



A Message from the Superintendent

As the 2014-15 school year comes to a close, we are already preparing for 2015-16. Please take some time to read the newsletter highlighting some of the many accomplishments of our students, faculty, staff, and programs. Listed below are some of those achievements and honors.

- Of 431 school districts in upstate New York, the *Buffalo Business First Periodical* ranks the Whitesboro Central School District in the:
 - Top 15% overall
 - Top 10% in administrative efficiency
 - Top 5% in cost effectiveness
- Some of the work included in the capital project vote approved in December will be roofs on six schools, new sidewalks and paving at several schools, new lobby doors at the high school's entrances, renovations to the high school kitchen, new signage, technology infrastructure improvements, and turf on Wadas Field
- Improved website with easier access
- Deerfield Elementary was named a National Blue Ribbon School for Academic Excellence
- Hart's Hill Elementary was named a New York Reward School for Academic Achievement
- 82% of our students are going onto post-secondary education
- 30% of seniors were awarded at least one scholarship
- High School's Nanotechnology class was featured on WKTV
- Boys Varsity Basketball team had the second highest grade point average out of 236 qualifying teams in the state
- Westmoreland Road Elementary and the High School served as host/rest sites for the "Ride for Missing Children"
- High School hosted the "40th Annual Foreign Students Day," opening its doors to foreign exchange students from five different continents
- Calc-A-Thon at the High School raised nearly \$5,000 for St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital
- Varsity Gymnastics team won a Section III title

On behalf of the Board of Education, we look forward to continuing our work with you to make the Whitesboro Central School District an outstanding educational institution of which our students and community will be proud. Enjoy the summer months.

Dave Langone

Superintendent of Schools

Dear Whitesboro Central School District Parents and Members of the Whitesboro Community:

We are about to begin a very exciting initiative called the Whitesboro Central School District Education Foundation. The organization will be established to provide the means to raise and distribute tax-exempt funds for use by the Whitesboro Central School District.

The impetus for the foundation came about with the implementation of the 2% tax cap and the Gap Elimination Adjustment (GEA). Both can hamper innovation and makes it increasingly more difficult to provide great programs for students.

The foundation will be a 501(c) (3) tax exempt organization and will have its own Board of Directors that operates separately from the School District and the Board of Education. The foundation will enable donors to contribute, while allowing those funds to remain entirely separate from the school budget. Funds donated by the foundation will be used to support four main areas:

- **Academics**
- **Arts**
- **Athletics**
- **Technology**

We are looking for interested community residents, alumni and business partners to become part of the planning process for the foundation. If interested in participating, please complete the form on our website, www.wboro.org, or fill out the form on the back cover of this newsletter, and return it to the District office.

The first meeting concerning the Whitesboro Central School District Education Foundation will be on September 23, at 7:00 p.m., at the Board of Education meeting room located in the Parkway School.

For additional information about the foundation, please visit www.wboro.org.

Respectfully,

Whitesboro Central School District Board of Education