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**TO:** Brian Charron, Superintendent  
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**SUBJECT:** Waterloo High School Board Report

### Building news:

- Ryan Wiggers is the October Staff Member of the Month. Kaitlyn Buettner and Blake Rueter are the October students of the month.
- The WHS September Students of Character were recognized for having grit. Lakai Ballard, Addyson Bergmann, Aubrey Bethel, Jakob Biffar, Maggie Blair, Hailey Buettner, Ali Charron, Chloe Collet, Carter Cozean, Cameron Crump, Cole Dilley, Mackenzie Duffy, Noah Ehlers, Makenah Eugea, Lauren Gum, Jocelyn Hug, Taylor Jackson, Norah Kettler, Chaten Kirchner, Reese Kite, Maliah Kloth, Jack Liefer, Rutger Lister, Zaylie Lloyd, Kayleigh Luter, Charli Major, Madison Marquardt, Izabell McBride, Reese Middendorf, Samantha Pflasterer, Noah Pickering, Tiffany Ramirez, Selena Ramirez, Leo Ramseur, Emma Siburt, Kiana Singleton, Alyvia Strong, Shane Stone, Anthony Tannous, Mallory Thompson, Brian Veath, Alexis Wagner, Elsie Wiemerslage, Henry Wright, and Megan Young.
- Cayle Coughlin & Brendan McClory built cedar planters in construction class for Zahnow. Mr. Lucash has focused many of his lessons on building for our community, both locally and within the school district.
- Legacy Society inducted five new members into the Legacy Wall. Congratulations to this years inductees Ms. Jane Maag Hagedorn, Mrs. Kelly Lerch, Mrs. Toni Miller, Mr. Nick Hopkins, and Ms. Shelby Nugent
- Ms. Jane Maag Hagedorn and Mrs. Toni Miller shared their WHS experiences and professional journey with students in our Civics, Construction, and Physical Education classes.
- WHS would like to thank the following for helping implement a great Homecoming Week.
  - Student Council and advisor Ms. Schneider for the planning and implementation of our weekly dress-up days, our assembly and the dance.
  - The WHS Athletic Boosters for the successful parade. This year was one of the largest parades that we have had, with approximately 45 entries.
  - Renaissance and sponsors Mrs. Major and Ms. Briesacher for a successful Powderpuff event. This year, they incorporated allowing spectator students to purchase class shirts, not just participants. This year, the junior class won the football game and the cheer competition.
  - WCUSD 5 staff, parents, students and the Waterloo community for promoting, assisting and participating in Homecoming this year. Every year, it takes a lot of volunteers and staff to make WHS Homecoming successful. WHS is thankful for the support.
- The Homecoming dance "Boots & Bling" had 775 students in attendance this year. Students had the opportunity to make s'mores, get pictures taken in the photo bus, purchase concessions from the concession stand, dance, play yard games on the field or purchase donuts from the Donut Den.

### Extra-Curricular:

- FFA members have competed in several career development events (CDEs) that allow students to demonstrate what they learned in class in real-world applications while preparing for potential careers. Students recently participated in quiz bowl, job interview, agriculture education, forestry, and land use CDEs.
- Congratulations to two of the WHS Band students, Thomas Toolen and Harper Kurtz, for being selected for the ILMEA District Band. Indy Otero was selected for the ILMEA District chorus. Students spent time rehearsing and recording for the opportunity to be selected. This year, ILMEA will take place on November 23rd.