

WHITEFISH BAY ACTIVITIES NEWSLETTER



TRADITION, EXCELLENCE, SPORTSMANSHIP, DUKE PRIDE

Important Information for All Students

Have you signed up for a club yet? If not, signing up for a club is a great way to:

- *Make new friends*
- *Have fun*
- *Connect w/ Whitefish Bay Staff*
- *Find your passion*
- *Be active in the school community*
- *Engage in healthy competition*

Check out the [Activities Guide](#) for all information regarding our amazing clubs!

Fitness Center Available for All Students

The Fitness Center will be open for all students Monday through Friday (while school is in session) from 3:45 - 5:30 PM.

Masks will be required at all times and social distancing will be practiced at all times. If a student is not wearing a mask/practicing social distance, they will be asked to leave.

Follow Athletics and Activities on Social Media

Make sure to follow us on Twitter and Instagram for up to date news and information on all teams and clubs.

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Blue Duke Football Team Starts the Season at 2-1, Ranked 8th in Area

Dukes Dominate Greyhounds, 56-6 (Friday, August 20th)

It was a party at Lubar on Friday August 20th, as the Whitefish Bay Blue Dukes kicked off the 2021 season with a 56-6 victory over the Messwood Greyhounds.

Senior Nigel Cheeks got the fun started by taking the opening kickoff to the house from 81 yards out and the Blue Dukes were off and running. After the staunch Dukes D forced a quick three-and-out, Cheeks found the endzone once again on a 25-yard rush to make it 14-0 with 8:51 remaining in the first quarter.

Picking up where they left off last year, the Dukes D forced a turnover on Messwood's next possession. Two plays later, senior fullback Dom Bartolone found the endzone to make it 21-0. It was senior Jack Nau's turn on the next possession, taking a sweep 27-yards to the Messwood 9-yard line before catching a 9-yard touchdown pass from senior signal caller Luke Wells. The final touchdown of the first quarter had the Blue Dukes out to a 28-0 lead.

On the first play of the second quarter, **Cheeks** rushed in from the 22-yard line for his third and final touchdown of the game. Junior running back **Sean Callahan** joined the fun with 5 minutes remaining in the first half, getting his first career touchdown on a 25-yard rush. After the Greyhounds score to make it 42-6 with 1:25 left in the first half, senior defensive back **Nick Lewis** housed the ensuing kickoff from 83 yards away. **Lewis's** first career touchdown gave the Blue Dukes a 49-6 lead at the half.

Sophomore running back Ben Beckmann would tack on the last score on a 10-yard rushing touchdown, the first of his career, with 4:36 to go in the 3rd quarter. Beckmann's score made it 56-6, which be the score until the final horn. The Blue Dukes Defense forced 6 fumbles and 5 turnovers in their first action of the season. They held the Greyhounds to just 168 yards on 36 plays. Offensively, senior running back Nate Burroughs led the Blue Dukes in rushing with 53 yards on 9 carries.



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The Whitefish Bay Blue Dukes suffered their first loss of the 2021 season on Friday night, falling **30-7** to the Mukwonago Indians. The loss snaps an 8-game winning streak and is the Dukes first loss since the 2019 season.

The Indians jumped out to a quick 16-0 lead in the first quarter by scoring on their first two drives and forcing a safety on a botched punt. The score would remain the same at halftime as the Dukes D kept Mukwonago out of the endzone while the Whitefish Bay offense struggled to move the ball.

After a quick three-and-out by the Blue Dukes to open the second half, the Indians scored on their first play to make it 23-0 with 9:35 remaining in the 3rd quarter.

The Indians added one more touchdown in the 4th quarter to push their lead to 30-0 before the Dukes finally found the endzone on a Bartolone run with 3 minutes left in the game. Bartolone led the Dukes offense with 69 yards on 17 carries.

Dukes Sack Spartans (Friday, September 3rd)

The Whitefish Bay Blue Dukes started the conference schedule with a strong win over the West Bend West Spartans, 36-7. The win puts the Blue Dukes at 2-1 on the season. Despite first half miscues and 100 total yards of penalties, the Dukes were in control most of the game and demolished a school record in the process.

The Spartans offense ended the night with -92 yards rushing against the Dukes D, smashing the previous school record for least rushing yards allowed in a single game by the 1989 team when they held Homestead to -28 yards rushing. The front 7 were in the backfield all night as they got to the quarterback for a whopping 11 sacks. Senior lineman Reid Jamerson led the way with 5 sacks, while fellow senior linemen Caleb Bowers registered 2.5. Senior linebackers Nick Jorndt (1.5) and Michael Strecanksy (1), and senior lineman Joe Brunner (0.5) and junior lineman Joe Morello (0.5) added the rest. Brunner and Jamerson both recovered fumbles in the game and teamed up with Bowers to deflect numerous passes at the line of scrimmage. Despite West Bend West running 61 plays, they were only able to muster up 196 yards of total offense.

Offensively, the Blue Dukes Offense was in rare form running the football. They were paced by the trio of running backs Bartolone, Cheeks, and Nau. Cheeks and Nau each had two touchdown runs while Bartolone scampered in from 45-yards out on the first play of a series following a Spartans three-and-out in the 1st quarter. Cheeks and Bartolone both finished the night with 129 yards rushing on 8 and 11 carries, respectively. Nau tallied 78 yards on his 6 rushing attempts. Junior kicker Aleks Sauer-Milli drilled a 34-yard field goal in the 2nd quarter to help the Blue Dukes jump out to an early 16-0 lead.

The Blue Dukes finished the night with a season-high 380 total yards on 42 plays.



The Blue Dukes Girls Swim & Dive Team off to Great Start

While the school year is just underway, the Lady Blue Dukes have been swimming and diving full force! With four meets under their belt already, the 2021 Girls Swim and Dive team looks posed to run after a conference title, and more!

As has always been true at Whitefish Bay, team depth and consistency yet again reign supreme. While many swimmers were finishing summer plans, the Blue Dukes still sent a mighty squad to the Brown Deer Invitational in August and brought home the team title! Senior captain Natalie Nelson would lead the way, as she would take the event win in the 100 Butterfly. Teaming up with junior Madeline Cleverly, senior Amy Wang, and sophomore Emma Dickinson, the four would also come home with the win in the 200-medley relay! Cleverly would later shine, continuing her backstroke success with the event win in the 100 backstroke. As a team, the Dukes placed 30 points ahead of second place, an overwhelming amount in the small-scoring opportunity!

More historically, the Blue Dukes would then travel to West Bend for their first conference dual meet of the season. Not only was this the first day of school, but it was the first time Whitefish Bay has beaten West Bend in a head-to-head competition in over five years! The secret weapon of the ever-budding program stole the show. Seniors Kate Graham, Anneh Britz, and Lucy Sarnowski combine for a 1-2-4th place finish in Diving, giving the Dukes a distinct advantage moving to the swim portion. Junior Casey Stephens put the team on her back, picking up two individual event wins (200 IM, 400 Free), along with a 200 Medley Relay victory. The game of depth continued to blaze the trail, as multiple 2-3-4 finishes gave Whitefish Bay a growing lead throughout the meet.

Following a close 5th place finish against multiple Division 1 teams at the Shorewood Invitational this past Saturday, the Blue Dukes hosted Nicolet on Thursday. The team will then travel to Cedarburg on Thursday, September 23rd for a North Shore Conference Dual. The weather may be cooling down, but things are heating up in the pool! Go Dukes!



Varsity Girls Golf Team Wins Conference Invite, Starts Season Off Strong

The Lady Blue Duke Varsity Golf team has had a great start to their season! Led by lone senior Colleen Guimont and juniors Lily Valimont and Bryn Dresselhuys the team has been highly competitive in each meet this year.

The girls were recently rewarded with their hard work and dedication with a first-place finish at our Conference Meet on August 30th at Brown Deer Golf Course. Valimont led the team with a 39 on the day, followed by Freshman Daniella Honkamp who shot a 44. Dresselhuys and Guimont rounded out the top four with scores of 46 and 48 to help propel the team to victory!

To date, the girls are currently in 3rd place in the North Shore Conference, with the team having two more Conference tournaments before the WIAA Regionals begin.

Other regular members and contributors to the Varsity team include sophomore Olivia Ross, junior Kate Brugman, junior Anna Quehl, sophomore Avery Buchholz, junior Olivia Reichert and sophomore Ellie Adank.

On the JV side, our ladies have taken first in every Conference Meet. We are a young team overall, with a very talented and deep sophomore and junior class coming up in our program-- top contributors to our JV success include juniors: Mara Kunath, Audrey Casper, Izzy Starker, Lauren Hanson, sophomores: Finley Counsell, Mary Ratajczyk, Maddie Bunke, Sydney Gleason, Gretchen Greischar, Bianca Grunbaum, Taylor Hembel, Evie Patrick and Lauren Scarlett and freshman Ally Malin have helped round out the group and have contributed to a number of victories as well. These girls are always having fun and are a pleasure to be around-- big things to come! Great first month ladies!



#3 Ranked Girls Tennis Team Off to Great Start

The Whitefish Bay Girls JV and Varsity teams are off to a great start. The varsity team is currently ranked #3 in the state by the Wisconsin High School Tennis Coaches Association and has an 11-2 record. The JV team is undefeated so far and has a lot of talented players! The varsity team will be competed in the Sweet 16 tournament this past Friday and Saturday and tied Middleton for 2nd place overall. On Thursday, September 23rd the girls host Cedarburg at Cahill. Come support the girl's varsity tennis team! Go Dukes!



Cross Country Teams Running Well, Looking Forward to Home Meet on Friday

After a 2020 season understandably full of modifications and adjustments, the boys are working to defend or improve upon their third-place state finish while the ladies hope to bring more hardware home after finishing second last fall.

The boys' and girls' cross country teams are off to a great start this season! Both teams opened their seasons on August 26th at Lincoln Park where the combined girls team won the Division 1 race. The teams later endured a tough course in Verona on Saturday, September 4th and demonstrated great team racing when injuries plagued top runners on both teams.

Next up was the prestigious Arrowhead Invitational on Thursday, September 9th. The boys' team, battling injuries have found great leadership and speedy times from senior Jonah Block. Block covered the 5000-meter course in 16:09.

On the girls' side, the combination of depth and leadership in front runner, sophomore Lily Kriegel has made them a team to look out for. The girls finished second place of 20 teams at the Arrowhead Invitational, losing only to state-favorite Middleton.

The teams look to continue their positive seasons at Kletsch Park on Friday, September 17th as they host their only home meet of the season.

Girls Volleyball Program off to Great Start

The start to the 2021 Girls volleyball Season has had its ups and downs. As a program, they have seen some major successes, as the Varsity team won the Silver Bracket at the Burlington Invitational on August 26th by going 3-1, posting wins against Jefferson, Verona and Kenosha Tremper. The JV1 team had success by finishing in 2nd place at the Milwaukee Riverside tournament on August 27th

On September 2nd, the program swept Port Washington with the JV1 and JV2 teams winning 2 sets to 1 and the Varsity team winning a 5-set thriller 3-2. Following that, the teams did suffer tough losses to Hartford during their home opener. With JV1 and JV2 both losing 1-2 sets and Varsity dropping 1-3 set.

The season has just gotten started, and the team is are looking forward to many exciting times ahead! This Tuesday, September 21st the Blue Dukes host Cedarburg with JV and JV2 playing at 5:30 and Varsity playing at 7:00pm.

Food Drive Information from Bay Gives Back

Students, Staff and their families are invited to help with the food drive collection, starting at 10:00 AM, in the Field House, on Saturday, October 16th. Bay Gives Back students will deliver bags to every Whitefish Bay resident so that on collection day, they are able to bring multiple shipments of food to the Riverwest Food Pantry. By now, this food drive is tradition both for Whitefish Bay and for the Riverwest Pantry. Last year, BGB students collected 8,000 lbs., but we are aiming even higher this year! Staff and their families are welcome to come and participate for as long as they wish - no time commitment required!

Boys Volleyball Team with Depth and Talent, Off to Great Start

Waukesha West Tournament Recap

What a great start to our 2021 season! The varsity boys' volleyball team kicked off their first match against Racine Horlick and got a kill on their first attempt! The team was firing on all cylinders in game one and made quick work winning 25-7. Game two went right into a 6-2 rotation and even though everyone played great, they struggled making their serves which allowed the Racine Horlick to stick around. The Blue Dukes ended the match with some clean serving thanks to senior Jack Perhach to finish up the game. It was great to have the new varsity players get their first kills and blocks for the season. They finished game two winning 25-22.



After sitting for two games, the Blue Dukes were back at it against a talented Hartford team who are also in our conference. Game one was back and forth and Bay couldn't quite get the separation they needed to close the game and at the end Hartford made some great plays taking game one 23-25.

The Blue Dukes bounced back right away with an all-star performance from senior Benji Seaman who seemed to be unstoppable in game 2. With Seaman leading the charge, they were able to steam roll game two winning 25-17. Game 3 was just another epic battle but it was the same as game one. They were not able to string enough points together to seal the deal and didn't execute at the service line like they did in game 2. Hartford won game three, 15-13. Even though they took the L, they were still in a good place to move to gold bracket.

Their final match of pool play was against Madison Memorial. Outside hitters, juniors Parker Neumann and Ben Gaenslen, found their rhythm early and didn't let up. They kept a good lead for most of the match and with a little help from junior Ethan Rice's serving runs they were able to keep momentum winning both sets 25-17 and 25-13.

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Now they had advanced into the gold bracket facing Mukwonago. They matched up well and had chances to win both games but could not close out and make plays when needed. They lost both games 25-27. Overall, they played some great ball for it being their first matches of the season and finished tied for 5th place out of 16 teams. That's a good place to be early in the season! That means they are competing and have opportunities to win. Coach Cass sees this as being an overarching theme for their season. Creating opportunities to win big matches and players executing when they need them the most.

Conference Match vs Nicolet

On Monday, September 13th, the Blue Dukes hosted the Nicolet Knights for their season conference opener and the guys were excited to play especially the JV1 and JV2 teams. They haven't played a real match since their scrimmage in August. Watching the two JV teams play was great as they were hungry to play outside of practices. All those practices paid off as both teams won 3-0.



Junior Chuck Taft got the team going in a pregame huddle getting everyone pumped to play! Even with all that hype, varsity came out with what Coach Cass would call a "shaky start" to the game with a handful of miss serves but once they settled in they took over the match with efficient hitting and passing. All hitters were connecting and Seaman had some outstanding kills that got the team fired up! The crowd was excited and the student section helped us rally for a big set one win. They won the first set 25-14!

In game two, they played well and had a lead throughout the entire game but towards the end they found themselves in a tough rotation matchup and couldn't quite close out the game as they intended but with consistency and clutch plays from Neumann on the outside, they got the win 26-24.

Nicolet had momentum going into game 3 and played tough throughout the match and were able to make some plays and capitalize on some of the mistakes the Blue Dukes made in that set. By sticking with them, the Knights were able to take a game from Bay in a close finish and lost 24-26.

Coach Cass thought this was the set loss they needed as they refocused on what had to be done and you could tell the guys were ready to take care of business! Freshman Harrison Dunn opened the set with a six ace run giving Bay a huge advantage right out the gate. There was no looking back as the team rallied together and finished with some dominating hitting from the pins. They won that last set 25-10 ending with a precision ace from senior Bennett Woodliff down the line.

Overall this was a great start to the week. The varsity team plays in Beloit this weekend and JV1 plays at Waukesha West on Friday. Varsity's record is now 3-2.

#1 Ranked Boys Soccer Team Undefeated at 7-0

The 2021 boys' soccer team have gotten off to a fast start. Currently ranked number 1 in the State by the Wisconsin Coaches Soccer Association, the Blue Dukes have compiled a 7-0 record with wins over state ranked opponents: New Berlin West 8-1 (D3), Madison West 2-0 (D1), Tosa East 1-0 (D2) and 3rd ranked overall Arrowhead 3-0.

The boys are being led this year by captains: senior Mitchell Dryden, senior Ben Grimm and junior Will Smith. Senior goalie Nason Lancina has five shutouts this season in six appearances and is poised to have a big season in goal for the Blue Dukes. The team will host Oak Creek on Saturday night at 7:00PM.



SPECTOR SPORTS & PORTRAITS

BAY ROBOTICS 2021 KICKOFF PARTY INVITATION

We are super excited to invite you to the transportation-themed game and challenge reveal party for the robotics season 2021-2022 FREIGHT FRENZY:

Saturday, September 18th, 2021 from 10 to 11:30am in the Whitefish Bay High School "Link" room in person- Door 6 and Door 8 will be unlocked for you to enter or viewable online through ZOOM

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://wfbschools.zoom.us/j/96272509070?pwd=QWVhncU1BUHRLZ0Q5T1Flc1JyRFQzZz09>

Meeting ID: 962 7250 9070

Passcode: 296550

Bay Robotics- the Varsity team, and JV Bay Robotics-the junior team, are very grateful for your continuous dedication and support. We will be making you proud by representing our school and the growing tech community of Whitefish Bay.

FIRST Tech Challenge is one of many opportunities for us to share everything you have been teaching and will continue to teach us in our journey of becoming future computer science, electrical, mechanical engineers, salesmen, marketing professionals, businessmen, project managers. Let's explore the future of transportation together! See you on Saturday!

Check out our website: [Bay Robotics – Inspiring Innovation](#) !

DUBINSKI SELECTED NFHS GIRLS SOCCER COACH OF THE YEAR

Rob Dubinski has been selected by the Wisconsin Girls Soccer Coaches Association as the recipient of the 2020-21 NFHS Coaches Association Girls Soccer Coach of the Year Award for Wisconsin.

This past season, the Whitefish Bay Girls Soccer team won the WIAA Division 2 State Championship and finished 20-0 record by outscoring their opponents by a margin of 129-2. Dubinski also won this award in 2017 for boys' soccer. As head coach for the girls' program, Dubinski has compiled a record of 112-15-11 and combined with boys, has a record of 213-24-18.

Annually, the NFHS identifies and recognizes one coach from each state for significant achievement in their sport. State level recipients are considered for NFHS Sectional recognition. National Coaches of the Year are then chosen from the sectional winners.

Award recipients are selected based upon a variety of criteria including their coaching record, background, coaching honors, and involvement in community and school organizations.

Each year approximately 1000 coaches are recognized at the state level, 168 coaches are recognized at the sectional level and 21 coaches are recognized at the national level.

Wisconsin coaches are members of Section 4, which represents the states of Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, and Wisconsin.

The mission of the NFHS Coaches Association is to enhance the professional development of all high school sports coaches in order to improve interscholastic athletics in the United States of America.

For further information regarding the NFHS please call 317-972-6900 or go to www.nfhs.org.



Lou Warobick's Junior Golf Foundation
2021 SPORTSMANSHIP SCHOLARSHIP
WINNER'S ANNOUNCEMENT

Jack Ludwikoski, Whitefish Bay High School has been selected as one of the recipients of the 2021 Lou Warobick's Junior Golf Foundation Sportsmanship Scholarship awards. The announcement was made today by the Foundation's executive committee.

Jack's willingness to volunteer his time for several organizations in his community and at Whitefish Bay High School elevated him to the top of the Foundation's list of nominations.

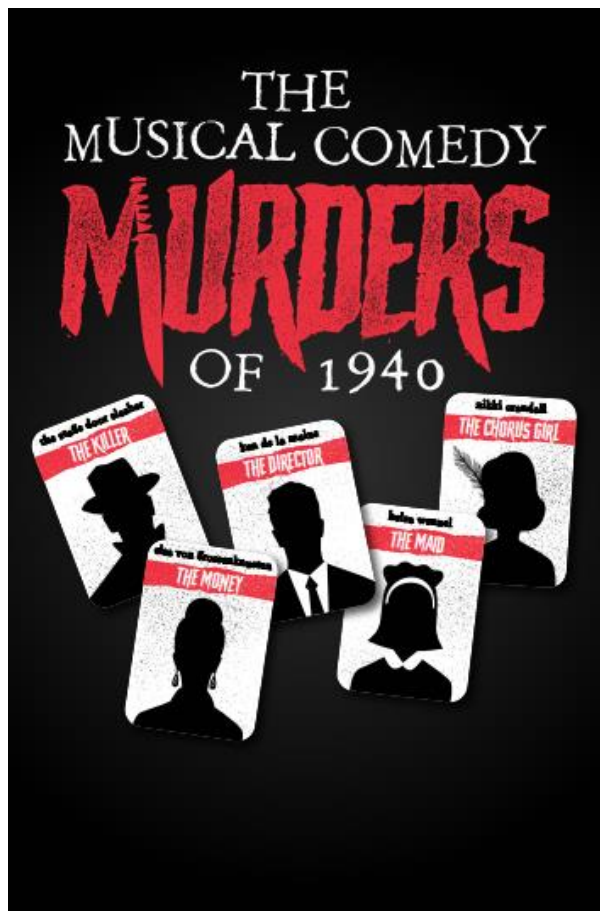
Jack will be attending the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

The scholarships are awarded annually to college bound high school senior boys and girls from Wisconsin who best exemplify good sportsmanship and contributions to their school and community. Golf coaches, athletic departments, golf professionals, associations and other golf officials throughout Wisconsin nominate high school seniors.

The scholarships are meant to promote good sportsmanship. They are named in memory of Wisconsin State Golf Hall of Fame honoree, Lou Warobick.

Important Theater Announcement

The 2021-2022 Theater Season is here! Auditions for the Fall Play, the *Musical Comedy Murders of 1940* took place last week on Monday, September 13th and Tuesday, September 14th. For those interested in participating in Stage Crew, please make sure to attend the first Stage Crew session on Monday, September 20th after school in the auditorium. If you have any questions about auditioning or becoming a member of the Stage Crew, reach out to Ms. Kind-Keppel at amber.kind-keppel@wfbschools.com. Can't wait to have you join our Theater Community!



Rowing - Youth Nationals Recap and Fall Season Update

Whitefish Bay rowers competed at US Rowing Youth Nationals on June 10-13 in Sarasota, FL. Each crew earned their bid to nationals through their performance at the Midwest Championships in May. The rowing club had four crews competing at Nationals: Women's Youth 8+, Men's Youth 8+, Women's U17 4+, and Men's U17 4+.

The Women's U17 4+ was rowed by Norah Hanson, Cece Engel, and Annie Koch. The girls had a solid weekend and qualified for the grand final through the time trials and semifinals. They had an incredible race in their final and placed 4th in the country!

The Men's Youth 8+ with Cole Rumpf and Quentin Simenz had strong performances throughout the regatta. They experienced very intense racing with only 6 seconds separating 7 crews in their last race. The crew placed third in their final race putting them at 22nd in the country.

The Women's Varsity 8+ was rowed by Gabby Engel, Sophia Simenz, and Francesca Hammerer to a 30th place finish, and the Men's U17 4+ placed 11th in the country.

The fall rowing season is now underway and Whitefish Bay rowers will be competing in a number of regattas over the next couple of months. The first race of the season is right here in Milwaukee. The Milwaukee River Challenge takes place on September 18th. The main venue is on the river at Schlitz Park, just south of Pleasant St, and the race goes through downtown Milwaukee. Come watch the rowing club take on other Midwest teams as they race to protect their home course. For more information about the Milwaukee River Challenge see the [event website](#).

For more information about the rowing club see the [website](#), and email any questions to Coach Roger Huffman (director@mkejuniors.org)

