

SKILLS USA

Chef Finkelstein & Mrs. Worsham

Skills USA is for all students in our career and technical programs. The organization allows the excelling student to demonstrate learned technical skills and academic achievements. An organized national skill competition is held at the state, national and international levels.

S.M.I.L.E.

Mrs. Wood

The S.M.I.L.E. program is an afterschool enrichment program geared to increase the numbers of underrepresented and other educationally underserved students who graduate high school well prepared to enter higher education and pursue careers in science, math, engineering and technology (STEM).

STUDENT AMBASSADORS

Mr. Luppe

Student Ambassadors provide a friendly face for new students who enroll into WHS. Ambassadors deliver a detailed tour of the campus, highlighting classrooms, central locations, offices and personnel. Ambassadors answer pertinent questions about the schedule, student handbook, school events and offer advice about student life at WHS.

STUDENT COUNCIL

Ms. Strafach

Student Council is open to any student with an interest in improving student life at the high school. Membership is open annually to all students. Officers are elected each year within the council and they oversee Student Council activities which include school wide projects, social activities and community service programs.

V.A.A.S.A.

Mrs. Waranis

Varsity Athletes Against Substance Abuse is a peer leadership program in which high school varsity athletes pledge to remain alcohol and drug free. The athletes are trained to address younger students as positive role models. The athletes complete an application process and are chosen to be a member at the beginning of the school year.

STUDENTS FOR LIFE

Mr. Servidio

Students for Life provides outreach to the Women's Pregnancy Outreach Center, hosts the Giving Tree in December, Life Week in March and Respect Life films throughout the year.. They meet twice monthly on Mondays.

WHS INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS

Westerly High School is a member of the Rhode Island Interscholastic League and offers the following programs in interscholastic athletics:

VARSIITY SPORTS, grades 9-12

Jamey Vetelino, WPS Athletic Director
jvetelino@westerly.k12.ri.us

FALL SPORTS

Boys/Girls Cross Country, Boys/Girls Soccer, Cheerleading, Girls Tennis, Girls Volleyball, Unified Volleyball

WINTER SPORTS

Boys/Girls Basketball, Wrestling, Swimming, Boys/Girls Indoor track

SPRING SPORTS

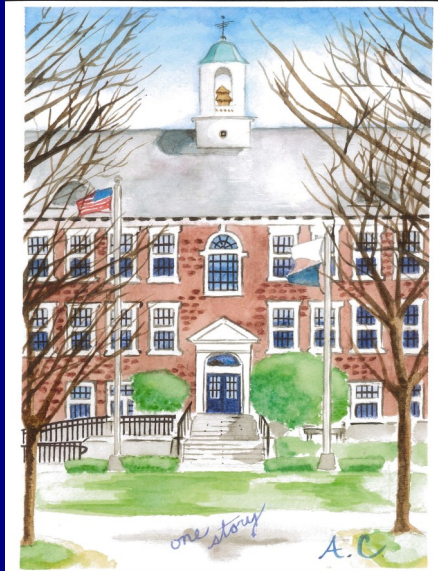
Boys/Girls Track, Baseball, Softball, Golf, Boys Tennis, Boys Volleyball, Boys/Girls Lacrosse, Unified Basketball

CLUB TEAMS

Dance Team—Winter
Sailing—Spring

Note: Any student staying after school to receive extra help will not be penalized in his/her athletic sport.

WHS Student Activities 2018-19



*"What you do today
can improve all
your tomorrows."*

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ACADEMIC DECATHLON

Mrs. Okolicsanyi

Academic Decathlon is a state-wide competition scheduled for the first Sunday in February. This all-day event tests skills in language and literature, economics, math, science, history, the fine arts, essay writing and speaking. Medal and cash awards are earned.

ALLIANCE

Ms. Barnhart & Ms. Petrofes

A confidential, non-judgmental, loving support network that works to inspire and empower a community of acceptance of individuality. It is where being yourself is just that—a place to be you. Alliance meets on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month.

THE BARKER

Mr. Zemanek

The Westerly High School newspaper is published several times during the school year. Students interested in journalism and student affairs are invited to contribute.

BOWLING CLUB

Mr. Varden

The Bowling Club meets at Alley Katz each Monday from 2:30-4:00 p.m. for three games of bowling. There is no commitment and students may come any Monday to bowl.

BULLDOG BARKS

Ms. Corah

This club provides an opportunity for students to engage in meaningful discussions and debates while learning how to better articulate and share ideas. Actively engaging in a speech club prepares students to speak clearly and with confidence in class, in front of peers, at meetings and during interviews.

CHARACTER EDUCATION

Mr. DePerry

The Character Education committee works on projects to help members of the high school and community in times of need. They coordinate many drives for food, toiletry items, diapers, clothing and toys during the holiday season.

CLASS OFFICERS/CLASS COUNCIL

Annually each class at Westerly High School elects six officers (President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Social Chairperson and Student Council Representative) to oversee its affairs. Working with the class advisors, these officers coordinate the fundraising, social activities

and other affairs of the school. Class meetings are held periodically during the school year to conduct necessary class business.

Class of 2019 Ms. Mirando & Mrs. Oliveira

Class of 2020 Ms. Ezerins & Mrs. Sanfilippo

Class of 2021 Mrs. Asselin & Mr. Kelley

Class of 2022 Mrs. Fusaro, Mr. Gleason & Mrs. Oceau

COLOR GUARD/DANCE LINE

Mrs. Abigail Cornell & Ms. Rachel Vetelino

The Color Guard/Dance Line is an auxiliary group of the marching band and performs at functions with the marching band. Participants are required to make a significant commitment to regular attendance at both practice and exhibition. Auditions are held each spring.

FILM CLUB

Mrs. Tallardy

Students will watch and discuss old and new “classic” films. Additionally, students will plan several events centered around their love for movies.

FBLA

Chef Finkelstein & Mr. Hathaway

FBLA is the largest student organization aimed at helping students increase their knowledge of the business world through networking, running the school store, competitive events, State and National Leadership Conferences and community service projects.

INK BANDITS

Ms. Barnhart

WHS’s creative writing group meets on Mondays from 2:00-3:00 p.m. in W226, writing and constantly seeking ways through which to improve and push through the boundaries of their writing.

INTERNATIONAL CLUBS

World Language

The International Club exposes students to the cultures and languages of French, Italian and Spanish speaking countries of the world. Activities include fundraisers, museum visits, theater trips, ethnic restaurant visits, foreign language films and other activities that enhance awareness of foreign cultures.

MATH TEAM

The Math Team participates in the Rhode Island Math League and competes in four meets a year with 30+ schools from

within the state. We compete in the areas of Arithmetic, Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, Probability and Statistics and Trigonometry.

OUTDOORS CLUB

Mr. Servidio, Ms. Barnhart, Mrs. Fastovsky & Mr. Hooper

Open to all students in grades 9-12, our focus is a range of outdoor activity trips, conducted after the school day has ended. Membership is \$24/year. Activities include hiking, kayaking, canoeing, rock climbing/rock gyms, hayrides, corn mazes, horseback riding, ice skating, skiing, rope courses/zip lines and more.

PEP CLUB

Mr. Scott & Mr. Albamonti

The Pep Club is open to all students interested in creating a strong sense of school pride within the high school.

ROBOTICS CLUB

Mrs. Wood

An after school club in its third year, the goals of the Robotics Club is to plan on improving our understanding and knowledge about Robotics, including learning how to code and write a command in programs, building robots to do a specific task and being as innovative as possible. With this knowledge we plan to compete in Robotics competitions while having fun along the way.

S.A.D.D.

Mrs. Waranis

Students Against Destructive Decisions is a group of like-minded students delivering education and prevention messages to their peers through school and community-wide activities. S.A.D.D. continues to endorse a firm “No Use” message related to the use of alcohol and other drugs. S.A.D.D. now highlights prevention of all destructive behaviors and attitudes that are harmful to young people, including underage drinking, substance abuse, impaired driving, violence and suicide.

SCIENCE OLYMPIAD

Mrs. Malone

A way for students to explore science beyond the high school curriculum with an annual competition held at Rhode Island College, the Science Olympiad prepares students to compete against other Rhode Island high schools in various science-related events. Events include hands-on activities, building an apparatus, experimenting in a lab and problem solving.