

WESTSIDE STORY

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Mission Statement

Washington High School is committed to providing a safe learning environment where all students will have maximum opportunity to acquire the skill, knowledge, and behaviors necessary to be productive citizens in an increasingly technological and rapidly changing society.

February & March

2/20 – 3/3: Parents may request ECA rescore. (Watch the mail for your child's test results.)

2/16 – Deadline for Yearbook Senior Recognition Ads
(www.jostens.com/yearbookads)

3/16 – Spring Play: “The Laramie Project”

IMPORTANT STATE TESTING INFORMATION

Winter Test: ECA Rescore Window

February 20 - March 3

Spring Test: ECA Retest for JUNIORS & SENIORS English and Algebra
May 16 - May 25

Part 1: New ISTEP Window

February 27 - March 10

Part 2: New ISTEP Window →

April 17 - May 5

****ISTEP Practice Test is ONE WEEK before the test****

New! Washington High School has a Student Advisory Council

The Student Advisory Council is a group of eight students who represent all grades at WHS, the Student Council, National Honor Society, and the entire student body. Members of the SAC are seniors Nathan Glaser and Alejandra Escobedo, juniors Isaiah McWilliams and Caleigh Downey, sophomores Claire Pittman and Denny Guo, and freshmen Amaani Lee and Mario Garcia. These students meet monthly to discuss what is going on in our school, questions they have, and any student concerns. SAC also serves as representatives to our superintendent. One example of something SAC has done is a “mystery envelope” for underrepresented students who lack recognition but who do great things at school. Inside was an invitation to a game where students were recognized during halftime for doing good things in school. The Student Advisory Council says they do this to make Washington a better place; if they find a problem, they work to solve it.

Washington Drama to present "The Laramie Project"

The spring play will be "The Laramie Project," which is about the 1998 hate crime killing of Matthew Shepard, a student at the University of Wyoming, and the response of the community and this nation to the crime. The Drama Club and the Thespian Society will be presenting the play on March 16-17 in the WHS auditorium.

The Thespian Society is an elite group of students that have to earn their spot by participating in a number of plays and by points they receive in the process. Drama Club members who qualify are inducted into the Thespian Society.

The McCullough Cup

The McCullough Cup is named after George McCullough, a forty-year veteran of the South Bend Community School Corporation. Mr. McCullough attended and graduated from Washington High School. During his career with SBCSC, he served as a teacher, coach, and guidance counselor at Washington and from 2002-20014, Mr. McCullough was the principal. Before his time as principal at Washington High School, Mr. McCullough served as assistant principal, and, then, principal at Riley High School.

The McCullough Cup will make its debut at the game between Riley and Washington on February 2, 2017. This trophy is a traveling trophy.

Mr. McCullough was Mr. Sanders' mentor and he had this to say about his former colleague: "He exemplified what a quality community school principal looked like and he understood the role of a principal was bigger than the building and went beyond teaching."

Student Spotlight: Isaiah McWilliams

What are your plans after graduation from Washington High School?

"Continue wrestling and go to Princeton or Central Michigan College. I plan to attend and graduate college."

What are your life goals?

"Be successful and become a two-time state champion before graduating."

Do you have any advice for WHS underclassmen?

"Stay focused on task, be positive, be a better person you were yesterday, [and] be with the right group of people."

Panther Athletics

Varsity Boys Basketball
2/7 – Riley @ home (McCullough Cup)

2/17 – Elkhart Cen @ home
2/18 Gary Lighthouse @ home

Sectionals – TBA
Girls Varsity Basketball

1/31 – Sectional

Girls Swimming

2/2 – Sectional @ Penn

2/4 – Sectional @ Penn

Boys Swimming

2/16 – Sectional @ Riley

2/18 – Sectional @ Riley

Wrestling

2/4 – Regional @ Rochester

Athletic Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible for any extracurricular athletic activities sponsored by SBCSC, students must pass 70% of their classes and have the following minimum GPA and/or credits:

Grade	9:	1.5	average
Grade	10:	1.67	average
Grade	11:	1.85	average
Grade	12:	2.0	average

Any student not meeting this requirement must attend mandatory study table sessions to become eligible.

WHS Administrators

Byron Sanders, Principal
Shawn Henderson, Asst. Principal
Sherry Bolden-Simpson, Asst. Principal
Garland Hudson, Athletic Director
Arnez Lee, Guidance Director

