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2025

WHBLC- ACCEPTING OF ALL AND SAFE FOR EVERYONE

Monthly Theme: Mental Health

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
			1 National School Principals' Day	2 Spirit Day: Wear WHBLC Attire
5 Emergency Drills Week Cinco de Mayo	6 National Teachers' Day	7 School Nurses' Day	8 Children's Mental Health Awareness Day- Wear Green or Any Outfit That Makes You Feel Happy	9 Spirit Day: Wear WHBLC Attire Staff Appreciation Day
12 Mental Health Awareness Week Mental Health Tickets Week	13	14	15	16 Spirit Day: Wear WHBLC Attire
19 Emergency Drills Week Letter Sent Home For Donations for Staff BBQ	20	21 Basketball Game vs BLC 11am Main Gym	22	23 Spirit Day: Wear Red, White & Blue for Memorial Day!
26 Memorial Day No School 	27 Dolphin Debate Week- Favorite Flowers	28 Academic Center Student Recognition	29 Pre-Vocational Student Recognition Speech at the Beach	30 Spirit Day: Wear WHBLC Attire Elementary Developmental Student Recognition Speech at the Beach

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Asian-American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Heritage Month, Haitian Heritage Month, Jewish-American Heritage Month, Lupus Awareness Month, Melanoma and Skin Cancer Awareness Month, National Mental Health Awareness Month, National Speech-Language-Hearing Month, Older Americans Month

Mental Health Monday- WHBLC student will share information about a mental health topic, (Mental Health), during Monday morning announcements. WHBLC Mental Health team will provide the information that will be shared out to the campus.

Joke/Fun Fact Friday- WHBLC student will share out to the campus a joke or fun fact during Friday morning announcements.

WHOLE SCHOOL EVENTS: Speech at the Beach

PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT ACTIVITIES: Letter sent home to parents and guardians asking for donations for our staff barbeque we are having on June 26th

Emergency Drill Week- May 5th-9th and 19th-23rd

In accordance with New York State requirements, our school will be practicing our emergency response protocol during these weeks. It is important that we practice our required emergency response protocols so in the event of a real emergency, everyone is aware of building procedures and expected actions. Our teachers, building aids and support staff will continue to provide appropriate support to their students during drills and emergencies, as appropriate.

May 1st-2nd

- **1st: National School Principals' Day-** Celebrate School Principals' Day on May 1 and show appreciation to the amazing school administrators who work hard every day to create an enriching learning environment for students! National School Principals' Day was established as a way of honoring our nation's school leaders.

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- 1st: **Beltrane-** Gaelic May Day Festival- Please see ES Boces Cultural Heritage Highlights Calendar attached to the bottom of this calendar for more information.
- 1st: **International Workers' Day-** Please see ES Boces Cultural Heritage Highlights Calendar attached to the bottom of this calendar for more information.
- 2nd: **Spirit Day: Wear WHBLC Attire**

May 5th-9th

- 5th: **Cinco de Mayo-** Please see ES Boces Cultural Heritage Highlights Calendar attached to the bottom of this calendar for more information.
- 6th: **National Teacher's Day-** National Teacher Appreciation Day is on Tuesday during the first full week in May as a reminder to show appreciation for teachers everywhere. We are using this National Day to say thank you to all teachers for their time and dedication to educate our children.
<https://www.teachersday.com/>
- 7th: **National School Nurses Day-** Since 1972, National School Nurse Day has been set aside to recognize school nurses. National School Nurse Day was established to foster a better understanding of the role of school nurses in the educational setting.
<https://www.nasn.org/advocacy/school-nurse-day>
- 8th: **National Children's Mental Health Awareness Day-** Wear **Green** or an Outfit That Makes You Feel Happy. Each year, National Children's Mental Health Awareness Day **seeks to raise awareness about the importance of children's mental health and show that positive mental health is essential to a child's healthy development.**
- 9th: **Spirit Day: Wear WHBLC Attire**
- 9th: **Staff Appreciation Day-** WHBLC's SEPTA would like to thank all staff for their hard work with our students by offering a bagel breakfast on this day.

May 12th-16th

- **Mental Health Tickets Week-** During this week students will have the opportunity to earn raffle tickets when they are observed demonstrating the monthly theme. Our entire staff will be on the lookout for any student we see displaying concern for someone else's or their own mental health! Three raffle winners will be chosen at the end of the week and announced over the

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loudspeaker. The winners will be able to choose an item they like from the school store.

- **Mental Health Awareness Week 2025-** Mental Health Awareness Week is taking place from May 12th to May 18th. People severely affected by mental illness are being left behind in the national conversation about mental health. We need to change this. The WHBLC Mental Health Team will provide mental health resources to our classrooms during this week.
- 12th- **International Nurses Day-** Please see ES Boces Cultural Heritage Highlights Calendar attached to the bottom of this calendar for more information.
- 12th- **Vesak-** Please see ES Boces Cultural Heritage Highlights Calendar attached to the bottom of this calendar for more information.
- 15th- **Global Accessibility Awareness Day-** Please see ES Boces Cultural Heritage Highlights Calendar attached to the bottom of this calendar for more information.
- 15th- **International Day of Families-** Please see ES Boces Cultural Heritage Highlights Calendar attached to the bottom of this calendar for more information.
- 16th- **Wear WHBLC Spirit Wear**
- 17th- **Armed Forces Day-** Please see ES Boces Cultural Heritage Highlights Calendar attached to the bottom of this calendar for more information.
- 17th- **International Day Against Homophobia, and Biphobia-** Please see ES Boces Cultural Heritage Highlights Calendar attached to the bottom of this calendar for more information.
- 18th- **International Museum Day-** Please see ES Boces Cultural Heritage Highlights Calendar attached to the bottom of this calendar for more information.

May 19th-23rd

- 19th- **Letters sent home** to our students' families asking for donations for our staff BBQ we are having on June 26th.
- 21st- **Basketball Game vs BLC-** 11am Main Gym. More information to follow.
- 23rd- **Spirit Day:** Wear Red/White & Blue for Memorial Day

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May 26th-30th

- **26th- Memorial Day: No School**
- **27th- Dolphin Debate Week-** The goal of this event is to create a functional platform for students to learn to identify their likes and dislikes and ultimately be able to communicate and/or express reasoning behind each respectively. This month's category is favorite flower types.
- **28th- Academic Center Student Monthly Recognition-** The monthly Shout Out recipient for May from each Academic Center class will be announced during the morning announcements. The students will also receive a certificate and their picture will be displayed on the Shout Out bulletin boards.
- **29th- Pre-Vocational Student Monthly Recognition-** The monthly Shout Out recipient for May from each Pre-Vocational class will be announced during the morning announcements. The students will also receive a certificate and their picture will be displayed on the Shout Out bulletin boards.
- **29th- Speech at the Beach (Day 1)** Organized, set-up, and run by WHBLC related service staff. A schedule will be created and all classes will be assigned a thirty-minute time slot to attend this two day event. More information to follow.
- **30th- Elementary Developmental Student Monthly Recognition-** The monthly Shout Out recipient for May from each Elementary Developmental class will be announced during the morning announcements. The students will also receive a certificate and their picture will be displayed on the Shout Out bulletin boards.
- **30th- Speech at the Beach (Day 2)** Organized, set-up, and run by WHBLC related service staff. A schedule will be created and all classes will be assigned a thirty-minute time slot to attend this two day event. More information to follow.
- **30th- World Multiple Sclerosis Day-** Please see ES Boces Cultural Heritage Highlights Calendar attached to the bottom of this calendar for more information.