

**PARENT AND STUDENT WEEKLY UPDATE
FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 19th**



**Students of the Month &
Student Athletes of the Month!**



We wanted to once again congratulate our Students of the Month and Student Athletes of the Month for August! For the month of August, we are proud to announce that Thuy Tran and Hanif Graham are our STUDENTS OF THE MONTH! For the month of August, we are proud to announce that Terianna Eckerle and Xzavier Green are our STUDENT ATHLETES OF THE MONTH!

We will be announcing our students for September next week! GO PATRIOTS!

SENIORS CLASS OF 2022 SAT INFORMATION

There is a very important message on Page 3 for Seniors!

Information you can use!

- Progress Reports were handed out this Friday. Information about End of Course test results from last year and census information was also handed out. Students can go by their homeroom teacher to pick up. You can also check on students grades on Infinite Campus.
- 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!
- **Clubs will begin in October.** More information is forthcoming.
- **Homecoming information will be handed out to students this week!**

ATHLETIC BOOSTER INFORMATION

- The Westside Spirit Store is now open on Fridays from 2:30 pm-3:30 pm. It is located inside the front door of the school. They have new merchandise, including sweatshirts, hoodies, and dry-fit shirts. Cash, check and debit/credit cards are accepted.
- The Athletic Boosters need parent volunteers to work concessions and help build the program. You can access this link to sign up to volunteer at <https://tinyurl.com/24eapfrj>
- You can also contact the boosters at westsideathleticbooster@gmail.com.

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.

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
9/20	NJROTC- Vineyard Church Community Service	5:00 pm	PO Jones
9/21	Volleyball at Josey	6:00 pm	Wilmer
9/22	Project Graduation Senior Tutoring	2:35 pm	Mattice
9/23	Underclassmen Pictures	7:30-2:30	Hatch
	JV Volleyball at ARC	5:00 pm	Wilmer
	JV Football vs Cross Creek HOME	6:00 pm	Hutto
9/24	Football at GHHS	7:30 pm	Hutto
9/25	Senior Pictures	10-5:00 pm	Hatch
	Volleyball at WHS- Playdate		Wilmer
	Cross Country- Augusta Prep Invitational	8:00 am	Newton
9/26	Campus Closed to Students		

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.

SENIORS CLASS OF 2022 SAT INFORMATION

Seniors who plan to go to college should register and take the SAT prior to January.
ALSO---You should also take it again by March!!

The SAT is given on campus at Westside on the Test Dates below.

TEST DATE	REGISTRATION DEADLINE	LATE REGISTRATION DEADLINE	DEADLINE FOR CHANGES
October 2, 2021 Register	September 3, 2021 Late Registration 	September 21, 2021 (for registrations made online or by phone)	September 21, 2021
November 6, 2021 Register	October 8, 2021	October 26, 2021 (for registrations made online or by phone)	October 26, 2021
December 4, 2021 Register	November 4, 2021	November 23, 2021 (for registrations made online or by phone)	November 23, 2021

You can register above at the register links or visit this site:

<https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/register/dates-deadlines>

See Mrs. Thomas your senior counselor for more information, practice testing materials, fee waivers, and so much more!!

Also see page 5 for information about CSRA COLLEGE NIGHT!

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.

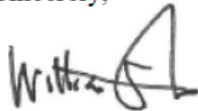
On October 18th, Westside High School will host a Parent Orientation for you to learn more about the PowerUp initiative and to cover information in the PowerUp Handbook. Additional information about the orientation will be shared with Westside High School families over the coming weeks. Device distribution 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

CSRA VIRTUAL COLLEGE NIGHT

Heads up **#SENIORS!!** The CSRA College Night is coming up on November 4, 2021 and is being held virtually.

CSRA Virtual College Night

Thursday, November 4, 2021
5:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Attendees will have an opportunity to explore, chat, and connect virtually with representatives from:



- Colleges and Universities
 - Technical Schools
 - Professional Societies
 - Military Organizations;
- Georgia and South Carolina Financial Aid
 - Counselors Center
- Seniors attending a portion of the event maintaining a 2.5 GPA will be eligible to win one of fifteen \$1,000 scholarships.

registration link will be provided on October 20th