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FROM: **Tim McDermott**
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DATE: September 15, 2025

SUBJECT: Waterloo High School Board Report

Building news:

- Mr. Alex Strickland is the September Staff Member of the Month. Cayle Coughlin and Alyvia Strong are the September students of the month.
- The WHS August Students of Character were recognized for being Kind. The students who received this award were Liam Gilbert, Maddy Prather, Kayla Thorsten, Alex Hedtkamp, Landon Conley, Emeron Hill, Jaime Weaver, Alissa Wisely, Frankie Dillard, Lindsey Lester, Cayle Coughlin, Ellie Landeck, Claire Arnold, Sadie Wyrick, Keira Schmitz, AJ Brown, Eli Wingerter, Lilly Osterhage, and Caden Burkhardt.
- Ms. Rudolphi's Horticulture class is hosting their fall mum sales from September 8-12.
- Our staff spent their school improvement time diving into data, reflecting on what high-quality instruction looks like, and collaborating on ways to bring these insights into everyday classroom practice. Every conversation helps build the best learning experience for our students.
- On August 20, WHS hosted Club Sign-Up Day, where students explored a variety of clubs, connected with current members, and discovered opportunities to get involved. Since then, students participated in their first Activity Period, which provided time to attend the initial meetings of the clubs they selected.
- We continue to recognize students through Positive Principal Referrals. Since the start of the school year, 21 students have been celebrated for their outstanding contributions—whether by helping new students, excelling academically, leading their peers, or going above and beyond to make a positive impact on our school.
- Each week, administration spends a day in the hallways with a whiteboard prompt designed to engage students in conversation. This initiative not only sparks meaningful dialogue but also helps build positive relationships across the school community.

Extra-Curricular:

- WHS students participated in a Tackle Hunger food drive competition with Columbia High School and came out on top, collecting 2,307 pounds of food. Together, the two schools collected a total of 2,884 pounds to support the community.
- Teams for the fall ESports season have been selected, and students have begun practicing with their teammates after school three days a week.
- Homecoming preparations are well underway! Student Council is collaborating with class officers to plan decorations, organize Spirit Week, and build excitement and involvement among students. This year's theme, Rio, was selected by Student Council members.

Upcoming dates:

Date: 9/24
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Date: 9/26
Date: 10/10

Event: Homecoming Parade (5 p.m.) & Powderpuff (6 p.m.)
Event: Legacy Induction (7 p.m.)
Event: Homecoming Dance (7 p.m.)
Event: Half Day for Students