

# THE PARENT BLUEPRINT



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## HOMECOMING SEASON

It's Homecoming season! Our undefeated Varsity Football Team will face off against the Cross Creek Hogs (the Razorbacks) on Saturday, October 10th. We invite everyone to come out and cheer on our team, band, cheerleaders, and boosters as we celebrate this special tradition. Game night will also feature the crowning of our Homecoming King and Queen, coordinated by Ms. K. Cofer, who always ensures the court remains classy and memorable.

Homecoming festivities will take place throughout the week, including:

- Spirit Days for students to show their school pride (students must remain in dress code)

We look forward to seeing our families and community come together for a week full of pride, tradition, and celebration. Don't miss it!

### Join Us!



**JOIN US**  
**TRUNK or treat**

Please join us for an afternoon of SPOOKY FUN for the family!

**25 October**

**MUSIC**  
**FOOD TRUCKS**  
**\*COSTUME CONTEST**  
**GAMES**  
**INFLATABLES**  
**\*PHOTOBOOTH**  
**& MORE**  
**\*HAUNTED HOUSE**

**10:00 AM - 1:00 PM**  
Student Parking Lot & Black Box Theater

**Sponsored By**  
Westside Cheerleaders  
**ODECA**

**COST: \*CAN GOOD DONATION**  
R.S.V.P. TO ATTEND,  
SIGN UP TO SPONSOR A TRUNK,  
AND/OR VOLUNTEER

**Special Guest**  
Westside Office of Family Engagement

**TITLE I INFO SESSION**

October's "Connections & Conversations" Workshop Series is **Danishes & Discipline**. 1:00 PM in the Media Center. We can't wait to see you there!

Please join our



@whsfam1st

Why Sign Up for Remind?

- Stay in the loop – Get instant updates on school events, deadlines, and reminders.
- Save time – Important info comes straight to your phone—no searching through papers.
- Stay connected – Direct communication between school and home.
- Never miss out – Be the first to know about parent nights, family events, and school activities.
- Safe & secure – Messages are private, safe, and easy to use.

**Westside High School**

## You Are Invited

Join us for "Connections & Conversations" Parent Workshop series each 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month as we have roundtable discussions and activities on specific topics that will help our scholars to succeed in high school and beyond.

**Sept 24th**  
"Apples and Attendance"

**Oct 23rd**  
"Danishes & Discipline"

**Nov 20th**  
"Coffee, Cocoa, & College"

**Dec 11th**  
"Dad's & Donuts"

Scan here to R.S.V.P.

## Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Each October, we take time to raise awareness about breast cancer and honor the many lives impacted by it. Early detection and education can make a life-saving difference, and together, we can show our support for this important cause.

To recognize Breast Cancer Awareness Month, our school will celebrate "Think Pink Thursdays" throughout October. We encourage students, staff, and families to wear pink each Thursday as a visible reminder of our commitment to awareness, hope, and support.

By participating, we not only bring attention to this critical health issue but also show our solidarity with survivors, fighters, and families. Thank you for joining us in making a difference—one Thursday at a time!



# \$60

## PROM DUES ALERT

PROM IS FRIDAY, APRIL 24, 2026

SENIORS & JUNIORS

MAY BEGIN MAKING PAYMENTS IN

MYSCHOOLBUCKS ON OCT 13TH!

PAYMENTS IN INCREMENTS OF \$20/\$30/\$60 ONLY

# VOLUNTEERS WANTED!!!

Westside High School is looking for volunteers to help with events, activities, and even small tasks around the school throughout the year. The district requires all persons interested, to complete volunteer training with the Parent Facilitator or designee. Complete the steps to the right and contact Ms. Carter to see how you can help.



## Parent/Family Engagement Program

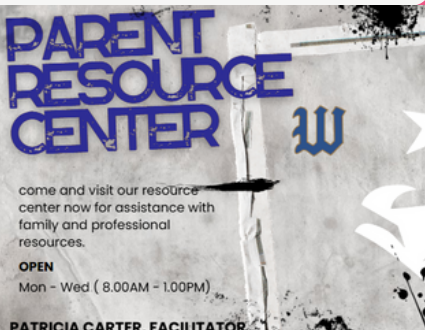


Contact Ms. Carter on Remind for more information or scan the QR code to register & get started.



### DID YOU KNOW?

Family engagement is important because it leads to better academic outcomes, improved social-emotional development, higher attendance rates, and increased motivation for students, while also empowering families and strengthening communities. It fosters strong home-school partnerships, creating a positive, supportive learning environment and ensuring a child's holistic development from early childhood through adulthood.



We met our goal of 30 donors at our 1<sup>st</sup> blood drive held on 9/11. This puts us at a contribution towards saving 90 lives. Let's set the goal to double those numbers for our next drive. (Parents, come out and support by donating. Help save lives, help us meet goal, get the \$30 reward and it also counts towards completing your parent F.A.C.E. card.)

Sponsor Code: 10499



All 11th-grade students in Georgia must have proof of a meningococcal booster (MCV4) by **\*\*Monday, December 1, 2025\*\***, to remain enrolled. Students without an updated immunization certificate or Notarized Affidavit by **\*\*Friday, December 5, 2025\*\***, will be withdrawn. Please use **\*\*Fall Break (Oct. 9-14)\*\*** or **\*\*Thanksgiving Break (Nov. 22-30)\*\*** to complete vaccinations. For questions, contact **\*\*Nurse Liz\*\***.



### Step 1

Read over the Guidelines for Visitors and Volunteers Sign and Date

### Step 2

Complete the Mandated Reporter (virtual) course (Scan, register, and complete)



### Step 3

Send a screenshot of your completion certificate to [cartepa1@richmond.k12.ga.us](mailto:cartepa1@richmond.k12.ga.us) subject line: Mandated Reporter Certificate

### Step 4

Text or call 770-940-3188 to schedule a time to come in and complete your volunteer packet.

## UPCOMING OCT DATES

### TOO SPOOKY TO BE HUNGRY CAMPAIGN

1<sup>st</sup> - Oct 31<sup>st</sup>  
(donate can goods)

### 2<sup>ND</sup> - 8<sup>TH</sup> HOMECOMING WEEK

7<sup>th</sup>  
**FEDERAL CARDS GO HOME**

8<sup>th</sup>  
**Volunteer Training @ 8:30 AM**  
**FEDERAL CARDS DUE BACK**

**Senior Portrait Order Day**  
Rick Milton Photography  
10:30 am - 12:30 PM

**Clubs & Fall Sports Picture Make-up Day**  
Midlands Photography  
7<sup>th</sup> period - 4:00 pm

9<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup>  
**Learn@Home Day & Fall Break**

23<sup>rd</sup>  
**Underclassman Picture Make-ups**  
(Media Center)

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