

# WASHINGTONVILLE



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## FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT



As we continue into the 2024-2025 school year, I want to commend all of our faculty, staff, students and families for a successful and wonderful start to the year. Without you, the district would not have been able to have such a smooth transition into the year to set our students up for success. Our back to school nights allowed our teachers to connect with families and give them insight into what will happen in the classroom for the year. Back to school nights are essential to creating strong relationships with educators and families to ensure a student's academic achievements.

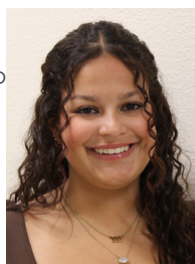
We continue to be committed to the three priority areas that allow the district to achieve our mission and vision: student experience, academic excellence, and community connection. These pillars are important to establishing an environment that is safe and inclusive for all students while continuously improving education and communication in the community.

I would also like to send my gratitude to the community for voting to approve the Capital Project. The district continues to work diligently with architects and construction managers on phases of the project, for example, the athletic fields. Most recently, the district has submitted a roofing project for Little Britain to the state. We will continue to share updates on the renovations over the next couple of years.



### STUDENT REPS NAMED TO BOARD

The district has added student representatives who will participate in board of education meetings during the 2024-2025 school year.



[Click here to view the full story.](#)

### WHS BAND PUBLISHED IN NATIONAL MAGAZINE

This past spring the Washingtonville High School bands performed at the annual Spring Band Concert that featured five original student compositions. Their performance was noticed by the head editor of The Instrumentalist Magazine, a national bimonthly magazine for music educators.

[Check out The Instrumentalist story here](#)

## SEVENTH GRADE STUDENTS BUILD ROBOT FOR PLTW

Racquel Reyes's seventh grade technology students at Washingtonville Middle School have been working on building a robot as part of Project Lead The Way. The self-driving robots will be built by the students through coding and programming from students.

Project Lead the Way is a pre-K through grade 12 program where students receive learning that connects them to real-world experiences. These experiences will then help them build the skills necessary to thrive in college, career and beyond. Students learn skills such as problem solving, critical thinking and communication.

Ms. Reyes's seventh grade students also have been working on building, coding and programming a rescue vehicle that can drive on its own. [Click here to view the full story](#)



### Round Hill kicks off Fire Prevention Week



[Learn more: Local firefighters asked elementary students at Round Hill, "Who wants to be a firefighter when they grow up?"](#)

### Little Britain supports breast cancer awareness

A sea of pink apparel filled the hallways of Little Britain Elementary as the school unified for Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Every Monday in October, students and staff wore pink in solidarity with those affected by the disease. [Read more here.](#)



### Finding Nemo rehearsals begin at Taft

The Finding Nemo cast rehearsals are echoing through the halls of Taft Elementary School. [Read more here](#)



### FRESHMAN CLASS VOTES IN LEADERS

The Class of 2028 has elected its four officers among 15 candidates. The officers are brainstorming and organizing their ideas for different fundraisers to conduct throughout the year to reach their goal of raising enough money for events like prom, senior banquet, and senior class barbecue.

[Click here to view the full story.](#)

### ASPIRE STUDENTS HOST BREAKFASTS

The WHS Breakfast Bistro, operated by ASPIRE students, is back this year and open one Friday a month. Students, faculty and staff can place their orders and ASPIRE students will personally deliver the orders or prepare them for pickup. Follow the aroma to the bistro each month.

[Click here to view the full story.](#)

## SCHOOL BOARD RECOGNITION WEEK OCTOBER 14 - 18

Washingtonville Central School District school board members were recognized at the October 17th board of education meeting for their dedication and commitment to the school community. Board members were presented with a certificate recognizing their hard work and thanking them for the resources they have provided to WCSD.

The school board is served by Sharon Williams (President), Robin White (Vice President), William Hewlett Jr. (Secretary), Dan Luedke (Trustee), Kristie Johnson (Trustee), Jim Overbey (Trustee), and Brian T. Strommer (Trustee), and is an important part of the community and is responsible for student success.



[Click here to read all about School Board Recognition Week](#)



# SPORTS CORNER

## WHS to host OCIAA diving, swimming

WHS will host the Orange County Interscholastic Athletic Association girls diving meet at 3:30 p.m. October 24 and swimming at 4 p.m. on October 25.



## Cross country teams advance to OCIAA

Congratulations to the WHS girls cross country team for placing second and the boys cross country team for placing fifth at the Burnt Hills Invitational on October 12! They will compete at the OCIAA championship on October 26.



## Tennis team celebrates court renovation

The district's tennis courts received a renovation that was completed just in time for preseason practice in August. [Click here to read more](#)



## Junior Michael Silva joins NYSPHSAA SAAC

The Washingtonville Central School District has been given the opportunity to have one of its student athletes participate in the New York State Public High School Athletic Association Student Athlete Advisory Committee.



Michael Silva, a junior at Washingtonville High School, has been selected to represent Section IX for the next two years. [Read more about the program here.](#)



## Bleachers packed for Wizards homecoming game

The bleachers at the Washingtonville High School track and field were packed with enthusiastic fans on September 28, 2024, as they cheered on the Washingtonville Wizards football team for their homecoming game. [Read more about the homecoming game here](#)

# UPCOMING DISTRICT DATES

**Oct. 24**

- HS Financial Aid Night

**Oct. 25 and 26**

Fall Show

**Oct. 30**

- HS early dismissal
- HS parent/teacher conferences
- MS parent/teacher conferences

**Nov. 7**

- Board of Education Work Session

**Nov. 13**

- HS NHS induction ceremony

**Nov. 14**

- Board of Education Business Meeting

**Nov. 19**

- Elementary schools parent-teacher conferences

**Nov. 25**

Elementary schools parent-teacher conferences

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