



Homecoming Week

Homecoming week starts next week. Next week there will be dress up all week long and the theme is Small Town Throwdown. Monday is Muddy Monday (dress up as a farm animal, Pjs are allowed). Tuesday is Dress up in your best country/hick outfit (hats allowed). Wednesday is dress as your small town rival (one of our schools rivals). Thursday is Throwback Thursday (dress up as your favorite WC or Wildcat Alumni). And finally Friday is Cougar spirit (wear WC merch). There is 4 inside games Musical Chairs, Human Pyramid, Funny Relay and Cup Stacking. Hallway decorating/paint the town is this Sunday. Paint the Town is from 1-3pm and Hallway Decorating is from 3pm to 5:30 pm. Bonfire is at 5pm in Bluffs at Freeman Park. Our homecoming game is on Friday at 7pm. And finally homecoming is on Saturday from 8-11pm. Hope everyone has a good time and enjoys homecoming week!

By Alex Feenstra

Volleyball

The West Central volleyball team's record is currently 10-12. The season has had many ups and downs for the girls. From the exciting win against Triopia during the Meredosia Tournament to the tough loss against Pittsfield, our girls have been battling all season. They had a great win against Routt last week. In October there are a few hard games coming up. On October 10th the annual Dig Pink game is being played in Bluffs against South County. If you come, make sure to wear something pink in honor of those who have battled cancer. There will be baskets you can try to win, games between the JV and Varsity, a taco bar, and of course a great game to watch. The Waverly Tournament is also approaching soon. The girls will face some hard teams there and will hopefully come out with some wins. Be sure to come to some of the games this October and support our Lady Cougars!

Sofie Grubb

A new program has come to the school this year, and it's after school! The After School Program of Scott County strives to help and educate students in fun and unique ways! There are many experiments that go on each individual day, along with outside and inside activities. Each day is a new adventure! Some of this also includes: a new snack everyday, outside play, movies, and Legos. Homework help is encouraged and available too if needed. The After School Program is also a great way for any high school students looking for any community service hours. The program is each day after school from 3:15 to 5:30, and 2:15 to 5:30 on Wednesdays. This program is for all ages K-12, the oldest age being 17. The After School program is always looking for more helpers and children to join the fun! So, if there is nothing to do after school, come in and check it out!

Ella Hoots

Dance Team

The '24-'25 dance team season is in action! This year the Dance Team has twelve returning dancers and three new dancers. Hailey Blanton (sophomore), Karoline Lomelino and Arianna Stone (freshmen) are all new to the dance team. The team also has ten seniors this year. The seniors are Marisssa Galloway, Brylee Lawson, Kenzie Jones, Kylie Clayton, Brooklyn Gregory, Breeana Gregory, Ashlyn Likes, Kaidence Savage, Gracie Howard, and Bella Blanton. The three captains this year are Marissa Galloway, Brooklyn Gregory, and Kylie Clayton. The team is coached by Mrs. Katie Maul. They have been practicing once or twice a week to prepare for their performances. The dancers will perform at every home game for football and basketball. They recently performed at the home football game against Greenfield on October 4th, and they will be performing at halftime of the Homecoming game on October 11th versus North Greene. Be sure to catch their performances at all the home games!

Mallory Pratt

Cougar Football

The Cougar football boys have had a couple of busy weeks coming up for them. This week October 4th the boys will have there tackle pink game against Greenfield High School, the game will start at 6 and will be in Winchester. The following week after that is Homecoming week so the boys will have another home game which will be the big homecoming game. The game will be played in Winchester against our homecoming rival this year North Greene, this game will also start at seven. The boys go away and play Triopia for a week then come back home to home turf and will play Camp Point. The football boys have a record of 4-1 so far. For the football boys to make it to playoffs this year or like any other year they have to win five conference games. Playoffs should start towards the end of October or the beginning of November.

Kloe Woods

Congratulations to the Winchester High School golf team and their great season. They made it to sectionals and did well there then they went to Regionals. The golf team had a great season and made it to regionals. Tuesday October 1st Jaysa Likes went to Golf Regionals and placed 12th. The boys will go to Golf Regionals on Wednesday October 2nd at Deer Run. Some of the boys made it to sectionals including Cameron Seivers, Nick Hamilton, and Will Sutton.

Hailey Blanton

Semester Midterm

As we get into October we get closer to the semester midterm on 10/9 which is a Wednesday on HoCo week that we have almost 3 months left of the first semester then we have winter break. Then five months after that we also have a 2:15 day on that day. We have 5 2:15 dismissals this month 1 of those being for parent teacher conferences as we get closer to midterm make sure you are getting your homework and assignments done and turned in. I'm talking to you freshman and if you are having trouble in a class go to the teacher and let them know that you need help they will help you. Especially math is hard, but if you get your assignments turned in that will keep your grades up even if you have to stay in advisory it helps in the long run.

Nate Crook

As the leaves change, so does our school. Around this time of year the students at WHS are getting ready for the fall season. This fall we have a lot to look forward to such as homecoming, football games, and Halloween. The school is starting to look very festive for the new season everywhere you look there are festive decorations around. At the grade school there will be a halloween parade for the younger students to show off their halloween costumes. The fall season is a good time to be a student at WHS. In a few weeks we will start decorating for homecoming also so the school will be pretty festive. Homecoming is right around the corner and we will get ready for the activities such as decorating, the bonfire, the football game, and the dress up days. It looks like October is going to be a very busy month for WHS.

Kendall Graham

Landscaping Turf Management Class

This year I have taken Ms. Carroll's Landscaping class. Mrs. Carroll has taught the class since she started here at Winchester High School. Twelve students have decided to take the class this year. This class has seemed to catch quite a bit of students' attention. Ms. Carroll thinks the most important part of this class is the opportunity to try something new and allow students to be creative with their designs. The students favorite part of the class is getting out of the classroom to evaluate landscape sites for existing and possible designs. There are multiple things Ms. Carroll goes over in the class such as measuring buildings, introducing new tools, perfecting your writing and drawing for your landscaping plans, and overall just having fun. This landscaping Turf Management class is a great beginner Agriculture class for students who want to try out something different and don't want it to be too hard.

-Gracelyn Hettinger

Fall Cheerleading

As the football season goes on, the cheer season does as well. The cheerleaders have traveled with the football team to every game and participated. Recently, the cheer team hosted a kiddie cheer camp for all grade school girls from Winchester and Bluffs. The camp took place at the Winchester Grade School on Saturday the 28th. The camp consisted of the participants learning a dance, cheer and then performing in front of their parents. The kiddie campers will perform their dances during halftime at the tackle pink football game. This game is in support of those who have battled breast cancer. The game will also have baskets for supporters to come bid on. The cheerleaders and many other groups and teams will make baskets for people to come bid on. The cougars will play Greenfield. We hope to see everyone come out and support WCC this Friday!

-Fiona Smith