Dear Parents, Guardians, Staff & Members of the Community,

The Summer has been productive and busy!

156 students graduated from Winthrop High School this year.

Norah Grimes is officially the Principal of the Arthur T. Cummings School and Andrea O’Leary is the Assistant Principal.

We welcome Danielle Tucker to our leadership team as the Assistant Principal at the William P. Gorman Fort Banks School.

We have 24 new staff members joining Winthrop Public Schools this year!

Residency requirements have been updated to ensure that all students enrolled in our schools are residents of the Town of Winthrop.

Students report to school on Tuesday, September 3rd.

I am looking forward to the return of our students and staff for the 2019-2020 school year!

Sincerely,

Lisa A. Howard

Lisa A. Howard, M.Ed.
Superintendent of Schools

WHS alumni!
You can now obtain your high school transcripts online at www.winthrop.k12.ma.us. Select Winthrop High School and go to the Guidance tab.
Attention Parents/Guardians!
You can pay for your child’s lunch online. Visit our website and click on Food Services, then click on myschoolbucks.com. You will need your child’s student ID number.
If you have any questions, please contact Pam Whelan at whelan-pamela@aramark.com 617-846-5505 x7210.

Got Box Tops?
Every clip counts.
You can drop off Box Tops to any school, or the Superintendent’s Office at Town Hall.

WHS is participating in the MBTA Student Pass Program. Registered high school students can obtain a student Charlie Card with a discounted rate. Students can go to the HS Guidance Office for more information.

WHS Graduation 2019

156 Students Graduated from WHS on May 31, 2019

The WHS secretaries who make it all happen!
Educatius International encourages all families to apply to become a host family. Winthrop High School is inviting international students to join us for the 2018-2019 school year. This exciting initiative is part of the school district’s efforts to expand its global education program. To make this program a success, we need host families for these students who can provide the following:

- A supportive home environment in Winthrop
- Three meals a day
- A bedroom with a bed, dresser and study area

Educatius International is providing the following resources:

- Monthly stipend paid to all host families
- Orientation program for the international students and host families
- Host family and student support, available 24 hours a day

We are very proud that Winthrop is a sought after school for international students. Our international students are:

- Fully insured
- Between the ages of 14-18
- Have their own spending money
- Speak English
- Maintain a strong GPA

If interested please contact Jodi at jodi.delrazo@educatius.org or call 617-846-3300.

Class of 2019 Class Officers

Ava Bertino
Class President

Anthony Nargi
Class Vice President

John Silva
Class Marshall

Camila Miranda-Llovera
Valedictorian

Jared Laviguer
Salutatorian

Russell Nichols
Treasurer

Sofie LaFratta
Secretary

Kirsten Griffiths
Videographer
2019-2020
School Committee
Meeting Dates

July 15
July 29
August 19
September 09
September 23
October 07
October 21
November 18
December 02
December 16
January 06
January 27
February 10
March 02
March 16
April 06
April 27
May 11
June 01
June 15

Meetings begin at 6:00pm and are held at Winthrop High School

CLASS OF 2019

Kayla Giudaliva Aguirar
Mihail Albert
Sidney Thomas Albert
Mark Joseph Anastasia
Aaron Antczak
Andrew Alexander Anglin
Jonathan Michael Applebee
Jessica Arias
Alexis Michelle Avellanet
Pela Bajdich
Asa Baralle
Ava Jean Bellovin
Riley Gene Bevans
Olive Marie Brand Miller

tyler Teo Bucci
Ryan Bradford Bucci
Aleena Teeri Bungie
Riven Byrnes
Rencho Caliva
Crystal Maria Camperillo
Koily Rounsey Caruso
Emilia Jane Cashman
Jasdenis Casiano
Christofferson Castro Garcia
Brian George Chalmers
Cory George Clarek II
Alexie Marie Colanetta
Aidan Patrick Coleman
Gerald Collette
Jaylin Dominick Cordes
Matthew Richard Correale
Andrew Cosimo Cotello
Jared Paul Doyle
Colby Charles Dassau
Sofia Danielle DeBaque-Montalvo
Evan Robert Deters
James Michael Diaz
Michael Joseph DiChiaro
Andrew Robert DiMento
Breanda Dillen
Victoria Rose Donville
Emily Maureen Donovan
Oscar Dubois

Laura Valentina Duque Munez
Flor Dylla
Allison Delaney Eard
Joseph Lake Evangelista
Christopher Martin Fink, Jr.
Gabrielle Elena Ford
Blanca Fong
Kimberly Adele Garcia
Christopher Guadalupe Espinosa
Daniel Paul Gillis
Eric Robert Gibbs
Tyler Robert Gilson
Kristen May Griffiths
Catherine Jada Graves
Glenna Rose Guzmán
Aiden Roxanne Guzman
George Gush Hartfield
Shin Heun
Kiel Van No
Jack Patrick Hogan
Olivia Alexa Holmes
Adela Hongo
Faith Marie Hunt
Michael John Jallos
Michael Christopher Kovacs
Sophia Ela Prafa
Jackalyn Lavoie
Jacques Jorden Longuevar
Randall Thomas Lawlor
Alanna Marie Lee
Juan Paul Lopez Flores
Andrew Richard Edward Love
Ariah Love
Cody Scott MacEwen
Ryan Mattson
Jaslyn Catherine MacMichael
Olivia Jean MacLean
Carmack Bruno MacPhail
Kevin Lewis Manha
Martinanglelo Marcuccio
Nathan Roger Marr
Brandon Martinez
Natalie Haustrop
Anabelle Lee McAdams

Michael Benjamin McCane
Daniel William McCreedy
Alexis Jean McDonald
Haley Frances McGraw
Anthony Joseph Melchioni
Kiera Malluri
Jordan Marie Malis
Carmela Victoria Lopera
Alyssa Marie Marchion
Ashley Marie Malak
Brandon Musiak
Alessio Maro
Anthony Sean Fanning
Christina Michael Katzenelo
Russell Eugene Nichols Jr.
Elizabeth Angela Naken
Daniel James O’Neil
Jack Elias Ovian
Jared Patrick Owen
Ian Paul Page
Willaena Pakaltrong
John Michael Pelletti
Justin Edward Peppe
Letticia De Silva Pereira
Isabella Murphy Perretti
Caleigh Marie Peterson
Joshua Christopher Pileier
Aiden Powers
Brandon Douglas Probst
Alien Jada Provost
Alanna Marie Pitrois
Shelby Quade
William Quinn
Alesha Ramirez
Ryan Rene
Ana Lucia Restrepo
Ian Sebastian Rodriguez Alves
Angelo Boncora Robertson
Daniel Rocha
Joseph Rosa
Coma Salas
Ariana Elizabeth Saro
Stevens Arthur Scott

Patrick James Smeaton
Megan Marie Shea
Brant Thomas Sheehan
John Ryan Silv
Andreas John Smok
Samanthina May Stodolski
Ryan James Stropky
Freddy William Small
Grace Catherine Smolicki
Stephanie Leigh Strange
Patrick Joseph Sullivan
Ethan Edward Talbot
Mary Therese Teves
Essaw Lee Tengchong
Kaz Good Thane
Jackson Carlos Tolliver
Steven Francis Tran
Conlalinos Tovias
Fatima Tur
Emma Jane Turner
Kiera Stan Turner
Rylie Marie Vacaro
Odie Patrick Vials
Marc Joseph Vedhukrin
Jake Peter Weck
Samuel Charles Yawn
Danae Jean Zwork
Caroline Rose Zuffa

*National Honor Society
2019 Facella Scholarship Recipients

Congratulations to the following students

FatmaTufa
Emelia Carleton
Katerina Thano
Caroline Zuffante
Grace Smotrich
Jared LaVigueur
Brandon Preble
Fjori Dylia
Camila Miranda-Llovera
Colby Dassau
Samuel Yarrow
Daniella Zanelli
Ava Bertino
Allison Earl
Patrick Sullivan
Victoria Donahue
Flag Day Essay Contest Winners

Congrats to the winners of the Winthrop Lodge of Elks Flag Day Essay Contest. The essay was “what the flag of the United States means to me”

3rd Place
Chelsea Long

2nd Place
Jordan Mercado

1st Place
Giada Gergerian

Winthrop Lodge of Elks
Students of the Month

May Students of the Month

Grade 6 Jaguars - Michael Donahue and Cheyenne Parker
Grade 7 Wolves - Kaylee Farrell (missing from the photo)
Grade 7 Falcons - Jack Osburn
Grade 8 Bruins - Chris Leone
Grade 8 Patriots - Jonathan Lanza
WHS 2nd Annual Dance Marathon

WHS Student Council raised $3,200 for Boston Children’s Hospital

Agganis All Star Game

Congrats to Feedle Small & Chris Castro who represented Winthrop in the 58th Agganis All Star Game!
8th Grade Trip to Washington, DC
Miller Field Public Access Hours
New Schedule for Fall

Monday – Friday
5:30am-7:30am

Residents using the track must adhere to all posted rules and regulations. Miller Field will close for inclement weather.

TRACK RULES

NO VEHICLES OR BICYCLES
NO STROLLERS/CARRIAGES/WHEELED CARTS
NO CLEATED SHOES
NO ROLLERBLADES
NO ANIMALS/PETS
NO SPECTATORS ALLOWED ON TRACK

RECREATIONAL RUNNERS:
DO NOT RUN IN LANES 1 & 2
PLEASE ALTERNATE LANES 3 THROUGH 6

TURF RULES

NO FOOD OR DRINKS (EXCEPT WATER)
NO GUM OR SUNFLOWER SEEDS
NO SMOKING, CHEWING TOBACCO OR VAPE
NO METAL BASEBALL-STYLE CLEATS
NO HIGH HEELS
NO USE OF PAINT MARKERS OR CHALK
NO STAKING OF ANY OBJECTS INTO THE TURF
NO GOLFING
NO ANIMALS ARE ALLOWED IN THE STADIUM EXCEPT TRAINED SERVICE ANIMALS
NO SPECTATORS ALLOWED ON THE TURF
WMS Girls on the Run
Heart & Sole Running Club

On Saturday, June 1st, WMS runners participated in the Girls On The Run end of season 5K with schools from all across the state of Massachusetts!
## 2019-2020 School Calendar

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### School Start/End Times

- WPG Pre-K Full Day: 8:15am-1:15pm
- WPG Pre-K AM: 8:15am-10:45am
- WPG Pre-K PM: 10:45am-2:15pm
- WPG Kindergarten: 8:05am-2:25pm
- WPG Grades 1&2: 7:40am-2:00pm
- ATC Grades 3-5: 8:25am-2:45pm
- WMS Grades 6-8: 8:30am-2:55pm
- WHS Grades 9-12: 7:55am-2:20pm

### Early Release Times

- Full Day: 8:15am-11:15am
- AM/PM: Alternate Early Release Days
- Kindergarten: 8:05am-11:15am
- Grades 1 & 2: 7:40am-10:50am
- Grades 3-5: 8:25am-11:35am
- Grades 6-8: 8:30am-11:40am
- Grades 9-12: 7:55am-11:55am

### Early Release Days:

- District Wide: 09/18, 10/23, 11/27, 12/11, 01/29, 02/26, 03/18, 05/27
- Elementary: 10/04, 10/11, 10/18
- Middle School: 03/27, 04/03, 04/10
- No School: June 16

180 Days for Students/183 Days for Teachers
Winthrop Public Schools 2019-2020

Important Dates

August 26            New Teacher Orientation
August 27            New Teacher Orientation
August 28            Teachers Report
August 29            Opening Day for Staff
September 2          Labor Day
September 3          Students Report
October 14           Columbus Day
November 5           Election Day – No School for Students
                      PD for Teachers
November 11          Veterans Day
November 28          Thanksgiving
November 29          Day after Thanksgiving
December 25          Christmas
December 23-January 2 Winter Vacation
January 1            New Year’s Day
January 20           Martin Luther King Day
February 17          President’s Day
February 17-21       February Vacation
March 3              Primary Election
April 20             Patriot’s Day
April 20-24          April Vacation
May 25               Memorial Day
June 5               High School Graduation
June 16              Last Day of School
School Closing Decision Making: Frequently Asked Questions

Have you ever wondered who makes the decision to cancel school on a bad weather day? Well, the final determination is made by the Superintendent of Schools, however not without input from key community stakeholders. Making the decision to cancel or to delay school is one of the most difficult challenges for the Superintendent of Schools because like weather forecasting, the school-closing decision process is not a perfect science. This document is intended to help families understand how the process works.

Who makes the decision about whether or not to close school?
The Superintendent of Schools, in consultation with the Principals, School Custodians, Winthrop’s Department of Public Works and the Winthrop Police and Fire officials, makes the final decision to cancel or delay school by 5:45am or earlier. The goal is to make a decision as soon as possible so that parents have time to make arrangements for childcare and adjusted work schedules and so that school staff may adjust their schedule in terms of work travel.

What information is gathered to aid in the decision?
There are multiple factors used in deciding whether or not to close school. Information on road conditions, snow accumulation predictions, building conditions such as electricity and heat, parking lot conditions, air temperature and wind chill, tides, and estimated times provided by the Department of Public Works as to when roads, walkways, and parking lots will be cleared of snow and ice.

How is the information acquired?
District staff and Superintendent monitors state and local weather forecasts. The Department of Public Works, WPS custodial staff and Winthrop Police and Fire officials provide updates on neighborhood road conditions and tide impacts. The Superintendent consults with Superintendents in adjoining communities.

What are parents’ responsibilities?
The safety of your child is paramount. On days when weather conditions are questionable, but school remains open, parents are free to exercise discretion and keep children home from school. Parents of young drivers are asked to reinforce winter weather driving skills: allowing extra travel time, reducing speed, and not worrying about being late.

How are days made-up?
As per State regulations, students must attend school for a minimum of 180 days and the school year must end by June 30. If school is closed due to weather, the day will be made-
up at the end of the school year and are built into the yearly school calendar for guiding purposes.

**How do power outages affect the decision if the weather is stable?**
Inclement weather can affect the timeline for utility companies to restore electricity. If all school buildings have electricity, the goal will be to open school. Other factors also influence the decision, including the number of neighborhoods without power, road conditions impacted by power outages (down lines, traffic lights not functioning).

**What is a delayed opening?**
A delayed opening is simply a [later start to the school day] due to short-term weather conditions or a temporary building related issue. Rather than close school for a whole day the beginning of school will be delayed one hour, ninety minutes, or two hours. **If a delay is necessary**, information related to the specific start time for each school will be clearly communicated to all students and posted on each school webpage. Lunch will still be available to students and dismissal will be at the regularly scheduled times.

**How is the public notified?**

- District website ([www.winthrop.k12.ma.us](http://www.winthrop.k12.ma.us))
- Facebook: ([Winthrop Public Schools](https://www.facebook.com/WinthropPublicSchools/))
- Blackboard Connect email: ([please be sure we have most updated email](https://blackboard.com))
- Blackboard Connect phone call (“connect-ed”): ([please be sure we have most updated phone contact](https://blackboard.com))
- Local Television: **WBZ-Ch. 4, WCVB-Ch. 5, WHDH-Ch. 7, WFXT-Ch. 25**, and **NECN/NBC Boston.**

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Lisa A. Howard  
Superintendent of Schools

July 15, 2019

Greetings Families,

I have heard some confusion and concern about our new Re-registration Process. I wanted to provide some clarity around the process.

According to our long-standing policy, we provide education to any Winthrop resident of school age. Historically, we have asked families to provide proof of residency when entering Kindergarten or when coming into the school system for the first time. This process remains the same.

Over the past two years, we have discovered that several non-resident families continue to have students enrolled in the Winthrop Public Schools and we have taken steps to assist them in enrolling their students in the community in which they now reside. Our obligation is to ensure that the resources intended for Winthrop resident students are reserved for Winthrop residents only. To assist with residency compliance, we recently adopted a new policy to have families re-establish residency in the third, sixth and ninth grades. We will begin the process for the 2019-2020 school year with students entering grade 9 and will institute the process for grades 3 and 6 for the 2020-2021 school year. This new Policy will help to ensure that only eligible Winthrop resident students are attending our schools. We appreciate the cooperation of our families in participating in this process.

Please note that for homeowners, we will accept either a mortgage document or property tax document and personal financial information should be redacted.

It is our hope that this process will also create an opportunity for schools to connect with parents. We welcome family involvement and want to be available to you as a resource. We offer several ways to stay in touch with what is happening with our school including emails from me and principals, electronic systems including I-Pass, individual school website pages and social media postings. When you come in to re-establish residency, please verify that we have your correct email and let us know if you need help getting access to any of the Winthrop Public School’s E-systems.

Respectfully,

Lisa A. Howard, M.Ed.

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