

WHITEFORD AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Office of the Superintendent of Schools



SUPERINTENDENT FAMILY BULLETIN
JANUARY 28, 2024

GREETING

Hey, Bobcats! Let’s get ready for Winter Homecoming Week! The week is filled with spirit dress-up days for our middle and high school students, several athletic games and competitions, Hall of Fame inductions, crowning of Mr. and Miss Whiteford, and the Winterfest Dance as the finale. Based upon our Strategic Plan’s Shared Beliefs, we believe community support is valuable in promoting student success. We hope our community will take this opportunity to attend one of the many games or events this week as we have much to celebrate, and our students are encouraged by the support. We are better Together - We are Whiteford!

Monday (1/29)	Middle/High Spirit: PJ Day 7th/8th Girls Basketball vs Morenci 4:30pm/6pm Middle School Gym
Tuesday (1/30)	Middle/High Spirit: College Day JV/Varsity Men's Basketball at Britton Deerfield 5:30pm/7pm JV/Varsity Women's Basketball at Lenawee Christian School 5:30pm/7pm
Wednesday (1/31)	Middle/High Spirit: Grout Day (All Grey) FFA Leadership Contests Districts at Dundee 7th/8th Girls Basketball vs Erie Mason 5:30pm/7pm Middle School Gym JV/Varsity Men’s Basketball vs Sand Creek 5:30pm/7pm High School Gym
Thursday (2/1)	Middle/High Spirit: Twin Day JV/Varsity Women's Basketball vs Summerfield 5:30pm/7pm High School Gym
Friday (2/2)	Middle/High Spirit: Blue/Gold Day JV/Varsity Men’s Basketball vs Summerfield 5:30pm/7pm High School Gym Hall of Fame Inductions between JV/Varsity Games Crowning of Mr./Miss Whiteford at Halftime of Varsity Game
Saturday (2/3)	7th/8th/Varsity Competitive Cheer at Woodhaven Invite Winterfest Dance 7-10pm Middle School Gym

PORTRAIT OF A GRADUATE

The Whiteford Agricultural School District's Portrait of a Graduate will represent our school district's vision for the 21st century skills, character traits, and/or social-emotional competencies that students need to succeed in college, career, and life.

- What are the hopes, dreams, and aspirations that our community has for its students?
- What are the skills and mindsets our children need for success in this rapidly changing, complex world?
- What are the implications for the design of the learning experiences—and equitable access to those experiences—we provide in our school system?

The first survey was completed by stakeholders in March 2023 asking to identify their top 10 competencies for a graduate of Whiteford I. These survey results narrowed the list of competencies from 30 to 11. A second survey was conducted in May 2023 to narrow the list to the top 6 competencies. Those six competencies are: Responsibility, Communication, Critical Thinking, Confidence, Leadership, and Adaptability.

We are seeking volunteers to join a committee to continue work in creating a Whiteford Portrait of a Graduate. The next committee meeting will be held on Thursday, February 29, 2024 at 5:30pm. If you are interested in attending, please contact Scott Huard at: scott.huard@whiteford.k12.mi.us.

SCHOOL THREATS ARE NO JOKE

Now, more than ever, we need to maintain a partnership with parents/guardians to convey a consistent message to our students that regardless of intentions, it is not okay to talk about violence towards individuals, groups, or the school community on social media platforms or with friends. We are asking parents or guardians to clearly communicate with their student(s) that violent threats and behaviors are not acceptable. A discussion around possible consequences such as school suspension or expulsion, or prosecution by the Monroe County Prosecutor's Office for making threats of violence would also be appropriate. We ask that parents/guardians continue to stress the importance of how/when to report concerning behavior by utilizing the [OK2SAY](#) student safety program, Monroe County Sheriff's Dispatch Center, and/or communicating directly to a Whiteford staff member or school administration. Together, we can be vigilant in identifying possible threats of violence!

ENROLLMENT PROJECTIONS SURVEY

We are seeking some information from families regarding Kindergarten enrollment projections as well as interest in a Young 5 or Transitional Kindergarten Program. Please complete the following survey if you will be enrolling Kindergarten student(s) in the future based upon your current situation: [Whiteford Kindergarten Enrollment Survey](#).

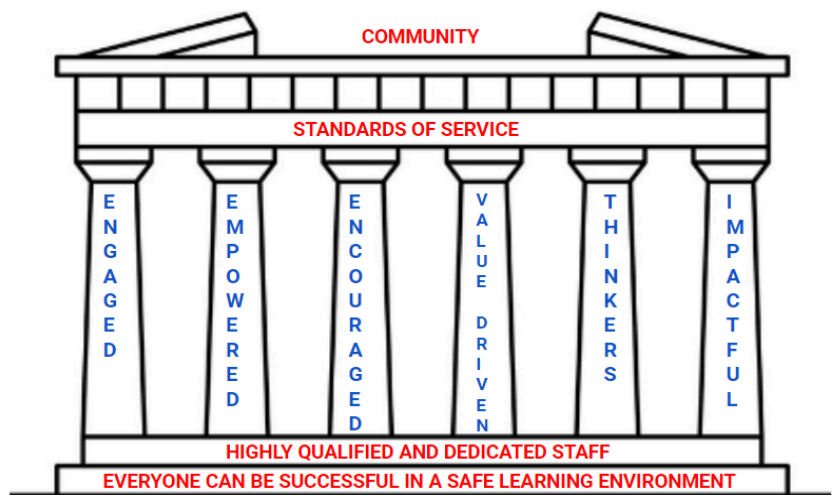
FEBRUARY BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

The next Board of Education meeting is February 12, 2024. The meeting will begin at 6pm in the board room located in the MS/HS. The Board of Education agenda is posted the Friday preceding a meeting: [BOE Agenda & Minutes](#).

STRATEGIC PLAN PILLARS OF SUCCESS

[Whiteford Strategic Plan 2022-2027](#)

- **ENGAGED** in purposeful learning.
- **EMPOWERED** for a meaningful role in our dynamic world.
- **ENCOURAGED** by our community.
- **VALUE DRIVEN** leaders.
- Critical **THINKERS**.
- **IMPACTFUL** in their community.



- **STANDARDS OF SERVICE** We will treat all stakeholders (students, staff, parents/guardians, community members) with respect, kindness, and professionalism at all times.
- **COMMUNITY** promotes, cultivates, and celebrates student and district success.

BREAKFAST/LUNCH MENUS

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

SCHOOL CALENDARS

[2023-2024 School Calendar](#)

[2024-2025 School Calendar](#)

ATHLETICS WEBSITE/CALENDAR

<https://www.whiteford.k12.mi.us/athletics/>

THIS WEEK

Jan. 29-Feb. 2	Winterfest Week
January 29	MS/HS Spirit: PJ Day
January 30	MS/HS Spirit: College Day
January 30	After Prom Committee Meeting 7pm MS/HS Media Center
January 31	MS/HS Spirit: GroutFit (All Grey) Day
January 31	FFA Leadership Contests Dundee
February 1	MS/HS Spirit: Twin Day
February 2	MS/HS Spirit: Blue/Gold Day
February 3	MSVMA District 12 HS Solo & Ensemble 8am MS Gym
February 3	HS Winterfest Dance 7pm MS Gym

UPCOMING

February 6	Whiteford Recreation Meeting 7pm MS/HS Media Center
February 7	FFA Leadership Contests (Regionals) 3:30pm Saline High School
February 12	Board of Education Meeting 6pm Board Rm
February 14	Valentine's Day
February 16	No School - Teacher Professional Development
February 19	No School -Presidents Day
February 20	WPA Meeting 6pm Elementary Cafeteria
February 20	5th Grade Spelling Bee
February 20	Early Release Elementary 10:55am; MS/HS 11:05am
February 20	Parent-Teacher Conferences 12-3pm
February 21	5th Grade Mini Society
February 23	Elementary Spring Pictures
February 27	5th Grade Mini Society
February 28	FFA Field Trip: State Convention MSU
February 29	Portrait of a Graduate Committee Mtg 5:30pm Board Rm
March 1	Elementary WPA Read-a-Thon begins
March 5	Whiteford Recreation Meeting 7pm MS/HS Media Center
March 11-15	Washington DC Trip
March 11	Board of Education Meeting 6pm MS/HS Board Rm
March 14-15	Field Trip: K-5th Croswell Opera House
March 14	KG Round-Up 1-7pm Elementary
March 15	HS Spring Musical 7:30pm HS Gym
March 16	HS Spring Musical 7:30pm HS Gym
March 17	HS Spring Musical 2:30pm HS Gym
March 19	WPA Meeting 6:00pm Elementary Cafeteria
March 22	End of 3rd Marking period
March 22	Early Release Elementary 10:55am; MS/HS 11:05am
March 23-April 1	Spring Break
March 31	Easter
April 1	No School - Easter Break
April 2	Whiteford Recreation Meeting 7pm MS/HS Media Center
April 8	Board of Education Meeting 6pm MS/HS Board Rm
April 10	State Testing Day
April 16	WPA Meeting 6:00pm Elementary Cafeteria
April 19	FFA Career Development Events
April 20	Junior/Senior Prom 2023
April 22	American Red Cross Blood Drive 9am Auxiliary Gym
April 28-29	FFA Field Trip: Leadership Camp

May 2 5th Grade Field Trip: Toledo Zoo 9:30am
May 3 FFA Banquet 5pm MS Gym
May 4-June 2 FFA Greenhouse Open
May 7 Whiteford Recreation Meeting 7pm MS/HS Media Center
May 8 MS Field Trip: Mud Hens Game 9am
May 10 FFA Ag Awareness Day
May 13 Board of Education Meeting 6pm Board Rm
May 14 5th Grade Field Trip: Sauder Village 8:15am
May 19 Senior Sunday 5pm HS Gym
May 21 WPA Meeting 6pm Elementary Cafeteria
May 24 Senior Parade 6-7:30pm
May 24 Senior Sunset 7:30pm HS Gym
May 27 No School - Memorial Day
May 29 Senior Breakfast 8am MS/ HS Cafeteria
May 29 Senior Rehearsal 9am
May 30 Commencement 7pm Crossroads Community Church
June 4 Whiteford Recreation Meeting 7pm MS/HS Media Center
June 5 Early Release Elementary 10:55am; MS/HS 11:05am
June 6 End of 4th Marking Period
June 6 Early Release Elementary 10:55am; MS/HS 11:05am

My best,



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