

# WASHINGTONVILLE



# WIZARDS

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## FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

First, kudos to the Washingtonville graduates who received their diplomas last night. While we are proud of the many achievements of the class of 2023, your teachers, administrators and I are even more proud of the curiosity, enthusiasm and perseverance you've shown in accomplishing them. As you reach this milestone and crossroad, I hope the skills you've developed and the knowledge you've gained will guide you to even greater fulfillment as you follow your individual college and career paths. Congratulations!

If you, or someone you know, wanted to attend graduation but were not able, [you can see galleries taken before, during and after commencement, and read excerpts from speeches here.](#)

Next, thank you district voters for voting to approve the 2023-2024 budget, with nearly three times as many votes in support as there were in opposition. That margin tells me that Washingtonville, without a doubt, recognizes the value strong schools bring to a community and the impact that quality public education has on the lives of its children. You can [read more about official budget vote results here](#), and [review all 2023-24 budget information, including presentations and the budget newsletter, here.](#)

You have allowed us to continue offering the programs that make Washingtonville a great district, things like: outstanding curriculum across all grades; academic, athletics and arts opportunities for every student; electives that develop a sound knowledge base and path to college/career success in STEM-related fields; extracurriculars and enrichment programs to explore interests; social and academic clubs. These are the programs that prepare our students to meet the modern world head on and take the spirit of Wizards Nation with them.

Best wishes, graduates; thank you, Washingtonville families. I hope everyone enjoys a summer of rest and relaxation. See you all on September 6!

Sincerely,  
Dr. Larry Washington  
Superintendent of Schools

## WHS CELEBRATES STUDENTS IN TWO CEREMONIES

Congratulations to the Class of 2023 members who were recognized during the **Awards & Scholarships Ceremony**. More than 100 awards and scholarships were presented to Washingtonville seniors. [Read more about the winning seniors and see a gallery from the event.](#)



The **WHS Academic Achievement Awards** honored high school students who achieved distinction in their academic subjects. Honors were presented to students in individual classrooms, students who earned perfect scores on their Regents exams, and those who earned the NYS Seal of Biliteracy. [Read more about the event here.](#)

## MIDDLE SCHOOL GRADS CELEBRATE GOOD LUCK IN HIGH SCHOOL!

More than 300 eighth-grade students were honored for individual academic achievements and moving on to begin High School next fall. We welcomed a large audience of family members to the annual Fifth Grade Recognition Ceremony.

The students also enjoyed a day of celebration with fun activities on the school lawn.

[Read more about the event and see a gallery here.](#)



## EXCELSIOR! MOVING EVER UPWARD

Congratulations to all of the fifth graders who are moving up to the Middle School for next fall!

We had a great time in June celebrating student achievements and welcoming parents, families and loved ones to the High School auditorium for our annual series of Moving Up ceremonies.



[Little Britain Moving Up](#)

[Taft Moving Up](#)

[Round Hill Moving Up](#)



## PROVIDE YOUR INPUT ON OUR STRATEGIC PLAN

The Strategic Planning process entails a comprehensive evaluation of our current practices, identifying areas for improvement, and incorporating the perspectives of our entire school community - including your own.

You may provide your input anonymously by following this link: [2023 Strategic Planning Community Feedback.](#)



# WIZARDS NATION WRAP-UP

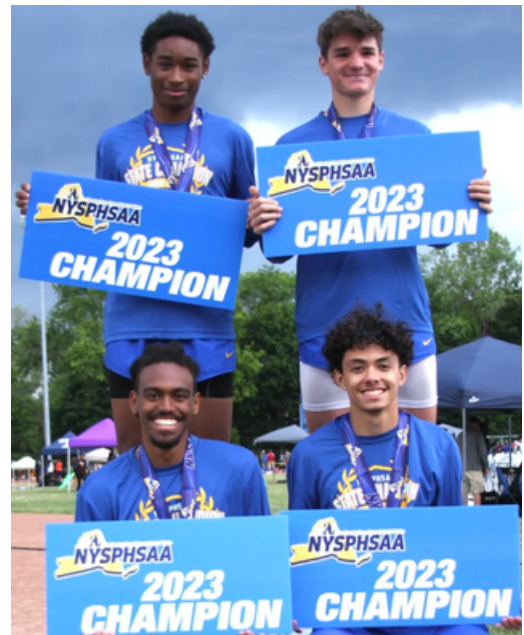
The Wizards 4x400 meter relay team = NY STATE CHAMPS!

Congratulations to the team of Joe Napolitano, Malachi Taylor, David Gerdin and Jaiden Bradshaw. It's actually a repeat title, for all you Wizard fans in the know out there! The guys posted a season best time to capture the title. [Read more to find out their record time, see a gallery from the win, and see who the Wizards were proud to share the podium with.](#)

Back on May 31, 20 student-athletes signed their National Letters of Intent to play collegiate sports at their respective colleges. Every year, we are proud to recognize those Wizards whose athletic and academic achievements have earned them college opportunities. [Read more about the signing and see a gallery of photos.](#)

On June 21, Athletic Director Suzanne Lendzian presented the Wizards Athletic Department's spring recap. The Wizards were celebrated for their performance on the courts, tracks, fields, pitches, diamonds, lakes, lanes, boards, and blocks, as well as their commitment to teammates and sportsmanship. Congratulations, Wizards!

[See the Wizards Spring 2023 Recap here.](#)



## BGTV IS ON THE AIR!

Watch weekly episodes of BGTV - Blue & Gold TV!

Every episode produced completely by WHS students, with focus on events, issues, and interests around the high school community. Look back at this year through the BGTV lens!

[Watch the June 9 edition here.](#) [Subscribe to BGTV here.](#)

## IMPORTANT FALL DATES

### September 4, 2023

- Labor Day

### September 5, 2023

- Superintendent's Conf. Day (faculty only)

### September 6, 2023

- First day of school for students

### September 25, 2023

- Yom Kippur (no school)

### October 9, 2023

- Columbus/Indigenous Peoples Day (no school)



## USEFUL LINKS

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[Little Britain Calendar](#)

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