# WHEATLAND HIGH SCHOOL



#### November 2017 NEWSLETTER



"At WHS, we strive to C.L.I.M.B the P.E.A.K." Challenging Environment, Life Skills, Integrity, Motivation, Bulldogs

### Principal's Update - Mr. Sandlian

Thank you to the parents that were able to attend the last parent meeting. We discussed the school improvement goals for this school year. I have submitted those goals to the Wyoming Department of Education. We strive to continually improve. It's important to us that parents are a part of this process. I would invite each of you to attend the parent meetings. Our next meeting is November 14th at 6 p.m. in the WHS Library. You are more than welcome to call or email any thoughts and concerns to me as well. I am a strong believer in continuous communication!

The parent/teacher conferences on October 24th was well attended! Thank you for taking the time to stop and visit with your student's teachers. Our next conferences are scheduled for March 2018.

Fall sports are winding down and our kids have done a great job representing WHS and Wheatland. Let's keep up the great support for our teams!

#### **COUNSELOR'S CORNER**

Fall is an especially busy time of year for seniors. With college applications, scholarship applications, filing the FAFSA, exploring options, PLUS keeping up with academics and activities, senior year can be quite demanding. Don't feel the need to do it alone. I am here to help your student research colleges and scholarships, military options, trade and technical schools, etc. I keep an updated scholarship list on our website and outside of my office. Students should check those regularly! Additionally, seniors have access to a Google Classroom where I share a variety of updates as needed.

Juniors are preparing for the ACT. I had 57 students take the PSAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test last week. Although it was technically a practice SAT, the question formats are similar enough to prepare them for ACT as well. When the results come back, students will receive the test booklet with their answer sheet. They will be able to review what they missed and have the opportunity to use the questions for more practice. They are using March2Success in school to prepare and are able to login at home as well. Our practice ACT test will take place February 13<sup>th</sup> and our State ACT test will be on April 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Sophomores will be taking the ASVAB on November 7<sup>th</sup> at 8:30am. The results of this test are current for two years. Taking this test is a great opportunity for all students, even those not considering the military. The ASVAB results come with career exploration, which can assist in determining colleges, majors, and careers. The test will be opened to juniors and seniors who would like to take it again.

November 16<sup>th</sup> will be a career focused planning day for juniors and seniors. There are a few who have signed up for Tech Day at EWC in Torrington. The rest will be attending the Career Fair at the Fairgrounds. We plan to take juniors during 3<sup>rd</sup> period and seniors during 5<sup>th</sup> period. The Career Fair will last from 10-3 and is open to the community.

### **Blue & Gold Reading Period Update**

As part of our continuous school improvement, the staff at WHS would like to expand our Blue and Gold reading period to be a daily course. We are currently still discussing what the course would look like if expanded. We want students to have the opportunity to read for pleasure,

whether that is a novel or a magazine. There are some strategies that we need to provide students as well. Areas of improvement are reading informational text and technical reading. The staff will continue to meet and discuss the reading period. If you as parents have any questions, thoughts, or concerns, please contact Mr. Sandlian.



# **Go Bulldogs!!!**

## Scholarship Information

### Alpine Recovery Lodge Essay Contest

\$1000 award to a high school senior. Must be a resident of Wyoming or surrounding states. To apply, submit an essay detailing how addiction has directly affected you. A winner will be chosen based on the strength of the essay as well as financial need. Visit <u>www.alpinerecoverylodge.com/scholarship/</u> for more information. **Submission deadline is November 1, 2017.** 

### Dom Cop Scholarship Program

A \$1000.00 scholarship award. Write an 800 to 1,500 word essay on a new business idea you think would make the world a better place. Additional questions and a video are included on the website, visit <u>www.domcop.com/scholarship/</u>. **Deadline for entry is November 1, 2017.** 

### STARR Scholarship Foundation

A full ride scholarship (plus extra benefits) opportunity for Wyoming students to attend Michigan State University. Informational Meeting at the Parkway Plaza in Casper, September 23, 2-4pm. Visit <u>starr.msu.edu</u> for more details. **Deadline to apply is November 1, 2017.** 

Denver Performing and Visual Arts College Fair

Located at the Denver Center for the Performing Arts from 7-9pm. For more information visit <u>www.nacacfairs.org/attend/pva/</u>. **Event will be held on November 6**.





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### From Mr. Philo's Desk:



\*Fall Sports Banquet (all sports) - November 16 at 6 p.m., Auditorium

\*Winter Sports Parents Information Night - November 20 at 6:30 p.m., Auditorium

\*Coaches at WHS will take part in Athletes as Leaders training on November 20th. The goal of this program is provide an opportunity for our coaches to train in a program that will aide them with their teams to develop leaders. The training provides different topics of discussion for coaches and teams. Topics range from relationships, sportsmanship, breaking stereotypes, and team building strategies. Coaches are trained based on the gender they coach. Below are the links to the gender specific program promo videos.

Coaching Boys Into Men - Boys video

Athletes as Leaders - Girls Video

### Reminders

- ASVAB (All Sophomores) November 7 at 8:30 a.m., Auditorium
- Veteran's Day Breakfast & Program November 10 at 8 a.m., Auditorium
- Fall Play November 17/18 at 7 p.m., Auditorium



Click the Bulldog to go to the new Wheatland HS website!