

DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR OCTOBER 11, 2024

The first expedition led by Christopher Columbus sighted land somewhere in the Bahamas on October 12, 1492. Columbus' voyages are recognized as the start of sustained contact between peoples in the eastern and western hemispheres. The process of colonization that he began brought new forms of wealth to Europe, expanded the market for African slaves, and led to loss of land and lifeways for the indigenous peoples of the Americas.

There is no school for students on Monday October 14.

National Hispanic Heritage Month, September 15-October 15 - Today we recognize César Estrada Chávez. An American labor leader and civil rights activist, he was a community organizer and representative of Farm Workers and manual laborers for decades.

Sophomores - Class ring orders can be placed online at Jostens.com beginning today (October 11) through October 25. The online promotional offers end October 25. Order information packets with individual ring finger sizers are available in the main office.

Club/Activities

Science Club meets every Tuesday and Thursday after school from 3:00-4:00pm in room 256.

International Club will meet on Tuesday, October 15, at 7:05am in room 222 to discuss China Lights, the Folk Fair and further learn about Whitnall's foreign exchange students, Kasper from Switzerland and Erika from Norway.

Forensics Club will be meeting next Thursday, October 17, to nominate and vote for Officers.

Drama Club - Check out the flyer [here](#) for details on Drama Club. It's a great way to try out theater without the pressure of auditioning or an audience.

Red Cross Club's "Totes for Hope" Project for the Homeless - The Red Cross Club's "Totes for Hope" homeless project, which runs October 8-November 6, supports local homeless shelters including homeless veterans. Homelessness is a serious problem in Milwaukee County and surrounding counties. The pandemic and inflation has increased our homeless population significantly, and the Whitnall community can make a difference. The club will be filling sling sacks with necessary items to assist those that are struggling and in need. Please see the list of suggested items [here](#). Drop off donations to room 247. Monetary donations are also welcome. Please support this important cause; helping others benefits you as well!

Math Tutoring - Math tutoring is now here! Whether you're looking to catch up or get ahead, come check out Math Tutoring beginning today with Mr. Rojas after school on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:00-4:00pm in room 245. Students from all math classes and levels are welcome.

Photo Retake Day - The high school's last day to get your photo taken for this school year is next Wednesday morning, October 16. Students who have not yet had a photo taken will receive a pass for this. Students who had their photo taken and want it retaken to order photographs should request a pass from their teacher. This is NOT for students who just want a new ID.

Winter Sports Registration Due November 1 - If you are interested in participating in a winter sport, registration must be completed by November 1. Your parent will first need to register you through their Infinite Campus School Store, and then you will need to review and agree to the document in your Infinite Campus. If you will need a physical, get that scheduled now.

Girls, are you interested in becoming a part of the Whitnall gymnastics team? The high school team is a co-op with Oak Creek High School. This is a competitive team that competes against the other high schools in our conference. The team is looking for new members this season. If you have competitive gymnastics experience, they would love to have you come and see what the team is all about. We have room for gymnasts at all levels. Please come to an open gym at their practice facility Altius gymnastics in Franklin. The gym will be open for practice and the coaches available on these remaining open gym nights, October 20 and November 3, from 6:30-8:00pm. Come to one or all three, and experience the fun the FM-OW has. Hope to see you there!

Clubs/Activities

All Students - remember to sign up for a Falcon Time at least the day before. You are also only to sign up for one of your own teachers.

College Visits - College representatives come here periodically. Sign up in the Counseling Office by noon the day before if you're interested in attending.

- Mondays, MATC, 10:00am-12:00pm
- University of Wisconsin - Madison, October 15, 5th hour
- University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point, October 16, 2nd hour

Want a snack in the afternoon? Stop at the Snack Bite table at about 12:30 and after 7th hour and get something for only \$1.00. The students sell these outside The Cafe on the upper level.

2023-24 Yearbook Supplement - For those who purchased last year's yearbook, stop in the main office to pick up your spring supplement. This was printed after the yearbook came out so stop and get yours.

2024-25 Yearbook - You can order this year's yearbook now for the lowest price. Go [here](#).

Military and National Guard Visits - Representatives plan to be here on:

- Air Force ROTC - October 16
- Army - no current visits planned
- Army National Guard - no current visits planned
- Marines - October 22
- Navy - no current visits planned

Stop by their table to find out more and get your questions answered.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Check for Scholarships - Students, remember to check Xello for a listing of scholarships. New ones are added periodically.

Health Room Process - If you are not feeling well, you first need to be excused from class and get a pass from your teacher to go to the Health Room. If that staff member feels you need to go home, your parent/guardian will be contacted. Do not just contact someone to come pick you up. If you are leaving the building, you need to check out at the main office window with Mrs. Beyer.

Help Desk - The Help Desk is located on the lower level in room 150. It is open for technology assistance on school days, 7:30am-3:00pm, or fill out a Help Desk ticket [here](#). A hall pass is REQUIRED when visiting during class time.

Return Daily Chromebook Loaners - Students who have borrowed a chromebook from the Help Desk need to return it at the end of the school day. These are daily loaners to be used for one day. Fees will be added in Infinite Campus for those not returned.

No Chromebook chargers loaned out - Make sure your Chromebook is charged every day. The Whitnall Helpdesk does not loan out chargers of any kind. If you need your laptop charged, bring it to room 150, and they will provide you a fully charged device while your own device charges. The Help Desk will not charge your personal electronics. Charge swaps and daily loaners are limited to three uses per month, repairs notwithstanding.

The Charlie B's school store is open during A and B lunch hours. Come grab a snack, drink or some spirit wear! Charlie B's is located behind the cafeteria.

Parking Pass - If you are driving to school, you must have a WHS parking pass on your vehicle. Both student fees and the parking fee must be paid before you get a pass. Stop in the main office to get yours. Do not park in designated district or visitor spots or you will be ticketed.

Breakfast is Available - Just a reminder that breakfast is available at the high school starting at 7:00am. A la carte items are also available for purchase. We would love to have you join us!

Lost and Found - Check the lost and found table outside the office for things you might be missing.

All Students -

- **Do not open or prop doors** to the outside of our building. All students need to enter in through Door #1.
- If you have to leave the building during the school day, **you may only exit the building through Door #1**. Please sign out with Ms. Beyer as you are leaving.
- Remember to bring everything you need to school in the morning since you will need an escort to go back out to your vehicle, and someone is not always available.
- All food deliveries must be dropped off by a **parent or guardian** at Door #1 which is the main entrance. If you are picking up your food, please go to the main office.

All Students - You need to scan your ID if you are coming in late or leaving early. This includes seniors with open campus so make sure you have your ID ready when you are at the window. If you lost your ID, there is a \$5.00 replacement fee. See Ms. Kolberg in the office if you need an ID.

Regarding Falcon Time, teachers or administration might assign you to a class. If you don't sign up for a Falcon Time with one of your teachers, you will be assigned. You may be assigned to a silent study hall or "general study" that is not one of your classroom teachers. You need to go to the Falcon Time on your schedule that day or you will be marked absent. All same day Falcon Time change requests must go through the teacher. If you signed up for a Falcon Time yourself, you can change that up until the day before.

Elevator - Only students who have been injured and issued an elevator fob along with one other person to assist them in carrying items, if needed, should be using the elevator in the Science wing. No other students should be accessing this area on the lower level.

Meal Account - When having breakfast and/or lunch at Whitnall High School, you will need your ID. Families can put money in their meal account through Infinite Campus or put cash or a check, made payable to Whitnall School District, in the lock box in the cafeteria or outside the district office. Make sure you have the student's first and last name and grade included.