



# EAGLE UPDATES

SEPTEMBER 2023

WHITAKER  
CIRCLE

Whitaker  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## SOARING SPOTLIGHT

Meet TERRI HOBSON

Terri Hobson, Whitaker's Data Manager, keeps track of all of Whitaker's student records, including those important Student ID numbers! She is a native of Hollywood, Florida and a graduate of Davidson Comm. College and mom to Whitaker's beloved Gary.

*You keep all of Whitaker's information in order, what school supplies do you rely on to stay organized?*

Post-its, Folders and Bic Velocity Pens

*What was your favorite subject in school?*

I didn't really have a favorite subject. I just loved going to school and also participating in afterschool clubs. My favorite club was the dance team, the Rangerettes.

*If you could add any Food item to the Whitaker cafeteria menu, what would it be?*

Cheesecake LOL



## DATES

9/8 WHITAKER TRAILBLAZERS SNACK DRIVE

9/8 KONA ICE TRUCK 2:25PM, PLAYGROUND/PARKING LOT

9/12 WHITAKER FALL PICTURE DAY

9/14 NEW PARENT WELCOME BREAKFAST 8:00AM, CAFETERIA

9/20 WONDERFUL WEDNESDAY ALL GRADES TO HOST

9/22 SPIRIT NIGHT: BOWLING 6:00PM, CREEKSIDE LANES

9/29 WHITAKER FITNESS FIELD DAY

10/05 WHITAKER CURRICULUM NIGHT 5:30PM

10/13 FALL FEST 5:30PM, BUS PARKING LOT

Supporting Whitaker Elementary School to enhance the student experience while improving academic outcomes.

## WHITAKER WISE

**SIGN UP FOR POWERSCHOOL:** Go to [connections.powerschool.com/](https://connections.powerschool.com/). Click on "Create Account" or sign in on the sign in tab. Click create account again, Complete the required information, then "Link Students to Account" using your child's student ID number.

**IT'S SCHOOL LUNCH TIME!** To add money to your child's lunch account: download the My Schoolbucks App or go to <https://www.myschoolbucks.com>, use your child's student ID number to create an account, then start making payments!

**NEED BUS NUMBERS?** The Bus Information Portal went live on August 14th for the '23-'24 school year. Check <https://www.wsfcs.k12.nc.us/Page/124025> for your child's bus stop assignments.

**HELP US "CLEAR THE LISTS" FOR OUR WHITAKER STAFF!** Our staff always goes the extra mile for the students, let's show them how much we appreciate them by filling their wish lists! <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1DxVtNrIXKWKEIPliYBAMcazEUjZz60tR3QqsJLoubk/edit?pli=1#gid=0>

## GET INVOLVED!

Our Whitaker Circle of Commitment (WCoC) Community Page is updated regularly with new volunteer opportunities! <https://grow.withlome.com/-/whitaker-circle-of-commitment>

If you plan to volunteer with Whitaker, click here and ensure you are registered and approved as a volunteer in the system. <https://www.wsfcs.k12.nc.us/Page/118988>

Love your small business and supporting your school? Send an email to [wcofctreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:wcofctreasurer@gmail.com) for more information about the benefits of being a Whitaker Business Partner.

Support Whitaker while you grocery shop! <https://drive.google.com/drive/u/1/folders/1LJacsh32s2NxXlnZBAOrrlwRh9eSO8Kj>

## WHAT'S NEW?

- **Tae Kwon Do** is coming to PE! Get excited for your Eagle to learn about respect and three types of focus from Martial Arts masters.
- **KinderSpanish** is back! Looking for an after-school Spanish program for your student? Register here [kinderspanish.com](https://kinderspanish.com)
- 5th grade's WPM is set to soar! **New typing curriculum** will be rolling into morning work and media for our eldest Eagles.
- **Check the playgrounds** for 2 new tetherball games and a new basketball key on the 4/5 court!
- See if you can use your Eagle Eyes to **spot the new paint** around the school, especially in the front lobby. More lobby updates to come!

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# BOWLING NIGHT

**FRI SEP 22, 2023**

**6:00PM - 8:00PM**

**CREEKSIDE LANES**

**1450 TRADE MART BLVD, WINSTON-SALEM, NC 27127**

◀ **\$15 per Bowler** ▶

Join Whitaker Elementary School  
friends for a bowling night  
at Creekside Lanes!

Each ticket is PER BOWLER and includes shoe rental + 2 hours (6-8 pm only) of bowling.  
6 people are allowed per lane, so plan on arriving with your group to claim a lane - or  
meet new friends! Parents/guardians are welcome to be observers free of charge. Parents/  
guardians and siblings who wish to bowl must purchase their own individual ticket.

There is a snack bar available at an additional cost.

Check in with your ticket upon arrival and enjoy the fun evening together!

More details and RSVP here:

<https://www.tickettailor.com/events/whitakercircleofcommitment/986445>

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# KONA ICE TRUCK

**FRI SEP 08, 2023**

**2:25PM - 3:30PM**

**WHITAKER FRONT PLAYGROUND**

◀ **\$4.00-\$7.00** ▶

Kona Ice is coming to the Whitaker playground!  
Buy a cool treat & support your school at the same time  
— a portion of the proceeds will go back to Whitaker.  
Hope to see you there!

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# NEW PARENT WELCOME BREAKFAST

**THU SEP 14, 2023**

**8:00AM - 9:00AM**

**WHITAKER SCHOOL CAFETERIA**

◀ **Free event** ▶

Are you new to Whitaker? Please join the Whitaker Circle  
of Commitment for a New Parent Welcome breakfast!

More details and RSVP here:

<https://grow.withlome.com/a/f0ebe337-90bc-40ed-8e89-b4ef22f882f3>

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# Wonderful WEDNESDAY

**WED SEP 20, 2023**

**10:00AM**

**WHITAKER LOBBY**

We invite ALL GRADES to host a pizza party  
for our Whitaker Teachers and Staff!  
Pizza and salads will be catered, so we are asking  
for monetary donations as well as  
day-of volunteers and a few food, drink,  
and paper product donations.

\*Drop off items at the Wonderful Wednesday cart out front on  
September 20th before 10am.\*Label any dishes you would like  
returned and pick them up from WW cart that afternoon.

Sign up here:

<https://grow.withlome.com/a/80efda1b-f7b8-4feb-bf9f-32ddc2fe814e>