

WHITEFORD AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Office of the Superintendent of Schools



SUPERINTENDENT FAMILY BULLETIN
SEPTEMBER 25, 2022

GREETING

Hey, Bobcats! We ushered in the start of Autumn this week! As a Michigander, we have numerous opportunities to experience the Fall season to its fullest. As you make plans this Fall, remember that sometimes the greatest memories are those made at no or little cost and minimal planning. Whether sitting next to a warm fire on a cool Autumn night roasting a hot dog or marshmallow, painting a pumpkin, or jumping in a pile of leaves over and over, enjoy opportunities to make lasting memories with your family and friends. We are just a few days into Autumn; I hope you and your family are able to make lasting memories this season by doing something simple, cheap, and fun.

BUS DRIVER SHORTAGE

Due to a recent bus driver resignation, we find ourselves, like many other districts, experiencing a bus driver shortage. On Friday (9/23), notifications were sent to affected families via email, voice, and text using our Infinite Campus Messenger System that outline our new bus schedule plan. Though we understand that the new plan is not ideal, we are hopeful that it will allow families to plan ahead knowing the weekly bus service schedule. We will support any families in a hardship to get their child(ren) to school. We currently have [Bus Driver Regular Route](#) and [Substitute Bus Driver](#) positions posted on our website. Training is available for interested candidates. Please contact Charlie Butz at cbutz@whiteford.k12.mi.us if you have any questions about your child's bussing schedule, a hardship, or have interest in becoming a regular or substitute bus driver.

CELEBRATE WHITEFORD CARD

We want to celebrate the commitment and outstanding acts of kindness and charity of our school family by recognizing individuals who positively make a difference. This is a way to make the invisible - visible! As a parent or community member, you can also join in the attitude of gratitude by completing a card for any staff member. Celebrate Whiteford Cards can be obtained in either school office or the Superintendent's office. Just complete it, and leave it with the administrative assistant.

FREE & REDUCED APPLICATIONS

The nationwide waiver of the Seamless Summer Option that permitted all children to be served free/no cost meals ended. We still need your household to complete the Free and Reduced-Price Meal Application. The Free and Reduced-Price Meal Applications can be completed electronically using familyportal.cloud. Search for Whiteford School District, then click on "Apply for Benefits." If families would prefer to print a paper copy of the application for free and reduced meals, they can do so by clicking on this [link](#). You may also pick up a copy in either school office. Please complete the paper application and return to either school office. If a student qualified for a free or reduced-price meal at the end of the last school year, they will automatically receive a free or reduced-price meal for the **first 30 operating days** of the school year. An application **must be completed** for each family wishing to receive free/reduced-price meals.

INFINITE CAMPUS

This summer, we have worked extremely hard to develop ways to make the beginning-of-year completion of forms easier and less time consuming for our families. Many of the forms and agreements that were mailed in the past have now been "digitized" and can be accessed through our website or Infinite Campus. **This process will be replacing Registration Day Packets for 6-12th grades and the Emergency Cards for K-12th grades.** Please take a few moments to familiarize yourself with the information outlined in this [letter](#). We hope that you will find it helpful as we start a new school year. The **ACTION STEPS** for each family are outlined in the letter.

BREAKFAST/LUNCH MENUS

<https://whiteford.nutrislice.com/menu>

SCHOOL CALENDAR

[2022-2023 School Calendar](#)

THIS WEEK

September 12-30	NWEA Benchmark Testing Window
September 26	MS Volleyball at Sand Creek 4:30pm
September 26	JV Football at Summerfield 6pm
September 27	Tri-County Conference Athlete Leadership Conference
September 27	Mini Cheer Camp 3:15pm
September 27	Varsity Cross Country at Adrian Madison 5pm
September 27	JVB Volleyball vs Ann Arbor Greenhills 5pm
September 28	Mini Cheer Camp 3:15pm
September 28	MS Football (8th) vs Sand Creek 4:30pm
September 28	MS Football (7th) vs Jefferson 6pm
September 28	KG-3rd Grade Reading Law Parent Mtg 6pm Elementary Cafeteria
September 29	Varsity/JVB Volleyball at Sand Creek 5pm
September 29	JVG Volleyball vs Clinton 5:30pm
September 30	JR Bobcats Volleyball 3pm
September 30	Varsity Football at Sand Creek 7pm
October 1	Varsity Volleyball at Ida 8:30am
October 1	Varsity Cross Country at Clinton TBD
October 1	TCC Flag Football Host 8am
October 1	WPA Mother/Son Dance 6pm Elementary Playground

NEXT WEEK

October 3	MS Volleyball vs Summerfield 4:30pm
October 3	JV Football vs Sand Creek 6pm
October 4	JVB/JVG Volleyball at Bedford 4pm
October 5	Fall Student Count Day
October 5	MS Volleyball vs Lenawee Christian School 5pm
October 5	MS Football vs Holmes Academy 5:30pm (7th/8th Combined)
October 5	5th Grade Michindoh Parent Mtg 6pm Elementary Cafeteria
October 6	Varsity/JVB Volleyball at Mason 5:30pm
October 7	JR Bobcats Volleyball 3pm
October 7	Varsity Football at Loy Norrix 7pm
October 8	Choir at Whiteford Community Days 10am Stone Co Park

UPCOMING

October 10-14	5th Grade Michindoh Camp
October 10	Board of Education Meeting 6:15pm MS/HS Media Center
October 13	MS/HS Picture Day
October 18	Whiteford Parent Association (WPA) Meeting 6pm Elementary Cafeteria
October 27	HS Band/Choir Concert 7pm High School Gymnasium
October 31	Half-Day Early Release MS/HS 11am, Elementary 11:10am
October 31	Teacher Professional Development 12-3pm
November 4	End of 1st Marking Period

We are better together - We are Whiteford!



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