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Principal's Message

The first quarter of the school year is complete and soon winter will be here. The first of November brings us to our Parent-Teacher Conferences, as we will have conferences from 5:00 to 8:00 pm on Thursday, November 2. As a result of conferences there will be no school on Friday, November 3.

As we continue to prepare our students for college and career readiness, it is important that we partner with our parents. Please continue to visit our website for all the latest news, updated students' grades can always be accessed through ProgressBook, and encourage your student to attend school regularly and complete all class assignments. We are blessed to have extraordinary teachers who can masterfully mold young minds. Please communicate with your student and teacher to best help us create a positive learning environment for all involved. As always, call and talk to your student's guidance counselor for advice or to share concerns.

Please also talk to your student about the digital footprint they leave on the Internet. You will find a short excerpt about basics of social media on page 3. Please take a moment to read and discuss with your student the appropriate use of social media.

~Tyler Keener

Health Screenings

Health screenings for all 9th grade students and students new to the district will be held on Tuesday, November 22. Vision, hearing, height, weight, and blood pressure will be assessed. If you have any questions, please contact the clinic at ext. 3013.

Working



The Wooster High School Drama Club will proudly present their fall musical production, **Working**, at the Wooster High School Performing Arts Center, Nov. 9, 10, and 11 at 7:30 p.m. and Nov. 12 at 2 p.m.

Based on Studs Terkel's bestselling book of interviews with American workers, **Working** vividly portrays people that the world so often takes for granted: the schoolteacher, the phone operator, the waitress, the millworker, the mason and the housewife, just to name a few. This 2012, updated version of the play, features the new songs by Tony Award-winning Lin-Manuel Miranda, as well as favorites by Stephen Schwartz, Craig Carnelia and James Taylor and focuses on how people's relationships to their work ultimately reveal key aspects of their humanity, regardless of the trappings of the job itself. The show, set in contemporary America, contains timeless truths. Featuring a non-traditional staging, audience members will be seated on the stage to create a more intimate theatrical environment.

Leading the ensemble cast will be WHS Drama Club seniors Lexi Snoddy (as Kate Rushton), Taylor Williams (as Grace Clemmons), Hope Kennedy (as Teresa Liu), Daniel Carpenter (as Utkash Trajillo), Joe Macchetta (as Mike Dillard), Simeon Witten (as Freddie Rodriguez), exchange student Marcelo Cardoro Mirassol (as Anthony Coelho), Nick Cosmo (as Joe Zutty and Frank Decker), Erin O'Donnell (as Maggie Holmes and Roberta Victor), Matthew Lorentz (as Tom Patrick and Conrad Swibel), Jack Neill (as Rex Winship) and Shaunice Shell (as an Ensemble Member).

Rounding out the cast are juniors: Haley Balas (as Rose Hoffman), Lexi Nolletti (as Delores Dante), Anna Birk (as Amanda McKenny), Elizabeth Perkins (as Terry Mason), Jacob Gooch (as Raj Chadha), Reece Frye (as Eddie Jaffe) and Kate Boyer (as an Ensemble Member). Sophomores in the show include: Olivia Van Sickle (as Sharon Atkins), Stuart Courson (as Alan Epstein), Sophia Van Sickle (as Candy Cottingham), Leo Riley (as Charlie Blossom), Charles Roper (as Ralph Warner), Grace Buchholz (as an Ensemble Member), Angelina Fox (as an Ensemble Member) and Madison Helms (as an Ensemble Member). Freshmen in the show include: James Carpenter (as an Ensemble Member), Julia Hootman (as an Ensemble Member), Zach Keating (as an Ensemble Member) and Mya Vandergrift (as an Ensemble Member).

Directing **Working** is Todd Patterson, assisted by Brett and Kristi Hiner, and musical director Emily Patterson, choreographer Stephanie Musselman, stage manager Alexis Florence (12), costume and make-up Autumn Bradley (12). Technical directors are Chuck Armbruster and Mark Lehman, assisted by Jacob Gooch (12), Zach Dreher (12), Emma Payment (12) and Rachael Schmidt (11).

Presale tickets are available for purchase online at ticketpeak.com/whsdrama beginning Thursday, Oct. 25 and will also be sold at the door the day of the event. Adult tickets are \$10 and students and senior citizen tickets are \$8. Seating is limited to 150 people per performance, so be sure to purchase your tickets soon!

For more information about *Working*, email Todd Patterson at wstr_tpatterson@woostercityschools.org.



Alvin

October Students of the Month!

Alexa



What's Happening with Ohio's Graduation Requirements?

Ohio House Bill 487 established new requirements for earning a high school diploma in Ohio.

The new graduation requirements that take effect with the class of 2018. These are students who are entering ninth grade for the first time in the 2014-2015 school year.

If you have any questions on the new graduation requirements, please visit the Wooster High School website at:

www.woostercityschools.org/hs.

What are the social media basics for high school students?

High school teens are living their lives online. They're checking their friends' status updates (and posting their own), watching their favorite shows, uploading photos and videos, playing games, chatting on IM, video-chatting, exploring their interests, and accessing information and files that fuel their passions.

By high school, parents hope, kids understand the basics of thinking before they post, being kind, and using privacy settings. High school kids also need to think about a few extra issues:

Think about your online reputation. Remind teens that anyone can see what they post online -- even if they think no one will. Potential employers and college admissions staff often browse social-networking sites. Ask your teens to think about who might see their pages and how others might interpret their posts or photos.

Anything they create or communicate can be cut, altered, pasted, and sent around. Once they put something online, it's out of their control and can be taken out of context and used to hurt them or someone else. This

includes writing as well as photos of sex, drugs, and alcohol. Tell them that online stuff can last forever. If they wouldn't put something on the wall of the school hallway, they shouldn't post it online.

Avoid drama. Don't forward harmful messages or embarrassing photos, and don't impersonate other people by using their accounts or devices or create fake pages.

Don't post your location. Social networks allow kids to post their locations, and, although it might be tempting to use these features to connect with friends or brag about where they've been, it's just not safe for teens.

Watch the clock. Social-networking sites can be real time sucks. Hours and hours can go by, which isn't great for getting homework done, practicing sports or music, or reading.

More info can be found at <https://www.common sense media.org/parent-concerns>.

Black Diamonds Women's Conference



Mrs. Cheryl A Goff and Ms. Ann Robison took a group of student to the first **Black Diamonds Women's Conference** at Cuyahoga Community College in Cleveland.

The two-day conference for African-American Women and girls, will be providing information, education and support related to:

- Mental, emotional and physical well-being
- Education and occupational opportunities
- Financial Empowerment