

THE WILDCAT WEEKLY

A Note from Dr. G

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WHS PTA



WMS PTA



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WAC



MTPEF

Superintendent's Corner

As we begin the new school year, I want to extend my deepest gratitude to the incredible PTAs at our Elementary, Middle, and High Schools. These dedicated volunteer organizations are the heartbeat of our school community, and they make so many meaningful experiences possible for our students and staff all year long.

Whether it's organizing welcome-back celebrations, planning school-wide events, providing classroom enrichment, or showing appreciation to our teachers and staff, the PTAs are behind the scenes making it all happen. Already this year, they've been instrumental in easing our return to school — with events like the Third Grade Meet & Greet, Hawthorne Meet & Greet, and the ever-popular Bagels & Locks breakfast. They've helped create a warm, welcoming environment from day one. And thanks to their efforts, Wildcat spiritwear is available throughout the year so everyone can show their pride!

I also want to recognize the Westlake Athletic Club (WAC) for their continued support of our student-athletes — both on and off the field — and thank the Mount Pleasant Education Foundation for the incredible enrichment opportunities they fund and the teacher grants they fulfill each year. Their impact is felt in every classroom.

The QR codes above will take you directly to membership and volunteer sign-up pages. I've personally signed up for all of them — and I strongly encourage every family in our community to get involved. Your participation makes a real difference. It's going to be a great year, Wildcats!

Noticing the Good

Westlake High School is proud to announce that 90 students have earned AP Scholar Awards in recognition of their outstanding performance on the College Board's Advanced Placement (AP) Exams. In addition, 12 students earned the AP Capstone Diploma, and 3 students received the AP Seminar and Research Certificate — a significant academic achievement.

The AP Program offers high school students the opportunity to take college-level courses and exams, potentially earning college credit and advanced placement.

These awards place Westlake students among the top 18% of more than 1.8 million students worldwide who took AP Exams.

The awards are categorized as follows:

- AP Scholar with Distinction: 37 students (Average score of at least 3.5 on all AP Exams and scores of 3 or higher on five or more exams)
- AP Scholar with Honor: 22 students (Average score of at least 3.25 on all AP Exams and scores of 3 or higher on four or more exams)
- AP Scholar: 31 students (Scores of 3 or higher on three or more AP Exams)
- AP Capstone Diploma: 8 students (Scores of 3 or higher in AP Seminar and AP Research, plus four additional AP Exams)
- AP Seminar and Research Certificate: 2 students (Scores of 3 or higher in both AP Seminar and AP Research)

This remarkable achievement is a testament to the hard work and dedication of Westlake students and the support of their teachers and families. Congratulations to all the award recipients!

SPiRiT DAY
SUNDAY 9.28.25
8:30 AM - 2:30 PM
WESTLAKE HIGH SCHOOL

Football Games • Cheerleading
DJ • Raffles • Face Painting • Fall Plant Sale
Candy Shoppe • Pumpkin Decorating
Food Trucks • Concession Stands • Games
Performance by WHS Blenders

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO
CHILDHOOD CANCER RESEARCH
THROUGH THE TLC FOUNDATION

For more info or ways to donate:
Visit www.wildcatsspiritday.org
Contact Lori Ferrara at 914-907-3401
or WildcatsSpiritDay@gmail.com

The Week Ahead

9/5 - Last Day To Order Spirit Day

T-shirts at www.wildcatsspiritday.org

9/8 - WHS PTA Meeting 7 pm, MTPEF Meeting 7 pm

9/9 - CES Back to School Night, WooHoo Welcome 6 pm, WAC Meeting 7 pm

9/10 - WMS PTA Meeting 7 pm, BOE Work Session 7:30 pm

In Awe of the Paw - First Day By the Numbers

On Tuesday, September 2nd, we welcomed nearly 100 UPK students, 2,026 K-12 students, and 37 new staff members. Be sure to check out All our Back to School Photos and the First Day Slideshow on Facebook and Instagram.

Thank you to the entire Wildcat Community for making the day both smooth and memorable. It's going to be a great year, Wildcats!

