



WMRSD Leaders and Learners – Your Community Connection White Mountains Regional School District

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At Whitefield Elementary School

During the week of February 20th Whitefield School will be hosting a series of Winter Carnival events for students and staff. The Carnival has roots back to at least the late 1930s as attested to by a number of trophies in the trophy case awarded to eighth grade classes in ice sculpting contests. In the recent past the Carnival has evolved and flexed to accommodate the weather and the creative interests of our students and staff. It has also expanded from just middle school, to a schoolwide event.

This year, students are invited to participate in dress up theme days. The Monday through Friday line up includes: Backwards Day, Sports Attire, Addams Family, Musical Performer and Pirate Pride-Green & White Day. Schoolwide activities during the week will include a faculty floor hockey game, Wednesday Addams dance contest, Progressive Styles concert and the design and showing of cardboard box sleds. Weather and snow permitting snow sculpting, sledding and running the box sleds will take place. Winter Carnival, 2023 keeps a school tradition alive and is another opportunity for students and staff to build and renew connections across the grade range.

At Lancaster Elementary School

Students at Lancaster Elementary School have been enjoying skiing and snowboarding this winter at Cannon Mountain as a winter activity option! The program began right after the holiday break, on January 5th and went every Thursday for six weeks, ending on January 9th. Approximately 90 students from LES, from Kindergarten to eighth grade, participated in the ski/ride program, along with some 30 adults (including 9 LES staff members) who volunteered to teach lessons.

The beginner skiing groups were led by Cannon Mountain instructors, with parents assisting their children. Students of all levels who were snowboarding and any skiers in levels 2-5, were instructed by parent and staff volunteers, who are so important in making this program a success! “The Secret Sock Society” funded transportation by bus this year, which made participating in the ski/ride program more accessible for all students! Even with a limited amount of snow, the conditions at Cannon Mountain were great this season! All skiers and snowboarders made huge gains and can’t wait for next year!



At White Mountains Regional High School

The 2023 yearbook is wrapping up and the publications class wanted to give some information on how the book is coming along. This year's publications class is a small group and are working hard on putting the book together as well as raising the funds to pay for the book.

It may not be well known that in spite of being a class/school activity, the yearbook pays for itself, meaning no money is budgeted for its publication. The class is responsible for raising the funds to send the book to print and this is done through the purchase of books and senior recognition ads that help meet its actual costs. The yearbook relies on business ads and donations, so if you or someone you know happens to own a business, placing an ad would be greatly appreciated. Book purchases and ads can be done directly from the Jostens' website, www.josens.com or by contacting teacher.advisor Beth Lufkin at blufkin@sau36.org.

There are several deadlines that are imposed upon yearbook production by the yearbook publishing company; and the yearbook staff have very little control over these deadlines which must be met. This year, to make it less stressful for seniors and their parents/guardians, our seniors were asked for one component each month. There is still some time for seniors to turn in their materials, but March 1 is the last day for our staff to receive these materials in order to submit the book for final publication. Seniors are asked for one senior portrait (preferably portrait orientation, not landscape), one baby picture, and a message the senior composes.

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Beth Lufkin at 603 837-2528 ext. 6116 or blufkin@sau36.org.