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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear WSHS Community,

Hello from Winter Springs High School. We have a lot to share with you since our last newsletter, so I will get right to it...

WSHS Celebrates the Academics:

WSHS Celebrates the Academics: Congratulations to Winter Springs' 2023 science and engineering fair students! At our regional (county-level) fair, WSHS had three student participants selected to receive awards:

Meghna Vikram

"Lights Out: A sleep study to analyze the impact of an external stimulus on an individual's resting state to potentially stimulate a long-term conscious recollection."

Special Award from the Office of Naval Research

Swathi Subramanian

"Low cost 3d extrusion-based bioprinting of composite bio inks for tissue regeneration" 2nd Place, Biomedical & Health Sciences

Arvid Vaidyanathan

"Anti-Static and Anti-Reflective Solar Panels for Dust free use on Earth, the Moon, and Mars"

Special Awards from the Office of Naval Research and Orlando Science Center

1st Place, Physics & Astronomy

Invited to OSC's Lockheed Martin Science Challenge

Invited to State competition (top 15 in fair)

Named Alternate for ISEF (top 6 in fair); tied for BEST IN FAIR - SENIOR DIVISION, PHYSICAL SCIENCES

Congratulations to these students for their hard work and accomplishments in their science research this year, and to their teachers Chris Adamson and Jenna Nikles for their dedication to and support of student learning and excellence!

9th and 11th Graders learn CPR! Special THANKS to the Seminole County Fire Department for coming to WSHS to teach our 9th and 11th graders CPR! We had WOFL FOX News Orlando and SGTV with us to cover this great partnership. We are proud that our students are learning about the importance of knowing CPR! Thank

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NECESSITIES

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you also to all our WSHS English Teachers and Dr. White, WSHS ATC for their support in accomplishing this training. GO BEARS! GO SCFD!

WSHS Celebrates the WSHS Principles of Public Service Program: Remember, any SCPS high school student can come to WSHS for this program following the choices options timelines! Our WSHS Principles of Public Service Program has a WeatherSTEM! Thanks to Mr. Silagyi, Ms. Mallard and all their students for this great program! Follow the WeatherSTEM on Twitter @WSHSWeatherSTEM for all the latest weather reports coming directly from our equipment! GO BEARS!!

<u>WSHS Celebrates World Languages:</u> Recently, we took 1st place during the SCPS World Language Festival! Fantastic job by our World Language teachers and staff! GO BEARS!!

WSHS Celebrates Culinary: The WSHS Culinary Pro Start Team participated in their state competition last weekend. They have been planning and preparing for months and made our school proud! The team's cooking line consisted of the manager Mariah Penido and the cooks Callie Unterreiner, Daliana Rivera, and Anthony Vivona. Even with complications, the pro start cooking team pulled off their 3-course meal and received praise for their professionalism and sanitation. The management aspect of the team, consisting of Aaron Lambert and Shia Lorenzano, took home a top 5 spot out of 37 schools. Cook Anthony Vivona received 2nd place in the National Voodoo Chef High School Recipe challenge 2023 solo competition earning a \$5000 scholarship for his impressive culinary skills, and received the Pro Start pineapple award for his hard work and dedication to his team. Each student also received a \$2000 scholarship for participation in the weekends 2 day long competitive competition. GO BEARS!!!

WSHS Celebrates our HunnyBears Dance Team: The MA Regional Results (March 4th) are in! 4th Place Haylie Dunaye Solo; 2nd Place Valeria Hoesing Solo; 5th Place Brooke Mosrie Solo; 3rd Place Nicole Valdes Solo; 1st Place Valeria Hoesing & Haylie Dunaye Duet; 3rd Place Brooke Mosrie & Laura Chavarriaga Duet; 1st Place Small Ensemble; 1st Place Small Pom; 2nd Place Small Open! GO BEARS!!!

ASVAB CAREER EXPLORATION

Dear WSHS 10th, 11th, and 12th Grade Families and Students:

The ASVAB Career Exploration Program is a career planning resource designed to help young people align their strengths and discover career options.

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- Students in grades 10-12 and first/second year post-secondary are encouraged to participate.
- Visit their website to learn more. https://www.asvabprogram.com/

REGISTER TO TAKE THE ASVAB

- Thursday, April 4, 2023 Auditorium 7:15-11AM Please enter this date/time in your calendar and report to the auditorium before the tardy bell rings.
- ASVAB Career Exploration and Post Test interpretation will occur approximately 3
 weeks after the test.
- Register for the ASVAB by clicking this link https://tinyurl.com/April2023ASVAB
 or scanning the QR code below. Students must be signed in to their SCPS
 google account.

WSHS Celebrates our Teachers and Staff: Congratulations to Ms. Weinberg, WSHS Teacher of the Month and Mrs. Delrusso, WSHS Employee of the Month! WSHS is grateful to have such great teachers and staff who work incredibly hard! GO BEARS!!

<u>WSHS Celebrates the Fine Arts:</u> Congratulations to our Band and Chorus were recently performed outstanding at their annual Music Performance Assessments! Thank you to Mrs. Ferland and Mr. Ferland for leading our talented students! GO BEARS!

Gospel Choir Extravaganza Show is around the corner! Save the date! It is March 30, 2023, at 7pm! Tickets \$5 in advance and \$8 at the door. For tickets email schowanda_williams@scps.k12.fl.us.

WSHS Celebrates the Visual Arts: WSHS Celebrates the Visual Arts: Congratulations to all our Art students who had their artwork at Heathrow Art Festival! Thank you to Ms. Athos, Ms. Wayne, and Coach Dycus for making this happen! Our students are indeed talented! GO BEARS!!!

<u>Black History Month was AWESOME:</u> Students and Staff celebrated Black History Month in grand fashion! Our students were amazing, and we THANK all of them for all their contributions and performances. What a GREAT month!

WSHS Celebrates the Athletics:

WSHS Celebrates Wrestling: Great write-up by our Head Coach Rocky Ciero. Take a look... Bearnation, this weekend we took 6 of our wrestlers into battle against

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the best in the state. As a team, the boys finished 7th out of 140 teams in 2A. This is the 15th time in the last 16 years we have finished in the top 10. Quite a feat for our varsity program. Individually, we crowned our 15th state champion in school history. Elijah Penton did it in style by finishing 49-0 for the season. He is one of 5 wrestlers in the entire state to win the state championship while being undefeated. Elijah had 180 takedowns in the year, while only being taken down 1 time. Folks, he is only a junior!! Speaking of juniors, Ryan Phillips turned in another exceptional weekend. Ryan went 4-1 on the weekend and took 3rd place. His only blemish was losing to the eventual state champion, but absolutely dominated his other matches. I am sure Ryan will work harder than ever to earn himself a state championship next year. Also, placing in the state were Ransom Randolph and Jonathan Adams. Both ended up taking 6th place after 2 huge wins in the championship rounds. Ransom battled injuries all year long but showed the heart of a warrior and earned himself a state medal. Jonathan did not even wrestle last year! His never give up attitude and athleticism got him on the podium this year. Senior Aiden Gatton lost his match but had a fantastic season. Kiki Flanagan, only a junior, got some valuable experience by competing at this year's state tournament. Just to show you Kiki's level, she beat the 125 state runner up this year. That girl only had two losses this year, Kiki and the eventual state champion. All in all, our coaching staff is extremely proud of everyone on the team. We graduated 8 starting seniors from last year's team and dealt with many season ending injuries this year. New kids were forced to step into the lineup and didn't bat an eye. We now return 11 regional qualifiers to next year's team. We had 6 girls on the team this year, 4 of which were regional qualifiers, and obviously Kiki qualified for state. GO BEARS!!

WSHS Celebrates Track and Field: Our WSHS Girls Track and Field Team finished in 6th place out of 15 schools and our Boys finished in 8th out of 14 schools! Junior Ella Giambalvo was once again the champ in the 800m with Freshman Scarlett Mason right there with her in 2nd place. Kendra Huet, Gabriella Mason, Sadie Litz, Grace Mason, and Maya Horel had great girls finishes in the meet! Alex S, Valentino B, Jayel P, Andrew P, Salomon V, and Darrion J had great boys finishes! GO BEARS!

WSHS Celebrates Baseball: Great win recently for our WSHS Varsity Baseball Team vs the Lake Brantley Patriots 3-2! Close one but our boys came out with the "W"! Marco Gonzalez went 2-for-3 at the plate. Mark Loubier was the winning pitcher and went five innings, allowing six hits and two runs while walking one! GO BEARS!

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WSHS Celebrates Softball: Recently, our Winter Springs Bears JV and Varsity won big over East River HS 17-2 (20-3 JV). Alondra Maldonado homered in the 1st inning and Ava Gelm was the winning pitcher. Kendyl Gaffney, Amber Daugherty, Alondra Maldonado, Miranda Rinne, Ashley Corazzini, and Hannah Booth each racked up multiple hits! Alondra Maldonado and Kendyl Gaffney each had 3 RBIs! Addison Pierce had her first career hit and knocked in 2 runs! GO BEARS!!!

WSHS Celebrates Tennis: Winter Springs Girls Tennis won 6-1 over the Lyman Greyhounds with Alani Pagan-Brainin winning her match 8-6. Winter Springs Boys Tennis gives a shout out to Nathan Miller for winning his match. GO BEARS!!

WSHS Celebrates Beach Volleyball: Our WSHS Girls Beach Volleyball Team defeated the Lake Howell Silverhawks! Congratulations to our players and coaches! Great W! GO BEARS!!!

School Security and Safety Updates: In conjunction with the Seminole County Sheriff's Department, School Resource Officers may give out citations if a student brings or smokes vaping or illegal materials at school. I have given my support to our deputies to issue these citations. Obviously, this includes all tobacco and illegals drugs as well. These citations would be in addition to the school consequence we give. These citations include a monetary fine and/or community service. This applies to any nicotine or tobacco related products as well.

REMINDER: All vehicles parked ON CAMPUS must have a parking decal to be able to park on campus. We will begin identifying vehicles who do not have the proper decal and will be labeling them with a warning to be possibly towed in the future. If you need to purchase a decal, they are available at the discipline office for \$35.00 which is good for the 2nd half of the school year (NOTE: Full year is \$70, but we are past that point in the school year). Forms and information are available on our WSHS website. Thank you!

GRADUATION DATE: We will graduate our WSHS Senior Class of 2023 at UCF on May 23, 2023, at 2pm. (Doors open at 1pm)!

We can't wait! Mark your calendars!

GO BEARS! GO CLASS OF 2023!

Seniors MUST be debt free and MUST meet all the Graduation requirements necessary to receive the tickets.

Ticket Disbursement Date is TBD! Stay tuned! It will most likely be mid-May 2023.

BIRTHDAY MARQUEE WISHES: \$20 helps support the WSHS Principals Fund by giving your student a BIRTHDAY SHOUTOUT on our school marguee. Click on our my school bucks link and then "Fundraisers Birthday Marquee Wishes" winterspringshs. scps.k12.fl.us/student-services.

Thank you for all the support! GO BEARS!

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Week 1	Morning 8 a.m. Local Time United States Government and Politics	Afternoon 12 p.m. Local Time Chemistry Spanish Literature and Culture Psychology Comparative Government and Politics Computer Science A	
Monday, May 1, 2023			
Tuesday, May 2, 2023	Chinese Language and Culture Environmental Science		
Wednesday, May 3, 2023	English Literature and Composition		
Thursday, May 4, 2023	Human Geography Macroeconomics	Seminar Statistics	
Friday, May 5, 2023	European History United States History	A TOP OF THE PARTY	

Art and Design: Friday, May 5, 2023 (8 p.m. ET), is the deadline for AP Art and Design digital portfolios to be submitted to the AP Program.

Week 2	Morning 8 a.m. Local Time	Afternoon 12 p.m. Local Time	Afternoon 2 p.m Local Time
Monday, May 8, 2023	Calculus AB Calculus BC	Computer Science Principles Italian Language and Culture	
Tuesday, May 9, 2023	English Language and Composition Japanese Language and Culture	Physics C: Mechanics	Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism
Wednesday, May 10, 2023	Spanish Language and Culture	Biology	
Thursday, May 11, 2023	French Language and Culture World History: Modern	Physics 1: Algebra-Based	
Friday, May 12, 2023	German Language and Culture Music Theory	Latin Physics 2: Algebra-Based	

