

WHS Updates (03-15-24)

Dear Waterford High School Families,

I hope this email finds you well. Here are a few updates about what is scheduled for the next few weeks:

- **Spring Testing Day:** On Wednesday, March 20, WHS will hold the SAT School Day test administration for all Grade 11 students, the PSAT 10 test administration for all Grade 10 students, and the NGSS Practice for all Grade 9 students. We will be operating on a shortened day schedule. Grade 12 students are not required to attend school, unless they are taking the Seal of Biliteracy Test. We have outlined the details of the test administration and schedule for that day in the following Google document for your reference: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1YKF6WPRHOeOVID5399xo4anNR1LTtg51_zqjC4PVRsg/edit
- **Spring Sports Start Now!** Spring sports student-athletes should have already signed up on Family ID to be ready to practice this weekend, but if you have not signed up for a spring sport yet, you can still do so at <https://www.familyid.com/organizations/waterford-high-school>. Family ID registration and approval needs to be complete prior to practicing with a team. The full practice schedule for our teams is posted at <http://www.casciac.org/ytt/?sc=Waterford&hc=CC0000&fs=10>, and the first day of tryouts/practices for each sport will be:
 - **Saturday 3/16**
 - Softball: 8-10am & 12-2pm - Fieldhouse
 - Boys lacrosse: 8-10am and 3-4:30pm - Turf
 - Boys Tennis: 10-12pm - Tennis Courts
 - Baseball JV/V: 10-12pm - Fieldhouse
 - Girls Lacrosse: 10-12:30pm - Turf
 - Girls Tennis: 8-10am – Tennis courts
 - Freshman Baseball: 12-2pm - Fieldhouse
 - **Monday 3/18**
 - Track and field: 2:30-4pm - Track
- **Cultural Diversity Awareness Celebration:** The Cultural Diversity Alliance is hosting a Cultural Celebration at WHS on Saturday, March 23rd from 5:00-8:00pm. It will be a night of food, festivities, and performances to celebrate the variety of cultures in the community. It is free admission, and we encourage people to come in their own cultural clothing. For more information on this event, please click on the link: [Cultural Night.pdf](#)
- **Jazz Night:** WHS will be hosting its annual Jazz Night concert featuring our Jazz Ensemble and Chamber Choir on Monday, March 25th at 7:30pm in the WHS Auditorium. These ensembles will be performing the music that they will

present at the University of Delaware Jazz Festival in April. It's always a fun, short concert. We hope to see you there!

- **Free Summer Sailing Program:** The Niantic Bay Sailing Academy is offering full or partial scholarships to students ages 7-18 for the 4- or 8-week summer program (June 21- August 13). Click on the following link for more information about junior sailing on Niantic bay: [NBSA Scholarship Flyer.pdf](#)
- **Message from Safe Grad:** The 2024 Safe Grad committee is hosting a Texas Roadhouse gift card fundraiser from March 8th – 22nd. 10% of all sales go directly to support this year's senior class Safe Grad party. If interested, scan the QR code on the attached flyer and the e-card will be emailed to you once the fundraiser ends. Thank you for your support! For more information, please click on the link: [waterford safe grad \(1\).pdf](#)
- **Message from WATERFORDrama:** WATERFORDrama is selling one-line messages for \$5.00 to go in the playbill for Mean Girls. All proceeds go to the Senior Scholarship Fund and future productions! An example message: "You rock Phoebe! Way to go! -Ms. P." You can purchase them on [GoFan](#) or bring cash to William Lathrop in Ms. Poitras' Advisory – Room 328. Submissions are due by Friday, March 29th.
- **Yearbook Sales:** In order to receive a WHS Excalibur 24' Yearbook, you must purchase through this link <https://link.entourageyearbooks.com/my/WH2024> by May 1, 2024. Yearbooks will be available through pre-sale only – no in-person sales.
- **Scholarship Applications for Seniors:** Attention Parents of Seniors! The Waterford High School Scholarship Fund awards over 100 scholarships totaling over \$100,000 to senior students who demonstrate success, talent or interest in a variety of areas. ALL seniors should complete the application via the Google form below to be considered. The deadline to submit the form is April 15th. <https://forms.gle/5Vgxy2wmafQQ8fo3A>
- **Class of 2024 Information:** Welcome to the Class of 2024 "working" document about important information and dates for upcoming events! We will be using this document to share resources and keep you up-to-date with important information from now until graduation. The link is a "living" Google document that will be updated throughout the school year so please remember to check back periodically to see the different happenings taking place at WHS for seniors. [WHS Class of 2024 Important Dates and Information](#)

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