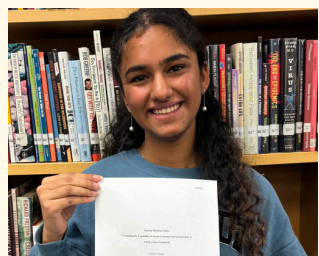
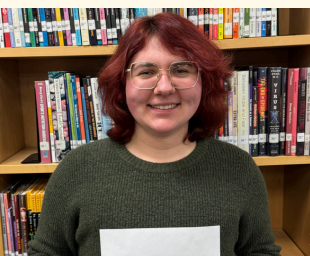


THE WILDCAT WEEKLY

A Note from Dr. G

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Superintendent's Corner

The first week back of 2025 came with many reasons to celebrate!

Westlake Science Research learned that two students - Junior Isabelle Chacko and Senior Jayden Roazzi - have been selected in the highly competitive NY-Upstate JSHS regional competition. They were two out of only 72 finalists selected from over 600 applications from across New York State!

WHS counselors select a sophomore each year attend the Hugh O'Brian Youth (HOBY) State Leadership Seminar. Congratulations to Logan Pineiro for being chosen for his outstanding leadership potential, sensitivity to others, and excellent communication skills. Captain Kat Lonergan led the North Avalanche to a 3-0 victory over Rockland at MSG on Thursday. AD Dave Kantowitz and trainer Hilary Piccoli accompanied Westlake's only female hockey player to the game which was part of the NY Rangers Junior Hockey Program. Finally, congratulations to the 55 juniors and sophomores who, last night, were inducted into the National Honor Society and to Principal Keith Schenker who received an honorary induction since he is retiring at the end of the school year. The Concert Band performed and Susanna Palumbo delighted audiences with a solo performance of the National Anthem. Read more and see pictures and videos on our social media!

Noticing the Good

As part of the grade level ELA curriculum, our 7th grade reads The Outsiders every fall. For the second year in a row, the seventh-grade team has taken their students to see "The Outsiders" on Broadway. WMS teacher Bryan Korzen who spearheaded the trip said, "This trip was open to the entire grade and we brought 138 7th graders to the Bernard B. Jacobs Theatre. It is such an amazing performance. Usually, we watch the famous movie from the eighties but in the past two years, we have headed to the city!"



Pre-register for Universal Pre-K 4 starting 1/20. Visit mtplcsd.org for details.



The Week Ahead

- 1/13 - MTPEF Meeting 7 p.m.
- 1/14 - Elem PTA Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- 1/15 - Board of Education Work Session 7:30 p.m.



January 9 was National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day! Thank you Mount Pleasant Police Department and especially our SRO, Officer Luke Oliveri!

In Awe of the Paw - Honoring Service

At the National Honor Society induction Ceremony, The Aimee Chu Hung Braun Travel/Study Grant was awarded to senior Sukhi Kaur. The \$1,000 award, presented each year by Drs. Norma and Carl Braun, honors their daughter. The long-standing award recognizes students who "give of themselves to others."

Fun fact: Sukhi's sister Mandeep won the award a few years ago!

