

THE WILDCAT WEEKLY

A Note from Dr. G

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Superintendent's Corner

Believe it or not, this is our last regular edition of the Wildcat Weekly for the 2023–2024 school year! There are two great stories we wanted to share with you about making connections for our students beyond their school buildings! Art teacher Melissa Mancini's HES 1st graders provided colorful sketches of their imaginative monsters to Irvington Middle School 8th graders who crafted unique, hand-sewed stuffed animals in their Family and Consumer Science class. WMS Tech Teacher Mike Pezzuti and WHS Engineering teachers Claudia Palermo and Dan Clark connected with Nicole Ponte's 3rd graders for a lesson on how to create objects in CAD and foster interest in the engineering program. We celebrated over one hundred 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students at the district's second annual National Junior Honor Society celebration. We are very proud of our first and second year honorees. Thank you WMS Principal Anthony Mungoli and Advisor Dianna Jativa for bringing this wonderful organization to our school. Our CES 3rd graders celebrated the end of their social students curriculum with a day dedicated to China, Brazil, and the US.

Moving Ups started today with 2nd Grade. Stay tuned for our Special Moving Up Edition on Tuesday and check out the website and social media for more photos.

Noticing the Good

Junior Alexa DiSalvo won a Silver Medal in the category Science at the international GENIUS Olympiad, where she competed against hundreds of top science research students from 67 countries and 34 states! Lexi conducted her research "Raising Cash Cows: An Investigation of the Behavioral and Hormonal Differences of Holstein Heifers Located on Pasture vs. Barn" in the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the University of Wisconsin - Madison. Lexi also just got her work published in Journal of Dairy Science!

Westlake Science research advisor, Lawrence McIntyre, (who should also be congratulated on his student's success) asked that along with congratulations to Lexi, we extend special thanks to Leonore Rotanelli for her invaluable help with literature searches, Robb Shandroff for his tireless technical support, Brian McClintock for his statistical support, and to principal Keith Schenker, assistant principal Daniel Brady, the Board of Education, and all colleagues and parents who are so supportive of our science research students.

HES Moving Up!

More pictures on social media!



The Week Ahead

6/24 CES 5th Grade Moving Up 9 am, HES & CES Half Day, WMS Early Dismissal 11:15 am, BOE Work Session 7:30 pm

6/25 WMS 8th Grade Moving Up, HES & CES Half Day, WMS Early Dismissal 11:15 am

6/26 STAFF ONLY - Superintendent Conference Day, WHS Graduation 4 pm
The main turf field and the track will be closed to the public through Thursday 6/27 at 4 p.m.

In Awe of the Paw - Scout Honors

WHS Senior Ryan Samoyedny, completed his Eagle Scout Project at Easter Seals Project Explore in Valhalla. He tackled Social and Cognitive Development skills for his project creating two outdoor play areas. 7th grader Mikela Gerring earned her Silver Award for organizing a "Salute to Service" by coordinating the delivery of 125 boxes of Girl Scout Cookies to veterans in Mount Pleasant.



GENIUS Olympiad

International High School Environment Project Olympiad

"Let's built a better future together"

