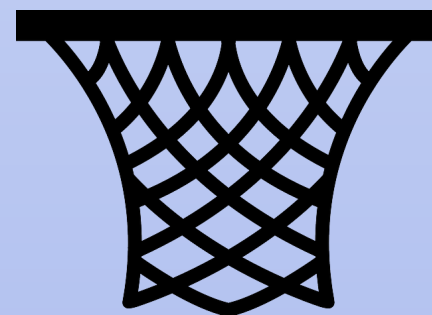


WHS NEWS

Winchester Invitational Tournament

The 100th annual Winchester Invitational Basketball tournament is scheduled to start on Saturday, January 7th, and continue through Saturday, January 14th. There will be 16 teams participating in the tournament. The top 5 teams are Routt Catholic, Porta, West Central, Brown County, and Camp Point. Routt Catholic will start the tournament by playing Triopia at 9 am on Saturday. Game 2 is Payson-Seymour vs Pleasant Hill at 10:30 on Saturday. Brown County plays Carrollton for game 3 at 12 pm. The 4th game of the day will be Camp Point vs Western at 1:30 pm. Game 5 is between Porta and Carlinville at 4 pm. Greenfield NW and Liberty play at 5:30 pm for the 6th game of the day. Game 7 is between West Central and Calhoun at 7 pm. The day's final game will be Griggsville- Perry vs North Greene at 8:30 pm.

Will Mason



California floods-

There has been recent flooding in California at the very beginning of this year on January 1st 2023 California declared a flash flood emergency to over 90% of their population, a child age 1-2 has already been killed during the first 72 hours of the flooding due to a tree falling on their house. The other death of a 19 year old woman died Wednesday January 4th when she crashed her car into a utility pole due to the flooded roads. There have been more intense storms causing up to 8 hours of rain a day and some of this affects the mudslides and especially over recent burn areas caused by wildfires this past year. Rainfall is continuing at 1 inch per hour. Over the next few days California expects more flooded roads, mudslides and sinkholes due to all of the storms and rainfall.

Kyli Brown

Winchester's Student of the month

Winchester is an awesome place with many awesome kids at the school. Winchester Schools have something called "student of the month". This is to honor students that have done good this month. This includes students who are kind to classmates, made big improvements in their classes, or very helpful. Teachers pick out the students who they think did the most in their classes. This month's Students at Winchester Elementary school are Timothy Schmidt for kindergarten and 1st grade, Ella Kunz for 2nd and 3rd grade, and Bryson Fry for 4th and 5th grade. At the junior high we have Jackson Little in 6th grade, Maci Peterson in 7th grade, and Laci Fearneyhough in 8th grade. At the high school we have Kylie Clayton and Peyton Andras, both sophomores. Congratulations to all the students who got student of the month. Keep making Winchester a good place.

Winchester Cheerleading

The West Central cheer squad has a big week ahead of them. This Saturday, January 7th, the Winchester varsity cheer squad will compete for a first place plaque in the 100th annual Winchester Invitational Tournament cheer competition. They will cheer against 15 other teams, including a very talented North Greene squad, hoping to maintain their first place standing from last year. Since last cheer season, the Winchester cheer squad has been working extremely hard to pursue their same goals from last year and to continue to progress as a team while watching and cheering for the West Central boys basketball team. The girls have put together several new cheers in hopes of wowing the judges on Saturday. These 13 girls are determined and willing to do whatever it takes to hold their ground this week, but with the recent loss of three cheerleaders due to injury, they will have to work especially hard on Saturday to pull out a win this weekend, but it is possible. Good luck this weekend ladies!!!

Bell Brown

Toni Naccarato

Hello Winchester Schools and welcome back from our wonderful Christmas break! This January is full of big events with the Winchester Invitational Tournament, Martin Luther King Junior Day and more! Martin Luther King Junior is celebrated on Monday January 15. On this day the students are not to attend school! Martin Luther King Jr. was born on January 15, 1929 - April 4, 1968, he was an American Baptist minister and activist who was one of the most prominent leaders in the civil rights movement from 1955 until his assassination in 1968. He was an African American leader who advanced civil rights for people of color in the United States through nonviolence and civil disobedience. King led targeted nonviolent resistance against Jim Crow Laws and other forms of discrimination. King was also famously known for his "I Have a Dream" speech that he delivered on the Lincoln Memorial steps in Washington. On January 15 Martin Luther King Jr. will always be remembered for his role of leadership and changing ways of the past for the future.

Vaeda Cox

It All Started In 1923...

You may be asking yourself, "what started in 1923?". Good question! For starters, our 29th President Warren Harding, died in office at 57 years old. The Great Kanto earthquake killed over 100,000 people. Howard Carter unseals King Tutankhamen's tomb. The well known company, Disney, was founded. Alcohol was prohibited. A first class stamp only cost 2 cents. The New York Yankees won their first World Series Championship. These are all memorable things for the big world, but who would've known that a small town in Illinois would have started something memorable too. Winchester had its first Invitational Tournament in January 1923. Over the last 10 decades Winchester has continued to have the tournament and make memories, champions, and simply make history. One that everyone will remember. Coaches, players, teams, volunteers, and refs gave time out of their lives to make the last 100 years competing the best. Good luck to everyone this year! Here's to 100 more!

Jadalyn Schoenfelder