is always up for a challenge. She loves to compete and encourages everyone else around her to be better. She strives for greatness every day. Tori is also always looking for ways to help other students, she is a natural leader.

Westhill High School

DECA Competes in State Competition

On March 8-10, Westhill DECA traveled to Rochester to compete in the State competition. Twenty-four students competed in the competition, and they all did an amazing job! The following students received a medal.

Hospitality Services Team Event

Iris Markham - top 10 on her test
Lily Kinsella and Amanda Pawelczyk - top 10 in their role play

Business Services Marketing

Gracelyn Gray - top 10 in one role play

Marketing Management Team Event

Bodie Centore and Lee Hynes - top 10 overall

Principles of Hospitality and Tourism

Sydney MacBain - top 10 on her test

Marketing Communications Series

Andy Sondej - top 10 on both role plays

Buying & Merchandising Team Event

Emma DeSanto and Morgan Kohanski - top 10 in role play and top 10 overall

Sports & Entertainment Marketing

Karlie McGann - top 10 on test, both role plays and overall top 10
She also received 2nd place overall and qualified for the National competition in Orlando, Florida.

Congratulations, we are very proud of all of you!



District News

Second Annual Mulch Fundraiser

April showers bring May flowers! The Westhill Educational Foundation has got you covered for the arrival of warmer spring weather with our Second Annual Mulch Fundraiser. Place orders online through our website or order via the paper form at <https://www.westhillfoundation.com/mulch-sale/>. Orders are due April 30 and will be available for pick-up or home delivery on May 19 or 20. All proceeds will go to directly support our Westhill students and staff.

The Westhill Educational Foundation 2nd Annual MULCH FUNDRAISER

Becks Midnight Black Becks Ginger Brown Becks Hardwood Mulch

High Quality Mulch - 30 Pound Bags - Covers 2 Cubic Feet!

Pick up Location: Westhill High School Grant Ave Entrance
Delivery/Pickup Dates: May 19-20, 2023
Pricing: \$7.00/Bag (minimum purchase of 4)
Optional Delivery Fee*: Up to 20 bags for \$10.00
21+ bags for \$20

Online Order Form: <https://tinyurl.com/WesthillFoundationMulchForm>
Order & Payment Deadline: April 30, 2023
Payment Methods: Check (Payable to Westhill Educational Foundation)
PayPal** (PayPal.Me/westhillfoundation)
Venmo** (@westhill-foundation)

Contact Information: westhillfoundation@gmail.com
www.westhillfoundation.com/mulch-sale

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VENMO
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District News

Official School Calendar 2023 - 2024

Westhill Central School District

September 2023					October 2023					November 2023					December 2023				
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April 2024					May 2024					June 2024				
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CALENDAR INFORMATION											
August 30	Staff Development Day									
August 31	Staff Development Day									
September 4	.....	Labor Day								
September 6	.....	First Day of School								
October 9	.....	Columbus Day								
November 7	.....	Staff Development Day								
November 10	.....	Veterans Day Observed								
November 22-24	.....	Thanksgiving Recess								
December 22-January 1	.....	Holiday Recess								
January 15	.....	Martin Luther King Day								
January 23-26	.....	Regents Exams								
February 19-23	.....	Presidents' Day/Winter Recess								
March 11	.....	Staff Development Day								
March 29	.....	No School								
April 22-26	.....	Spring Recess								
May 24	.....	Memorial Day Weekend								
May 27	.....	Memorial Day								
June 14-25	.....	Regents Exams								
June 19	.....	Juneteenth								
June 25	.....	Last Day of School for Students								
June 26	.....	Regents Rating Day/Last Day for Staff								

Key: □ Holiday ○ Staff Development Day _ Regents Exams ◇ Regents Rating Day

Chip in for Education

The date is quickly approaching! Please join us for Chip In for Education as we celebrate the belated 60th anniversary of Westhill. This is sure to be a fun night out with entertainment by The Mere Mortals, silent auction, raffles, food trucks and a cash bar. All proceeds allow us to fund grants to enrich the educational experiences of Westhill students.

Tickets are on sale now and can be purchased through Venmo or Paypal. Please visit our website for more information and to learn more about how to support this fantastic event!

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2023-2024 BUDGET INFORMATION

Absentee Ballot applications available in the District Office

April 17, 2023Tentative date for 2023-2024 budget adoption

April 17, 2023Board of Education candidate petitions due in the District Office

May 9, 2023Public Budget Hearing in the WHS Auditorium at 7:00 pm

May 9, 2023Deadline to **request** an Absentee Ballot Application be sent by **mail**

May 16, 2023Deadline to return completed **Absentee Ballot Application**
by 5:00 pm

May 16, 2023Budget Vote/Board of Education Election in WHS Auditorium Foyer
from 7:00 am – 9:00 pm

**As stipulated by NYS Law, the following qualifications MUST be met,
without exception, in order to cast a vote:**

1. You **MUST** be a citizen of the United States.
 2. You **MUST** be at least 18 years of age.
 3. You **MUST** be a resident of the district for at least 30 days prior to May 16, 2023.
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