

PARENT AND STUDENT WEEKLY UPDATE FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 5th



Congratulations to Ms. Rebecca Potter

Westside Teacher of the Year, Ms. Rebecca Potter, threw out the first pitch at the Augusta Green Jackets baseball game last Thursday night! And YES.... she threw a strike!

Information you can use!

- **PARENTS-** There is a Title I Annual Meeting this Wednesday, September 15th at 6:00 pm virtually online. Please see page 5 for the flyer. The link to access this meeting will be made available on Wednesday at the top of our website.
- **COVID-19 UPDATE** Parents- if your child has tested positive for Covid-19 or as been identified as a close contact outside of school, it is imperative to contact the school nurse as soon as possible. We want to make sure we are aware to help with the process of quarantine or in if needed, contact tracing. You can contact Nurse Liz at 706-868-4030 at Ext: 1111 or email her at GilmeEl@BOE.Richmond.k12.ga.us . Thank you for your help! **Any student that is out quarantining because of Covid-19 can find their school work on Canvas. If a student lacks technology at home, parents should communicate this to a grade level administrator.**
- **Congratulations to our Varsity Volleyball team for defeating both RCTCM and Washington County this past week in straight sets! Congrats!!**
- Progress Reports will be handed out this Friday. Information about End of Course test results from last year and census information will also be sent home.
- See Page 4 for a very important letter from Mr. Smith that was sent home a week ago with students regarding our 1:1 initiative: POWER UP!
- **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. Dress Code will be enforced and students not in compliance will be sent to ISS for the entire day. If students have lost their code of conduct, parents can access this page from this link: [CLICK HERE!](#)**
- **Clubs will begin in October.**

HOMECOMING COURT APPLICATIONS ARE NOW AVAILABLE

The homecoming court applications for each grade level are now available for Kings and Queens. Students can see their grade level advisor or the link below to access an application. These are due back to their grade level advisor by this Thursday, September 16th at 3:00 pm.

You can access the applications at this link:

<https://www.rcboe.org/site/Default.aspx?PageID=67081>

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
9/13			
9/14	Softball at Putnam County	5:00 pm	Holcomb
	Volleyball at Glenn Hills High School	6:00 pm	Wilmer
9/15	Title I Annual Meeting Virtual	6:00 pm	Willis
	JV Football @ Laney (Moved to the 15th)	6:00 pm	Hutto
9/16	Volleyball vs ARC/Aquinas	5:00 pm	Wilmer
	Cross Country at Lyons, Ga (Bulldog Invitational)	5:00 pm	Newton
9/17	Football vs. Putnam HOME	7:30 pm	Hutto
	Progress Reports Issued		
9/18			
9/19			

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.

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.

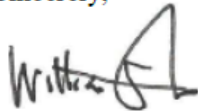
More information about PowerUp, the PowerUp Handbook, and a course for parents are available on the Parents Tab of the Richmond County School System website at www.rcboe.org. Please review the PowerUp Handbook with your student. If a device is lost or damaged, the assigned family is responsible for device 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

HOME OF PATRIOT NATION

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Title I Annual Meeting
Wednesday, September 15th, 2021 @ 6:00pm
Location: Westside (Online)

ATTENTION: ALL PARENTS



Please make plans to attend and participate in this very important meeting as we discuss and revisit the many aspects of Title I Parent Engagement for the 2021-2022 school year. Your presence and participation will be greatly appreciated.

Topics of discussion will be as follows:

Title I Program	Parents Right to Know
School-Parent Compact	Parent and Family Engagement Policy
Budget/Funding	Building Capacity
Assessments	Curriculum
Volunteer Opportunities	School Goals
School Improvement	

Parents, we need you! You do not want to miss this opportunity to learn about and participate in the Title I Parent and Family Engagement program at your school!

For more information, contact the school office or your parent facilitator/designee:

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