

WATERLOO HIGH SCHOOL

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FROM: **Tim McDermott**
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DATE: August 18, 2025

SUBJECT: Waterloo High School Board Report

Building news:

- On August 11th, WHS hosted two Supply Drop Off sessions for students and families. Families and students were able to walk schedules, drop off supplies, pick up parking passes, and finish any registration needs. Thank you to Student Council and FFA for having students available to help answer questions and walk students around.
- WHS staff spent two days preparing their classrooms and curriculum for the beginning of the year. Staff is excited to welcome students back as the year begins.
- During their institute day, WHS staff participated in team-building activities, including a fun heads-or-tails competition, collaborative challenges, and a group song exercise that highlighted our roles with students, peers, and families. These activities gave staff the opportunity to experience firsthand the power of working together toward a common goal.
- WHS students and staff kicked off the school year with a first day of school assembly! Students joined in a fun game, learned a new cheer, and heard inspiring messages from student leaders about making the most of their high school years - getting involved, staying engaged, and enjoying their time at WHS. They also had the chance to hear from Mr. McDermott and were introduced to the WHS staff.
- The greenhouse updates are finished and the building is ready for the next growing season as we start school. Thanks to the maintenance team for their work on getting this installed!
- The building has all new computers for staff to utilize this school year. Thank you to the technology team for all of their work installing the equipment, as well as their readiness to remedy any issues as the year has begun.

Extra-Curricular:

- Waterloo FFA has been named a 3-star chapter by National FFA. This is based off an application written by the 2024-2025 FFA officer team about their annual program of activities. The 3-star distinction places the WHS FFA chapter in the top 3% of chapters across the nation. Members will be recognized for this at the National FFA Convention this fall.
- Student organizations enjoyed greeting students on the first day of school. Football, cheer, band, colorguard, and Student Council all helped greet students and make them feel welcome in the building.
- Band hosted their preview night following a week at band camp and showcased their upcoming performance.

Upcoming dates:

Date: 8/29

Event: Half Day for Students

Date: 9/1

Event: No School - Labor Day