

# W.F. West High School NEWSLETTER

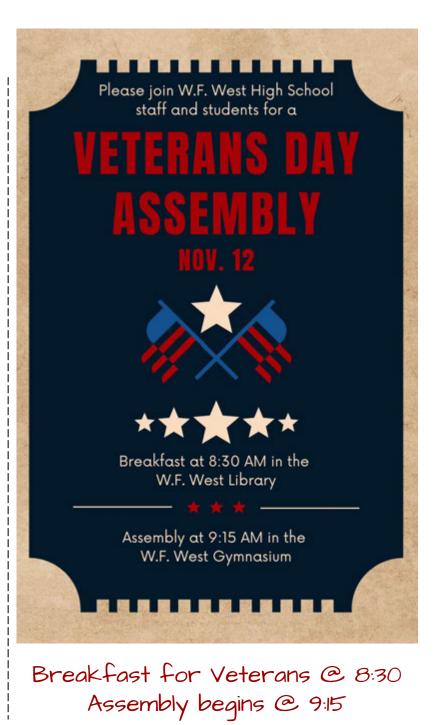
November 2024

## Upcoming Events

Nov. 4 Girls Bowling Practice Begins Nov. 4 Young Life Dessert Banquet - 6:30 Nov. 4-8 EARLY RELEASE - 12:10 Nov. 5 ASVAB Test Interpretation (CCR) Nov. 5-6 Fall Conferences - 1 - 7 pm Nov. 7 College & Career Fair Nov. 11 NO SCHOOL - VETERANS DAY Nov. 12 Veterans Day Assembly Nov. 12 Boys Tennis Banquet - 5:30 Nov. 12 Cross Country Awards Night - 5:30 Nov. 13 College Tour: Western WA University Nov. 14 Career Spotlight: Medical Panel (Pt. 1) Nov. 14 WFW Choir Concert - 7:00 Nov. 18 Winter Sports Practices Begin Nov. 19 Career Spotlight: Medical Panel (Pt. 2) Nov. 20 Family Financial Aid Night - 5:30 Nov. 21 FAFSA Workshop (CCR) Nov. 22-25 WIBC Honor Band Clinic Nov. 25 Centralia College Admissions Day Nov. 27 EARLY RELEASE - 10:55

Nov. 28-29 NO SCHOOL - THANKSGIVING

Regina Carr, Principal Christine Voelker, Assistant Principal Don Bunker, Assistant Principal Tommy Elder, Asst. Principal/Athletic Director





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Fall Conferences

#### NOVEMBER 5th & 6th, 1:00-7:00 PM

We have scheduled two teacher conference days to give you the time to meet each teacher, discuss with each teacher your student's progress, and get the information necessary to give support and encouragement at home. We truly believe that if teachers, parents and administrators work together, our students can achieve their maximum growth.

Conferences for all teachers will be held in the high school Commons. Parents will have a very short distance to walk to meet with all teachers. This should help shorten the total amount of time needed to meet with all teachers.

Entry to parent/teacher conferences is at the Commons doors and parents will register there. Parents are urged to confer with all teachers to discuss individual progress and mutual concerns. All teachers are isolated in an open-arena type setting and are available to meet with parents on a first-come basis. No prior appointments are necessary.

Be sure to go over the the "Question and Answer" section on this page to assist you with specific concerns.

If you have any additional unanswered questions, please call Regina Carr, Christine Voelker or Don Bunker at 807-7235.

Due to other educational or school-related commitments, a few teachers may not be available during some of the conference times. These teachers will send an email to students and their families with their available conference times.

## **Conference Week Bell Schedule**

#### November 4th - 8th, 2024 (Early Release - 12:10)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Period 1 7:40 - 8:45 Period 2 8:50 - 9:55 Period 3-CCR 10:00 - 10:30 Period 4 10:35 - 11:40 Lunch 11:40 - 12:10	Period 5 7:40 - 8:45 Period 6 8:50 - 9:55 Period 3-CCR 10:00 - 10:30 Period 7 10:35 - 11:40 Lunch 11:40 - 12:10 Conference Time: 1:00 - 7:00	Period 1 7:40 - 8:45 Period 2 8:50 - 9:55 Period 3-CCR 10:00 - 10:30 Period 4 10:35 - 11:40 Lunch 11:40 - 12:10 Conference Time: 1:00 -7:00	Annual Career and College Fair All classes meet (no CCR) <u>Period 1</u> 7:40 - 8:20 <u>Period 2</u> 8:25 - 9:00 <u>Period 4</u> 9:05 - 9:40 <u>Period 5</u> 9:45 - 10:20 <u>Period 6</u> 10:25 - 11:00 <u>Period 7</u> 11:05 - 11:40 <u>Lunch</u> 11:40 - 12:10	Period 5 7:40 - 8:45 Period 6 8:50 - 9:55 Period 3-CCR 10:00 - 10:30 Period 7 10:35 - 11:40 Lunch 11:40 - 12:10

## Conference Q&A

Q: If I want to attend conferences should I call and make an appointment?
A: No. With arena-style conferences, you come when it is convenient for you to attend. Conferences occur on a first-come, first-served basis. If one teacher has parents already waiting, simply locate another teacher who is free.

Q: I want to attend a conference with one teacher. Do I have to go through a "big process" to accomplish that?
A: If you want to spend the minimum amount of time conferencing, we suggest that you come at the very beginning or end of the conference session.

**Q:** I don't want to attend any conferences, but I do want to receive a progress report for my student.

**A:** Call the Counseling Center at 807-7235, Ext. 5514. The staff can help you with your request.

**Q:** I will probably need to talk with one teacher for more than 10 minutes. Does the 10 minute limit mean that I can't talk longer than that?

**A:** We make a real effort to limit conferences to no longer than 10 minutes so other parents don't have long waits, but you may schedule a longer conference by emailing the teacher or contacting the school to schedule a time.

Q: I have a very short amount of time available. Will I have to stand in long lines?
A: We have centralized the location for all conferences in the Commons area. Because of the close proximity of this location, you can move easily between teacher conference areas. Our best estimate is that your total conference time should not exceed one and a half hours.

**Q:** How are arena-style conferences different from parent conferences in other schools?

A: We have no prior appointments and all teachers are located in one central area. Therefore, you can move freely between teachers. If one teacher has a longer waiting line, simply select another teacher whom you wish to talk with.

Q: I would like my student to attend parent/teacher conferences, but I would like to contact my student's teachers at some other time. What should I do?
A: Email the teacher or contact the school to set up an appointment.



# **Counseling** Center



#### IS YOUR CUMULATIVE GPA ABOVE 3.0? WANT TO JOIN HONOR SOCIETY?

Submit the google form that was emailed to you and pay your \$10 membership fee. We'll send you information on upcoming meetings!



#### Washington State Seal of Biliteracy (STAMP) Test December 3rd

The Washington State Seal of Biliteracy was established to recognize public high school graduates who have attained a high level of proficiency in speaking, reading, and writing in one or more world languages in addition to English. "Participating school districts with students eligible to receive the Seal, shall place a notation on a student's high school diploma and high school transcript indicating that the student has earned the seal." (RCW 28A.300.575 / RCW 28A.230.125)

Graduating high school students must meet the following criteria to be awarded the Seal:

- Demonstrate proficiency in English by meeting the graduation requirements in English and meeting standard on reading and writing or English language arts assessments; and
- Demonstrate proficiency in one or more world languages.

#### Learn more at:

https://www.k12.wa.us/student-success/resources-subject-area/world-languages/washington-state-seal-biliteracy

Students interested in taking this test should contact Mrs. Rakevich in the Counseling Center

#### Greater Chehalis Food Bank Community Service Opportunity

The GC Food Bank is open on Fridays , 12:15-3:00 pm and the 3rd Wednesday of each month, 5:00-7:00 pm. Volunteers are needed during Wednesday hours. If you are interested in volunteering, please call 360-748-1226

# SAT and ACT Testing

Since COVID, many colleges have adjusted their policy as it relates to the SAT/ACT test. Some colleges and universities have announced that they will continue to be either Test Optional or Test Blind, it really depends on the college or university you are considering. Depending on their plan, students may want to start preparing to take either SAT and/or the ACT test to ensure they have all options available in the future. Colleges will have their test policy clearly stated on their website, but if you have questions please see Mrs. Chaput. Signing up for the SAT and/or ACT test is done online at:

## **Upcoming SAT Test Dates**

Test Date	<b>Registration Deadline</b>		
Dec. 7, 2024	Nov. 26, 2024		
March 8, 2025	Feb. 25, 2025		
May 3, 2025	Apr. 22 2025		
June 7, 2025	May 27, 2025		
https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/sat/registration/			
<u>dates-deadlines</u>			

Upcoming ACT Test Dates

Test date	Registration deadline			
Dec. 14, 2024	Nov. 8, 2024			
Feb. 8, 2025	Jan. 3, 2025			
Apr. 5, 2025	Feb. 28, 2025			
June 14, 2025	May 9, 2025			
July 12, 2025	June 6, 2025			
https://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-an				
<u>d-services/the-act/registration.html</u>				



# College & Career Readiness

## **Senior Timeline for Fall:**

- → College Admissions: Students should be exploring colleges/universities that they want to apply for and <u>completing</u> those applications. Students will narrow down later, but now is the time to get those applications completed!
- → FAFSA!: The FAFSA Form is how students access all types of funding to help with educational costs. This includes colleges, universities, trade schools, and technical colleges throughout the country. The FAFSA is scheduled to open Dec. 1st. Please be watching for additional information
- → Scholarships: Review the monthly scholarship list to see what scholarships you want to apply for. This list is sent out to students on email, texted via ParentSquare, and is on our web page. An updated list is also included in this newsletter each month.

**Senior Web Page!** This page will give you quick links, forms, upcoming events, and information that we hope will be helpful for this year. You can find this page by going to the WF West site > hover under Academics > Career and College Readiness > click Seniors 2025

#### **One-On-One Senior Meetings!**

Mrs. Chaput will be meeting with each senior one-on-one to review your senior year and work on your plan for after graduation. If you haven't already met with Mrs. Chaput, please feel free to contact her to schedule a time to chat. This year will go by fast and the more we can work together, the better! You can contact Mrs. Chaput at 360-807-7270, kchaput@chehalisschools.org



#### **UPCOMING EVENTS!!**

#### 11/7 WFW Career & College Fair!

This annual event is a great opportunity for students to meet representatives from a wide variety of colleges and vocations.

#### 11/13 Western Washington University Tour:

This is for 11th & 12th grade students only. Permission slips are available with Mrs. Chaput. Seats are limited and filled on a first come, first served basis.

#### **Career Spotlight Series:**

November is Medical Month! Students interested in learning more about these fields should sign up with Mrs. Chaput.

**11/14** - Medical Panel guests: Ultrasound Technician, Respiratory Therapist, and a Nurse Practitioner

**11/19** - Medical Panel guests: Speech Therapist, Occupational Therapist, and Physical Therapist

#### <u>11/20 Family Financial Aid Info Night:</u>

For senior students & families. Get in-depth information about financial aid, grants, deadlines, and how to apply. This is a very important process and we hope that all families can attend.

#### **11/21 FSA ID & FAFSA:**

Mrs. Chaput will work with seniors on creating their FSA ID (FAFSA login) as a group. We will meet in the Library during CCR Block and students will need to bring their Social Security Number and computer/Chromebook.

# W. F. WEST HIGH SCHOOL 15th ANNUAL

## **COLLEGE and CAREER FAIR**

WHERE: W. F. West High School Gym

TIME: 7:40 am – 12:10 pm

The College and Career Fair is an opportunity for students to gather information about some of the options available to them after graduation, and to make connections with a wide variety of colleges and vocations. Be sure to ask your student about this event!

## CAREER SPOTLIGHT: GRAPHIC DESIGN



W.F. West High School students were fortunate to have an outstanding speaker for our first Career Spotlight event of the year. Nate Vario is a Graphic Designer from Nintendo. He visited Ms. Young's Graphic Arts class to share his pathway and insights into this profession. All interested students were invited to attend.

A huge thank you to Nate Vario! We appreciate his time and willingness to educate our Bearcats and support our school.

# **College Tours!**

On October 15th, Juniors and Seniors got to choose between tours of **Oregon State University, Central Washington University, or the University of Washington.** In addition to exploring the campus, students attended an Admissions Information Session and had lunch on campus. Our Bearcats asked questions, learned about a wide variety of majors available, and understood how to apply to college.

We would like to thank the Chehalis Foundation for making this a possibility! These trips are so impactful for our students and they felt incredibly special taking chartered buses on this trip. We are very grateful to the Chehalis Foundation for their support.







# YEARBOOK SENIOR DUE DATES:



## It's finally your SENIOR YEAR!

Mark your calendars! As a senior you are allowed to turn in a Senior & Baby/Kid photo and a senior quote for the yearbook. Don't miss being a part of the yearbook because you missed deadlines!

\*Check your emails for Google Forms to submit your photos & quote!

## ORDER A YEARBOOK





# Scholarships

**\*\* Hispanic Heritage Youth Awards Scholarships:** Latinx seniors who excel in the classroom and community, including: Community Service, Education, Engineering, Entrepreneurship & Business, Green Sustainability, Healthcare & Science, Media & Entertainment, Public Service & Social Justice and Technology. Apply online at: <u>https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/13676/hispanic-heritage-youth-awards</u> **Deadline is November 3rd.** 

**Elks National Foundation - Most Valuable Student Scholarship -** Based on scholarship, leadership and financial need. Seniors apply online at: <u>https://www.elks.org/scholars/scholarships/mvs.cfm</u> **Deadline is November 12th**.

Gonzaga Unity Scholarship (full ride scholarship) - Students must apply for early action admissions to Gonzaga by deadline of November 15th and then also complete the separate Unity Scholarship application which is due January 5th. <u>https://www.gonzaga.edu/undergraduate-admission/tuition-aid/scholarship-opportunities/unity-scholars</u>

Jack Kent Cooke College Scholarships - For high-performing seniors with financial need who seek to attend the nation's best four-year colleges and universities. Application is online through the Common App or a link can be found here: <a href="https://www.jkcf.org/our-scholarships/college-scholarship-program/">https://www.jkcf.org/our-scholarships/college-scholarship-program/</a> Deadline for submission is November 14th at 11:59 pm local time.

**\*\* Washington State Governor's Foster Youth Scholarship** - For seniors meeting dependency requirements who have lived in WA for at least one year prior to enrolling, GPA of at least 2.0, and plan on enrolling in WA State college program. Online at: <a href="https://www.collegesuccessfoundation.org/scholarship/governors-scholarship-for-foster-youth/#eligibility">https://www.collegesuccessfoundation.org/scholarship/governors-scholarship-for-foster-youth/#eligibility</a> Deadline is November 30th.

**\*\* The Hagan Scholarship -** A nationwide need-based merit scholarship offering an opportunity to graduate debt-free and receive mentoring for important life skills. Must have a 3.5 GPA and other requirements listed online. Apply online at: <u>https://haganscholarships.org/</u> **Deadline is December 1st.** 

**Dell Scholars Program for AVID students -** Participate in AVID and be on track to graduate. Apply online beginning October 1st, at <a href="https://www.dellscholars.org/scholarship/">https://www.dellscholars.org/scholarship/</a> Deadline is December 1st.

**\*\* Burger King Foundation Scholarship** - For all seniors, or employees or children of employees. Must have at least a 2.0 GPA and plan to enroll in 2/4 year or tech program. Apply online at: <u>https://bk-scholars.com/</u>. **Deadline December 16th.** 

**\*\*Amazon Future Engineer Scholarship** - Students planning to pursue a bachelor's degree in a computer science or engineering related degree. Must have tried computer science or hardware engineering (robotics, electrical, aerospace, etc activity), must have financial need and at least a 2.3 gpa. Application online at: <a href="https://scholarshipamerica.org/amazonfutureengineer/">https://scholarshipamerica.org/amazonfutureengineer/</a> Deadline December 19th at 1:00 p.m.

**\*\*AIAA Lockheed Martin Marillyn Hewson Scholarship:** For female seniors planning to study an aerospace STEM major. Apply online at:<u>https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/25703/aiaa-lockheed-martin-marillyn-hewson-scholarship</u> **Deadline is December 31st.** 

**LGBT Scholarships** - Through GSBA and Pride Foundation. For pursuit of post secondary education. Apply online at: <a href="https://pridefoundation.org/find-funding/scholarships/">https://pridefoundation.org/find-funding/scholarships/</a> for additional details. **Deadline will be January 5th at 5:00 p.m. \*\* DECA Scholarships** - For current DECA member students. Apply online at:

https://www.deca.org/high-school-programs/scholarships/ deadline is January 10th.



**\*\* John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage -** Essay contest open to students in grades 9-12. Go to: <u>https://www.jfklibrary.org/learn/education/profile-in-courage-essay-contest/eligibility-and-requirements</u> for details and requirements. **Deadline is January 17th.** 

**Epsilon Sigma Alpha Foundation** - Numerous scholarships awarded in a variety of categories, search those offered to Washington state students (you don't need to attend a college in WA however). There is a small fee for each scholarship you apply for. Apply early and include all documents. For further information, visit

<u>https://epsilonsigmaalpha.org/scholarships-and-grants/</u> Once there, click on the scholarship link and choose Washington State. This will open up all of the scholarships available. Read requirements for each to see if you qualify. **Deadline is January 31st!** 

**\*\* Elks National Foundation - Legacy Awards Scholarship -** Seniors who are children or grandchildren of Elks member. Apply online at <u>www.elks.org/enf/scholars</u>. **Deadline for submission is February 3rd.** 

**\*\*Women Supporting Women Scholarship:** Female, high school seniors or female college students planning to attend approved college, university, technical or trade school. Application in the counseling center and your paper copy must be emailed **or** mailed to address on application by the **deadline of February 15th.** 

**\*\*Coast Guard Exchange Scholarship:** Seniors who are dependents of a Coast Guard active duty, reserve, current civilian NAF and APF employee or current Coast Guard Auxiliarists. Apply online at: <a href="https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/20641/coast-guard-exchange-scholarship-program">https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/20641/coast-guard-exchange-scholarship-program</a> Deadline February 28th.

**\*\* Ewing C. Kelly Scholarship** - Seniors planning to attend 2/4 year institution or vocational training. Some additional requirements depending on the college path being pursued. Based on academic merit, extracurricular activities and financial need. Applicants will be judged on their academic merit, extracurricular achievements--both scholastically and in their community--and financial need. Two ways to apply: **Deadline is March 7th.** See below for two options to complete the application, **but both must be mailed**.

Link to the 2024 Manual Form (to print, then handwrite answers, and mail-in):

<u>http://kellyfoundationwashington.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/Official-Ewing-C-Kelly-Scholarship-Application-1</u> 0-02-2024.pdf

*Link to the 2024 Fillable Form (can type directly in the document, then print, and mail-in):* <u>http://kellyfoundationwashington.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/Official-Ewing-C-Kelly-Scholarship-Application-1</u> <u>0-02-2024-form.pdf</u>

**Scholarship America** - Listings for **many** scholarships administered by Scholarship America. Various requirements and deadlines. <u>https://scholarshipamerica.org/students/browse-scholarship/</u>

**StudentScholarships.org** - <u>This website posts many scholarships with a variety of options for students.</u> Check out their website at: <u>https://studentscholarships.org/</u>

Incredible Health Nursing Scholarships and Grants resource guide - This link contains numerous links to scholarships and nursing career resources. <u>https://www.incrediblehealth.com/blog/nursing-scholarships-and-grants/</u>



# **Bearcat Athletics**

## <u>November</u> <u>Sports Schedule</u>

\*HOME GAMES IN BOLD AND ALL CAPS

FOOTBALL Varsity - 7:00 pm 11/1 BLACK HILLS JINTER

Basketball Girls Bowling Wrestling

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## **Register Now!** FOR WINTER SPORTS

For information about Winter Sport Registration, purchasing tickets and other helpful links, visit: https://chehalisschools.org/wfw/athletic-inf ormation/

If you have any questions, call Mr. Elder or Mrs. Weeks in the Athletic Office at 360-807-7240

> 1st Day of Bowling Nov. 4th

All Other Winter Sports Begin Nov. 18th



C-team - 4:30

11/4 BLACK HILLS

#### BOWLING 3:30 PM

 11/12
 PRAIRIE

 11/14
 @ Black Hills

 11/19
 CENTRALIA

 11/21
 @ Tumwater



Stay up to date with W.F. West sports schedules, scores and more on

#### gowfwestbearcats.com

If an event is postponed, cancelled or rescheduled, notification will be posted on this site..



W.F. West Bearcat Athletic Booster Club promotes enthusiasm and good sportsmanship in an environment that inspires student athletes, coaches, parents and community. Annual Membership & fundraising efforts enable the club to fund scholarships to graduating Seniors and purchase items to enhance and support ALL W.F. West athletic teams.

## 2024-25 BEARCAT ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB MEMBERSHIP

MEMBER NAME(S)				
ADDRESSPHONE#				
EMAIL				
STUDENT(S) NAME & GRADE(S)				
Membership Fees:				
□ \$12.00 individual				
□ \$20.00 couple				
□ \$30.00 Business Booster				
Please check the following you would be willing to help with or would like more information about:				
Boys' basketball concession stand help				
Girls' basketball concession stand help				
Wrestling concession stand help				
District basketball tournaments concession stand help				
Be willing to get a food handler's permit; open and/or close the concession stand				
Help with the Coaches Hall of Fame, All Sport Auction or other events				
□ Become a Board Member or Officer				
Other Donations:				
Senior Scholarship contribution \$				
Donation to specific team: \$ Team:				
Please make your check payable to the <u>BEARCAT ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB</u> Mail to: Bearcat Athletic Booster Club PO Box 601 Chehalis, WA 98532				
Here are just a few things your Booster dollars do? *Provide financial help to ALL athletic activities that request assistance *Provide gift cards to athletes who participate at the state level *Bearcat Coaches Hall of Fame, All Sport Auction & other events				

- \*Provide college scholarships for Senior athletes
- \*Provide bookkeeping assistance to coaches \*Help with the I-5 Toyota Raffle \*and MUCH more!!!



# Students of the Month

## World Language Department Pete Burman & Christopher Soha Smith



There were so many great students to choose from for Student of the Month for Spanish! For this month 2 are standouts! Both have great study habits, excellent scores, are more prepared (by just enough) than their classmate, but that alone is not enough to earn the coveted title of Student of the Month. These students must also have a courteous and kind demeanor and exemplify the Bearcat Way! Pete Burman in Spanish 3 and Christopher Soha Smith in Spanish 1 ¡muchas gracias por su buen trabajo y bondad en la clase de Español!



## Math Department Francisco Naranjo & Beckman Dvorak

The math department would like to recognize both Francisco Naranjo and Beckman Dvorak as the Math Students of the Month. Both Beckman and Francisco come ready to learn every day and give their full effort - focusing on learning everything they can. Beckman regularly asks wise and thoughtful questions and makes everyone around him better at math, while Francisco is eager to help everyone around him and raise them to new levels of understanding. Thanks Beckman and Francisco!

## CTE Department Nathan Baine



The CTE Department has chosen Nathan Baine as their Student of the Month. Construction and Woodworking teacher Mark Wagar says Nathan is one of the kindest and most helpful students he has had the pleasure to teach. He always steps up and helps with classroom needs as well as helping other students without being asked. Great job Nathan!

## English Department Justin Hazlett



Justin is being honored because of his hard work and success in Forensics - WF West's speech and debate program. Justin is a junior, but he has already participated in three national tournaments. After his freshman year, he competed in storytelling in Phoenix. At the end of his sophomore year, he competed in a national tournament called NIETOC in Omaha, Nebraska. A few weeks later, Justin competed in the big national tournament in Des Moines, Iowa. At both of these events, Justin competed in dramatic interpretation. The national tournament is very competitive. Only four students from the west side of Washington State are eligible to compete in each event, and Justin was one of those four.

This year, the team has attended only one tournament, but Justin placed first in humorous interpretation and secured one bid (he will need two) to attend NIETOC in Minneapolis in May. Congratulations to Justin for all his hard work in competition and as a leader on the Forensics team.



# **Bearcat** Pride



Three of our students auditioned and were accepted to play at the Western International Band Clinic on Nov 22-25, 2024.

Ezra Birchard (12th )- Euphonium Will Cummings (12th) - Oboe Parker Morrison (10th) - Trumpet

Ezra Birchard also earned the opportunity to travel to Australia to play with this group in September! Congratulations to these talented musicians!!

# Employee of the month



#### Iced Cocoberry Mocha

- Chocolate mocha
- · Strawberry Cold Foam



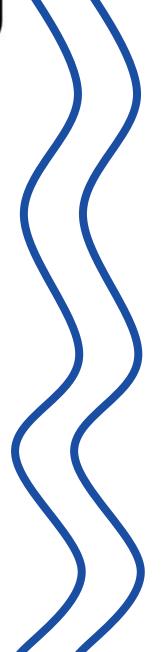
### Milo Moody

This month's employee of the month is Milo. Milo is a patient, creative & kind worker who's favorite positions in the coffee shop are taking orders or making coffee. She's been working in the coffee shop for three years now. Milo is the Vice President of Career Development and Hospitality for our DECA chapter. She loves to draw and write in her free time. Despite her dark aesthetic she loves strawberry shortcake which leads to her chosen drink. It's inspired from strawberry shortcake. The drink is a regular chocolate mocha with strawberry coldfoam; topped off with chocolate drizzle on top.

Please stop by and congratulate Milo for their hard work in class!







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THE CRIMSON & GRAY

## This December W.F. West Theatre Presents:



The Music of ABBA tells this tale of love, family and friendship onstage

On a small Greek island, Sophie sends off three envelopes in the mail while her friends Lisa and Ali arrive for her wedding. Sophie confesses to them that she has invited her father to the wedding, or at least the three men who could possibly be her father. After going through her mother's diary from the year she got pregnant, Sophie has determined that either Sam, Bill or Harry is the one to walk her down the aisle. Donna, Sophie's mother, greets her lifelong friends Tanya and Rosie, who have just arrived as well. The trio used to perform as the group Donna and The Dynamos. Donna runs the Taverna, an inn on the island.

Sam, Harry and Bill arrive at the Taverna greeted by Sophie who admits she was the one who sent the invitations. Just as Sophie is about to take them to their rooms, Donna sees them all there. Rosie and Tanya try to rouse Donna's spirits, telling her that the Donna who used to be the life of the party is still inside her.

Sophie asks Sky, her fiancé, to promise her he will never leave her like her father left Donna. Sky promises his constant love to her before Eddie and his other friends lead him off for his bachelor party. At Sophie's bachelorette party Donna, Tanya and Rosie perform as Donna and The Dynamos as Sophie gets a moment alone with Sam, Harry and Bill to talk about why she invited them to her wedding. Each man, convinced that he is Sophie's father, tells her separately that he "will give her away at her wedding."

Donna thinks Sophie is upset because she secretly wants to call the wedding off. Sophie says she would never want to raise a child without a father figure and storms off. Donna is left alone, feeling hurt and full of regrets. Sophie finds Sky and confesses to him about her plan to bring Sam, Bill and Harry to the wedding. Sky accuses her of using their wedding as a ploy to find her father and walks off. Sophie leaves to find him.

On her wedding day, Sophie with her wedding dress asks Donna to help her get ready. Donna gets her daughter in her wedding dress, seeing her little girl all grown up. Sophie asks Donna to be the one to give her away. Donna walks Sophie down the aisle. As the ceremony is about to start, Donna announces that Sophie's father is present but doesn't know which man he is. Sam, Bill and Harry do not care who is the father. All three men are overjoyed to be one of Sophie's three dads.

*Mamma Mia!* Performs in the W.F. West Theatre at W.F. West High School on

December  $13^{\text{th}}$ ,  $14^{\text{th}}$  &  $20^{\text{th}}$  at 7:30 p.m. December  $21^{\text{st}}$  at 2:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Tickets (\$10.00) are on sale at the W.F. West High School A.S.B. Office, on-line or at the door before each performance For ticket information: (360) 807-7235

From the Nunse's Desk

Pertussis is on the rise across the country. In Washington state the CDC (Center for Disease Control and Prevention) reports there have been 773 cases in 2024, thus far; in 2023 there were a total of 43 cases. The best way to prevent pertussis spread and infection is to get a TDaP (Tetanus, Diphtheria, and Pertussis) booster. For students, the first booster should be given at age 11 and repeated every 10 years. Adults should also have a booster every 10 years and pregnant women should get one before they deliver. In adults and older children pertussis symptoms can be hard to determine and often presents as a dry persistent cough that lingers. For infants and elderly adults, the symptoms and effects are more apparent. Please see the CDC information on <u>pertussis</u> for more information.

Oregon state is also experiencing a Measles outbreak just across the state border. Measles is covered in the MMR vaccine along with Mumps, and Rubella. It is one of the few vaccines a student must receive and very few can be given an exemption for. While there is no required booster repeat for MMR after the initial 2 doses are met it is a good idea to have titers taken or get a booster if you will be around immunocompromised populations. For more information visit the <u>MMR</u> page from the CDC.

Vaccine reviews are completed and letters for non-compliant students have been sent. See the <u>CDC Recommended Immunization</u> Schedule for information on required vaccines for students or please call your students' school nurse.

#### **Chehalis School District Annual School's Report**

Chehalis School District and the State of Washington believe that important information about local public schools should be provided to educators, parents, community members and the general public. The combined support of these various stakeholders ensures the success of all students. Information regarding current and past test scores, demographics, teacher qualifications, graduation and dropout rates for secondary students, and the status of school improvement can be obtained from the following website:

#### http://reportcards.ospi.k12.wa.us/.

Search for Chehalis School District and click on the school of choice.

Printed copies of the annual school's report or newsletter may be obtained from the Chehalis School District Office at 310 SW 16th Street, Chehalis, WA 98532 (360) 807-7200. You may also log on to the district website at <u>http://www.chehalisschools.org</u> and click on the appropriate link to view each document.

#### **Title I Notification**

Parents can request the following information regarding instructional staff who work with their children:

• Whether or not the child's teacher has met state certification for the grades and subjects she/he is teaching.

• Whether or not the teacher is working with an emergency or conditional certificate where state certification criteria has been waived.

• The baccalaureate degree major of the teacher and any other graduate certification or degree held, including field of discipline of the certificate or degree.

• If the child receives instructional services from a paraeducator, the paraeducator's qualifications.

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#### **Chehalis School District Community Newsletter**

"The Learning Network," can be accessed online through the district's website at <a href="http://www.chehalisschools.org">http://www.chehalisschools.org</a>

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Habla espanol? El distrito escolar de Chehalis ofrece servicios de traduccion al espanol a nuestros padres y familias. Por favor comuniquese con Emma Reynolds al 360-807-7225, o al correo electrónico a ereynolds@chehalisschools.org

#### Non-Discrimination/Equal Opportunity Statement

Chehalis School District does not discriminate in any programs or activities on the basis of sex, race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, veteran or military status, sexual orientation, gender expression or identity, disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups.

Chehalis School District offers classes in many career and technical education (CTE) program areas, including Agriculture, Business and Marketing, Family and Consumer Sciences, Skilled and Technical Sciences, Health Sciences and STEM. Lack of English language proficiency will not be a barrier to admission and participation in career and technical education programs.

The following employees have been designated to handle questions and complaints of alleged discrimination:

El Distrito Escolar de Chehalis no discrimina en ningún programa o actividad por sexo, raza, credo, religión, color, origen nacional, edad, estado veterano o militar, orientación sexual, expresión o identidad de género, discapacidad o el uso de un Guía de perros entrenados o un animal de servicio y proporciona igual acceso a los Boy Scouts y otros grupos juveniles designados.

El Distrito Escolar de Chehalis ofrece clases en varias áreas con programas de educación vocacional y técnica (CTE), incluyendo Agricultura, Negocios y Mercadotecnia, Ciencias de la Familia y del Consumidor, Ciencias Técnicas y Calificadas, Ciencias de la Salud y STEM. La falta de dominio del idioma inglés no será una barrera para la admisión y participación en programas de educación profesional y técnica.

Los siguientes empleados han sido designados para manejar las preguntas y quejas de supuestas discriminaciones:

Title IX Coordinator Athletic Director, Tommy Elder, 310 SW 16th Street Chehalis, WA 98532 360-807-7235 telder@chehalisschools.org

Section 504/ADA Coordinator

Director of Special Education, Katie Howell, 2025 SW Salsbury Ave Chehalis, WA 98532 (360) 807-7245 option 3 (360) 748-8767 Fax khowell@chehalisschools.org

Civil Rights Compliance Coordinator Leslie Wohld, 310 SW 16th Street Chehalis, WA 98532 360-807-7200 lwohld@chehalisschools.org

Career and Technical Education Coordinator Don Bunker, 310 SW 16th Street Chehalis, WA 98532360-807-7235 dbunker@chehalisschools.org