



The Hornet News

Gifted and Talented News

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DATES TO REMEMBER:

Report Cards—October 11th

PSAT Testing—October 17th

SOL Writing Test—October
24th-25th

The WMHS Gifted & Talented committee was formed in late August, and will be meeting individually to discuss, plan and review all budget requests for this school year. We have several teachers (including two parents) on the committee, with the addition of a Guidance Counselor. We are trying to cover all academic areas and the Fine Arts/PE area with our budget this year, which supports all of the G & T areas and the identified students in those areas. We will support WMHS Musical performances, theatrical performances, an art workshop, various AP classes, class/club fieldtrips, science lab projects, and SAT materials. We also feel that the Advanced Placement program is very important in trying to raise our AP scores on exams and portfolios at WMHS.

We are very excited to host Mr. Nicholas Sironka, a



Kenyan batik artist and Maasai, who will be returning to the U.S. in the spring. While at WMHS, Mr. Sironka will lead and guide artistic Batik workshops, as well as to give a cultural presentation of the country of Kenya and the Maasai. He has always been very inspirational, so we look forward to his return again this year!

One of our goals is to continue to improve our G & T link on our webpage and upload student artwork as well. WMHS faculty members are also attending differentiation workshops throughout the year that helps assist our G & T students. We look forward to a new and successful school year with our multi-talented Wilson Students!

**JUST SAY
NO
TO BATH SALTS**

Bath Salts Presentation

Here is a list of dates and times for presentations that local Law Enforcement & The SAW Coalition are providing to educate the community on the harmful and possible deadly effects of bath salts. These presentations will provide factual information and address misconceptions that cause concern for our community members. Food for these events will be provided by PAPA John's.

- Thursday, 10/11: 6:30 PM @ Deerfield Ruritan Community Center
- Monday, 10/15: 6:00 PM @ Fort Defiance High School
- Monday, 10/22: 6:00 PM @ Fishersville United Methodist Church

A Word from Guidance

GRASP – Great Aspirations Scholarship Program, Inc.

Our goal is to ensure that every student has an equal opportunity for continuing education after high school, regardless of financial or social circumstances. GRASP is a non-profit organization funded by donations from generous individuals, businesses and foundations; therefore, our assistance is free. Your GRASP advisor can provide you with numerous resources to help in your search for financial aid, as well as, useful information in filing the FAFSA. Your GRASP advisor at WMHS is Laura Boward. She is at Wilson on Tuesday mornings and Thursday afternoons and can also be reached by email at wilsonmemorial@grasp4virginia.com

Shenandoah Valley Governor's School Informational Meeting:

Parents or Guardians, if your student has a strong interest and ability in Visual Arts, Performing Arts or STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, & Mathematics) you may want to find out more about the Shenandoah Valley Governor's School. Monday, 11/5, the Governor's School will be presenting an informational meeting at WMHS in the library from 6:00 -7:00 PM. We invite you and your student to come and find out more about what they have to offer.

Valley Vocational Technical Center News:

This fall, students will get multiple opportunities to learn what is offered at Valley Vocational Technical Center. On Thursday, October 11, the entire sophomore class will take a field trip and get a quick look at all 21 programs offered to them as juniors and seniors. If students are interested in learning more after the tour, they may sign up in Guidance to "shadow" a program for a morning at VVTC to learn the specifics of a program. Shadowing will begin in November, and students can begin submitting applications for VVTC for school year 2013-14 at that time. Applications will be available through guidance. An open house for everyone will be held on Tuesday, November 13 from 5:30 until 7:30 at Valley Vocational Technical Center. Prospective students and their families are encouraged to attend the open house; points will be awarded to students who attend the open house and shadow a program.

Attention: College Bound Seniors

If you are planning to attend college you need to be aware of the following:

College Applications:

Transcript Request Forms and Senior Autobiography Forms (required for counselor recommendations) are available on the WMHS website/ Guidance/Forms.

The guidance office needs a minimum FIVE-DAY TURN-AROUND TIME to provide requested information to colleges including transcripts and a counselor recommendation letter. If the college has a Secondary School Report, please submit it to guidance at the time of the transcript request. Also please submit the mid-year report form, if available, at the time of the transcript request. Reminder: Many colleges are now requiring SAT or ACT scores being sent directly to the college!

Additionally, due to the volume of colleges who have application deadlines during the Christmas break or shortly thereafter, the Transcript Requests and Reference Requests for all colleges that have a deadline from December 15th through January 15th, must be turned into the guidance office by December 7th. Your attention to these deadlines is greatly appreciated by the guidance office.

College Visitations:

Absences to visit a college are excused as long as they are prearranged.

SAT / ACT:

Registration can be done online at www.collegeboard.org for the SAT and at www.actstudent.org for the ACT. Wilson's school code for both SAT and ACT is 470840.

Financial Aid:

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) can be filled out after January 1st of your student's senior year. You can get additional information at www.fafsa.ed.gov. Scholarship information will be given out during announcements as well as posted on the webpage and in the guidance office. Applications for some of these scholarships will be available in the guidance office. Please check frequently.

Blue Ridge Community College (BRCC):

A transcript request form must be completed for BRCC.

SAT scores are not required but will be used for placement purposes. If a student has not taken the SAT they can take the placement tests at BRCC.

A Word from Guidance

College Representatives to Visit WMHS

There will be college representatives visiting WMHS throughout the year. Students interested in attending should see Mrs. Landes in the Guidance Office for a pass to attend. Keep an eye on the home page and the Guidance Calendar as updates are made often.

10/9 Davis & Elkins College – 11:00
 10/11 James Madison University – 9:00
 10/16 Bridgewater College – 11:00
 10/17 Virginia Tech – 2:00
 10/22 Radford University – 9:30
 10/22 RMH Radiology Program – All Lunches
 10/23 Randolph Macon College – 11:45
 10/25 Shenandoah University – 9:30
 10/25 Sweet Briar College – 9:45

Please visit the Guidance website for important information. Information is updated on a regular basis. Stay in the loop and be informed! Any questions please stop by and see your counselor!

Dates to Remember:

October 11th: Valley Vocational Technical School visit
 October 17th: PSAT – 1st and 2nd blocks (Recommended for all 10th and 11th grade students interested in college)
 October 23rd: I Survived Middle School...Now What? 6:30 pm (Presentation for parents of students new to High School)
 October 26th: I Survived Middle School...Now What? 9:30 am
 November 5th: Governor School information meeting – 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm
 November 13th: Valley Vocational Technical School Open House – 5:30 – 7:30

FCCLA NEWS

It's hard to believe we're already 6 weeks into this school year. Hi, I'm Jessi Lang and I'm FCCLA's 2012-2012 Vice President of Programs and Reporter. Our officers for this year are as follows.

Kaitlin Roadcap- President
 Brennen Gillbert- 1st Vice President
 Jessi Lang- Vice President of Programs and Reporter
 Jensen Hite- Treasurer
 Katelyn Moore- Photographer, Secretary, Historian



The five of us are striving for another good year in FCCLA, The Ultimate Leadership Experience! On Wednesday, 9/12, we had our first meeting. We introduced our ideas for this year, and Jensen and I spoke about our trip to the National Leadership Conference in Orlando, Florida this summer. We have a lot planned for this year such as, fundraisers, serving meals at the Valley Mission, and trips to Birch Gardens.

Art Update

The WMHS ART Department is sponsoring our semi-annual field trip to Washington, D.C. for Friday, 11/2. The students always love going to D.C. and visiting the art museums. It is open to art classes first, then to Art Club and National Art Honor Society members. This will be an all-day event, as we will be leaving at 7:00 AM and returning at 8:00 PM. While in Washington, D.C., we will be visiting exhibits within the National Art Gallery. Then, we will travel to downtown Alexandria to visit the Torpedo Factory, where students will be exploring working artist studios. They will get the opportunity to communicate with the actual artists, as well as viewing their artwork.

The ART Club & the National Art Honors Society (NAHS) had a combined Homecoming Float again this year with the chosen "Wilson Barn Dance" theme. We had a very creative float and we hope to continue with that in the future!

The Art classes are also looking forward to exhibiting their art projects for our upcoming "Fine Arts 2012" event. This is a Fine Arts Department event that includes choral, band, drama and art. It will take place on Thursday, 11/8. There will be an art exhibit, a performance by band members, and the choral and drama students will be performing as well. There will be a small fee to attend this even in order to help raise funds for our awesome Fine Arts Department. Stay tuned for more information! Come out and join us for this great event in November!

The National Art Honor Society and the ART Club recently met to elect and vote for officers, to discuss our Homecoming Float, brainstorm about school or community service projects, and gather information about our ART field trips coming up. This year's elected officers are listed below:

President – Meredith Taylor
Vice President – Millie Smith
Secretary – Jared Dunn
Treasurer – Derek Alexander

Congratulations to all, and we look forward to another exciting school year in ART!



"The truth is that learning to paint, create a website, or design an energy-efficient home requires mastering skills which are often invisible to the naked eye, but are developed through a strong visual arts education.

-National Art Education Association

FFA News

The WMHS FFA had an "Opportunity Fair and Back-To-School BBQ" for our first club meeting of the year on Wednesday, 9/12. A special congratulation is in order for Kendall Freed! She was selected to serve as Federation Secretary for the Augusta-Highland FFA Federation. Her duties include organizing FFA week activities, keeping a record of events held, and helping to plan the Federation Banquet. We are proud to have Wilson representative in our Federation!

Upcoming Events:

We have started our annual citrus sale and it will run through Wednesday, 10/31. Order forms will be due back by the 10/31 deadline. Deliveries will be made the first week of December. All money is due from customers at the time of delivery and the total amount due should be turned into to Mrs. Kerr by the FFA meeting on Wednesday, 12/12. **NO MONEY CAN BE KEPT OVER WINTER BREAK**, so it must be turned in on time!

This year's Homecoming theme was "Wilson Family Barn Dance," and FFA participated with a float in the Homecoming Parade on Friday, 10/5.

Please check out our webpage on the WMHS website under clubs for updated information on due dates, competitions, and events!

Submitted by: Josh Whetzel—FFA Reporter



Athletic Boosters

Meetings 2012-13 Please Come!

Most all meetings are held at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room in the main office at the school. They last for 1 hour. The next one is on Monday, 10/22 @7:00 PM.

WMHS Athletic Boosters support our athletes by attending events, promoting good sportsmanship and character, providing financial support, volunteering to help in the concessions stands and volunteering to help with the other needs associated with our athletic teams.

Athletic Boosters' primary purpose is to supply every team with new uniforms on a rotating basis. There is no uniform funding provided by Augusta County Public Schools. Our second priority is to provide grants to WMHS to assist in the operating expenses of conducting an athletic program.

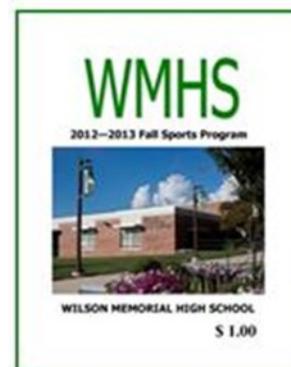
Please consider supporting the WMHS Athletes by...

Joining the Hornet Hive for a \$25 one time membership fee per year. WMHS Athletic Boosters' Goal is to have 100% membership in Hornet Hive! If you are interested in becoming a member for the current school year, please see the signup information below or contact one of the WMHS Booster Board members listed on this page to find out how to have your name added as a member of the Hornet Hive in the Winter & Spring issues of the sports program.

Volunteering to help in Concessions. Meet new Wilson families, keep the concession stand operating, and raise easy money for student uniforms. See any member below for when/how you can help.

WMHS Athletic Booster Board Members:

- President - Cara Moore
- Vice President - Heather Hensell
- Treasurer - Mark & Ileta Sondrol
- Secretary - Laura Boward
- Concessions - Liz Cook
- At Large - Patty Driver and Gretchen Abshire
- Sports Program - Cara Moore & Heather Hensell



Library News

Research Help

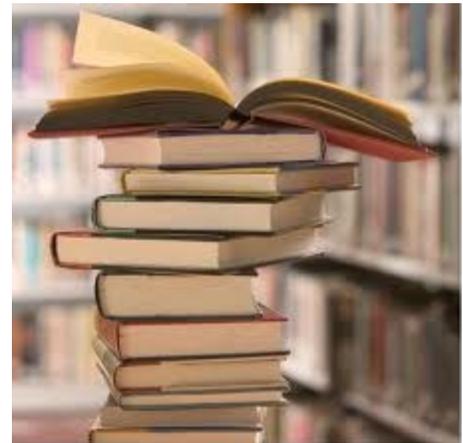
Does your student ever need to have access to school databases at home? Well, now it's possible through remote access. Simply go to the WMHS Library homepage at <http://www.augusta.k12.va.us/domain/793> and select "Databases". There will be a prompt asking for a password for the first two databases. For EBSCO the User ID is s437601, password is hornets and for the World Book the user name is —**augusta1** and the password is **world-book**. The remaining database, called *Find It Va*, links you to databases supplied by the Library of Virginia and there are no logins or passwords required.

Printer Cartridge Recycling

The library continues to collect printer cartridges and cell phones for recycling. The school receives money for these, so please keep us in mind when you need to dispose of this type of item. Students may drop off any contributions in the library and we'll send them in. Thanks so much for your support!

Teen Read Week

It Came from the Library! This Teen Read Week™ (Oct. 14-20), [YALSA](http://www.yalsa.org) dares you to read for the fun of it! Teen Read Week is a time to celebrate reading for fun and encourage teens to take advantage of reading in all its forms —books and magazines, e-books, audio books and more — and become regular library users. During this week the Top Ten Books as voted on by teens are announced...and we hope to have many of them! More information is available at <http://www.ala.org/teenread>. We look forward to seeing many students in the library during that week to check out books for pleasure.



Non-Discrimination Statement

The Augusta County School Board does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, age, disability, or gender in its programs and activities and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. The following persons have been designated to handle inquiries regarding non-discrimination policies:

Title IX Coordinator
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Join the Hornet Hive Program for Winter and Spring Issues

The WMHS Athletic Boosters are sponsoring a Hornets Hive Page in the Sports Program for parents and businesses to show their spirit and pride in the students and school. The WMHS Athletic Boosters goal is to have 100% membership in Hornet Hive! The cost to be listed on the Hornet's Hive page is \$25. If you would like to participate, please send in or deliver to the school \$25 and your name (up to a total of 30 characters and spaces) as you would like it to appear in the Sports Program to school office or mail to:

**WMHS Athletic Boosters
189 Hornet Road
Fishersville, VA 22939**

The deadline to be listed in the 2012-2013 Winter/Spring issues of the Sports Programs is **coming up!**

We hope all WMHS parents recognize the value of a successful athletic program and will consider becoming a paid member of the "**Hornet Hive**", as well as supporting the various volunteer and special fundraising efforts. Please contact Cara Moore at cpmoore@augusta.k12.va.us or any board member for more info.

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Please make checks payable to: **WMHS Athletic Boosters. Return to school office.**

Hornet Hive Message can be up to a total of 30 characters and spaces

ENTER MESSAGE IN BOXES BELOW:

Thank you for your support of the WMHS Athletic Boosters, Athletes, Sports Programs.

Downloads: [To place an AD or join the Hornet Hive.](#)

For the Current Calendar of
Events Click Here!

The Current Athletic Schedule
is now Available ONLINE!

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