

WHITEFISH BAY ACTIVITIES NEWSLETTER



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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.

Twitter: @WFB_BLUEDUKES

Instagram: wfb_athletics_and_activities

Girls Tennis Team Wins Conference Championship, Finishes as Sectional Runner Up

The Whitefish Bay varsity girl's tennis team had a very successful few weeks. First, the Blue Dukes sights were on repeating as North Shore Conference Champions. This year, the format was a bit different and duals against all teams would be used to determine the champion.

On September 29th, the girls hosted West Bend East and won 7-0 and then that same afternoon traveled to Homestead secured a big win 5-2. The intensity didn't stop and continued with two duals on September 30th. First, the Blue Dukes hosted Port Washington and got a 7-0 victory. Last was a trip out to Hartford and the girls came away with a big 6-1 victory. With how well they played in those four matches in two days, helped them win the North Shore Conference Championship by one win over Nicolet. This was the girl's varsity second conference championship in a row! To make things even better, senior Paige Plemel and sophomore Bryn Gonzales, the #1 doubles team and senior Grace Reimers, our #1 singles player earned 1st Team All-Conference. Sophomore Grace Wu and freshman Elena Kemp made 2nd team All-Conference and senior Katy Kops made 3rd team All-Conference.

Next week, was the Sectional Meet at Franklin High School on Wednesday October 6th. In a highly contested sectional, the girls lost out to a team state appearance to Franklin High School by 8 points and finished as Sectional Runner Up.

The good news is that our #1 Doubles team Plemel and Gonzales and our #1 singles player Reimers, qualified for the WIAA Individual State Championship next week.

Overall, here is how the team did at sectionals:

Singles:

Reimers: 3rd

Kops: 3rd

Junior Liesl Vorlop: 3rd

Sophomore Ella Smullen: 1st

Doubles:

Plemel/ Gonzalez: 3rd

Kemp/ Wu: 2nd

Junior Riley Franklin/Senior Allie Swietlik: 1st



Cross Country Teams Dominate Purgolder Invite

The boy's and girl's cross-country teams turned in dominating performances at the 61st Purgolder Invite on October 2nd. The JV girls, limited by injuries, precautionary holdouts, and scheduling conflicts, finished in 4th place led by a runner-up performance by sophomore Tessie Helf. The JV boys, on the other hand, turned in a near perfect score as senior Kyle Bartell and sophomore Bishesh Karmacharya led the way with a 1-2 battle to the finish.

The varsity boys placed their scoring five runners in the top 16 in the twelve-team invitational to win the meet, besting conference rivals Cedarburg and Nicolet in the process. Seniors Jonah Block and Andrew Jamison's leadership up front proved fundamental in the Blue Duke's victory.

The varsity girls, currently ranked 4th in the state without 2020 standout sophomore Lily Kriegel due to a hamstring injury, handily won the invitational as they placed all five of their scoring runners in the top 8 overall. Led by juniors Natalie Miller and Maya Stevic, finishing 2nd and 4th, respectively, the young women turned in great team racing as their depth continues to be their strength.

Looking forward, the Blue Dukes have their eyes on the North Shore Conference meet at Slinger on October 16th. The varsity boys, who finished 2nd place to Homestead by a mere point in 2020, hope to see the return of last year's top runner, senior Jonathan Lukas, while the JV boys aim to improve upon a 3rd place finish from last year. On the girl's side, the JV team also hopes to best last year's runner-up finish to Slinger as many strong runners will return from injury. The varsity girls aim to continue their impressive streak of conference championships that extends back to 1999.



Girls Swim & Dive Team Finish 3rd at NSC Relays, Eying up Conference Meet

The WFB Girls Swim and Dive Team is nearing the end of their regular season, but the good times keep rolling! The Lady Dukes got to see the entire conference in the same building for the first time in two years as they put together a tremendous third place finish at the Conference Relay Meet. Senior Natalie Nelson was feeling the winning ways, as all three relays she was a part of took home first place. Rising stars Tess Bruett and Lauren Toll both turned in season best times within their performances, building great momentum heading into the postseason! With half of the team's performance finishing top three, it's no surprise we look forward to big things to come!

The Lady Dukes would then play host to Grafton a few days later. Taking home the win in all but three events, the WFB Girls put together their best meet to date. Nearly every swimmer posted season best times even during the most grueling training portion of the season! Highlighted by sophomore Emma Dickinson and junior Madeline Cleverly's performances, the Blue Dukes would post season best times in all three relays! This meet also saw the return of two stars, Junior Ellie Lukas and Senior Rachel Goldblatt. Having both girls back from injury provides a great boost of talent as the conference meet looms!

Two more trips to Cedarburg brought exciting opportunities for the team, as strong performances at both the Bulldog Invite and Cedarburg Dual Meet has the team fired up for revenge! Casey Stephens continues her dominating streak of success, taking home 5th place in the 200 freestyle, and picking up the victory in the 500 free at the Bulldog Invite. It was the dual meet against Cedarburg that will go down as one of the most exciting meets of the year. Stacking up nearly identical in ability, both teams knew the task of winning would be a tall order, and take big performances. Senior Amy Wang led the charge, posting a four-second season best time in the 200 Individual Medley, coupled with a near-best 100 breaststroke. Senior diver Anneh Britz stole the show, overtaking Kate Graham's recently set school record in a six-dive performance by nearly ten points! A fantastic 1-3-4 finish from Anneh, Kate, and Lucy gave the Dukes a big opportunity. Junior Charlotte Gehred and Freshman Isabelle Cleverly also post major in-season best times, both scoring influential points in much-needed situations! In a game of inches, Cedarburg narrowly comes away with the overall win. However, the Dukes are fired up to see the Bulldogs again at the Conference Meet in a few short weeks!

BAY GIVES BACK FOOD COLLECTION

When: Saturday, Oct 9th, 8:30 - 1:00

Where: Field House and throughout WFB

What: Tasks available for all ages! Families with young kids can help sort food. Older kids can help collect bags from homes, load food into vehicles, and/or check expiration dates.

Contact: baygivesback@wfbschools.com or simply show up at the field house on Saturday! HS students can sign up in the library.

* If your family would like to collect bags from one or two blocks, we can have a student driver collect them from a designated location.*

* We are collecting donations all week. Drop off barrels are in the Rotunda and west entrance of the Field House.*

FOOD DONATIONS

- Fill a plastic bag with non-perishable, preferably HEALTHY, food items
- Bags will be picked up the morning of Saturday, October 16th
- Leave the bag on your doorstep (visible from street) by 9am!
- Donations can also be dropped off at the West Entrance of the Field House at Whitefish Bay High School between 10am and 12pm.

Girls Golf Program Has Successful Season, Just Misses Out on Sending Varsity Team to Sectionals

The Whitefish Bay Girls JV Golf team recently wrapped up their strong season with a great showing at the Hartford Scramble where sophomore Finley Counsell, sophomore Olivia Ross, junior Olivia Reichert and sophomore Ellie Adank combined to shoot a 40, earning them 4th place in a really strong field of 16 teams. The JV program as a whole has had a very successful season overall taking 1st place in five out of eight Conference meets. The team returns a large number of freshmen, sophomores and juniors next year who all have a chance at earning a spot on Varsity. The future is bright-- great job ladies!

Like most other sports, Golf can be a game decided by inches and the Girls Varsity Golf team fell just one stroke short of advancing to Sectionals as a team behind Menomonee Falls at Regionals last week, September 30th at Meekwon Golf Course.

Although the team came up just shy of qualifying, junior Lily Valimont was able to qualify individually for Sectionals as she came in 4th individually with an 88 on the day. Freshman Daniella Honkamp just missed the cut individually with an 89 and junior Bryn Dresselhuys played well overall shooting a 92. Senior Colleen Guimont had her best 18-hole round on the year shooting a 99 and had some moments of brilliance throughout the day. The team will miss Colleen's leadership and presence greatly next year, but returns the rest of their 25-player roster. Valimont went on to Sectionals on October 4th at Washington County Course and shot another 88 to come up just two spots short of qualifying for the WIAA State Tournament. Between the returning trio of Valimont, Dresselhuys, Honkamp and the rest of the young roster the sky's the limit next year! Great season ladies!



Debate Team is Back and Ready to Compete

On September 25th the Whitefish Bay debate team competed at the Wisconsin season opener hosted by Rufus King High School. Sophomore Sam Petski and freshman Oliver Boyden were awarded 1st place in junior varsity public forum debate. Oliver won 1st place speaker and Sam won 3rd in the JV public forum category.

On October 2 the WFB debate team competed at the Brookfield East Debate Tournament. Senior Anna Harris won 3rd place in varsity Lincoln Douglas debate. Petski and Boyden won 2nd place in junior varsity public forum debate.

Varsity Boys Volleyball Team Battled Top Competition, Learned Valuable Lessons

Quad at Westosha Central (September 27th)

The varsity team headed south for a long night in Westosha. We faced off against Racine Horlick, Mukwonago, and Westosha Central in a best-of-three quad. We played against Westosha Central first who is a top 10 team in the State. Even though the guys knew this, they were still excited to play against good competition. We battled most of the match but found some trouble against a tough jump server. We couldn't quite catch back up but we did manage to go point for point most of the match. In game two we had the same situation. After that match the guys felt proud of their attempts and it was great to see that we are approaching the competition with a more mature mindset. We lost both sets 21-25 and 19-25.

The next match was against Racine Horlick and we played them early in the season in our first tournament. We were able to get everyone in and it was nice to see other players get their shot to show off. Carter was able to work on his blocking and going head to head with a player that jumps as high as he does! Cooper did a great job on the right side and put up some good blocks too. We won both sets 25-19 and 25-20.

Our last match was against Mukwonago and they had an alternate line-up this time because they were double booked for matches. We came out with all starters and dominated both sets. We were able to work everyone into the rotation. One player stood out and that was David Ackles! He was putting down huge swings that were untouched! We won both of those sets 25-12 and 25-13.

Varsity Match at Hartford (September 29th)

The JV2 team walked away with our only program win this day. They played an exciting three set match and won 2-1. Our JV1 played tough but couldn't string enough points together to win against a very talented Hartford JV team. Varsity was looking to keep the conference title hopes alive but they couldn't seem to stop the offensive side of Hartford.

Our offense found a road block this match. As a team, we had 30 kills and 27 errors over 3 sets and this is not the ratio we need to beat high caliber teams. We did do a good job on improving our serving percentage which was a concern earlier this season.

One player that stood out was junior David Ackles who had 9 kills on 21 attempts. David continues to improve and learning new skills to help us win matches.

Tournament at Whitefish Bay (October 2nd)

We hosted our yearly tournament where some of the best teams in the state compete against each other. Our varsity team was up to the challenge as we knew we had an uphill battle in front of us. We talked over as a team and we knew today was going to be used to experiment with line-ups. We moved senior Parker Neumann to libero where he shined like a diamond. Embracing his temporary role allowed some of our other outside hitters to get opportunities to play. Senior Cooper Talbot had some impressive plays. One against Madison Memorial where he came flying in for a 2-ball and crushed it for game point!

We got to play five matches that day which was great but also exhausting! We finished going 1-4 but with the competition in the gym that day it was not all that bad. We learned a lot and got to see some extremely talented players throughout the day.

Our next game is Monday, October 11th at 7:00pm vs Homestead.

Dukes Kennel the Bulldogs, Beat Hartford and Clinch a Share of the North Shore Conference

The Whitefish Bay Blue Dukes used a strong second half to dispose of the Cedarburg Bulldogs on Friday, October 1st, winning 38-12 at Lubar Stadium. The Dukes are now 4-1 in the North Shore Conference, putting them in a three-way tie with Hartford and Homestead atop the standings. With their 4th conference victory, the Blue Dukes have secured a spot in the playoffs for the 15th consecutive season.

Junior Sean Callahan set the tone by returning the opening kickoff 49 yards to the Bulldogs' 46-yard line. It took the Dukes all of one play to jump out to an early 7-0 lead as Callahan took his first handoff of the night to the house. The junior running back had an outstanding encore performance, rushing 14 times for 123 yards and 3 touchdowns.

Cedarburg would get on the board with 6:53 remaining in the 2nd quarter to make the score 7-6 but allowed senior Nigel Cheeks to return the ensuing kickoff 57 yards, giving the Blue Dukes excellent field position at the Bulldogs' 42-yard line. Five plays later, Callahan scored his 2nd touchdown of the night, this time from 2-yards out, to make it 14-6. Senior signal-caller Luke Wells connected with senior Kamarion Ivory for a 32-yard pass on a crucial 3rd and 10 to keep the drive alive.

The Bulldogs would score again on the next drive, however, leaving Bay with a 14-12 lead at the half. The Cedarburg touchdown, which came with 1:02 left in the 1st half, would be their last of the night and it was all Blue Dukes the rest of the way.

The Bulldog offense, which came into the game with a dangerous rushing attack that was averaging 287.3 yards per game, was held to just 139 rushing yards on 35 carries by a stout Dukes D. 94 of those yards would come in the first half, as a swarming Dukes defense would allow just 45 rushing yards the rest of the game. With the Cedarburg offense struggling to stay on the field, the Dukes took control and scored 21 unanswered points in a dominating 3rd quarter that extended their lead to 35-12.

After a quick Cedarburg three and out to open the 2nd half, the Dukes handed it off to Cheeks on their first play and he took it 57-yards all the way to the endzone. Senior linebacker Nick Jorndt would force a fumble on the ensuing kickoff with a vicious hit, and two plays later Callahan found himself in the endzone for the 3rd time. Cedarburg would miss a field goal on their next possession, and then two plays later would surrender another long touchdown run to Cheeks, this time for 71-yards. Cheeks finished the night with a career-high 198 yards rushing on only 16 carries. Anchored by a strong offensive line consisting of junior Joe Morello, senior Joe Stockwell, senior Caleb Bowers, sophomore Nick Bakken, senior Joe Brunner, and Jorndt, the Blue Dukes offense rushed for a season-high 388 yards on 39 attempts. Senior kicker Alek Sauer-Milli added a 31-yard field goal in the 4th quarter, his third of the season, to cap off a high-scoring night for the Dukes.



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First Social Gaming Club Meeting a Success

Thank you to Ms. Freeman and Mr. Freeman, Mr. Gray, Mr. Spencer, Ms. Suechting and Mr. Yorke for organizing and attending the first social gaming club meeting on Friday Oct. 1.



Garden Club Helps Harvest 7,000 lbs. of Food

On Saturday, October 2nd members of the Garden club volunteered at the Hunger Task Force farms to help harvest squash. We were able to harvest over 7,000 pounds of food and had a great time! I attached a photo as well, thanks!



Girls Volleyball Gets Big Win over Rival

The varsity girl's volleyball team played their rival, Nicolet on October 5th in the Field House. The Blue Dukes came away with their biggest victory to date, beating Nicolet in 5 sets, 14-25, 26-24, 25-23, 23-25, 15-9!

Then at the Brookfield East Invite on Saturday, October 9th, the Blue Dukes went 2-2, where they beat host Brookfield East and Greenfield and lost to Oak Creek and New Berlin West.

The Blue Dukes play Homestead tomorrow, October 12th. It is senior night for the team so make sure to come and cheer on the seniors! Go Blue Dukes!



Boys Soccer Team Peaking at Right Time

The boys' soccer team went 3-0 this past week with a 4-1 win over Hartford and a 2-1 win over Slinger. The team is currently 7-0-1 in conference and will be playing for the conference championship on Tuesday night vs an undefeated Homestead team (also 7-0-1). On Saturday the boys competed against cross town rival Shorewood who was undefeated and ranked number 1 in Division 3. After giving up an early goal, the boys rattled off seven straight for a huge 7-1 victory. The boys were awarded the number 1 seed in this year's WIAA Regional which kick off on Tuesday Oct 19th. The team earned a first-round bye and will play the winner of Port Washington and Watertown on Saturday Oct 23rd at 7pm in Lubar Stadium.

Prior to the playoffs, the two top ranked programs in the state and top 25 in the country square off this Saturday as we take on Marquette at 1pm at Quad Park.



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JV Girls Tennis Team Completes Successful Season

The Whitefish Bay girl's JV tennis team, led by Coach Trevor Hill and Coach Luis Sanchez, has completed an outstanding fall season with a tie for first place at conference championships (tying Homestead). Throughout the season, the tightknit JV team consistently rose to the competition, finishing its match play with an undefeated record – which included matches against teams from some top schools in southeastern Wisconsin.

Led by terrific singles and doubles play, the WFB ladies then moved on to the all-day conference championship tournament at Slinger High School and Hartford Union High School on Saturday, September 25 (some of those players and Coach Sanchez are shown in the photo). In the conference championships, Whitefish Bay's girl's JV tennis team took 1st, 2nd and 4th in the various singles brackets, and 1st, 2nd and 3rd in the double's brackets. The North Shore Conference tournament team from Bay included (in alphabetical order): Maggie Bacchus, Elizabeth Deam, Sarah Emory, Sabina Lesinski, Carly Pence, Caroline Ritchey, Ava Santa-Cruz, Ella Smullen, Allison Sylke, and Camila Szarek.

Congratulations to the entire squad for a fun and very successful season!



Homecoming 2021 Information

Thursday, October 14th

DRESS UP - UPPER VS. UNDER! 4:30pm JV Football

Freshmen & Sophomores: *Country*
VS.

Juniors & Seniors: *Country Club*

Friday, October 15th

DRESS UP - BEST OF THE BAY OR DUKE PRIDE!

Homecoming Schedule

Period 1 - 8:15-8:53

Period 2 - 8:57-9:35

Period 3 - 9:39-10:17

Period 4 - 10:21-10:59

Period 5 - 11:03-11:41

Food Truck Lunch - 11:41-12:51

Period 6 - 12:51-1:29

Period 7 - 1:33-2:11

2:11-2:45 Pep Rally

2:55-3:25 Parade

3:25-3:35 Return to 7th hour for check-in

*Food trucks including *Meat on the Street*, *Pedros*, *Jive Turkey*, and *Roll MKE* will be available to purchase food from in the staff parking during lunch!

*Parade is mandatory for all groups interested in Best of the Bay competition!

7:00pm Homecoming Football Game

Wear Blue Dukes gear and cheer us on!

Saturday, October 16th

7:00-10:00pm Dance outdoors at Whitefish Bay High School

Purchase tickets for \$20/each Monday-Friday during Homecoming Week in the field house lobby. You **MUST** have your school ID to purchase tickets.

Sunday, October 17th

11am-1pm Clean Windows

If your activity designed a window on Silver Spring, you have to help clean up!

HOMECOMING SPIRIT GUIDE

Your guide to Whitefish Bay High School's 2021 Homecoming Week!

Dress up and come to school events to show your DUKE PRIDE!

Sunday, October 10th

11:30am - 1:30pm Hallway Decorating

1:30pm - 3:30pm Window Painting

ALL STUDENTS WELCOME!

Each grade will decorate a corner of the rotunda with the school-wide theme! The grade with the best decorated corner wins bragging rights!

Clubs, sports and activities reserve windows to paint on Silver Spring. Activity leaders, don't forget to bring your own soap!

Monday, October 11th

ALL SCHOOL DRESS UP-PAJAMAS



5:30 pm Boys JV and JV2 Volleyball

7:00 pm Varsity Boys Volleyball

7:00 pm Spirit Bowl

Come out and support the Junior vs. Seniors girls football game at Lubar Field!

Tuesday, October 12th

DRESS UP - COLOR WARS!

5:00pm Boys JV and JV2 Soccer

5:30pm Girls JV and JV2 Volleyball

6:00pm Varsity and JV Girls Swim meet

7:00pm Varsity Boys Soccer

7:00pm Varsity Girls Volleyball

Seniors: *Black*

Juniors: *White*

Sophomores: *Blue*

Freshman: *Green*

Wednesday, October 13th

DRESS UP - SCHOOL WIDE THEME!

Disco: *Sequin, bell-bottoms, headbands, platform shoes, hoop earrings, retro sunglasses, and bright colors!*



Homecoming: Homecoming 2021 is upon us! Our Student Council has done a great job planning a spirited week for our school community and we are looking forward to a great week of Duke Pride! Last Friday, students received an overview of the week and everyone has been emailed our [Homecoming Brochure](#). A few important notes:

- Friday is a full day of school. While we have shortened class periods to allow students to participate in the tailgate, pep rally and parade, students are still expected to attend through 3:35. Following the parade, all students should check into their 7th hour class in order to be counted for a full day.
- We have a number of food trucks that will be here for students to purchase lunch on Friday if they would like. They should bring money for this purpose.
- Should the weather cause us to alter our plans for Friday, we will let you know as soon as any modifications are made. So far, the forecast looks ok!
- The parade route this year is different from years past so that we can align the event to both the Middle School and Cumberland dismissal times. The parade will begin on Marlborough at 3:00. It will proceed past the Middle School on Henry Clay, turn down Ardmore to Chateau, and then turn back up Marlborough to the High School. Families are welcome to stand along the route if they would like!
- Tickets for the dance are on sale all week. Students are encouraged to buy a ticket early. We will not sell tickets at the door as our focus that night is on supervision. Please do not ask for an exception.
- Students must be in the dance by 7:30 and may not leave until 9:30 (the dance ends at 10:00). If your son/daughter bought a ticket but does not show up, we will call you. If they are home sick, please email me as I will check my school email at the dance for notification of any missing students.
- Comfortable shoes are encouraged for dancing in the parking lot.
- All students are encouraged to come to the dance, with or without a date. Many students come in groups of friends. We look forward to a great turnout!

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Dukes Cage the Orioles

The **Whitefish Bay Blue Dukes** traveled out to **Hartford** on Thursday night and came away with a hard-fought victory in dramatic fashion, **21-14**. Coupled with Homestead's loss to Cedarburg the following night, the Blue Dukes now sit alone at the top of the North Shore Conference and are guaranteed at least a share of the title with one game remaining.

With wet field conditions, both teams turned to the run game for a physical four quarters. Bay received the opening kickoff and proceeded to use up 9-minutes of clock to strike first on a 14-play, 78-yard drive that ended with a 15-yard touchdown pass from **Luke Wells** to **Kamarion Ivory** on 4th down.

The Orioles would tie the score at 7 a short while later, and both teams would remain deadlocked going into the half.

Hartford would give the Blue Dukes a taste of their own medicine, as they came out of the half with a 14-play, 68-yard touchdown drive lasting 7 and a half minutes to take a 14-7 lead going into the 4th quarter.

The 4th quarter, however, would belong to the Blue Dukes. It started with another 14-play touchdown drive, this time for 72 yards that would tie the game at 14. Wells hit running back **Jack Nau** on a shovel pass for a 12-yard pitch and catch with 9:05 remaining in the game. The Orioles would drive down to the Whitefish Bay 20, but the Dukes D held strong to force a field goal. Big **Joe Brunner**, who blocked a field goal against Cedarburg last week, got penetration and smothered the attempt, giving the ball back to the Dukes with just over 2 minutes left in the game.

Two plays later, **Dom Bartolone** took his 4th carry of the game 66-yards to the endzone to put the Blue Dukes up 21-14 with 1:37 left. The Dukes D would shut down Hartford's attempt to tie the game, and the celebration was on.

