

EAGLE UPDATES



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GET INVOLVED!

Share your time, talent and donations!

SHOW SOME LOVE for literacy! Volunteer at Whitaker's Book Fair, which runs from 2/24-2/27. We need lots of hands to make this a successful event—sign up here https://tinyurl.com/WESbookfair2025

WE HEART OUR BACKPACK PROGRAM! Whitaker's Backpack Program needs you to fill its pantry shelves! Help us send home nourishing meals every weekend to fellow Whitaker students. Drop all donations in the Backpack Program bin in the lobby! And get excited for the Backpack Program Food Drive kick off on 2/17.

PROGRESS REPORT

Hear about what the Circle is doing

WE CAN'T STOP LOVING YOU, FUNDED FIELD TRIPS.
Our Eagles adore hands-on learning, but especially field trips!
The Circle made the following field trips possible (by funding either in part or in full):

Kindergarten: Lam Museum of Anthropology

<u>2nd grade:</u> Morehead Planetarium <u>3rd grade:</u> Bus for the Zoo Field trip

4th grade: in house play - Heroes of the Underground Railroad

5th grade: Muddy Sneakers

EAGLE CROSSING! Pump the breaks as you stop to admire our new crosswalk signs at the Austin & Buena Vista Crosswalk and Dartmouth Crosswalk. Drivers, don't forget to yield to our walking and biking Eagles!

SOARING SPOTLIGHT

Farewell to RACHEL STINEHELFER

A parting word with Whitaker's media coordinator

Book Fair's almost here! What should we look For?

The recent Dogman book, <u>Big Jim Begins</u>, will be very popular. Also, the non-fiction science books..

What's your top coaching strategy For the Battle of the Books team?

Teaching the students to come to a consensus on an answer quickly. Go EAGLES!

Any Valentine's book ideas?

<u>Love, Splat</u> Splat gets nervous around Kitten because he has a crush on her - very sweet.

Favorite series?

Anything by Mo Willems & Kate DiCamillo



WHILAKER WISE

Access Whitaker resources

PLATINUM PARTNER SHOUT-OUTS!

- Thinking about remodeling? **Icon Custom Builders** is a Whitaker favorite. Check them out for top-notch design and renovations!
- JBD Insight (led by Whitaker Circle's own Jane Duncan) brings decades of marketing experience to growing businesses.
 Contact Jane to learn more!

NEW WHITAKER NEWS. Follow **Whitaker's new Instagram account @WhitakerEagles** to get regular updates from inside the school! And don't miss the latest from the Circle (**@WhitakerCircle** on Instagram) and from the Principal's Desk (**@WhitakerWSFCS** on **X**).



Enjoy dinner out with family and friends! A portion of the proceeds will be donated back to the school! Be sure to mention Whitaker when you arrive!

> THUR FEB 6, 2025 THUR MAR 6. 2025 THUR APR 3, 2025

CIRCLE EVENT

BACKPACK **PROGRAM**



FOOD DRIVE FEBRUARY 17th - 21st, 2025

WHITAKER LOBBY

Fill Whitaker's Backpack Program pantry! Contribute items below to help provide meals for Eagle students over weekends and school holidays.

KINDERGARTEN HEAVY MEALS

Chef Boyaredee pop-top cans, tuna, hefty soups, etc

1ST GRADE DRY MEALS

Easy mac, ramen, microwaveable rice pouches, instant mashed potatoes, etc

2ND GRADE CANNED VEGETABLES

3RD GRADE FRUIT

Apple sauce pouches, fruit cups, etc

4TH GRADE BREAKFAST ITEMS

Instant oatmeal, breakfast/protein bars, Nutrigrain, Belvita, etc.

5TH GRADE SWEET & SALTY SNACKS

Bags of various chips, Cheezits, cookies, etc





Scholastic BOOKFAIR

FEBRUARY 24TH - 27TH, 2025

WHITAKER MEDIA CENTER



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. Volunteer with us! https://tinyurl.com/WESbookfair2025

More Bookjoy, less hassle—with **eWallet**?



This year, say goodbye to giving your kids crumpled bills and loose change...and hello to eWalle a super-convenient, secure digital payment account, for the Scholastic Book Fair. Setting up an eWallet for your child empowers them to choose their own books and effortlessly check out during the Best. Week. Ever. at their school. And any leftover funds can be saved for future Fairs



















https://www.scholastic.com/bf/whitakerelemsch





TUESDAY FEB 25™, 2024



The book fair is open late for one night only! Come shop with us, join us at Little Richard's for dinner, or make it a night with both events.

Extended book fair shopping hours: 4:30-6:00PM

Whitaker Media Center

Little Richard's Spirit Night: 5:00PM-CLOSE

Little Richard's 109 S Stratford Rd



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