

THE WILDCAT WEEKLY

A Note from Dr. G

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Superintendent's Corner

On Saturday, May 3rd, the 7th & 8th Grade Band and the Meistersingers had an amazing day at Music in the Parks. The day began with two stellar back-to-back performances by the ensembles and was followed by an amazing, sunny day at Six Flags! After enjoying the park, students got together for the awards ceremony, where the ensembles were given high ratings of Superior and Excellent. The Meistersingers placed second in the choral category, and the 7th and 8th Grade Band received 1st place for their division and overall 1st place for instrumental ensembles!

Columbus physical education teacher Sean Mayer accompanied students to the Southeastern Zone of the New York State Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance (NYS AHPERD) award ceremony at Arlington High School last weekend. They had been selected for their leadership, character, and commitment to physical education. Congratulations!

Our talented Westlake Players and directors Toni and Mike Williams were honored (and performed!) at the ESAG Awards. We were pleased they could all attend and share this photo with us.

It is incredibly gratifying to see students from Columbus, WMS, and WHS this week representing and being recognized beyond the borders of Mount Pleasant for their accomplishments. Please join us in congratulating them and their teachers on these successes!

This week we celebrated Teacher and School Nurse Appreciation. It is impossible to overstate the important roles these individuals play in the success of our students every single day. Thank you to our PTAs for planning celebrations in each of our schools!

Noticing the Good

Last night, Westlake Middle School held its 3rd annual National Junior Honor Society induction ceremony. This year, 157 students received recognition — 86 first-year inductees, 44 second-year members, and 27 third-year veterans. The evening was divided into two separate ceremonies: one for 1st year inductees and another for 2nd and 3rd year members. For both groups, students and families gathered to celebrate academic achievement and service with candle lighting, certificate presentation, and the recitation of the oath.

All members earned their place by maintaining a cumulative average of at least 90.0, completing a minimum of 10 hours of community service, securing two teacher or adult recommendations, and writing a piece based on a prompt of their choice.

In a poignant moment during the ceremony, there was a special dedication to Gia Gentile, a founding member of the Westlake NJHS chapter. Her siblings, Jordana and Tino, lit a candle in her memory as students were encouraged to follow in Gia's footsteps.

The rain at the end of the ceremony spoiled the tradition of taking a group photo on the front steps of the high school, but photos were taken indoors after each ceremony instead. Special thanks to NJHS advisor Dianna Jativa!



Please Join the Westlake Athletic Booster Club for our Spring Scramble Golf Outing



Monday, May 12, 2025
Knollwood Country Club \$285 per golfer

- 8:00 AM Registration & Breakfast
- 10:00 AM Shotgun Start
- 2:30 PM Cocktail Hour
- 3:30 PM Dinner & Awards Ceremony

Event Includes:

- Breakfast
- 18 Hole Scramble
- Electronic Scoring
- Sweep For Each Player
- On Course Beverages (soft & hard)
- Cocktail Hour & Awards Banquet
- Longest Drive, Closest to Pin and Other On Course Contests

Registration and Sponsorships



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Help a good cause and enjoy a day on the course.
WAC is a recognized 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization.

Questions: westlakeathleticclub@gmail.com or call Chris McClure (914) 494-6914

Happy Mothers Day!

The Week Ahead

WHS AP Exams

5/12 - WAC Golf Outing - See flyer,
WMS Incoming 6th Grade Parent
Orientation 7 pm

5/13 - Kindergarten Celebration of
Learning 6:30 pm

5/14 - WHS/WMS 4th Quarter Midpoint,
BOE Mtg (Tenure Celebration) 7:30 pm

5/15 - WMS 7th & 8th Grade Concert 7 pm

In Awe of the Paw – Iohud Player of the Week!

Freshman Flag Football quarterback

Juliana DiMarino was

Iohud Player of the Week!

Over five games, she had 61 carries for 516 yards and eight touchdowns. She also was 46 for 71 passing for 328 yards and three touchdowns. On defense, she had 16 flag pulls and an interception.

She beat out nine other nominees, receiving nearly 45% of the votes! Thanks to all who voted and congratulations Juliana!

