

# Bobcat Tales

Whiteford Agricultural Schools  
6655 Consear Road  
Ottawa Lake, MI 49267



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Ottawa Lake, MI 49267



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## 2023 – 2024 SCHOOL HOURS / CALENDAR

Building	Starting Time	Ending Time	Early Dismissal Time
Elementary	7:55 AM	3:10 PM	11:10 AM
Middle/High School	7:55 AM	2:55 PM	11:00 AM

August 30 ..... Teacher PD Day

August 30..... EL & MS/HS Open House & 6th Grade Orientation

Sept. 5..... First Day of School (students report at noon)

Nov. 1 ..... NO SCHOOL (Teacher PD Day)

Nov. 9 ..... EARLY DISMISSAL (Parent-Teacher Conferences)

Nov. 22..... EARLY DISMISSAL (Start of Thanksgiving Break)

Nov. 23-24 ..... NO SCHOOL (Thanksgiving Break)

Dec. 22 ..... EARLY DISMISSAL (Start of Christmas/Winter Break)

Dec. 25- Jan. 2 ..... NO SCHOOL (Christmas / Winter Break)

Jan. 3 ..... School Resumes

Jan. 15 ..... NO SCHOOL (Martin Luther King, Jr. Day)

Jan. 18-19 ..... EARLY DISMISSAL (Exams)

Feb. 16 ..... NO SCHOOL (Teacher PD Day)

Feb. 19 ..... NO SCHOOL (President's Day)

Feb. 20 ..... EARLY DISMISSAL (Parent-Teacher Conferences)

March 22.....EARLY DISMISSAL (Start of Spring/Easter Break)

March 25- April 1 ..... NO SCHOOL (Spring/Easter Break)

April 2 .....School Resumes

April 10 .....STATE TESTING DAY (NO SCHOOL K-7, 12)

May 27 .....NO SCHOOL (Memorial Day)

June 5.....EARLY DISMISSAL (Exams)

June 6\* .....EARLY DISMISSAL (Exams & Last Day of School)

*\*pending weather delays/closings; parents are reminded that additional days may be added to the school year should we exceed our state limitation on number of days/hours cancelled or delayed during the school year.*

### MOBILE FOOD PANTRY SCHEDULE

\*1st Tuesday: 4:00—6:00 Nova Faith 5105 Glendale Ave., Toledo, OH 43614

\*1st Thursday: 4:30—6:30 Crossroads 6960 Sylvania-Petersburg Rd., Ottawa Lake, MI 49267

\*2nd Tuesday: 3:00—5:00 St. Paul's Episcopal 798 S. Coy Rd., Oregon, OH 43616

\*2nd Friday: 10:00—12:00 5 Points @ Augsburg Lutheran 1342 W. Sylvania Ave., Toledo, OH 43612

\*3rd Thursday: 12:00—2:00 Lott Industries 3350 Hill Ave., Toledo, OH 43607

\*4th Thursday: 4:00—6:00 Indiana Ave Missionary Baptist 640 Indiana Ave., Toledo, OH 43604

\*4th Friday: 2:00—4:00 Agape Community Center 225 S. Irwin Rd., Holland, OH 43528

### Food Pantry Dates / Hours

**Crossroads Church**  
1st Thursday of each Month  
4:30 PM — 6:30 PM

**St. Michael Lutheran Church**  
2nd Saturday of each Month  
9:30 AM — 10:30 AM

**Zion Lutheran Church**  
2nd/4th Tuesday of each Month  
10 AM — 12 PM



# WHITEFORD AGRICULTURAL SCHOOLS

# Bobcat Tales

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June 2023

## CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2023!!

The Whiteford school community celebrated the Class of 2023 at its annual Commencement Ceremony held on June 1st at Crossroads Community Church. The high school administration would like to salute the members of the Class of 2023 for their leadership and commitment to excellence over the course of the past four years. From a Division 8 State Football Championship, to the outstanding "Wizard of Oz" Spring Musical, to the consistent elite performances in FFA, Band, and Choir Competitions, not to mention 19 Summa Cum Laude graduates (and the list goes on and on...), the class of 2023 will forever be remembered as a class of "Champions." ~ Principal Jeremy Fielder







# SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE...

Dear Bobcat Family,

We have another school year in the books! I want to thank the Whiteford community and families for your continued support of the Whiteford Agricultural School District. We have so much to be proud of in our little school district. In 2019, our voters approved a three series bond program of \$15.4 million that created a new septic system, track and field facility, upgraded art, band, and choir rooms additions, high school competition gym, stem lab, AG space, greenhouse and barn, bus garage, and essential safety and security upgrades to provide students, faculty, and the community safe places to learn and play. Series II (HS Gymnasium, Concession Stand, Bathrooms, Entry) will be completed no later than the end of July, and we anticipate fall competitions in the new space. We will be having an Open House in late August to show off these new spaces from Series I and II to the community. Series III design work has begun with work slated to begin the summer of 2024. On behalf of the Whiteford Staff, we hope everyone has a safe and restful summer. We are better together - We are Whiteford!

Sincerely,

*Scott L. Huard*

Scott L. Huard  
Superintendent



**\*Attention Bobcat families: If you haven't already enrolled your Kindergartner, please do so now in order to secure a place for your little Bobcat! You can begin the process by visiting our website and clicking the Registration button. If you have questions or need any assistance, please contact Elementary School Principal Marcy Anderson at 734-856-1443 x104, anderson@k12.mi.us, or stop by the elementary main office. We can't wait to meet all of our new Kindergarten students and have them join the ranks in the fall!**



SUBMITTED BY  
KAZIA KRAMER

Thank you parents and students for your participation in our Whiteford Recreation Club sports this school year! We hope that all your seasons ran smoothly and you and your children made connections in our community. Thank you to all of our volunteers who made this year's school sports seasons a success. Baseball is in full swing and is running smoothly. Shout out to Brandon Best for taking such good care of our fields. Fall flag/tackle football sign-ups were completed. Teams will be planned over the summer break and the season will begin when school resumes.

Find all you need to know on our site: sign-up dates, sponsors, access to online sign-ups, field locations, league rules, meeting times, and game schedules. Visit <https://sites.google.com/view/whitefordrecreationsignups/home> or connect with us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/whitefordRec>. Want to get involved? Join us each month in the High School Media Center on the 1st Tuesday of every month at 7pm.

Thank you to our sponsors! (Those in bold type are 5-year sponsors.)

**Whiteford Athletic Boosters, Wilkinson Sportswear, Edward Jones (Nick Puhl, AAMS), Fricker's Sylvania, Thompson Plumbing & Heating Inc., Lake Bum, HLS Orthodontics Lambertville, Mary K-Helen Kuch-Kunich, Stevens Disposal, Andrew Gill Insurance, B&B Restoration Services, Bankowski Builders, Barron Insurance Agency, Brad's Septic & Sewer, D&H Enterprises LLC, Gogel Fastener and Industrial Supply Co., Healthy Family Chiropractic, Lambertville Mini Storage, Rouen Chrysler, Dodge, Jeep, Ram, Sky-light Financial Group**

# Middle School Honor Roll (3rd Quarter)

## 6th Grade All A's

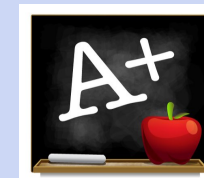
Dubendorfer, Drew  
Hill, Addison  
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Johnson, Aubrey  
Masters, Kate  
Ovall, Macy  
Perez, Stafani  
Puhl, Aiden  
Rasor, Kaia  
Rasor, Grant  
Reed, Ariana  
Sanjur, Noah  
Sanjur, Logan  
Scott, Raelynn  
Swy, Ava  
Zawacki, Fischer  
Zink, Gabriel

## 7th Grade All A's

Butz, Ava  
Jurgenson, Harlow  
Masters, Brody  
Mohler, Carolyn  
Thomson, Norah  
Vida, Molly  
Vida, Rory  
Virost, Anthony  
White, Brielle  
Wing, Breslin

## 8th Grade All A's

Alcock, Brayden  
Biggs, Paityn  
Billau, Austin  
Call, Cooper  
Chiotti, Braelynn  
Eitniear, Tre  
Johns, Sage  
Kahn, Sophia  
Krajcar, Piper  
Luse, Kayla  
Masters, Marissa  
Messerschmidt, Kloe  
Miller, Samuel  
Prange, Amber  
Robertson, Blake  
Ruddy, Brek  
Saylor, Jess  
Stevens, Ava  
Valasek, James  
Williams, Leah  
Wood, Avy  
Zawacki, Thayne



## 6th Grade All A's and B's

Abalos, Xavier  
Anderson, Kinsley  
Blaisdell, Ayden  
Chalmers, Cadence  
Cole, Jordan  
Dietz, Ella  
Ellis, Austin  
Judah, Fojtik, Molly  
Gillette, Mason  
Huard, Anna  
Krueger, Jaxton  
Lehberger, Kendra  
May, Makylee  
McCullough, Nathan  
Meinert, Grayson  
Pawson, Carter  
Soss, Colton  
Taylor, Lauren  
Thompson, Elliott  
Van Aken, Hailey  
Wood, Cody  
Zink, Samuel



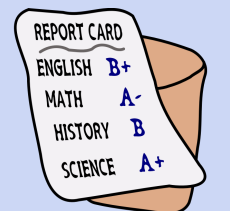
## 7th Grade All A's and B's

Ballert, Logan  
Benoit, Quinn  
Biswas, Ellie  
Ellis, Camden  
Griffith, Allison  
Ingram, Rilee  
Lake, Blair  
Luzier, William  
Meinert, Gavin  
Miller, Mason  
Miller, Jacoby  
Milot, Emery  
Mock, Indiana  
Olrich, Jade  
Pitney, Casey  
Podgorski, Brady  
Raker, Allen  
Rodriguez, Brooklyn  
Schumacher, Nathan  
Shingleton, Kallie  
Smith, Parker  
Speweik, Glory



## 8th Grade All A's and B's

Bauman, Austin  
Bieber, Charlie  
Brace, Isabella  
Briem, Kaeleigh  
DeBarr, Sierra  
DuRocher, Delaney  
Flowers, Joseph  
Joerin, Theodore  
Mills, Connor  
Pirrone, Laney  
Ray, Cooper  
Schober, Cade  
Schroyer, Audrey  
Schumacher, Hailey  
Smith, Ava  
Stewart, Caden  
Thomas, Jonathan  
Turvey, Amanda  
Valasek Wienclaw, Alisyn  
Wright, Leah



\*4th Quarter grades will appear in the next issue of the Bobcat Tales.

# WHITEFORD ATHLETICS

SUBMITTED BY ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL/ATHLETIC DIRECTOR JEREMY SIMMONS

Our spring teams this year have excelled beyond measure. Our softball team won the TCC outright earning a 12-0 league record and in dominating fashion. Congratulations to our coaches Matt VanBrandt, Audra VanBrandt, Kris Hubbard, Charlie Butz, and Lynn Hammerstrom for running the table! This team has been led by the stellar pitching of junior Unity Nelson and the hitting of senior Aly VanBrandt all season. Seniors Ava Hillard, Allison Spradling, Patrina Marsh, and Alyssa, Jessica, and Mackenzie Ulery will play critical roles in post season play.

Our baseball team is co-champion of the TCC as well earning an 11-1 league record. Congratulations to coaches Terry Pant, RJ Rios, Nick Guthrie, Andrew Toda, Tom Eitniear, and Mike Scott for a very successful season. Our seniors – Luke Rasor, Jake Giesige, Shea Ruddy, and Aidan Cousino – have led the way in our season. Sophomore Nate Stevens and junior Logan Tammerine have proven to be a force on the mound and at the plate.

Our men's track team ran the TCC table during the season (6-0) and are co-champions of the TCC. Congratulations to coaches Jay Yockey, Ben Avis, and Jaycie Harris. Three records were set including the 1600-meter relay (Shea Ruddy, Dylan Anderson, Ryin Ruddy, Jake Iott), the 800m run (Keegan Masters), and the 1600m run (Keegan Masters), and Stepan Masserant tied the school record in pole vault at 12'6. The men also qualified, as a team, for MITCA (Michigan Interscholastic Track/Field Coaching Association) State Finals. Lastly, nine of our men's track and field athletes qualified for the MHSAA finals which will be held June 3<sup>rd</sup>- please congratulate Keegan Masters, Elliot Rodgers, Shea and Ryin Ruddy, Dylan Anderson, Jake Iott, Stepan Masserant, Kolby Masserant, and Cooper Bieber for their successes.

Our women's track team also ran the table during the TCC season (6-0) and shared the TCC title. It was the first time in our history that our girls have won a TCC title, and they showed grit and determination the entire season. The women also qualified as a team for MITCA State Finals. Additionally, Annabelle Gapp and Mackenzie Ulery qualified for the MHSAA finals, posting great times in the 300m hurdles and the 100m dash respectively. Our seniors (Madelyn Thomas, Ali Bauman, Alena Ellis, Erica Holup, Jessica and Mackenzie Ulery) left very big shoes to fill.

What a season to be a Bobcat! Four spring teams, four Tri-County Conference titles!



# Rustic Romance, Prom 2023



Prom Royalty from left to right: King Dylan, Queen Alena, Ethan, Alyssa, Patrina, Aidan, Ali, and Jaedon

Prom Queen Alena Ellis and Prom King Dylan Anderson

This year's Junior/Senior Prom was held on April 29th, 2023, at the Old Mill in Dundee, Michigan. MS/HS English Teacher Jim Ross and District Band Teacher/Director Dave Welling DJ'd the memorable event. At a whopping 160 guests, (including 13 chaperones), it was the largest Prom since MS/HS English Teacher and Prom organizer Michelle Delmotte began her career at Whiteford 11 years ago! To everyone's delight, the After-Prom event was resurrected this year, and students had a ball participating in the many games and fun activities made possible by incredibly generous community donors and loads of helping hands. A massive thank you to all who had a hand in making the night such a wonderful success for our Bobcat teens!



## WHITEFORD VOLLEYBALL ALL SKILLS CAMP 2023

JULY 17TH, 19TH, 21ST

@WHITEFORD HIGH SCHOOL NEW GYM

TOTZ 3Y/O-2ND GRADE 3:30-4:30PM  
INCOMING GRADES 3RD-9TH  
3RD-6TH 5-6:30PM  
7TH-9TH 6:45-9PM

Camp Cost \$60

sibling discount: -10\$ off first sibling  
-\$20 off for each additional sibling

Scan QR to register and mail check to:



Janie Bunge  
5000 Consear Road Ottawa Lake, MI 49267

Checks should be made out to:  
Whiteford Volleyball  
Registration is due no later than  
June 20, 2022 to receive a shirt

If you have any questions, contact WHS head coach **Janie Bunge** at:  
Janie.bunge@whiteford.k12.mi.us 419-779-8515

### ATHLETIC BOOSTER NEWS

Athletic Booster meetings are held the first Wednesday of the month at 6pm in the MS/HS Media Center. Come join the fun and help support Whiteford athletics!

#### Kroger Community Rewards Program

If you are not currently supporting an organization through the Kroger Community Rewards Program, please take a few minutes to register today and help support Bobcat athletics. Go to [www.kroger.com](http://www.kroger.com), log into your account and follow the links to the Community Rewards page. Select organization number **PV787** as the donation recipient. Remember, this is free money and will not affect your fuel points!

#### HOW TO CONTACT US MAIN PHONE

734-856-1443

#### PHONE PROMPTS

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- 5 MS/HS Office Athletic Dept.
- 6 Transportation Superintendent/Business Office/Maintenance

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ext. 101 or 401

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Marcy Anderson  
ext. 104 or 110

**MS/HS Principal**  
Jeremy Fielder  
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**Assistant Principal & Athletic Director**  
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**EI. Counselor**  
Lauren Ehman  
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Jennifer Head  
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734-854-6463



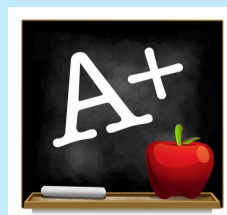
## High School Honor Roll (3rd Quarter)

### 9th Grade All A's

Andrews, Nate  
Bahls, Mallory  
Brown, Nolan  
Chung, Iza  
Cousino, Addeson  
Diesing, Cooper  
French, Samuel  
Frye, Jenna  
Griffith, Cole  
Hamid, Sarah  
LaVoy, Kailee  
Mills, Blake  
Ross, Grace  
Ruddy, Drew  
Schalmo, Garrett  
Schroyer, Caden  
Shingleton, Rory  
Spradling, Bailey  
Turvey, Alison  
VanHove, Addyson  
Welker, Tyler  
Wing, Briar  
Zawacki, Chase

### 10th Grade All A's

Biswas, Emmy  
Butz, Megan  
Butz, Brady  
Consear, Layla  
Emerson, Virginia  
Fielder, Ava  
Joerin, Rylan  
Laws, Olivia  
Lehsten, Isabell  
Lorenzen, Mariah  
Luse, Haley  
Masters, Brendon  
McClain, Alaina  
Mills, Brooklyn  
Rasor, Emily  
Saylor, Jenna  
Waterford, Malia



### 11th Grade All A's

Aguado, Miasofia  
Andrews, Makayla  
Brace, Victoria  
Briem, Savannah  
Crook, Jayden  
Dickinson, MaKayla  
Gapp, Annabelle  
Gorney, Ava  
Griffith, Keira  
Hill, Joshua  
Iott, Jackson  
Johnson, Abigail  
Masters, Keegan  
Minkowski, Sofie  
Nelson, Unity  
Podgorski, Maysen  
Ruddy, Ryn  
Simmons, Aubrie  
Stevens, Noah  
Thomas, Margo  
Turvey, Emily  
Vida, Luke  
Webb, Jillian  
Wing, Reagan  
Wotring, Anna

### 12th Grade All A's

Andrews, Alaina  
Bauman, Ali  
Blanchard, Morgan  
Brown, Logan  
Butz, Kaitlyn  
DeBruyne, Lexi  
French, Thomas  
Giesige, Jake  
Gorney, Braden  
Guilliam, Emily  
Hillard, Ava  
Holup, Erica  
Lipp, Karmen  
Luse, Brayden  
Mills, Nicholas  
Norman, Halle  
Rasor, Luke  
Ruddy, Ryn  
Raymond, Emily  
Ruddy, Shea  
Siler, Ava  
Spradling, Allison  
Thomas, Madelyn  
Turvey, Sarah  
Ulery, Alyssa  
Ulery, Jessica  
Ulery, Mackenzie  
VanBrandt, Aly

### 9th Grade All A's and B's

Billau, Koralyann  
Cieply, Lalita  
DeBarr, Mason  
Henegar, Luke  
Hillard, Brody  
McCullough, Everett  
Peters, Gavin  
Russell, Tess  
Scott, Jake  
Vore, Troy  
Zimmerman, Brayden

### 10th Grade All A's and B's

Billau, Lily  
Cousino, Avery  
Delmotte, Logan  
Houttekier, Phoebe  
Lee, Chase  
Linkey, Adam  
Neal, Dalton  
Palfalvi, Frank  
Perez, Cristal  
Porter, Connor  
Ruehle, Olivia  
Simmons, Liberty  
Vance, Bailey  
Wolniewicz, Audrey

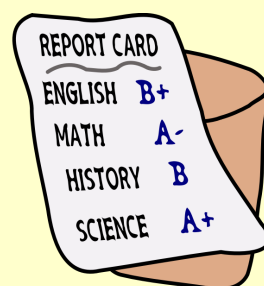
### 11th Grade All A's and B's

Alexander, Shaylin  
Bahls, Carleton  
Conard, Karlei  
DuVall, Dane  
Ellis, Avery  
Henry, Jacob  
Indoval, Adriana  
Iott, Jacob  
Lay, Joslyn  
Masserant, Kolby  
Schober, Anna  
VanBrandt, Mason  
Wernet, Emma

### 12th Grade All A's and B's

Cousino, Madelyn  
Cousino, Aidan  
DeBruyne, Logan  
Donnelly, Addison  
Ellis, Alena  
English, Brody  
Gray, Keith  
Gray, Kyle  
Huard, Claire  
Jakubowski, Melanie  
Knaggs, Owen  
Kolmar, Cameron  
Marsh, Patrina  
McCollum, Kennedy  
McGranahan, Quintin  
McLaughlin, Mason  
Rodgers, Elliott  
Russell, Kennedy  
Shingleton, Hailey  
Suchora, Shane

\*4th Quarter grades will appear in the next issue of the Bobcat Tales.



## BOND PROJECT UPDATE

### Three Month Schedule

#### April '23

**MS/HS - Phase 2 Multi-Purpose Gym Addition:** Finishes continued within the gym, locker rooms and main entry, including installation of the gym floor. The team also began preparations for equipment startup and commissioning. Exterior finishes and site improvements resumed as allowed by the weather.

**Series 3:** The team continues discussions and planning and design of Series 3 scope and projects.

#### May '23

**MS/HS - Phase 2 Multi-Purpose Gym Addition:** Finishes continue within the gym, locker rooms and main entry, including completion of the gym floor and installation of the bleachers and startup of the audio system. The team continues preparations for equipment startup and commissioning. Exterior finishes and site improvements will resume as allowed by the weather.

**Series 3:** The team will resume standing design meetings for Series 3 scope and projects in preparation for bidding later this year.

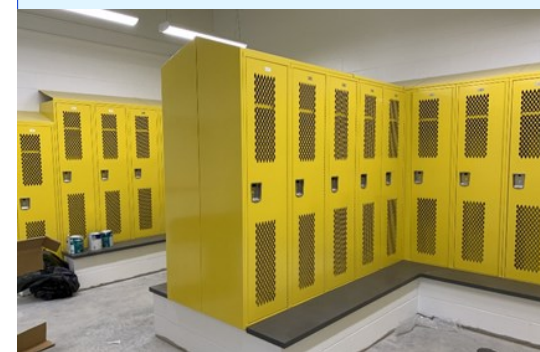
#### June '23

**MS/HS - Phase 2 Multi-Purpose Gym Addition:** Finishes will wrap up within the gym, locker rooms and main entry in preparation for final inspections and building turnover. Exterior finishes and site improvements will continue as allowed by the weather in preparation for summer completion and final punch list activities.

**Series 3:** The team will continue standing design meetings for Series 3 scope and projects in preparation for bidding later this year.

#### Critical Project Items

- The team continues to monitor project costs and the overall budget. There have been significant increases to construction costs and procurement times since the planning of the Bond Program.
- The team will continue to adjust for the remainder of the 2019 Bond Program as design for Series 3 develops in the ongoing design meetings.
- The Series 3 bond sale is scheduled for Spring of '24 with program completion planned for late 2024.





## Elementary School Honor Roll (3rd Quarter)

### 4th Grade All As

Adams, Ryleigh  
Broshious, Blu  
Dibert, Alexa  
Dietz, Avery  
Henkle, Lucas  
Hill, Paige  
Hubbard, Raegan  
Kemritz, Marley  
Lockhart, Carson  
Lowry, John  
Madalinski, Lillian  
McCormack, Hudson  
McCullough, Silas  
Miller, Preston  
ONeal, Irelyn  
Ovall, Clayton  
Peters, Jase  
Plante, Aaron  
Rasor, Ellie  
Ray, Lucas  
Reed, Greyson  
Trejo, Maricelia  
Wahl, Shyann  
Ziem II, William  
Zilba, Brady

### 4th Grade All As and Bs

Billau, Lacey  
Bub, Nathan  
Cole, Kade  
Cole, Amber  
Consear, Aaron  
Garcia, Andrew  
Guilliam, Gabriel  
Hilberath, Destery  
Holyfield, Allen  
Kobold, Banks  
Labruzzo, Tucker  
Marsh, Emma  
McClain, Natalie  
Miller, Genevieve  
Miller, Kensington  
Miller, Hilary  
Ogren, Ali  
Peters, Braunn  
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Pizio, Ava  
Poulin, Eli  
Richardson, Logan  
Wernet, Bryce

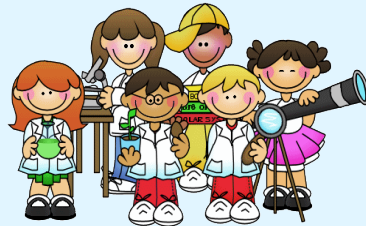


### 5th Grade All As

Andrews, Mylee  
Billau, Josephine  
Blaisdell, Ava  
Bub, Lucas  
Chiotti, Brennan  
Cousino, Joshua  
Falk, Keilee  
Grosteffon, Grace  
Hawkins, Brayden  
Jurkiewicz, Olivia  
Kemritz, Oliver  
Lievens, Lauren  
Malcom, Autumn  
McClain, Micayla  
Miller, Evan  
Parsons, Kaitlyn  
Pendygraft, Maximus  
Raker, Kira  
Rousseau, Maya  
Snyder, Aden  
Speweik, Caden  
Taylor, Henry  
Walerius, Autumn  
Warren, Weston  
Weiser, Charlie  
Wing, Rowyn  
Wolniewicz, Karlie  
Workman, Kasey

### 5th Grade All As and Bs

Babcock, Micah  
Billau, Brody  
Carlson, Hadley  
Castillo, Hazyl  
Cousino, Jacen  
Emch, Addyson  
Ingram, Avree  
Kastel, Luke  
Krieger, Brent  
Lake, Logan  
Oloshove, Alivia  
Sager, Cody  
Schroyer, Laney  
Tyrrell, Madison  
Young, Vivian



## Elementary School Honor Roll (4th Quarter)

### 4th Grade All As

Adams, Ryleigh  
Broshious, Blu  
Bub, Nathan  
Cole, Amber  
Consear, Aaron  
Dibert, Alexa  
Dietz, Avery  
Garcia, Andrew  
Hilberath, Destery  
Hill, Paige  
Hubbard, Raegan  
Kemritz, Marley  
Labruzzo, Tucker  
Lockhart, Carson  
Lowry, John  
Madalinski, Lillian  
McCormack, Hudson  
Miller, Kensington  
Miller, Hilary  
Ogren, Ali  
ONeal, Irelyn  
Ovall, Clayton  
Peters, Braunn  
Peters, Camden  
Peters, Jase

### 4th Grade All As and Bs

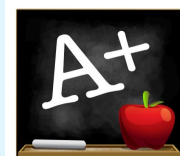
Pizio, Ava  
Poulin, Eli  
Rasor, Ellie  
Ray, Lucas  
Reed, Greyson  
Richardson, Logan  
Wahl, Shyann  
Ziem II, William  
Zilba, Brady

### 4th Grade All As and Bs

Billau, Lacey  
Cole, Kade  
Guilliam, Gabriel  
Henkle, Lucas  
Holyfield, Allen  
Kobold, Banks  
Marsh, Emma  
McClain, Natalie  
McCullough, Silas  
Miller, Genevieve  
Miller, Preston  
Phillips, Karson  
Plante, Aaron  
Trejo, Maricelia  
Wernet, Bryce

### 5th Grade All As

Blaisdell, Ava  
Bub, Lucas  
Carlson, Hadley  
Chiotti, Brennan  
Falk, Keilee  
Grosteffon, Grace  
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Kastel, Luke  
Lievens, Lauren  
McClain, Micayla  
Palfalvi, Willow  
Parsons, Kaitlyn  
Raker, Kira  
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Wing, Rowyn  
Workman, Kasey



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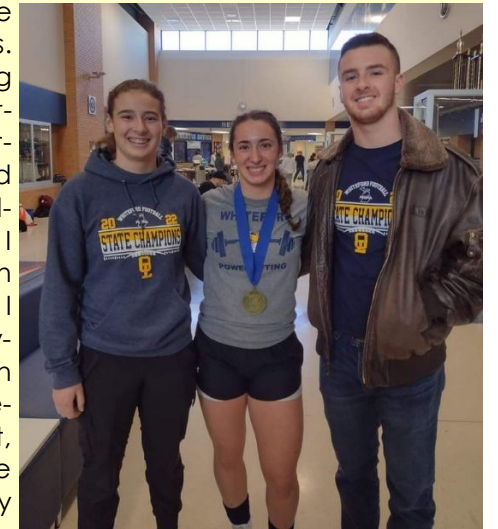
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Oloshove, Alivia  
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Wolniewicz, Karlie



## CHAMPION ATHLETES AT WHITEFORD HIGH!



Sophomore Haley Luse gave new meaning to the phrase "pulling your weight" when she repeated as this year's Powerlifting State Champion in the 155 lb. weight class with a total combined weight of 810 lbs. What an impressive feat! Haley shared how her love of the sport developed over the years: "I started lifting around the summer before my 7th grade year with just dumbbells and small workouts. Brayden, (older brother), had started lifting more to get ready for football and I, for whatever reason, thought that sounded interesting. I took a WIN class in the weight room and enjoyed it because I could use more advanced equipment and get stronger faster. I am naturally very competitive, so (even though I knew it wasn't going to happen) I wanted to be better and stronger than Brayden. Then when I was in 9th grade, Brayden told me that Coach Mensing, (former Whiteford football coach), was starting powerlifting and I could probably do it, too. Even though I was very nervous to be lifting with all guys, I became more comfortable and better with the specific "powerlifting" lifts. I enjoy going to the meets because everyone is so friendly and even though we don't know each other, we are supportive and happy for everyone. I really like being a part of this and I am so thankful that God gave me these abilities to be successful in this area of my life!"



Sophomore Isabell Lehsten doesn't wear bows, she shoots them! Isabell has been shooting with a bow and arrow for 10 years now—that's more than half her life! She has set multiple state records in both Michigan and Ohio, was named the 2022 State of Michigan Barebow Archer of the Year, is the 2023 Scholastic Archery Michigan State Barebow Champion, and she also shoots on the USA Archery team! Isabell's interest in archery sparked when she was just 6 years old while attending a summer youth camp in Irish Hills, Michigan. While there, she enjoyed shooting so much she decided to join an archery club so she could start competing. Isabell was only 7 years old when she participated in her first archery competition where she took 2nd place (shown below with her medal). On February 15th, 2023, Isabell earned her 6th USA Archery National Championship, and also currently holds scholarship offers from 20 colleges and universities! Aim high and let 'r fly, Isabell!



Ladies, your Bobcat family couldn't be prouder! We'll be watching, and we cannot wait to see what the future holds for both of you! Shoot for the stars and power on!!!





# WHITEFORD STUDENTS TO BE AWARDED THE SEAL OF BILITERACY

SUBMITTED BY HS SPANISH TEACHER KIM DeSILVIS



Congratulations to Thomas (TJ) French and Victoria Meyer! Both graduating seniors from the class of 2023 earned the Michigan Department of Education Seal of Biliteracy Award in Spanish this year! To earn this honor, a student must score at the Intermediate High proficiency level in all four skills: reading, writing, listening, and speaking of Spanish on a standardized test. This is no small feat, and Whiteford is so proud of these two brilliant students! TJ is heading off to Calvin College in Grand Rapids, Michigan this fall to study Environmental Science and Computer Science. Victoria will attend Monroe County Community College in the fall where she will study Spanish and Japanese Translation.

This is only the second year that students at Whiteford have had the opportunity to take the Spanish biliteracy test. What an incredible accomplishment for TJ and Victoria! We wish them all the very best, and we look forward to more students earning this special Seal in the coming years!



# WHITEFORD PARENTS ASSOCIATION (WPA) NEWS

SUBMITTED BY JACLYN WARREN, WPA PRESIDENT

Another year is in the books! The WPA would like to offer a huge thank you to anyone who helped us this year, be that by volunteering for an event, donating items or money, purchasing from a fundraiser, or attending meetings and sharing your ideas. We love being able to do the special things we do for the kids, and we truly would not be able to do them without the amazing parents, grandparents, and community members who support us.

The WPA Board has elected new officers for the 2023-2024 school year: Jackie Warren-President; Dianna O'Neal-Vice President; Kristi Browning-Treasurer; Ahna Roush-Secretary. Meetings will again be held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 6:00 PM in the elementary school cafeteria, and we hope to see many returning faces as well as some new parents this next school year. We will host the second annual Back to School Picnic at the end of August and hope to see everyone there to kick off the new school year and learn about some of the things the WPA will have planned for the coming year and how you can participate!

Follow us on Facebook-simply search for Whiteford Parents' Association! Already following us? Please invite your Whiteford friends to like our WPA Facebook page, too! We don't want anyone to miss news and updates regarding all of our exciting events and opportunities for parents and grandparents to get involved!



# ELEMENTARY CARNIVAL/FIELD DAY FUN!





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The annual Whiteford Elementary Carnival and Field Day is always filled with fun, friends, family, loads of special activities, and some friendly competition! After working so hard throughout the school year, and especially after putting forth their best efforts during a rigorous spring testing season, the staff and students are always ready for this wonderful and much-needed break! Please enjoy this picture potpourri submitted by our incredible elementary educators!



# CREATIVITY IS JUST INTELLIGENCE HAVING FUN!

SUBMITTED BY MS/HS ART TEACHER LISA CHILDERS

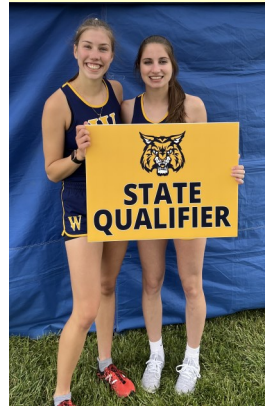
The Woodland House Project is the last project students in the Hand-Building with Clay class will create this year. It allows them to show their mastery of all three of the hand-building techniques they've learned in this class (slab, coil, and pinch) while showing their creativity through their design and the details that they add.





# WHITEFORD TRACK & FIELD 2023

SUBMITTED BY MS/HS SOCIAL STUDIES TEACHER AND COACH JAY YOCKEY



This past season has been nothing short of historic. Not only are numbers up for each team, but results have spoken for themselves as well. For the first time in program history, both boys and girls teams went 6-0 in the dual meet portion and both teams earned portions of the TCC Championship title; this is the fifth title for the boys and the first ever for the girls.

On top of the TCC titles, both programs saw success at invites, as well. The girls team won the Whitmore Lake and Webberville Invites. The boys team won the Bobcat Legacy Relays, Whitmore Lake Invite, Webberville Invite, were runners-up at the Onsted and Hillsdale Invites, and brought home the Regional title as well; a first in 16 years. In addition to all these accomplishments, both teams competed at the MITCA Team State Championships. The boys finished 6<sup>th</sup> and the girls finished 11<sup>th</sup>.

Whiteford was well represented at the MHSAA State Championship meet with 2 girls and 9 boys qualifying and competing in 11 different events. Making the podium and earning all-state honors were the 8<sup>th</sup> place 4x2 team of Cooper Bieber, Dylan Anderson, Ryn Ruddy, and Jake Iott. Shea Ruddy and Jake Iott placed 2<sup>nd</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> in the 400, and Ryn Ruddy was 8<sup>th</sup> in the 300 hurdles. Keegan Masters placed 6<sup>th</sup> in the 1600. The 4x1 team of Stepan and Kolby Masserant and Ryn and Shea Ruddy placed 5<sup>th</sup>. The 4x4 team of Shea, Dylan, Ryn, and Jake became State Champions and led the race from beginning to end.

With numbers increasing across the board, it makes it easier to be pushed at practice, which in turn means faster results. Keegan Masters broke two school records on the track. He now owns the 800 with a time of 1:59.78 and the mile with a time of 4:25.54. He also broke the conference mile record with a time of 4:29. The 4x1 team of Stepan and Kolby Masserant and Ryn and Shea Ruddy broke the school record with a time of 43.94 and set the conference record in the same event. The 4x4 team of Shea and Ryn Ruddy, Jake Iott, and Dylan Anderson broke the 4x4 record with a time of 3:27.28. They also broke the conference record in that event. Reagan Wing and Stepan Masserant broke the pole vault records with vaults of 8'0" and 12'9". The 4x1 and 4x4 teams also set conference records at the TCC Championship meet.

This year really was a fantastic one. I am proud of all the efforts I saw at practice, at meets, and everywhere in between. Our goal is to always represent our school, community, and families well, not just with results but in our conduct, too. It really is an honor and privilege to work in a great supportive community and with such amazing young men and women, and I look forward to where the program will go next year. A huge thank you goes out to Jeremy Simmons, the coaching staff, community, and school administration and board for all their support.



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