DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 26, 2024

National Hispanic Heritage Month, September 15-October 15 - Today we recognize Isabel Allende, a Chilean author of magical realist novels who has been called "the world's most widely read Spanish-language author." She was inducted into the American Academy of Arts and Letters, and was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 2014.

<u>Drama Club</u> is meeting TODAY (September 26) from 3:00-4:00pm in the auditorium. We'll be discussing future theater workshops, drama club officers, and the Halloween fundraiser. Newcomers are welcome, so we hope to see you there!

<u>Animator Needed</u> - The Theatre department is looking for a student animator to make an animation for the "Little Women" musical trailer. Email Ms. Wagner if you are interested in helping out: <u>iwagner@whitnall.com</u>.

<u>Club/Activity Registration</u> - If you are participating in a club or are interested in doing so, you must register by September 30. Your parent will first have to do this through their Infinite Campus School Store, and then you need to finalize reviewing the document in your Infinite Campus.

<u>All Students</u> - 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.

Homecoming Week is next week! Go here for the upcoming activities.

<u>Homecoming T-Shirts</u> - Remember to bring \$10 to buy your homecoming t-shirt at lunch tomorrow and tie-dye it so that you are ready for next Friday's pep rally, parade and game! Tie dying will be tomorrow (September 27) after school in the courtyard outside the cafeteria.

<u>Homecoming dance</u> registration is open through your parent's Infinite Campus School Store through September 29. Remember that all school fees have to be paid for you to see this information in Infinite Campus and to register. (Students in AP classes will have the AP exam fees added to Infinite Campus after the homecoming ticket sale deadline.) You and your guest, if you were approved to bring one, will need to show an ID to get into the dance. You can show yours on Infinite Campus.

The Whitnall Falcon Booster Club will be serving complimentary soda and selling non-perishable packaged snacks for \$1/each in the cafeteria during the dance, so you may want to bring singles.

<u>Homecoming Snack Drive</u> - We are restocking the Snack Pantry at Whitnall and need your help. Research shows that students who have increased access to nutritious food are more attentive and perform better in class. Snacks will be available to all students in need, regardless of financial situation. Snack usage will be monitored to best support students and families. Walmart gift cards for school personnel to purchase basic need items for students in need are always welcome and appreciated as well. Bring in your donations for the Snack Drive to your 1st hour class next week during Homecoming Week, September 30-October 4th, go <u>here</u>. The top three winning classrooms will earn a celebratory breakfast so and get involved!

<u>The Charlie B's</u> 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.

Clubs/Activities

<u>Student Council</u> - All students are able to be a part of Student Council which meets every Friday at 7:00am in the multipurpose room. Come see how you can get involved in some fun activities throughout the year!

<u>College Visits</u> - 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
- Thursday, September 26, Carroll University, 4th hour
- Thursday, October 3, University of Wisconsin Eau Claire, 2nd hour
- Tuesday, October 15, University of Wisconsin Madison, 5th 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.

<u>Parking Pass</u> - 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.

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.

<u>Military and National Guard Visits</u> - Representatives plan to be here on:

- Air Force ROTC October 2, October 16
- Army no current visits planned
- Army National Guard no current visits planned
- Marines October 8, October 22
- Navy no current visits planned

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

GENERAL INFORMATION

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

<u>Health Room Process</u> - 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.

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.

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.

<u>All Students</u> - 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.

<u>Elevator</u> - 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.

No Parking in Designated Spots - Students who drive to school must have a parking pass on their vehicle. Do not park in designated district or visitor spots or you will be ticketed.

<u>Meal Account</u> - 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.

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

Regarding Falcon Time, teachers or administration might assign you to a class. If you don't sign up for a Falcon Time, 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.