

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

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At Whitefield Elementary School

When opportunity knocks..When a new avenue for student growth presents itself...Whitefield School embraces it, and embrace it we shall, starting May 2nd!

Upon returning from spring vacation, a group of our students at WES will begin a six week partnership program with Stable Connections, Guildhall V.T.

Stable Connections, is a highly recommended, equine assisted learning facility, offering a therapeutic approach, with an educational focus. With the delivery of direct hands-on -instruction, facilitated by licensed therapists, our students will have the opportunity to develop/hone their skills necessary for navigating everyday life. Skills to be taught/practiced, will include communication, problem solving strategies, team building, creative thinking, self-confidence, and personal awareness.

We are very excited that our students are being granted this excellent opportunity, and look forward to sharing this experience with them. Together, we have the power to make a positive change in the lives of our students.

At White Mountains Regional High School

WMRHS is reimagining the Humanities department to allow for new opportunities for students in the 2023-2024 school year and beyond. These new courses will allow for more flexibility in staffing and more student choice in the pathways they pursue at WMRHS.

In an effort to transition the incoming 9th graders into high school smoothly, they will have limited choices, but students in grades 10-12 will have choices that increase with each year. In 10th grade, students will choose whether they want to earn their required English and Social Studies credits through an interdisciplinary pathway called Global Studies, or whether they want to separate their coursework and choose to take English



10 and World History separately. 11th graders will also have an optional interdisciplinary track called American studies. If they choose to silo their courses into disciplines, 11th and 12th grade students will choose from a "buffet" of English and Social Studies courses to satisfy their credit requirements. The staff is enthusiastic to offer selections such as: Early American Literature, Wilderness Literature, Literature of Change, and Myths, Tales, and Legends on the English side (with even more offerings not listed). On the Social Studies side, courses will be offered such as: Conflict in American History, the Making of Modern America, and 18th and 19th Century America, just to name a few. These semester long classes will meet the competency and credit requirements for students while giving them options to create their own pathway.

Students have begun scheduling their classes for next school year and are excitedly choosing from the options presented to them, while staff and administration are working diligently to create all the necessary components to offer these courses.