

PARENT AND STUDENT WEEKLY UPDATE FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 29th



THE “YOU ROCK!” AWARD

Each month, the faculty and staff give out the YOU ROCK! AWARD.

For this month, Mrs. Erin Linehan was chosen to receive this award. Mrs. Linehan continually goes above and beyond in many areas and has been incredibly selfless when it comes to her students and coworkers.

At Westside, Mrs. Linehan is ALL IN! YOU ROCK!! #PATRIOTNATION

The YOU ROCK award is sponsored by Kevin Doyle from VALIC Financial Advisors, Inc.

Information you can use!

- Congratulations to Coach Hutto, staff, and football team for defeating Warren County Friday night with a score of 17-8. Warren County was #3 in the state last year! Congratulations!
- See Page 3 for a very important letter from Mr. Smith that was sent home a week ago with students regarding our 1:1 initiative: POWER UP!
- **NWEA MAP ELA** begins this week! All ELA students, 9th-12th grade must take the MAP screener. Student goals will be set to help students master standards. MAP will help us determine where students are academically in Math. For students who did not finish the Math will need to complete it this week as well.
- **AP ACADEMY STUDENTS**- There is an AP Academy Parent Meeting Monday at 6:00 pm in the new gym. A letter was sent home last week about this meeting. Students who are in AP classes but not the AP Academy are also invited to attend.
- **AP STUDENTS**- We have on the calendar that all AP students will have their accounts set up with College Board by the end of this week. Students should work with their teachers to set this up. We will be sending AP Academy information soon. Be on the lookout! 😊
- There is a **Work Based Learning Parent Meeting** Thursday, September 2 at 6:00 pm. Please see Ms. Walker for more information.
- Parents- We need your help with dress code. Please discuss with your son or daughter about complying with our dress code. You can see our code of conduct link below for the dress code.
- **The Code of Conduct Parent Signature for is past due. If students have lost their code of conduct, parents can access this page to print out the parent signature page for from this link: [CLICK HERE!](#)**
- TARDIES started Monday (8/16) in Infinite Campus. Please see the code of conduct for discipline consequences for tardies. Consequences for tardies range from detention, to In School Suspension, to suspension and tardies can rack up quick. Students can receive up to 7 tardies a day.
- Student who drive to campus have until the end of the month to purchase a parking permit. We will start enforcing permits at the beginning of September.
- Just a reminder of No Hats or head coverings and if a student wears a hoodie, the hood cannot be worn inside the building. Cell phones should be put up and silenced during class. Students can have cell phones out during transition and at lunch but cannot take pictures, take video, or make phone calls. If they need to make a phone call, they must use the phone up at the front office with permission. Earbuds and headphones can only be out during hall transitions and at lunch. We will institute a “one ear in, one ear out” policy. Headphones must be put up during class.
- All class syllabus are on each teachers websites and on their Canvas page.

Westside High Bell and Advisement Schedules

The Bell Schedule Can Be Found Here: [CLICK HERE](#)

Club Day, Teachers as Advisors Advisement, and Academic Check Days Schedule: [CLICK HERE](#)

Afterschool Activities and Events for This Week

Date	Event	Time	Sponsor/Coach
8/30	AP Academy Parent Meeting in New Gym	6:00 pm	Smith
8/31	Softball @ Laney	5:30 pm	Holcombe
	Volleyball vs Augusta Christian/ Davidson HOME	5:00 pm	Wilmer
9/1	Softball vs ARC HOME	5:00 pm	Holcomb
9/2	Softball vs Glenn Hills High School HOME	5:30 pm	Holcomb
	Volleyball at Harlem	6:00 pm	Beasley
	JV Football vs ARC HOME	6:00 pm	Hutto
	Work Based Learning Parent Meeting	6:00 pm	Walker
9/3	Football @ Lincoln County	7:30 pm	Hutto
9/4	Westside High School Alumni Basketball Game	2:00 pm	Hunter
9/5	Campus Closed to Students		
9/6	Labor Day (Faculty, Staff and Student Holiday)		

Parents Sign up for REMIND UDPATES!

Remind Codes

Each grade level remind codes are listed below.
Visit www.remind.com to create an account.
Use the code below to connect with your grade level class.
This is one of the main ways that Westside will communicate this year. Parents and students are welcome to join.

Senior Code: @2whspats22
Junior Code: @whspats23
Sophomore Code: @2whspats24
Freshmen Code: @whspats25

Note: If you have already signed up for a class Remind, you do not need to sign up again.

LINKS OF INTEREST FOR PARENTS AND STUDENTS

The Fall 2021 Athletic Schedules can be found [CLICK HERE](#)

Social Media Pages for Westside High School

Facebook: @thewestsidehighschool (facebook.com/THEWestsideHighSchool)

Twitter: @westsideHS (twitter.com/westsidehs)

Instagram: @thewestsidehighschool (instagram.com/thewestsidehighschool/)

Instagram: @whs_student_section_ (instagram.com.com/whs_student_section/)

TikTok: @westside_high_school (Search in App)

Snapchat: @westside_hs (Search in App)



Note: This update may not capture everything so we highly encourage you to visit our website (rcboe.org/westside), continuously be in contact with teachers, and join our social media pages and Remind.

Information to Pass Along....

FROM THE DESK OF WILLIAM P. SMITH PRINCIPAL OF WESTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL

August 20, 2021

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Westside High School is excited to announce that our school will kick off the One to One Technology initiative, PowerUp, on the week of October 18th. PowerUp is using our education sales tax dollars to ensure that every student in our school system receives technology to support homework and supplement classroom instruction. Westside High School students will receive a Windows Laptop that can be taken home daily to enhance what they are learning in the classroom and advance their technology skills.

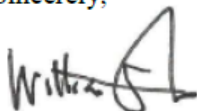
On October 18th, Westside High School will host a Parent Orientation for you to learn more about the PowerUp initiative and to cover information in the PowerUp Handbook. Additional information about the orientation will be shared with Westside High School families over the coming weeks. Device distribution for our school is scheduled to begin the week of October 18th. This timeline is tentative and may change based on availability of devices.

More information about PowerUp, the PowerUp Handbook, and a course for parents are available on the Parents Tab of the Richmond County School System website at www.rcboe.org. Please review the PowerUp Handbook with your student. If a device is lost or damaged, the assigned family is responsible for device replacement costs. To keep those costs affordable, the school system has made low cost insurance available for all families. The PowerUp Handbook contains information about insurance and we will review it during Parent Orientation.

PowerUp places the latest technology in the hands of all our students. It is exciting to see them have access to a variety of software, engage in digital assignments, and be trailblazers in the next wave of technology.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to Ms. Stephanie Watford, Media Specialist at Westside High School.

Let's PowerUp Patriots!
Sincerely,



William P. Smith, Principal
Westside High School