

# Westfall



## MUSTANG MONTHLY eNEWSLETTER #RISEABOVE

NOVEMBER 2023

### DISTRICT EVENTS

#### NOVEMBER 6

NO SCHOOL | Teacher In-Service

#### NOVEMBER 7

Sophomore Visit to Pickaway Ross

#### NOVEMBER 9

WES Parent-Teacher Conferences  
BPA Columbus Blue Jackets Career Day

#### NOVEMBER 10

WES Veterans Day Celebration | 8:00 AM  
WMS/WHS Veterans Day Assembly | 8:45 AM

#### NOVEMBER 11

*Veterans Day*  
WESTFALL CARES Spike Out Hunger  
Volleyball Tournament

#### NOVEMBER 13-17

*Kindness Week*

#### NOVEMBER 14

WES Parent-Teacher Conferences

#### NOVEMBER 15

4th-Grade Music Program | 7:00 PM

#### NOVEMBER 17

Interim Ends  
NHS Induction Ceremony | 9:00 AM

#### NOVEMBER 20

Board of Education Meeting | 6:30 PM  
WLSD Community Room

#### NOVEMBER 21

WES Pancake Breakfast

#### NOVEMBER 22

NO SCHOOL | P/T Exchange Day

#### NOVEMBER 23-27

NO SCHOOL | Thanksgiving Break

#### NOVEMBER 29

WES Picture Retake Day

### Message from the SUPERINTENDENT

Dear Mustangs,

November is often a month during which we focus on appreciating things we should be grateful for all year. Most of us realize how blessed we are all year.

But, sometimes, we let our thoughts be consumed by the negatives in our daily lives. As our focus wanders to the challenges of our lives, we can quickly lose our recognition of all of the good that is around us.

There are so many positive characteristics of our nation, this community, and Westfall Local Schools. I want to take this opportunity to share just a few of them with you: I am thankful for the students who come to school every day ready to learn - they give us all a daily reminder of what is important and why we are here. I am thankful for the support of the parents in creating an outstanding partnership for our students. I am thankful for the student-oriented staff, who care about student achievement and have the best interests of our students at heart. I am thankful for our Board of Education's support in exploring new initiatives to improve how we fulfill its focus of EDUCATING THE WHOLE CHILD. I am thankful that our community has supported providing an excellent learning environment and safe facilities for our students. Finally, I am thankful for our volunteers who enthusiastically contribute so much to our district.

Westfall School District stands apart from any other district. It has preserved the personality traits, traditions, and culture that have existed here for years. This district has a unique way of branching out in fields of expertise beyond our community while remaining rooted in its heritage.

During this time of Thanksgiving, I want to share my gratitude and thank you for being such an important part of each other's lives. It is a wonderful time of the year to get together with friends and family to celebrate and be thankful for all the wonderful people in our lives.

Happy Thanksgiving!

*Jeff Sheets*





# WESTFALL AT THE pumpkin CIRCLEVILLE show

happy birthday  
TO OUR STAFF

## NOVEMBER

1	Brian Constable	DISTRICT
2	Alissa Streitenberger	WES
5	Callen Logan	WHS
6	Lesley Wolfe	WES
8	Jodi Butcher	WES
9	T	WMS
15	Jennifer Kennan	WES
16	Joy Hovermale	DISTRICT
16	Terri Wynkoop	DISTRICT
18	Marlene Haddox	DISTRICT
19	Todd Rhymer	WHS
20	Clark McFarland	DISTRICT
21	Kathryn Wells	WMS
23	Brandy Mullins	WHS
26	Lisa Kelley	DISTRICT
29	Amy Johnson	WES
30	Tammi Doyle	DISTRICT







# WESTFALL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## UNITY DAY

October 18 is Unity Day! Westfall Elementary filled the halls with the bright and cheerful color ORANGE, synonymous with kindness, acceptance, and inclusion, making it the ideal color to represent unity.

It's cool to be *kind*



## PRESCHOOL PUMPKIN PATCH

Our preschoolers had a wonderful time with their families on their field trip to Lohstroh Family Farms! The weather was perfect for picking pumpkins!



## PUMPKIN BREAD

Mrs. Woods' second-grade students discussed the difference between dry and liquid ingredients and the importance of following the steps of a recipe. They worked on measurements and the delicate art of cracking eggs while practicing cooperation. Their finished product was delicious individual loaves of pumpkin bread!

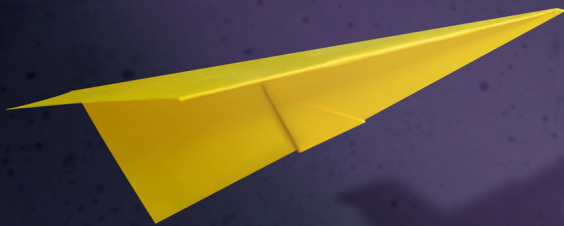


## Staff Members of the Month!



Cindy Andrews, Educational Aide  
Lisa Jones, First-Grade Teacher  
Christian Payne, Kindergarten Teacher





# WESTFALL MIDDLE SCHOOL

## HARVEST DANCE



The dance floor was packed at the first dance of the school year.. the Harvest Dance! Excellent work by our WMS Student Council, Mrs. Gamboni, and Mrs. Dinneen for organizing this event.

## PUMPKIN SHOW ARTWORK

Mrs. Fuller's first-semester art students had their work on display at the 2023 Circleville Pumpkin Show. Seventh-grader Bryce Jeffers had his Positive Negative Notan artwork selected for 3rd Place recognition. Congratulations Bryce!



## HOMECOMING PEP RALLY



Our Middle School Mustangs know how to spread school spirit! They had a great time at the 2023 Homecoming Pep Rally!

## MUSTANG PRIDE



NEW COLOR ALERT! Middle School students can show their Mustang Pride by purchasing a bracelet from the Student Council! Bracelets are being sold during student lunch periods for only \$1! HURRY! Supplies are limited!! Hundreds have already been sold!

## Staff Members of the Month!



Michelle Gamboni, Educational Aide  
Caryn Dinneen, Educational Aide





# WESTFALL HIGH SCHOOL

## MENTAL HEALTH DAY



On Thursday, October 26, Westfall Middle and High Schools held an assembly led by the Paint Valley ADAMH Board, which focused on the importance of caring for your mental health. The following day, WHS transformed their FLEX period into mental health stations that provided students with the opportunity to demonstrate coping skills and strategies to help them learn and understand how to handle their stress. During FLEX, students had calming stations to visit, including a recharging nap station, coloring, crafting, gaming, and yoga (to name a few). Thank you to our FFA leaders, Mrs. Gill and Mrs. Logan, for organizing this two-day event for our student body.

## MECHANICAL PRINCIPLES

Mrs. Logan's Mechanical Principles students have been studying tractor safety these past couple of weeks. They were recently able to get behind the wheel and show off their newly acquired skill.



## 4-TIME XC STATE QUALIFIER



Congratulations to senior cross-country runner Caitlyn Shipley! She qualified for her 4th straight state meet with a 13th-place finish at regionals with a PR of 19:30

## Staff Members of the Month!



Mary Oney, Spanish  
Karla Bartholomew, Educational Aide  
Danny English, English  
Todd Rhymer, Math

WHS crowned a new Homecoming King and Queen

*Bryce Wickline and Caitlyn Shipley*

Congratulations to the newly crowned Homecoming royalty and all members of the court! Pictured (L-R): Alyssa Wyman, Alec Martin, Ava Heath, Avry Justus, Homecoming Queen Caitlyn Shipley, Homecoming King Bryce Wickline, Audrey McCoy, Brody Clark, Keila Edwards, and Brydan Gall.







# WESTFALL COLLEGE & CAREER CENTER

## MANUFACTURING DAY

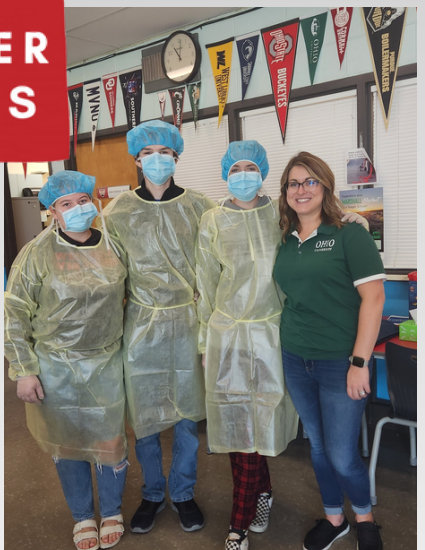


*Mrs. Smith's*  
**ADVICE FOR FRESHMEN**

- ✓ GET INVOLVED!
- ✓ JOIN A CLUB OR TEAM
- ✓ KEEP YOUR GRADES UP
- ✓ ATTENDANCE MATTERS

October 6 was Manufacturing Day, and students had the opportunity to visit local manufacturers here in Pickaway County, such as Sofidel America, Kenworth, PPG, Novelis, EPC, and DuPont. Held annually in October, Manufacturing Day is a nationwide celebration of modern manufacturing and showcases the great careers that it offers to students interested in joining the workforce.

## CAREER CHATS



Career Chats in the Westfall College & Career Center aim to highlight professions in a variety of career pathways, allowing students to learn more about a career of interest or to explore new options. Professionals will share stories of their own career paths, along with valuable industry insights and advice to help students consider future possibilities. October has been beneficial for our students as they explored careers in nursing and law enforcement.



**CIRCLEVILLE NOON ROTARY**  
Seniors Allison Copeland and Bryce Wickline were recently selected to represent Westfall High School at the October 5 meeting of the Circleville Noon Rotary Club. They both did a remarkable job speaking to the Rotarians and represented our school well. Congratulations to them both!



# UPCOMING EVENTS

November 2	November 3	November 8	November 9	November 14	November 15	November 29