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Featured Story



NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Washburn Rural High School provides a progressive environment of world-class academics, athletics, and activities to foster all students' desires to learn and achieve through open discussion and self-discovery. As educators in pursuit of student success, we continually enhance our skills and knowledge so we may offer the most relevant, effective curriculum in order to achieve our vision.

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From the Desk of Our Principal



Hello again!

I can't begin to tell you how glad we are to have students back in the building. It is so good to see them! Covid 19 continues to present a challenge to all of us as we navigate through a global pandemic. Our students and staff are working very hard to adjust to these unusually challenging times balancing safety and success.

A very important upcoming event that I would like to direct your attention to is Student-Led Conferences. They will occur on Wednesday and Thursday, October 13 and 14 respectively. Conference times are:

- Wednesday, October 13, 4:00 – 8:00 p.m.
- Thursday, October 14, 7:30 – 11:00 a.m.
- Thursday, October 14, 12:00 - 3:00 p.m.
- Thursday, October 14, 4:00 – 8:00 p.m.

One of the most important things that you can do as a parent to help your child achieve is to establish regular and open communication with their teachers. Conferences provide a very effective means of establishing this dialogue. During the conferences, I would encourage you to ask questions about the following: your child's progress toward the learning objectives for each of their classes, what you can do at home to assist your child in reaching those learning objectives as well as any concerns that your child may have with the class. I would also encourage you to share any other information about your child that would assist us in better understanding their needs.

We will be using the scheduling platform myconferencetime.com for student-led and regular class conferences. This year, students will sign up during their advisory class for their student-led conference. Once those conferences are in place, you will have the opportunity to schedule with as many of your student's other teachers as you need to. 10-minute appointments will be available and you'll have the opportunity to choose virtual or in-person meetings. Our Counseling and Administrative Staffs will also be listed on myconferencetime.com and available during conferences. Please do not hesitate to schedule with one of us.

As we approach the end of the first 9-weeks, we are aware that some students may be struggling. Tuesday/Thursday Interventions recently began and are a great opportunity for students who need more time on campus to work. If your child is referred by our staff, we certainly hope you will support our efforts to ensure their success by encouraging attendance. It is our mission to ensure that every student learns to the best of their ability.

Please let us know how your student is doing. We hope to see you during conferences!

Best,
A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ed Raines". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Ed Raines, Principal
rainedw@usd437.net

◆ WRHS Counseling Office

Counseling Website: <https://sites.google.com/a/usd437.net/counselors/>

Follow us on twitter for updates: [@wrhsgo](https://twitter.com/wrhsgo)

[Counseling Staff Contact Information](#)

24 Hour Crisis Hotline: 785-232-5005

Program Highlight: Washburn Institute of Technology

This year, with each issue of the newsletter, our counseling department is going to “highlight” a program or opportunity that our students have the ability to participate in. This month is Washburn Tech.

Beginning junior year, students can participate in a program at Tech during the school day. They offer morning and afternoon program options ranging from automotive to cosmetology to nursing to welding (and many others). Students receive credit just like taking classes at WR during that same time. Transportation is even provided for the morning session (to Tech then back to WR) and then in the afternoon, we have a bus take students to Tech. There is no end of the day transportation since our buses are running routes.

Students receive elective credit for their work at Tech which counts toward graduation, but more importantly, they can pursue a program of their interest and possibly get a head start on a career after high school. The cost for attendance varies per program but is less expensive for a high school student to attend than a post secondary/adult student.

Interested students should see their counselor or Mr. Wetzel for more information. Since students can enroll as a junior, the sophomore year is a great opportunity to investigate the opportunities at Tech. Twice a month, our Washburn Tech rep comes to WR to meet with students about programs, the application process, and the entrance requirements. Please [click here](#) for more information about Washburn Tech.

Social/Emotional Resources

The WRHS counseling website has several social/emotional resources available that address several common teen issues:

<https://sites.google.com/usd437.net/counselors/home/personal-social?authuser=0>

Junior and Senior Planning Letter

All juniors and seniors and their parents/guardians were emailed a [Junior Planning Letter](#) and [Senior Planning Letter](#) in September. Families are encouraged to review this letter closely.

FAFSA

The FAFSA opens for senior families on October 1. Please see our website for resources and video tutorials on the FSA ID, Financial Aid Estimator, completing the FAFSA, types of awards, and more.

PSAT/National Merit Scholarship Competition (NMSC)

The PSAT will be offered on October 13 at 8am at WRHS. If your student has registered please ask them to read the email reminders. They should get enough rest the night before and eat breakfast in order to do their best. Practice materials can be found on the [PSAT website](#).

◆ National Merit Semifinalist

Washburn Rural High School is excited to announce three Semifinalists out of the 16,000 Semifinalists in the 67th annual National Merit Scholarship Program. Victoria Wagner, Karyna Cheung, and Om Watson are this year's Semifinalist. These academically talented high school seniors have an opportunity to continue in the competition for some 7,600 National Merit Scholarships worth more than \$30 million that will be offered next spring. To be considered for a Merit Scholarship® award, Semifinalists must fulfill several requirements to advance to the Finalist level of the competition. Washburn Rural High School also has three commended scholars (top 5% in nation) Zachary Willingham, Donna Jalosjos, and Rishiraj Pandya.

Over 90 percent of the Semifinalists are expected to attain Finalist standing, and more than half of the Finalists will win a National Merit Scholarship, earning the Merit Scholar® title. NMSC, a not-for-profit organization that operates without government assistance, was established in 1955 specifically to conduct the annual National Merit Scholarship Program. Scholarships are underwritten by NMSC with its own funds and by approximately 400 business organizations and higher education institutions that share NMSC's goals of honoring the nation's scholastic champions and encouraging the pursuit of academic excellence.

Over 1.5 million juniors in about 21,000 high schools entered the 2021 National Merit Scholarship Program by taking the 2021 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT®), which served as an initial screen of program entrants. The nationwide pool of Semifinalists, representing less than one percent of U.S. high school seniors, includes the highest-scoring entrants in each state. The number of Semifinalists in a state is proportional to the state's percentage of the national total of graduating seniors.

To become a Finalist, the Semifinalist and a high school official must submit a detailed scholarship application, in which they provide information about the Semifinalist's academic record, participation in school and community activities, demonstrated leadership abilities, employment, and honors and awards received. A Semifinalist must have an outstanding academic record throughout high school, be endorsed and recommended by a high school official, and write an essay.

From the approximately 16,000 Semifinalists, about 15,000 are expected to advance to the Finalist level, and in February they will be notified of this designation. All National Merit Scholarship winners will be selected from this group of Finalists. Merit Scholar designees are selected on the basis of their skills, accomplishments, and potential for success in rigorous college studies, without regard to gender, race, ethnic origin, or religious preference.

National Merit Scholarships

Three types of National Merit Scholarships will be offered in the spring of 2022. Every Finalist will compete for one of 2,500 National Merit® \$2500 Scholarships that will be awarded on a state-representational basis. About 1,000 corporate-sponsored Merit Scholarship awards will be provided by approximately 220 corporations and business organizations for Finalists who meet their specified criteria, such as children of the grantor's employees or residents of communities where sponsor plants or offices are located. In addition, about 180 colleges and universities are expected to finance some 4,100 college-sponsored Merit Scholarship awards for Finalists who will attend the sponsor institution.

National Merit Scholarship winners of 2022 will be announced in four nationwide news releases beginning in April and concluding in July. These scholarship recipients will join more than 353,000 other distinguished young people who have earned the Merit Scholar title.

◆ College Board National Recognition

Congratulations to our own Gorata MacKenzie, Alex Sanderson, Landen Lobatos-Dick, and Victoria Wagner who are among 32,000 students from across the country to earn academic honors from the College Board's National Recognition Programs! These National Recognition Programs grant underrepresented students with academic honors that can be included on college and scholarship applications and connect students with universities across the country, helping them stand out during the admissions process. Colleges and scholarship programs use these honors to identify students from underrepresented groups through College Board's Student Search Service.

African American Program Scholar: Gorata MacKenzie

Hispanic Program Scholars: Alex Sanderson and Landen Lobatos-Dick

Indigenous Program Scholar: Victoria Wagner

The students have earned this recognition by excelling on their PSAT/NMSQT, PSAT 10, or AP Exams and in their classrooms. Students who may be eligible have a GPA of 3.5 or higher and have excelled on the PSAT/NMSQT or PSAT 10, or earned a score of 3 or higher on two or more AP Exams; and are African American or Black, Hispanic American or Latinx, Indigenous, and/or attend school in a rural area or small town. Eligible students are invited to apply during their sophomore or junior year, and are awarded at the beginning of the next school year.

SOURCES OF STRENGTH



Sources of strength is a school wide suicide prevention program. It utilizes peer leaders and adult advisors to create population level health change within their social networks. It accomplishes this by giving peer leaders the opportunity to internalize and exercise the strength and hope in their lives and to help spread that strength and hope to the entire school community. They spread messages of hope, help, and strength both organically in their everyday interactions as well as in targeted school wide "campaigns." There are tons of different ways to do school wide campaigns; the most important part is that they are driven by the peer leaders and attempt to reach the entire student body.

September was Suicide Prevention Awareness Month. On Tuesday, September 21, a lesson in Advisory was delivered regarding Suicide Prevention and Sources of Strength. It was highlighted in the lesson the importance of having trusted adults in our lives. Research has shown that long term relational support is very effective in preventing young adults from becoming suicidal or acting on suicidal feelings and impulses. Working in a school it is essential to develop caring relationships with students, especially those who report low levels of trust toward adults or have few connections to supportive adult relationships.

Sources of Strength focuses on hope, resilience, strength and connection. This activity reinforced the positive relationships our students have with adults at Washburn Rural. Additionally, we are hopeful that this helped our students who are in need of finding a Trusted Adult. Throughout the school year we will learn more about Sources of Strength during Advisory lessons. If you would like more information on the Sources of Strength program, please go to the following website: <https://sourcesofstrength.org/>

STUDENT COUNCIL



-WORKED WITH JROTC AND THE FOOTBALL TEAM TO "STOCK THE WRHS PANTRY"



-WELCOMED NEW AND RETURNING STUDENTS TO THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR

HOMECOMING CANDIDATES

LATASHA BOLOK
AVERY JONES
EMMA MOENCH
MADISON SMITH
ALAYA WHITEHEAD
SHERIDEN WICHMAN

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The BOOK OF WILL

Performances: November 4, 5, and 6, 2021 at 7:00 pm CST

Tickets: \$5 General Admission for in-person seating (live-stream options TBD)

Running Time: 2 hours

About the Show

By Lauren Gunderson

Presented by special arrangement with Dramatists Play Service

The King's Men are getting the band back together. The goal: to gather Shakespeare's scattered masterpieces and bind them to each other, and to history. Oh, and to make sure some hack doesn't completely ruin "Hamlet" in the meantime. It's a grand feat, to be sure. Especially for a community of actors who may know all the ins and outs of iambic pentameter, but next to nothing about binding books. Even so, they undertake their mission with pluck and wit and hearts full of joy. It's a theatrical, beat-the-clock race to save a legacy, and to re-discover themselves along the way.

Production Staff

DIRECTOR: Maeghan Bishop

SCENE DESIGN/TECHNICAL DIRECTION: Nick Beasley

COSTUME SUPERVISOR: Linnea Hoyos

STAGE MANAGER: Camryn Clark

ASST. STAGE MANAGER: Bry McDaniel

CAST LIST

Henry Condell - Aidan Kent

John Heminges - Casey Schenk

Richard Burbage - Jaq Donaldson

Alice Heminges - Taylor Moore

Young Hamlet - Noah Hart

Elizabeth Condell - Kate Taddiken

Rebecca Heminges - Raegan Jacobs

Ed Knight - Dayton Hill

Ralph Crane - Griffin Reiff

Ben Jonson - Christian Ryan

William Jaggard - Teddy Decker

Isaac Jaggard - Cade Nelson

Marcus - Calvin Schenk

Emilia Bassano Lanier - Marygrace Liew-Nguye

Anne Hathaway Shakespeare - Madison Torrez

Susannah Shakespeare - Lily Czechanski

Crier/Sir Dering - Jon Schocket

Compositor - Isaac Langley

◆ Career and Technical Education

Welcome back!

The fall semester is well underway and we are glad to have all students back in the building! Whether you're new or returning to WRHS, we hope you will visit the [CTE website](#) that launched in the spring of 2021. You'll find information about the courses included in the 15 Career Pathways at WRHS, Work-based Learning opportunities, scholarships, and upcoming events. Visit [wrhs.net/cte](#)

Why CTE?

Career Technical Education allows students to explore a variety of career choices. As students return to school they will be working in their [Naviance](#) account to complete a career interest survey and strengths assessment. Counselors and CTE teachers help students connect their survey results with opportunities to enroll in courses that align with their career interests. A guest speaker or job shadow experience may be just what a student needs to identify a career path that fits their passion. CTE students are better prepared for their future, whether their plans after highschool include earning a 4-year degree at a college or university, earning a certification at a 2-year or technical college, serving in the Military, or entering the workforce.

Featured Career Pathways

Over the course of this year we will introduce you to each career pathway offered in one of the nine Career Clusters offered at WRHS. The instructor and classes will highlight what students are learning in and outside of the classroom.

Information Technology Career Cluster

This [Career Cluster](#)[®] offers two pathways at WRHS: Programming & Software Development and Web & Digital Communications. This cluster is focused on building linkages in information technology occupations for entry level, technical and professional careers related to the design, development, support and management of hardware, software, multimedia and systems integration services.



Haley Slade

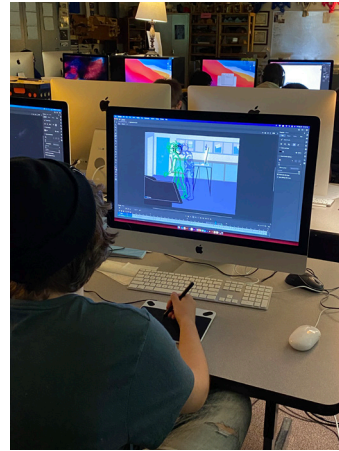


[Haley Slade](#) is new to WRHS and teaches Business Math, AP Computer Science Applications, Intro to Computer Science, and AP Computer Science Principles. Ms. Slade is the lead teacher for the [Programming & Software Development Pathway](#) and also the sponsor of two new clubs: Coding Club and Computer Science Honor Society. Students are learning the basics of the Java and Python programming languages. This includes basic user input and creating and storing variables. As we are getting further along in the curriculum, students are beginning to make connections from what they are learning to the real world. Free Code projects allow the students to continue to practice what we are learning while expressing their personal interests. In Coding Club students are exploring additional programming languages and getting prepared for their first couple Coding Competitions.

Theresa Shetler-Logan is the lead teacher for [Web and Digital Communications](#). She teaches Graphic Design, Advanced Graphic Design, Animation, and Advanced Animation. In Graphic Design students will learn the basics of Adobe Illustrator and Photoshop then explore how they can put their own spin on their artwork. In Advanced students have a bit more freedom and create large research projects and designs based on their findings. Advanced students choose their own topics and mediums. Animation students explore frame by frame hand drawn animations, stop motion, and rotoscope among other topics. Advanced Animation students work on longer length animations and character development to create a more in depth animation.



Theresa Shetler-Logan



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- GRIEF
- LGBTQ+ ISSUES
- LONELINESS

AGES 13-17

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Win prizes every month!

Stop by the WRHS Bank during lunch to find out how you can win \$500!



◆ Career and Technical Education



DECA members were invited to participate in the DECA Stock Market Game which kicked off **September 13, 2021**.

Participants in the **DECA Stock Market Game** develop and manage an online investment portfolio of stocks, mutual funds, bonds, ESG investments, and cash. The Stock Market Game is available via web browser on any device or on The Stock Market Game mobile app available on Android or Apple. SMG allows DECA members to test their investment knowledge and skills against other DECA members in an online competition. The goal of the competition is to provide participants with the skills needed to be successful in their future financial lives by managing a diversified investment portfolio.

Managed by the SIFMA Foundation, this virtual simulation challenges teams of one to three students to build and manage a virtual investment portfolio of stocks, bonds and mutual funds. This event is **FREE** to all active DECA members.

The top 25 teams from each region will qualify to present their portfolio at ICDC!

To learn more check out the following link or contact Mr. McFall.

<https://www.decadirect.org/articles/the-deca-stock-market-game-begins-on-september-13-2021>





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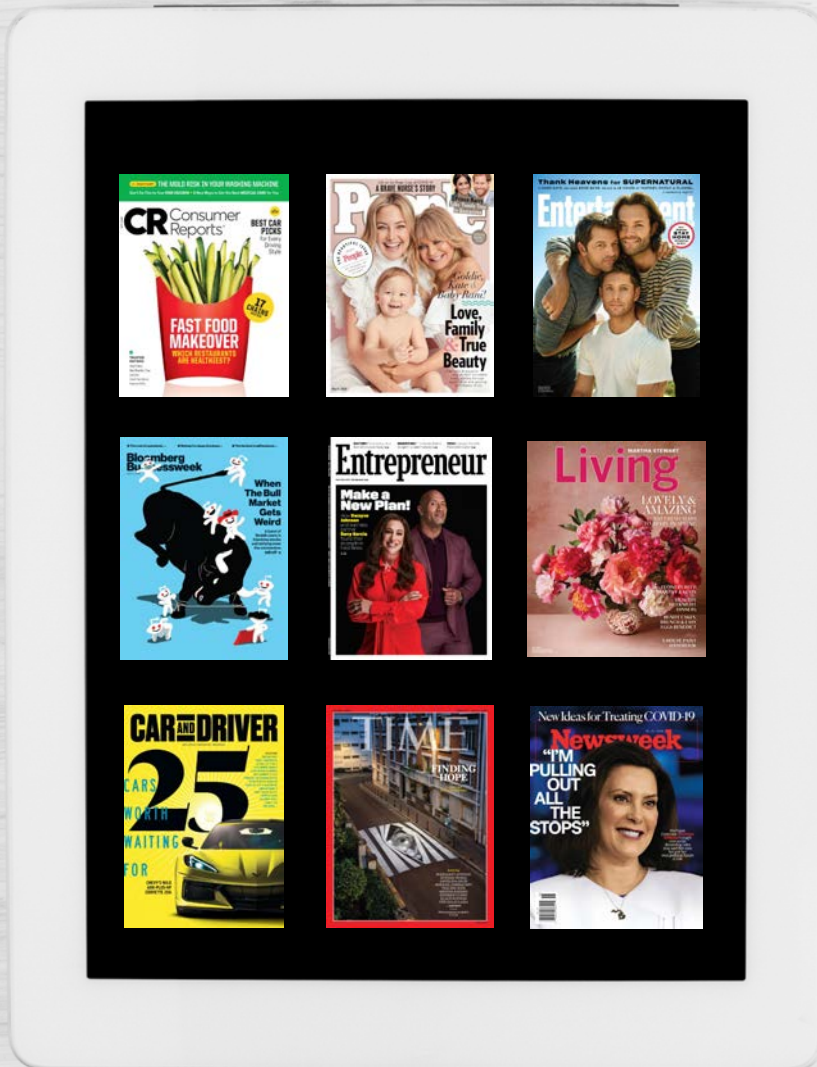
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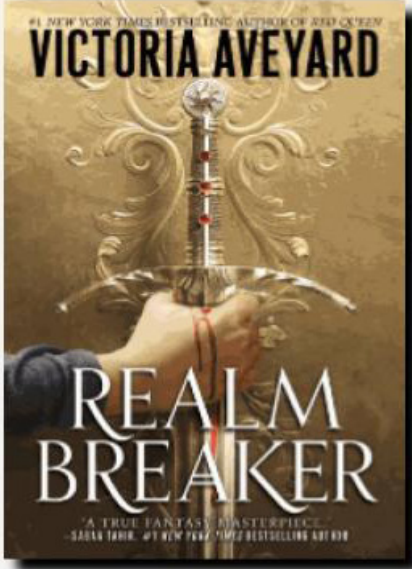
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- area job openings
- school activities and more

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Mrs. Finney's Monthly YA Book Recommendation



Realm Breaker (Realm Breaker #1)
By Victoria Aveyard
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Corayne has always wanted to be a part of the action. Her mother, a famous and dreaded pirate, has kept Corayne locked away and prohibited her travels. Until one day fate knocks on her door in the form of an immortal and an assassin. Corayne discovers that she must use her ancient bloodline to close ancient portals that are letting monsters into their realm. Together the group must attempt to stop an evil queen, her power-hungry husband, and potentially the end of their realm.



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◆ The Chimes Yearbook



Friday, October 22nd

SENIOR PORTRAITS

Senior Portrait Specifications for Yearbook

The WRHS Yearbook staff encourages every senior to submit a senior portrait for the "People Section" of the yearbook. Portraits are due on/before the **first Friday in December**.

OPTION #1: Inter-State Studios

Inter-State is the school's portrait photographer. During enrollment & on retake dates seniors may take a senior portrait at no charge to the student. The yearbook staff will have access to these images.

OPTION #2: Select Your Photographer & Submit Your Image

Seniors complete this option on their own.

All images are sent electronically.

Please send the ORIGINAL (uncropped) file in JPEG format.

Email Subject: Student's first & last name.

Send your portrait file to:

wrhsporraits@usd437.net

(Important: send Senior Salute images in a separate email to wrhssalutes@usd437.net)

While most major photography studios in the area already have these specifications, please have your photographer send a digital file that matches the following:

- Head-and-shoulders shots are preferred.
- Attire must follow school handbook.
- Plain backgrounds preferred.
- No studio imprint (I.D.)/watermark on portrait.
- Photos must be vertical (or they will be cropped to fit a vertical space).

- *Special note to photographers:*

Digital images must be 300 dpi. They can be submitted on CD or emailed to us at:

wrhsporraits@usd437.net

Please note: We will post a list of seniors who HAVE turned in portraits after the deadline. The list will be posted outside the Counseling Office and announcements will be made. **Seniors are responsible** for checking the list to make sure portraits have been delivered and received by the yearbook staff.

We cannot be responsible if we do not receive your photo.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the WRHS Journalism Department at 339-4252.

Don't forget the December Deadline! (first Friday)
Questions? Call WRHS Journalism 339-4252 or email: **wrhsporraits@usd437.net**

Senior Salutes

It's Your Child's Senior Year!

Here's your opportunity to purchase senior salute space in the yearbook.

Senior salutes are spaces for parents, grandparents and friends to congratulate, honor and recognize their senior with photo(s) and text.

Salute sizes range from 1/8 of a page to a full page and are available in color or black & white. Custom designs can be submitted (as a JPEG), or you may choose from one of the prepared layouts on the attached pages.

To order a salute: (1) detach and fill out the form below.

(2) gather your pictures.

*Do not cut photos.

*Do not submit wallet-sized senior pictures: (these often have a texture on them which makes them difficult to scan) please contact your photographer and have senior salute portraits emailed to:

wrhssalutes@usd437.net

(3) Based on your layout selection, write the appropriate amount of text you'd like to appear in the salute space. (Please limit any quoted text to 4 lines or 10% of original material. No song lyrics will be printed.)

Two Ways to Send: (Option 1): Mail these items to WRHS Journalism Department, Attention: Senior Salutes, 5900 SW 61st Street, Topeka, KS 66619. **If you'd like the pictures returned, simply include a self-addressed and stamped envelope, and we'll send your photos when the salute is complete.**

(Option 2): If all of your content (photos & text) is digital, email content + order form to wrhssalutes@usd437.net

*Photos MUST be high resolution scans: 300 dpi - if not, mail original images.

Payments must be mailed or delivered to WRHS prior to the deadline.

Hurry, space is limited!

Salutes and/or payments submitted after the deadline may not be published.

Salute deadline: first Friday in December

Yearbook Salute Order Form

Purchase Information - (Salutes will not be printed until payment is received.)

Buyer's Name: _____

Senior's Name: _____

Phone Number: _____ (in case we have questions)

Buyer's E-mail: _____

(so we can send you a salute proof when completed.)

Payment Type: Cash or Check # _____ (to WRHS Yearbook)

**Salute Deadline:
first Friday in Dec.**

Questions? Please call 339.4252 or email: wrhssalutes@usd437.net

Salute Size & Color

(check size & circle layout letter - sample layouts included)

Black & White Salute Space

- ___ 1/8 Page \$50 Layout: A B C D (circle)
- ___ 1/4 Page \$100 Layout: E F
- ___ Half Page \$200 Layout: G H I J
- ___ Full Page \$300 Layout: K L

Color Salute Space

- ___ 1/8 Page \$100 Layout: A B C D (circle)
- ___ 1/4 Page \$200 Layout: E F
- ___ Half Page \$300 Layout: G H I J
- ___ Full Page \$400 Layout: K L



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◆ PTO Blues Backers

Blues Backers is the parent-teacher organization at Washburn Rural High School. Our purpose is to work closely with the administration at the school to support the students as well as show appreciation for the hard work of the teachers and staff. This is accomplished through volunteer time and financial support in various ways.

Blues Backers are responsible for organizing and executing a number of events and activities:

- Hosting post-prom each year
- Fulfilling funding requests from extra-curricular activities (sports, clubs, activities)
- Providing concessions at events
- Providing hospitality lounge at school-hosted events
- Student achievement recognition
- Hosting teacher appreciation events
- Volunteering at school dances/events

Blues Backers fundraising efforts include:

- Membership fees
- Operation of concession stands



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Join the WRHS PTO/Bluesbackers

Ann Rausch, President, rauscann@usd437.net

Jenny Lang, Vice President, jenlang4@gmail.com

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**A big thank you to our new
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Congratuatlions to the winners of the Maui
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-Thanks Angela Truelove for the donation!

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2021-2022 PTO Contact Information

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VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED

Volunteers are needed in a variety of ways:

- Organize concessions, staff appreciation, and post-prom.
- Attend PTO Meetings: We are always seeking new ideas! Meetings are held the 1st Wednesday of each month, see the PTO page on the WRHS website for a list of meeting dates. You are welcome to bring friends!

WRHS October Calendar

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Pep Assembly Schedule 2:15 pm - Homecoming Parade 6:00 pm - V Boys' Soccer at Iowa Tournament 7:00 pm - V Fball v. Emporia (Homecoming)	2 8:30 am - JV Vball Tournament - Emporia 9:00 am - 9 League Vball Tournament 9:00 am - CC at Seaman Invite 10:00 am - Class of 2000 Tour 11:00 am - V Boys' Soccer at Iowa Tournament
4 1:00 pm - V Girls' Golf at Manhattan Invite 4:30 pm - 9/JV Fball at Emporia 6:30 pm - Board of Education	5 4:30 pm - JV/V Boys' Soccer v. Seaman 5:00 pm - 9 Vball Quad at Emporia 5:30 pm - Band Color Guard Practice 6:00 pm - V Vball Dual v. ONW 7:00 pm - Vocal Concert	6 5:00 pm - JV Vball Triangular - WR 6:00 pm - Capital City Marching Festival	7 End of 1st Quarter 3:00 pm - JV Girls' Golf at Manhattan Invite 3:30 pm - MS Fball 4:30 pm - JV/V Boys' Soccer at Topeka West (HSP)	8 No School (Staff Day) 7:00 pm - V Fball at Manhattan	9 9:00 am - Olathe Marching Festival 9:00 am - V Vball Tournament - Derby 9:00 am - JV League Vball Tournament 10:00 am - CC at the Topeka City Invitational 2:00 pm - Auburn Fair Parade
11 8:30 am - V Girls' Golf at Regional Tournament 4:30 pm - 9/JV Fball v. Manhattan 7:00 pm - Orchestra Concert	12 3:30 pm - MS Fball 4:30 pm - JV/V Boys' Soccer v. Bishop Carroll 5:00 pm - V Vball Quad at Hayden 5:30 pm - Band Color Guard Practice	13 Parent/Teacher Conferences 8:00 am - PSAT Test 4:00 pm - Parent/Teacher Conferences 5:00 pm - 9 Vball Quad at Hayden	14 No School 8:00 am - Parent/Teacher Conferences 5:00 pm - V Vball Triangular at OW	15 No School 7:00 pm - V Fball v. Highland Park	16 8:00 am - Shawnee Mission Marching Festival 8:00 am - 9 Vball Tournament - BVHS 8:00 am - WRHS Chess Club Tournament 8:30 am - V Vball Tournament - Emporia 10:00 am - CC at League Meet
18 8:30 am - V Girls' Golf at State Tournament 10:30 am - Jostens Senior Cap and Gown Meeting 10:30 am - Jostens Senior Cap and Gown Meeting 4:30 pm - 9/JV Fball at Highland Park (HSP) 6:30 pm - Board of Education	19 8:30 am - V Girls' Golf at State Tournament 4:30 pm - JV/V Boys' Soccer at Topeka High (HSP) 5:30 pm - Band Color Guard Practice	20 8:30 am - V Girls' Golf at State Tournament 4:30 pm - JV/V Boys' Soccer at Topeka High (HSP) 5:30 pm - Band Color Guard Practice	21 2021-22 Club Date 4:30 pm - JV/V Boys' Soccer at BVN	22 10:30 am - Yearbook Pictures 7:00 pm - V Fball v. Seaman (Sr. Night)	23 8:00 am - ACT Test Date 9:00 am - KSU Marching Festival 9:00 am - KSHSAA 6A Regional CC Meet 1:00 pm - V Vball at Substate
25 4:30 pm - 9/JV Fball at Seaman	26 5:30 pm - Band Color Guard Practice 6:00 pm - V Boys' Soccer - KSHSAA 6A Regional Game	27 Early Release - 45 Minutes 7:00 am - Jostens Senior Cap and Gown Orders 7:00 am - Jostens Senior Cap and Gown Orders	28 6:00 pm - V Boys' Soccer - KSHSAA 6A Regional Final	29 3:30 pm - State Vball 7:00 pm - V Fball - Week 9 Bracket Play	30 9:00 am - KBA Marching Festival 9:00 am - Girls/Boys CC - 5A/6A State Meet 1:00 pm - State Vball