



EAGLE UPDATES

JANUARY 2024

WHITAKER
CIRCLE

Whitaker
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

SOARING SPOTLIGHT

Meet ANDREA MOORE

Andrea Moore, Whitaker's wonderful guidance counselor, is a native of Winston-Salem and a graduate of App State. This is her 12th year at Whitaker!

What New Year's resolutions do you have For 2024?
To be more consistent in working out.

If you could give your elementary school-aged self any guidance or advice, what would it be?
To just be myself and not worry so much about what others think.

If you could be any cartoon character, who would you be and why?
Scooby Doo, because he likes to eat and so do I!



DATES

1/15	NO SCHOOL - MARTIN LUTHER KING JR DAY
1/16 - 1/18	TRU TAE KWON DO P.E. PUSH IN
1/17	WONDERFUL WEDNESDAY (HOSTED BY 3RD GRADE)
1/25-26	NO SCHOOL - END OF QUARTER 2
1/30	SPIRIT NIGHT 4:00 PM, BLL ROTISSERIE FACTORY
1/31	PARENT PANEL 6:30 PM, WHITAKER MEDIA CENTER
2/5-2/9	SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

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

WHITAKER WISE

For all our 5th grade Eagles preparing to leave the nest, **CHOICE AND MAGNET SCHOOL APPLICATIONS** close 1/26! Find more information at <https://www.wsfcs.k12.nc.us/Page/121435>

DID YOU HEAR? Whitaker was given the **school district's highest recognition**, ranking in the top 12% of schools for growth in student learning outcomes over the '22-'23 school year.

It's like a **PEP RALLY IN YOUR INBOX**. To subscribe to the **digital copy of this newsletter**, send your email address to whitakercircle@gmail.com

GET INVOLVED!

WELCOME 2024 WITH A GOOD BOOK! Sign up on LOME to volunteer in the **Media Center shelving books or working at Whitaker's Book Fair**. <https://grow.withlome.com/>

Help provide nutritious meals to fellow students over weekends— Sign up to support **WHITAKER'S BACKPACK PROGRAM!** <https://grow.withlome.com/a/677a9934-3ed3-4fb4-8538-7ab5cc58ff2b>

WHAT'S NEW?

- Let's **KICK OFF THE NEW YEAR** with TKD. TRU Tae Kwon Do returns to P.E. this month! Get excited for your Eagle to learn about respect and focus from Martial Arts masters.
- Check out the **SPRING CLEANING & REVAMPING** in Whitaker's **landscaping and planters** that happened over winter break. Be on the lookout for more this spring!
- **WHAT ROCKS** and also reminds us that 2024 is here to stay? Our new **Spirit Rock!** Check it out in the carpool line.

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TECHNOLOGY & KIDS PARENT PANEL

WED JAN 31, 2024
6:30PM - 8:00PM
WHITAKER MEDIA CENTER

◀ Free event ▶



Parents are invited to attend
Technology & Kids Parent Panel discussion.

Panelists include: Dr. Caroline Brown (pediatrician),
Martha Metzler (counselor), and Erin Bonsall (counselor).

Format: Brief presentation from each panelist on the topic
followed by a moderated Q & A session.

To submit questions, email Anne Glenn anne.a.glenn@gmail.com.
We will also have sheets on-site you can fill out before we start.

Adult-only event, no childcare will be provided.

We hope to see you there!

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SPIRIT NIGHT

at

BLL ROTISSERIE FACTORY
380 KNOLLWOOD ST, WINSTON-SALEM, NC 27103

TUE JAN 30, 2024
4:00PM - 9:00PM



Join Whitaker friends for dinner at
BLL Rotisserie Factory!

BLL will donate a portion of the
evening's proceeds back to Whitaker.

Be sure to mention that you are with
the school. There will be several dine-in
and carry-out specials for the evening!

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Scholastic BOOK FAIR

at the
WHITAKER MEDIA CENTER
MON FEB 05 - FRI FEB 09, 2024
7:30AM - 3:00PM

Students will shop during their specials times.
Parents can shop before (7:30am) or after school (until 3:00pm).

We need parent support to ensure this runs smoothly.

Check Lome for volunteer opportunities

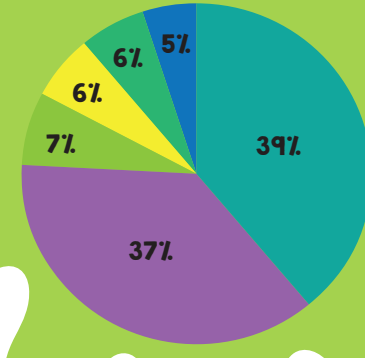
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FINANCIAL REPORT

Circle Spending 7/1/23 - 12/31/23



39% SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT (Playground Equipment,
Lobby Upgrades, Landscaping)

37% INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES & PROGRAMS (Leader In Me,
Muddy Sneakers, Scholastic Materials, Bookshelves, Field Trip T-shirts etc.)

7% STAFF SUPPORT (Staff Development, Staff Hospitality,
Teacher Discretionary Spending)

6% EVENTS (Fall Fest, Whitaker Wear, Community, Backpack Program)

6% SPECIALS (Funds for PE, Music, Art, Media)

5% ADMINISTRATION (Office Support, Postage, Circle Admin)