

# WTHS NEWS



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Winslow Township High School Newsletter

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## Read Across America Week

World language Department celebrated Read Across America Week and Dr. Seuss's Birthday by reading a book in the target language, Spanish or French, for the entire week. All the levels were involved in the initiative: students in Spanish 1 students read *Pobre Ana*, Spanish 2 took on *Mi Propio Auto*, Spanish 3 devoured *La Fiesta Fatal* and Spanish 4 conquered *El Torro*. Teachers of both world languages wore Dr. Seuss headbands as a show of unity in purpose. The Spanish teachers also wore Dr. Seuss t-shirts in Spanish. Cross-curricula and extension activities included the creation of a class book with reading reflections, translations of famous Dr. Seuss quotations and the preparation and consumption of baked goods representing all different characters in Dr. Seuss books. Also, a big shout out to Jaison Prajapati, Lily Samoyan, Mikela Duclos, Andrea Dominquez, Brahein Richardson, Olivia Philips and Adriana Mercado who helped set up and showcase WTHS's World Language Department and the Spanish Honor Society to the Middle School students who attended the 8th grade career and elective fairs. The High School students played games, gave out treats, shared projects and screened the honor society induction video on a big screen. Their efforts were rewarded by the number of students who showed interest and asked for more information.



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# Soaring with Winslow

## Sing a Song

Winslow Township High School's three choirs continue to master songs that will be featured in their spring concert which will be held on May 21st, 2019, in the auditorium. All are welcome. Highlights of the month are as follows: singers who performed the national anthem at basketball games this past season were honored at the sports award event this month; five students in the Concert and Chamber choirs submitted video auditions for the New Jersey All-State Chorus and are anxiously awaiting the results which are expected to arrive by April 13th and senior members of the Chamber Choir are now rehearsing their pieces for their honors recital on April 16th.



WTHS's Graphic Design classes (Intro to Digital Design, Digital Imaging I/II, Intro to 3D Game Design and Digital Art Photography) were

well represented at the Elective Fair held on Thursday, March 22nd, 2019. The entire 8th grade was bussed to the High School in two sessions. NHS members guided each group of students to various elective-specific centers in the building. At each station, High School students and teachers represented an elective course and the Middle School students were exposed to active displays, participation activities, Q and A opportunities and student exemplars. Also, on March 23rd, 2019, Brandon Borrelli from Rutgers-Camden, spoke to students in WTHS's Graphic Design classes regarding the market sustainability of their courses and planned majors. Many students sought and received valuable advice regarding pathways to careers and how to optimize college courses.



Congratulations



## Pemberton TIA Competition

**Congratulations to WTHS Indoor Winds Ensemble, Dance Ensemble and Indoor Guard for their stellar performance at the Pemberton TIA Competition.** The indoor Winds Ensemble scored a 72.05 and as of Week 10 in TIA competition, is the #4 ranked Scholastic A Winds group in the entire circuit. The show, entitled, "Africa," is based on the Robert W. Smith composition, "Africa: Song, Ceremony and Ritual." The Indoor Winds Ensemble is led by Drum Major, Casey Cox, Assistant Drum Major, Aaron Pou, Drum Captain, Trent Moore, Horn Captains, Terrence Meekins and Carissa Fleenor and Pit Captains, Jyair Washington, Dalayne Chea, and Michelle An. The ensemble consists of 74 performers. The Dance Ensemble, ranked as the #2 Scholastic Open Class Dance Team in the entire circuit, also deserves accolades for scoring a 79.2 and coming in first place in the Open Class Dance Competition. The WTHS Dance Ensemble show is entitled, "The Rise After the Fall" and is based on music by the group Sleeping At Last. The Dance Ensemble is led by Captains Dana Brooks and Tatiana Davila. The Ensemble consists of 17 performers. The Indoor Guard, ranked #2 Scholastic A Guard, found success as well by earning a season high score of 82.25 and earning 1st Place with a show entitled, "From Within" and is based on the movie, "The Color Purple." The Indoor Guard is led by Guard Captains, Dana Brooks and Tatiana Davila and consists of Aaliyah Bassirou, Gabby Stewart, Cassandra Todd, Kaylee Pou, Kaitlyn Maccaroni, Bryanna Andrews, Tori Brooks, Kimorah Rogan, Alyssa Goldsboro, Ameenah Holcomb and Naomi Ibidapo.



# A Day at Winslow High School



"Ah-choo!" The school nurses would like to draw attention to the most common ailment during this time of the year: allergies! As the trees bloom and pollen becomes airborne, allergy sufferers begin their ritual of sniffing and sneezing. Signs and symptoms of seasonal allergies include sneezing, itchy nose and/or throat, nasal congestion, clear runny nose, coughing and itchy red and watery eyes. There is no real cure for seasonal allergies but it is possible to relieve symptoms by reducing or eliminating exposure to allergens. Some strategies are keeping windows closed, using air conditioning, if possible, and staying indoors when pollen counts are high. Please encourage washing hands, changing clothes and even showering to ensure the reduction of contact with pollen. If reducing exposure isn't possible or doesn't work, visit the family doctor who will recommend medications that may help alleviate the symptoms. The doctor may also recommend a visit to an allergist in severe cases. Teenagers are advised to create a personal allergy-relief plan with parents. This may include carrying tissues, eye drops and lozenges to soothe the throat. Also, mosquitos and bugs are now more prevalent. Since bug bites are itchy, annoying and can cause diseases, it is best to prevent than cure. The following simple measures will help prevent bug bites:

- \*Use insect repellent and follow directions on package.
- \* Empty out and don't hang near standing water. Baby pools, bird baths and buckets filled with water attract mosquitoes.
- \*Limit time outdoors between dawn and dusk when mosquitos are the most active.
- \*Wear long sleeves and long pants when outside and tuck shirt in pants and pants into socks.
- \*Ensure that screens are intact and do not have holes in them and keep doors closed.



## FBLA Club

On Monday, March 1st, the FBLA club completed its community service project. Sixty carefully packed "Chemo Care" bags were delivered to the Unforgotten Haven in Blackwood NJ. Each Chemo Care bag included a personalized note from an FBLA member, peanut butter crackers, cookies, pretzels, Chap Stick, tissues, and hard candies. These will be distributed to local chemotherapy infusion centers who in turn will share the love and care expressed in this project with those who come in for treatment. With the remainder of the money raised by selling pizza slices at the school store every Wednesday, FBLA purchased items for a local women's shelter.