

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 [Virtual Activities Fair](#) for all information regarding our amazing clubs!

Fitness Center Available for All Students

The Fitness Center will be open for all students Monday through Thursday (while school is in session) from 4:00 - 5:30 PM. Masks will be required at all times. Due to COVID restrictions, we will only allow 15 students in the Fitness Center at a time.

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.

Twitter: [@WFB_BLUEDUKES](#)

Instagram: [wfb_athletics_and_activities](#)

Live Stream of Home Events:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCgwnBarnIv8pVTrae3Oj2tw?view_as=subscriber
www.facebook.com/WFBSchools

Live Stream of Away Events:

<https://www.northshoreconference.com/page/show/5985509-live-streaming-links>

HOSA Organizes Card Drive

Whitefish Bay HOSA-Future Healthcare Professionals led a school wide service project over Thanksgiving break. Students created handmade cards with holiday wishes and general greetings to send to children staying in hospitals during the holiday season. Students got out the glitter and markers to make personalized, bright cards for the kids. HOSA collected 526 cards to be sent to Cardz for Kidz, an organization in Chicago, with the help of 55 students! Thank you to all who participated and spent some time giving back to the medical community during the break.



Whitefish Bay's Theater Program Prepares for Musical

Attention all students interested in AUDITIONING for this year's musical: WORKING (2012 Revised Edition)

On **Thursday, January 7th**, there will be a WORKING (2012 Revised Edition) AUDITION WORKSHOP held **virtually at 4:00**. At the workshop, you will learn about audition expectations for singing, dancing, and acting AND you will learn tips to help you do your best. Although this workshop is not required, it is *definitely* encouraged.

This meeting will be conducted on Zoom. Here is the **Zoom LINK**: <https://zoom.us/j/92334836044>

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Ms. Kind-Keppel at amber.kind-keppel@wfbschools.com

Hamlette Earns State Recognition

This past weekend, the cast and crew of "Hamlette" competed at the state-wide One Act Competition. The One Act won two awards: an Outstanding Ensemble award and an Outstanding Acting award for senior, Miranda Ccesarini. Congratulations to all involved!!!



Credit: George Katsekos Jr.

Debate Team Gearing up for State

On Saturday, December 12th, junior Anna Harris won 2nd place speaker in Varsity Lincoln-Douglas debate at the Lancer Invitational tournament. The team will be competing at the Blizzard Blitz on December 19th and the MCFL Debate Qualifier/State Warmup up on January 9th in anticipation for the Wisconsin State Debate Tournament which is held on January 15th – 17th.

Bay Gives Back Runs Successful Blood Drive

On Wednesday, December 16th Bay Gives Back collected 65 units of blood that can save up to 195 patients in needs. We had a total of 30 first time donors! Congratulations on a very successful event and thank you to the community and staff members who participated.

Girls Basketball Team Getting Better Each Day

The girls' basketball program as a whole is 12-4 overall, but more importantly improving each week. The Varsity team most recently beat Grafton by seven, and lost to Homestead by four. They currently sit at 3-3 overall and 4th in the conference. Leading the way in the scoring column this year has been sophomore Zoe Behrendt with 79 points, senior Emeria McPherson with 52 points, and junior Allie Swietlik with 36 points. Along with those ladies, the defensive energy led by seniors Megan Niemoeller and Lily Behrendt have helped make the Blue Dukes the number one defensive team in the conference, holding opponents to only 42 points per game. The next game is West Bend East 12/18 at Home, and then on 12/19 vs Plymouth at Cedarburg HS.

The home game tonight will be livestreamed at:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCgwnBarnIv8pVTrae3Oj2tw?view_as=subscriber

The Saturday game vs Plymouth (5:45PM start) will be livestreamed at: <https://www.facebook.com/Cedarburg-Athletics-1513515382002533>



Gymnastics Team Starts off Season with a Victory

On Thursday, December 10th the Whitefish Bay girls' gymnastics team opened the season with a dual against West Bend East. Whitefish Bay dominated the competition both in JV and Varsity winning by a sizable margin of 137.675-122.3 for varsity and 121-102.1 for JV.

Event highlights include senior captain Addie Gallun winning all events and the all-around with a score of 37 points! Senior captain Madi Kogler had a great day staying very composed, competing in all four events and placed 4th in the all-around. Rounding out the team are juniors Kate Graham, Anneh Britz, Liz Gaeta and Erin Timms. Debuting this year were sophomore Kate Brugman, who was competing on floor and freshman Ryann Wesley who competed on bars and beam.

Despite all of the adversity that has happened so far this season, they competed extremely well and should be very proud of themselves.

After their dual this past Wednesday vs Nicolet, the girls won't have a dual again until January 6th when they travel to Hartford.

Blue Dukes Boys Swim & Dive Team Capture North Shore Conference Relay Championship

As quickly as the season has begun, we are nearly halfway through! The Boys Swim and Dive team has been off to a tremendous start, picking up right where they left off in the 19-20 season. Coming off one of the most historic seasons in program history, the 2020-2021 season has a far different outlook than most anticipated. Multiple meets each week, less water time, and a Sectionals and State meet planned that we've yet to encounter. Yet, through the three weeks the boys have had in the water, they look unfazed and show a sense of poise that would make any coach proud.

The Blue Dukes have already competed against half of the Conference, and have yet to show a blemish on their record! The 4-0 start has been led by a terrific senior class. Adi Prasad, Andrew Hall, Gavin Zeng, Nick Enea, Peter McMahon, and Phil Swietlik have encouraged a culture of commitment and dedication that the team is already feeding off of to post state-leading relay times, and numerous top 10 individual, state-wide performances!

The boys flexed their strength with a commanding victory at the Conference Relay Meet, winning the meet convincingly for the second straight year. Winning 8 of the 13 possible events, the signature depth of talent here at WFB proved no match. "The Sprint Trio" of Peter McMahon, Phil Swietlik, and Peter Youel led the way, each participating in three winning relays. Rising distance star, sophomore Ben Ernster equaled the "three-victory performance" by providing multiple season-best 200 freestyle performances!

The boys head in the winter break geared for quality training and a break from the racing scene. They quickly return with three meets the first week back to school! Daunting to most, but nothing these Blue Dukes can't handle!



Boys Basketball Team off to Strong Start

The 10th ranked Whitefish Bay Boys' Basketball team put up a pair of 20 point wins last week defeating #4 ranked Cedarburg 76-56 and North Shore contender Grafton 56-36. Four seniors scored in double figures in the Cedarburg win; Andrew Clements (16), Jayden Jackson (16), Cullen Starker (14), and JD Cohen (14). Jayden Jackson led the way versus Grafton with 27 points. JD Cohen had 8 assists versus Grafton as well.

This week, the Blue Dukes took care of Homestead on Tuesday, December 15th with a 62-39 victory. In this game, the defense stood out, with the Blue Dukes holding Homestead to only nine first half points and only three 2-point field goals for the game. Sophomore Ryan Carew led the way with 16 points, while Starker chipped in with 15 points, 7 rebounds and 7 assists and Jackson finishing with 12 points, 7 rebounds and 5 assists.

Last night, the boys beat West Bend East 59-49 with Jackson leading the way with 24 points.

Overall, the team is 5-1 overall and 2nd in the North Shore Conference.

WNS Beat Appleton for 1st Win

WNS started out the season with a loss against the reigning state champs at University School. They then traveled to Appleton, where they posted a 4-2 win. Seniors Hank Olson and Griffin Holbrook each notched two assists while senior Augie Raasch and junior Charlie Mitchell each had one.

Calling All Students Interested in Lacrosse

Girls

Calling all athletes who are interested in joining and learning more about WNS girls' lacrosse. Our program is built on a foundation of growing as athletes and individuals by working hard and having fun! Whether new to the sport or you have been playing for a while, you are encouraged to reach out to Coach Megan Bianco at meganannbianco@gmail.com to be looped in on future communication and preseason opportunities. Go Wolfpack!

Boys:

Spring registration is now open and the fee for the spring season is \$300. Checks can be made out to Lakeshore boys lacrosse club. We will be holding optional sessions on Sunday evenings from 8-10 p.m. in gym 2 at Nicolet High School beginning January 10th. It will be a good opportunity for players to work on their stick skills over the winter and for beginners to check out the sport of lacrosse. Please contact Coach Cook with any questions at lacrosselakeshore@gmail.com.

Rock Climbing Compete in 1st Competition

This past weekend the 9 members of the rock climbing club competed in the first competition of the year. As a staggered competition, results will be coming as soon as all clubs compete. We also enjoyed our first group excursion at the new Adventure Rock location in Walker's Point on December 2nd. If you are interested in trying rock climbing, contact Mr. Owen in Room 350 to join us for a FREE night of climbing!!

Blue Duke Football Players Receive Post Season Recognition

After finishing with an undefeated record, #1 ranked in Division 2 and a conference championship, the Blue Duke football players received a number of post-season awards.

North Shore Conference

1st Team: junior Joe Brunner - OL/DL, senior Grover Bortolotti- RB/DB, junior Nick Jorndt – ILB, junior Reid Jamerson – DL, senior Heath Oberg – OLB and senior Joe Bakken - OL

2nd Team: senior Jack Stecker - QB/DB and senior Patrick Muth - ILB

Honorable Mention: junior Jack Nau – Utility, senior Aaron Ghilirdi – OLB and Joe Bakken – DL

- Joe Brunner was named North Shore Conference Offensive Lineman of the Year
- Grover Bortolotti was named North Shore Conference Defensive Back of the Year
- Nick Jorndt was named North Shore Conference Linebacker of the Year
- Coach Jake Wolter was named North Shore Conference Coach of the Year
- Coach Aaron Schoen was named North Shore Conference Assistant Coach of the Year

All Region Team

- Joe Brunner OL/DL
- Grover Bortolotti RB/DB
- Nick Jorndt - ILB
- Reid Jamerson - DL

All State Team

- 1st team – Joe Brunner -OL
- 2nd Team - Grover Bortolotti DB

Blue Duke Boys Soccer Players Receive Post Season Recognition

After posting a 14-0-2 record, a conference championship and finishing ranked #8th in the nation, the Blue Duke boys' soccer players received a number of post-season awards.

North Shore Conference

1st Team: junior Jack Moxom – goalie, senior Jack Bania – defender, senior Will Shaw – defender, junior Mitchell Dryden – forward, senior Seb Pandovski – midfielder and junior Ben Grimm – forward

2nd Team: sophomore Will Smith – defender

Honorable Mention: senior Jack Elliot – forward and senior Avery Drane – midfielder

All State Team

- Mitchell Dryden (First Team – Top 11)
- Jack Bania (First Team – Top 11)
- Will Shaw (First Team – Top 11)
- Jack Moxom (First Team – Top 11)
- Ben Grimm (Best of the Rest)
- Seb Pandovski (Best of the Rest)

All Region Team

- Mitchell Dryden (1st Team)
- Jack Bania (1st Team)
- Will Shaw (1st Team)
- Jack Moxom (1st Team)

All American Team

- Mitchel Dryden

Bay Gives Back Gift Drive Spreads Holiday Joy

Today, December 18th, Bay Gives Back delivered 250 presents for the students of Windlake Academy on Milwaukee's Southside. This is the 6th annual Gift Drive Sponsorship, and this year more than any before, spreading some holiday cheer was needed. We want to thank the community for stepping up yet again to make this event such an amazing success!

