

WATERLOO HIGH SCHOOL

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FROM: **Tim McDermott**
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DATE: September 21, 2026

SUBJECT: Waterloo High School Board Report

Building news:

- **Staff & Students of the Month:** Mrs. Jen Durako is the September Staff Member of the Month. Reagan Wilhelm and Jackson Wirth are the September students of the month. Thank you to Dustin West for sponsoring this each month!
- **Students of Character:** The WHS August Students of Character were recognized for demonstrating what it means to be Responsible and Ready, with 42 students recognized!
- **New WHS Staff:** The new WHS staff members have jumped right into this school year! It has been great to see students connecting with them and our new staff embracing everything that comes with being part of WHS. We are so happy to have them on our team and look forward to seeing the continued impact they make throughout the year!
- **New WHS Class:** The new Forensic Science class, taught by Mrs. Wirth, has been a hit with students! Students are getting the opportunity to learn through engaging, hands-on experiences that bring the content to life. It has been exciting to see students so invested in the class as they apply what they are learning through real-world activities.
- **August Attendance Challenge:** WHS students were celebrated with the first Attendance Challenge of the year, recognizing 70% of students for perfect attendance in August. Attendance remains a priority as we encourage students to be present and engaged each day. Thank you to Oh Sugar! for generously donating all of the ice cream to recognize these students! We are grateful for community partners who support our students and help us celebrate their success!
- **Mum Sales:** Ms. Rudolphi's Horticulture class is hosting their fall mum sales from September 14-19.
- **1:1 Technology:** Our transition to 1:1 technology has been a great success! A huge thank you to our Technology Department and Mrs. Liefer in the library for helping make the rollout run so smoothly.
- **School Improvement:** Our staff is continuing to focus on improving instruction through the development of Learning Walks and IPI scans. During School Improvement time, staff reflected on high-quality instruction and collaborated on how these tools can help strengthen student engagement and learning across WHS.

Extra-Curricular:

- **Homecoming Week:** Student Council and our class officers are busy preparing for Homecoming Week, September 21–26! The week will be filled with activities and traditions for our students.
- **Marching Band:** The Waterloo Marching Bulldogs ended up in first place at the Appletime competition. Congratulations!
- **Renaissance Tailgate:** The first home football game of the season kicked off with a student tailgate hosted by Renaissance! Thank you to them for providing food, drinks, and games and creating a fun way for students to get involved before the game. It was a great way to start the season!

Upcoming dates:

Date: 9/23

Event: Homecoming Parade & Powderpuff

Date: 9/26

Event: Homecoming Dance

Date: 10/1 & 10/2

Event: Fall Play



BULLDOG MOMENTS OF THE MONTH

