



# W.F. West High School NEWSLETTER

March 2024

## Upcoming Events

- March 4-5 Student-Led Conferences
- March 5-8 **EARLY RELEASE - 12:10**
- March 6 FFA Sub-District Jamboree
- March 7 NHS Meeting - CCR
- March 7-9 Robotics Competition (Salem)
- March 8 Class Meetings - CCR
- March 11 Band Concert - 7 PM (Commons)
- March 12 ASB Officers' Meeting - CCR
- March 13 Choir Concert - 7 PM (Commons)
- March 14 WSU-Vancouver College Planning Event - CCR (Juniors)
- March 14 Strings Concert (Commons)
- March 14-16 Robotics Competition (Yakima)
- March 15 Clubs - CCR
- March 16 'Saturday Night Live' Game Night 8-11 PM (Commons)
- March 21 Centralia College Info Session - CCR
- March 21-23 Robotics Competition (Wilsonville)
- March 22 ASB/Class Elections - CCR
- March 26 CMS Choir Concert - 7PM (Commons)
- March 27 8th Grade Parent Night - 5-6:30
- March 28 CMS Strings Concert (Commons)
- April 1 - 5 SPRING BREAK  
NO SCHOOL** 

**SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE** ✨  
 MARCH 16 8-11 PM  
**\$7 WITH ASB, \$10 WITHOUT, \$10 AT THE DOOR**  
 WFW COMMONS-  
 WFW STUDENTS ONLY!  
 GAMES, FOOD/LOTUS, ENTERTAINMENT  
 ✨  
 THEME: **FANCY NIGHT OUT**

## Time for SLC's!

*Be sure to sign up for a Student-Led Conference time slot in Skyward (under the 'Conferences' tab) as soon as possible! An SLC is required for all 9th-11th grade students with at least one parent/guardian in attendance. Find more about SLC's inside this newsletter!*



Bob Walters, Principal  
 Christine Voelker, Assistant Principal  
 Mark Westley, Assistant Principal  
 Tommy Elder, Asst. Principal/Athletic Director



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# SAY SOMETHING

March 4-8, WF West High School and Chehalis Middle School will be taking part in the Sandy Hook "Say Something" week.

## Gun Violence and Warning Signs

In 4 out of 5 school shootings, the attacker told people of their plans ahead of time.



of school shooters planned the attack in advance.



Guns used in about 68% of gun-related incidents at schools were taken from the home, a friend or a relative.



In almost every documented case of active shooters, **warning signs** were shown.

Evan, Sandy Hook Promise



The film "Evan" by Sandy Hook Promise shows just how easy it can be to miss the signs of gun violence.

Find it on YouTube



## Talk To Your Kids

Recognize the Warning Signs



## Take the Pledge



# Attention New Sophomore & Junior Drivers!

## Parking Rules and Vehicle Registration




The safety of students and staff is the primary concern behind our parking lot regulations. Driving on campus is a privilege. You may maintain that privilege by following the rules below:

**All students must register any vehicle that is to be driven on campus during schools hours each school year. Registration forms may be picked up in the school office.** One tag will be issued per student. The tag is to hang from the rear view mirror and may be transferred between registered vehicles in their name. YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE REGISTERED VEHICLE AND ARE LIABLE FOR ANY DAMAGES OR SANCTIONS CAUSED BY THE OPERATION OF THAT VEHICLE, REGARDLESS OF WHO IS DRIVING. The school district is not responsible for damage to vehicles driven or parked on the W.F. West campus.

**Staff Only parking** is designated by a yellow line painted along the white stall line.

**No student parking is permitted in Staff parking spaces.**

**No student parking is permitted in designated "Visitor Parking" spaces**

**RESERVED STUDENT PARKING** is located in spots with a **White Bearcat Paw**. Reserved spaces can be purchased on a first come, first served basis. A Reserved Parking permit may be purchased for \$20 with an ASB card or \$25 without an ASB card for the entire school year. Permits may be purchased at the ASB office. All proceeds go toward your Leadership Class. 

**UNRESERVED STUDENT PARKING** is located in **any white lined only stall, without a white Bearcat Paw**. You must have a current year parking tag and be registered in the W.F. West office prior to using the parking lot.

*Replacement of a lost or misplaced tag is \$5 and must be paid prior to receiving a new tag.*

Parking is not permitted at anytime in marked "No Parking" areas. Vehicles parked in Fire Lanes where curbs are marked red are subject to towing. Vehicles with no visible tag, vehicles parked inappropriately, vehicles with two parking violations, or using any form of negligent, unsafe driving on campus will be subject to removal from campus as designated in the student handbook.

**THE CAMPUS SPEED LIMIT IS 10 MPH**  
**EXTREME CAUTION SHOULD BE USED WHEN CROSSING SPEED BUMPS.**



# DECA UPDATES

Happy CTE month! Lets see what our DECA club and Business and Marketing class has been up to!

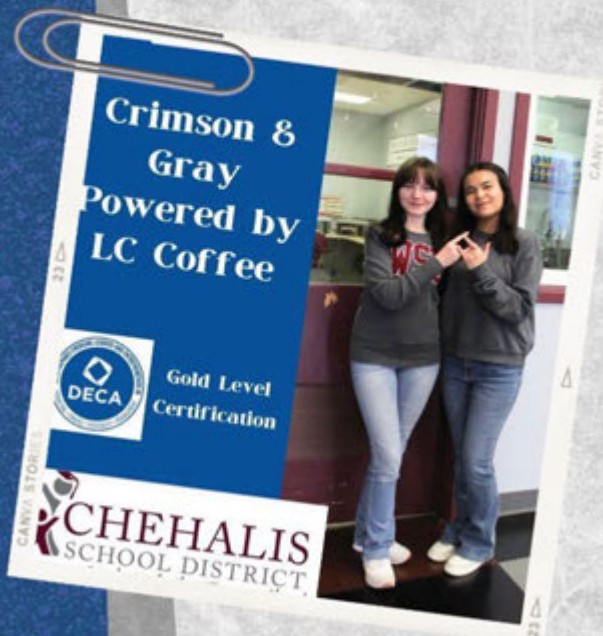
Meet our new shift supervisors at TC&G!



*Hailey & Sophia*



*Milo & Bella*



Congratulations to W.F. West Senior Sophia Ruelas and Sophomore Hailey Sturdevant who are headed to DECA's International Career Development Conference this April 27-30, 2024, in Anaheim, California. They wrote a 40-page project that won Gold Level Certification for The Crimson & Gray powered by L.C. Coffee, a school-based enterprise at W.F. West run by the W.F. West DECA Club. Way to go!



THANK YOU  
FOURTH GRADERS!

Until supplies last!  
Come get your cute  
cup sleeves at The  
Crimson and Gray!



THANK YOU!

We say thank you to our  
fourth grade students for  
decorating our cup sleeves.  
Stop by the shop to get a  
encouraging message!  
Thank you!



Get informed.  
Be prepared.  
Take action.

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**10<sup>th</sup>** ANNIVERSARY  
A Decade of Youth Substance Use Prevention

# PARENTS' NIGHT OUT

*Learn tips to talk confidently to  
your kids about drugs and alcohol.*

**13  
DEC**

6:30 pm | Zoom  
**REGISTER:**  
[bit.ly/3sPfvSM](https://bit.ly/3sPfvSM)

**11  
MAR**

12 pm | Zoom  
**REGISTER:**  
[bit.ly/3QHpy4c](https://bit.ly/3QHpy4c)

**18  
JAN**

12 pm | Zoom  
**REGISTER:**  
[bit.ly/47oe6So](https://bit.ly/47oe6So)

**11  
APR**

6:30 pm | Zoom  
**REGISTER:**  
[bit.ly/40NS8Wk](https://bit.ly/40NS8Wk)

**15  
FEB**

6:30 pm | Zoom  
**REGISTER:**  
[bit.ly/3GctWmY](https://bit.ly/3GctWmY)

**13  
MAY**

12 pm | Zoom  
**REGISTER:**  
[bit.ly/3R9qQq8](https://bit.ly/3R9qQq8)



## Refill your students' lunch accounts!

Please remember to check your students' Food Service Account in Skyward and make a payment if necessary.

**Student lunch at W.F. West is \$3.30**  
**Student breakfast is \$1.90**

Meals are free at Lintott, Orin Smith and CMS, but high school students must pay for breakfast and lunch.

Free/Reduced lunch forms can be found at:  
[chehalisschools.org/food-servicesmenus/](http://chehalisschools.org/food-servicesmenus/)



### **Bearcat Free Store**

We regularly see a lot of student requests for food from our Bearcat Free Store. We want to make sure students and parents know that:

- ★ This food is donated by community members and intended for students who do not have adequate access to food outside of school
- ★ Forms to apply for Free/Reduced Lunches are available in the main office
- ★ W.F. West's food service will never deny food to a student. If a student does not qualify for Free/Reduced Lunches and does not have money on their food service account, they can still get a meal and its cost will just be added to the student's balance.

If any families would like to donate single serving sized non perishable food items for the Bearcat Food Pantry, donations can be dropped off at the W.F. West Counseling Center.



**During lunches**

**ONLY**

**JUNIORS & SENIORS**

**are permitted to  
leave campus.**

**Freshmen and  
Sophomores are  
required to remain on  
campus for the entire  
school day.**



# Student Health & Safety



## Sick Policy Reminders for Students and Families

Please keep your child home from school if he/she has:

- A temperature above 100.4 F during previous 24 hours (should be fever free without use of medication for 24 hours before returning to school)
- Vomiting or diarrhea during the prior 24 hours
- Yellow or green nasal drainage associated with sore throat, nausea or fatigue
- A persistent cough which has kept your child up at night
- Signs or symptoms of Influenza, such as body aches, chills, headache, fatigue

Please notify the school nurse if your child has an illness that is contagious, such as testing positive for Covid-19 or Influenza. This will help us detect illnesses in others sooner.



## After-School Supervision

As a reminder, we value your student's safety while on our campus. The school day ends at 2:10 pm and students who are not involved in organized, extra-curricular activities, which provide supervision, *must* leave campus. Please ensure your student has clear plans for after school to help us avoid having unsupervised students on campus. Thank you!

### Title I Notification

Parents can request the following information regarding instructional staff who work with their children:

- Whether or not the child's teacher has met state certification for the grades and subjects she/he is teaching.
- Whether or not the teacher is working with an emergency or conditional certificate where state certification criteria has been waived.
- The baccalaureate degree major of the teacher and any other graduate certification or degree held, including field of discipline of the certificate or degree.
- If the child receives instructional services from a paraeducator, the paraeducator's qualifications.

### Chehalis School District Annual School's Report

Chehalis School District and the State of Washington believe that important information about local public schools should be provided to educators, parents, community members and the general public. The combined support of these various stakeholders ensures the success of all students. Information regarding current and past test scores, demographics, teacher qualifications, graduation and dropout rates for secondary students, and the status of school improvement can be obtained from the following website:

<http://reportcards.ospi.k12.wa.us/>.

Search for Chehalis School District and click on the school of choice.

Printed copies of the annual school's report or newsletter may be obtained from the Chehalis School District Office at 310 SW 16th Street, Chehalis, WA 98532 (360) 807-7200. You may also log on to the district website at <http://www.chehalisschools.org> and click on the appropriate link to view each document.





# Bearcat Athletics

## March Sports Schedule

### **FASTPITCH**

#### **JV & Varsity**

3/8	R.A. LONG	4:30
	@ Mark Morris	5:30 (Rec Park)
3/11	UNION	4:00
3/14	KELSO	4:30
3/15	N. THURSTON	4:30
3/18	RIVER RIDGE	4:30
3/20	@ Tumwater	4:30
3/22	CENTRALIA	4:30
3/25	@ Black Hills	4:30
3/30	@ Camas	2:00

### **BASEBALL**

#### **JV & Varsity**

3/9	ELLENSBURG	12:00
3/12	@ Timberline	4:30
3/14	@ Anacortes	3:00
3/15	N. KITSAP	4:00
3/19	ROCHESTER	4:30
3/20	@ Rochester	4:30
3/26	@ Black Hills	4:30
3/27	BLACK HILLS	4:30
3/29	@ OLYMPIC	4:15

### **GIRLS TENNIS**

#### **3:30 PM**

3/18	CASTLE ROCK
3/25	@ Aberdeen
3/27	TUMWATER
3/28	@ Kelso

### **GIRLS GOLF**

#### **3:30 PM**

3/13	@ Aberdeen
3/18	CENTRALIA
3/25	@ Shelton
3/27	@ Black Hills

### **BOYS & GIRLS TRACK**

3/22	@ Centralia	4:00
3/28	@ Shelton	3:45



*Cheerleading Try-Outs  
begin on March 6th!*

## WINTER SPORTS SUCCESS!

### Girls Basketball

League Champs  
District Champs

**Competing @ State!**

### Boys Basketball

League Champs!  
Tied for 3rd in District!

### Wrestling

Boys Wrestling Team  
Tied for 4th in State!

### Cheer

6th Place in Fight Song  
8th Place in Band Dance  
@ National Competition

### Boys Top Finishers:

Graysen Serl - 8th  
Kallon Homan - 3rd  
Andrew Penland - 2nd  
Tucker Land - 2nd  
Talan Meredith - 5th  
Andrew Snyder - 6th

### Bearcat Bowling

League Champs  
District Champs  
3rd in State!

### Girls Top Finishers:

Shelby Hazlett - 6th  
Lia Hornby - 6th

# GO BEARCATS!

**Spring Testing Season starts in April!**  
**Please check which days your student may be testing and help them come to school on time, rested, fed and prepared with a chromebook and charger!**

## Spring Testing Schedule

CAT – Computer Adapted Test      PT – Performance Task  
 WCAS – Washington Comprehensive Assessment of Science

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
4/15 Alg 2 Math CAT	4/16 Alg 2 Math CAT	4/17 Alg 2 Math PT	4/18 Alg 2 Math PT	4/19 Math Make-Up
4/22 No Testing	4/23 GR 12 Math Retakes	4/24 GR 11 Math Retakes	4/25 No Testing	4/26 GR 11,12 Math Retakes <b>Running Start (by appt.)</b>
4/29 No Testing	4/30 GR 12 ELA Retakes	5/1 GR 11 ELA Retakes	5/2 GR 11, 12 ELA Retakes	5/3 GR 11, 12 ELA Retakes <b>Running Start (by appt.)</b>
5/6 No Testing	5/7 GR 11 WCAS	5/8 GR 11 WCAS	5/9 AP Psychology 12PM	5/10 AP US History 8 AM
5/13 GR 10 ELA CAT	5/14 GR 10 ELA CAT	5/15 AP World History 8AM	5/16 GR 10 ELA PT	5/17 GR 10 ELA PT <b>Running Start (by appt.)</b>
5/20 GR 10 Math CAT Inter. Math CAT	5/21 GR 10 Math CAT Inter. Math CAT	5/22 GR 10 Math PT Inter. Math PT	5/23 GR 10 Math PT Inter. Math PT	5/24 Math Make-Up

\* Students who need to Retake an exam will be notified.

	<b>Upcoming SAT Test Dates</b>		<b>Upcoming ACT Test Dates</b>	
	<b>Test Date</b>	<b>Registration Deadline</b>	<b>Test date</b>	<b>Registration deadline</b>
	May 4, 2024**	Apr. 19 2024	Apr. 13, 2024	Mar. 8, 2024
	June 1, 2024**	May 16, 2024	June 8, 2024	May 3, 2024
	**Digital Test		July 13, 2024	June 7, 2024
<b>Website</b>		<b>Website</b>		
<a href="https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/sat/registration/dates-deadlines">https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/sat/registration/dates-deadlines</a>		<a href="https://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/the-act/registration.html">https://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/the-act/registration.html</a>		





# Counseling Center

## Student Led Conferences: March 4th & 5th

**A Student-Led Conference (SLC) is required for all 9th-11th grade students and at least one parent/guardian.** Students will prepare and deliver a presentation to their CCR teacher and parent during their conference. Please be sure to sign up for a conference time slot in Skyward (under the 'Conferences' tab) as soon as possible. Any student who will not be able to have a parent/guardian in attendance for their SLC must make prior arrangements with their CCR teacher.

## 2024-25 Registration

Registration is now open for next year's classes through your student's Skyward account. An email went out recently with instructions on how to complete this step. Following their SLC, students and parents will still need to bring their registration sheet to their counselor in the Commons. Counselors met with 9th-11th grade students in February to share registration information and parents/guardians are encouraged to look over their students' Class Registration Worksheets. Registration needs to be completed by March 8th. Anyone interested in doing Running Start next year still needs to register for classes at WFW. Running Start paperwork must be turned in to Mrs. Goble before March 29th. Students' High School and Beyond Plan (Google Form sent in an email to students) is due by March 29th and a parent/guardian signature is required.

### WFW Counselors

A-G, AVID - Mrs. Rakevich; [lrakevich@chehalisschools.org](mailto:lrakevich@chehalisschools.org)

H-N, Running Start - Mrs. Goble: [sgoble@chehalisschools.org](mailto:sgoble@chehalisschools.org) / O-Z - Mrs. Boeck [jboeck@chehalisschools.org](mailto:jboeck@chehalisschools.org)



All Senior members of National Honor Society must turn in their required 50 community service hours to Mrs Rakevich on or before March 29th. Seniors who want to receive Honors recognition at graduation must turn in their completed Honors packets to the Counseling Center by March 29th. Honors packets are available in the Counseling Center.

WF West is excited to welcome alumni **Erin White**, an ESD counselor who works through True North, to our district for the remainder of the school year. Erin will be splitting her time between WF West and Chehalis MS. She will be screening students individually and working with qualifying students in a variety of groups settings including:

- *Alcohol/Tobacco/Risk Education (ATOD)*
- *Intervention (Sessions available for kids who may be experimenting, but do not meet criteria for a substance use disorder diagnosis);*
- *Affected Others (Sessions for kids who are affected by a loved one using substances);*
- *TRAILS (Sessions focused on coping skills)*

Referrals for screening with Erin can be made through your student's school counselor; if you need to contact her directly you can call 5509 and leave a voicemail. She will respond to messages within 24 hours.



# College & Career Readiness

## Upcoming Events . . .

### SENIORS

Spring semester will go fast! Students need to be watching their emails. Colleges are starting to send out acceptance letters, housing timelines, and Admit Day information. Most of this information is on their college portal and/or emailed to students directly. Deadlines matter and we don't want you to miss anything! Students should contact Mrs. Chaput if they need any help on next steps.

**Jostens:** Jostens will be here on Tuesday, April 16th to hand out caps & gowns! They will be in the Commons from 9:30-12:30.



### FAFSA!

**SENIORS:** If you haven't completed your FAFSA yet, Centralia College is offering workshops to help students and families get this form completed. You do *not* need to be planning on attending CC, the workshops are open to everyone.

Dates are:

Feb 28th, 3-6

March 6th, 3-6

March 13th, 3-6

Location: Centralia College,  
Washington Hall, Room 207

### JUNIORS

#### College Planning Day for Juniors - 3/14

Juniors are invited to attend a **College Planning Day event on March 14th**. This is an annual statewide event that invites high school juniors to come to a college campus, this year hosted by WSU-Vancouver, to explore college options. Over 20 Colleges and Universities will be there. Each institution gives a 30 minute presentation about their college, programs, and what makes them unique. Students get to attend presentations of their choice. This is a deeper dive than a typical college fair. Permission Slips are available with Mrs. Chaput and must be submitted by March 8th.

**National College Fairs:** There are two coming to our area in April. This is an opportunity for students and families to connect with colleges from across the US and beyond (over 80 colleges and universities). It is free and open to the public, but they prefer it if you sign up ahead of time. For more information, visit:

<https://www.pnacac.org/spring-college-fairs>

- April 27th at Seattle University, 9:00-12:00
- April 28th at University of Portland, 12:00- 3:00

Colleges are starting to offer **College Preview Events**. This is a time where students from all over attend. It is normally a full day with dorm tours, academic showcases, student panels, campus tours, and club fairs. You can find additional information on college websites, but here are a few coming up for Juniors! This is a fun way to see if you like the campus.

- Central WA University Preview Day: April 6th  
<https://www.cwu.edu/admissions-aid/visit/preview-day.php>
- WSU Preview Day: April 13th  
<https://admission.wsu.edu/visit/preview-events/>
- Gonzaga Preview Days: March 8 & 25, April 5 & 26  
<https://apply.gonzaga.edu/portal/previewday>

*\*\* Please note that other universities will have similar events, please check their websites for details.*

**College Admissions Tests:** Many colleges no longer require you to take the **SAT or ACT** test as part of college admissions. However, it really depends on the school. If you are planning on attending college in another state or you want to apply to a very competitive school, then I would suggest signing up for the SAT or ACT the Spring of your Junior year. Links are below. If you have some ideas of colleges you are thinking of applying to, look at their website for ACT/SAT policy.

<https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/sat/registration/dates-deadlines>

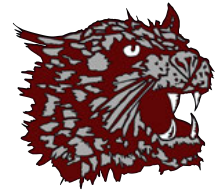
<https://www.act.org/content/act/en/register-for-the-act.html>



# Future Bearcat / 8th Grade Parent Information Night

8th Grade students and their parents are encouraged to attend this information session for incoming Freshmen!

Date: Wednesday, March 27th  
Location: W.F. WEST HIGH SCHOOL COMMONS  
Time: 5:00-6:30pm



- *Meet Staff*
- *Learn about the transition from middle to high school*
- *Learn about student educational programs*
- *Be advised about student graduation requirements*
- *Learn about the registration process*

**NOTE: Students' BLUE Class Registration Worksheet MUST be turned in at Parent night or to the students' CMS counselor by FRIDAY, MARCH 29th!**

**\*\* W.F. West Counselors will be visiting CMS students on March 25th to talk about registering for High School classes.**



## Apprenticeship Panel & Trades Fair



On February 22nd, approximately 200 W.F. West students had the awesome opportunity to attend our **7th Annual Apprenticeship Panel and Trades Fair**. Students got a chance to learn about apprenticeships and career opportunities from professionals in the field.



Thank you to all of our industry guests who made this event possible:

*Chad Strodemier*, Lewis County PUD;  
*Jeremy Clevenger*, Laborers Union;  
*Jeff Reinhardt*, Sheet Metal Union;  
*Barry Blackburn*, Electrical Union;  
*Jake Dunthorn*, Operating Engineers Union;  
*Travis Dodson*, Carpenters Union;  
*Elizabeth Lazo*, Centralia College Career & Technical Programs;  
*Jeb Kozisek*, I-5 Toyota;  
*Nicole Miller and Cheryce Morrison*, Construct a Career Program.

We know that each of these fields may not be for every student, but believe that the *idea* of apprenticeships and trade professions are great to get students exposed to. We want to thank our presenters for taking the time to talk to our students!



# Scholarships

**\*\* Indicates new scholarship this month**

**Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation** - Two scholarships for children of Marines and Navy Corpsmen pursuing post secondary education or training.

*Undergraduate/Associate Scholarship* - apply at <https://www.mcsf.org/scholarship/> **Deadline is March 1st.**

*Career & Technical Education Scholarship* - apply online at <https://www.mcsf.org/cte/>. This application is open all year long and completed **applications are processed monthly.**

**Central WA University Scholarship** - Application online at <https://www.cwu.edu/scholarships/scholarship-central> **deadline is March 1st.**

**American Indian Endowed Scholarships** - Have close social and cultural ties to an American Indian tribe in Washington, intend to use your education to benefit their community and have demonstrated financial need. Apply online at <https://wsac.wa.gov/american-indian-endowed-scholarship>. Opens in December with a deadline of **March 1st.**

**WA State School Retirees' Assoc.** - Seniors with at least a 3.0 GPA who plan to have a career in the "field of education". Areas of study can be teacher, counselor, speech therapist, occupational therapist or psychologist. Apply online at: <https://wssra.org/index.php/foundation/scholarships> Must be completed online, printed and **postmarked by March 1st.**

**WA State School Retirees' Assoc.- Gene Forrester** - Seniors who plan to major in AG Education at WSU apply online at <https://wssra.org/index.php/foundation/scholarships> Must be completed online, printed and **postmarked by March 1st.**

**Cancer Unwrapped** - High School Writing Contest and Scholarship. Open to students in grades 9-12 in WA State. Essay about experience with cancer and how it has affected your life. Application at: <https://cancerpathways.org/programs/cancer-unwrapped/> and **deadline is March 1st.**

**Washington State Society of American Foresters** - For seniors continuing their education in Forestry at one of several WA schools. available online or in counseling center. **Must be received by (not postmarked) March 1st.** Application available online at: <https://forestry.org/wssaf-foundation-scholarship/>

**Ewing C. Kelly Scholarship** - Seniors planning to attend 2/4 year institution or vocational training. Some additional requirements depending on the college path being pursued. Based on academic merit, extracurricular activities and financial need. Applicants will be judged on their academic merit, extracurricular achievements--both scholastically and in their community--and financial need. Two ways to apply: **Deadline is March 8th.** See below for two options to complete the application, **but both must be mailed.**

**Link to the 2023 Manual Form (to print, then handwrite answers, and mail-in):**

<http://kellyfoundationwashington.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/Official-Ewing-C-Kelly-Scholarship-Application-10-02-2023.pdf>

**Link to the 2023 Fillable Form (can type directly in the document, then print, and mail-in):**

<http://kellyfoundationwashington.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/Official-Ewing-C-Kelly-Scholarship-Application-10-02-2023-form.pdf>

**Women's Western Golf Foundation** - For female students involved in golf. Students must demonstrate academic excellence, good character & financial need. Apply online at: <https://www.wwga.org/scholarships> **Deadline is March 8th.**





# Scholarships

**Chehalis Foundation Scholarships** - For students pursuing post-secondary education, including technical training. **This single application is used for consideration of multiple scholarships with varying criteria.** Information sheet is available in the counseling center and application is online at <https://bit.ly/ChehalisFoundationScholarships> **Deadline for submission is 11:00 p.m. on March 10th.**

**America's 911 Foundation** - For children of first responders. **Deadline is March 10th.** Apply online at: [https://www.americas911foundation.org/scholarship/scholarship\\_main.php](https://www.americas911foundation.org/scholarship/scholarship_main.php)

**\*\* Washington Award for Vocational Excellence (WAVE)** - Eligible seniors need to have completed (or be in process of completing) their second course in a single career and technical education program and plan on attending a Washington college, university or private career school. Apply online at <https://wtb.wa.gov/wave/> **Deadline is March 10th.**

**Ellen Anderson deMoise Scholarship** - For Lewis County seniors planning to attend a four-year college or university. Financial need and work or community service. **Deadline is March 13th.** Apply online at: <https://www.thecommunityfoundation.com/scholarships/ellen-anderson-de-moise-scholarship>

**Russell Legacy: Women in STEM** - Female seniors in Lewis, Mason, or Thurston county public H.S. planning to pursue studies in the fields of science, technology, engineering or math at a four-year college or university. Apply at: <https://www.thecommunityfoundation.com/scholarships/russell-legacy-women-in-stem> **Deadline is March 13th.**

**\*\* Microsoft Scholarship for Students with Disabilities** - This scholarship will be awarded to promising high school seniors with disabilities who plan to attend a vocational or academic college and target a career in the technology industry, a broad range of career areas. **Deadline is March 13th.** Apply online at <https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/diversity/programs/microsoftdisabilityscholarship.aspx>

**Pacific Northwest Association for College Admission Counseling** - Seniors and/or community college students who plan on attending 4-yr institution in fall, 3.0 GPA or higher. **Must submit a video essay application by March 15th.** Details online at: <https://www.pnacac.org/student-scholarships>

**Smart Choices Scholarship** - Seniors from WIAA member high schools for excellence in athletics/activities, academics, leadership and community service. Apply online at [www.wiaa.com/smartchoices](http://www.wiaa.com/smartchoices) **Deadline is March 15th.**

**UBC Family Epilepsy Scholarship** - For students with epilepsy or with parents who have epilepsy who will be attending college, university or trade school. Must show academic and personal achievement and be involved in activities outside of school and be a positive role model. Apply online at: <https://www.ucbepilepsyscholarship.com/program-details> **Deadline is March 15th.**

**\*\* 4-H Scholarship** - For currently enrolled WA 4-H members who have accumulated at least 2 years of 4-H affiliation, and plan on attending a 2/4 year institution next fall. **Apply online for various scholarships at:** <https://extension.wsu.edu/4h/youth/scholarship-opportunities/> **Deadline is March 15th, 9:59 PM**

**Youth Maritime Training Assoc. Scholarship** - Students planning to pursue post-secondary education or training leading to maritime or marine related career and have at least 2.5 GPA. **Deadline is March 25th.** Apply online at: <https://ymta.net/ymta-scholarships/2024-ymta-scholarships/>

**\*\*Friends of St. John at Peace Health** - Students pursuing an education in the medical profession in an area employable by PeaceHealth St. John Medical Center and minimum 3.0 GPA. Application available in counseling center and **must be postmarked by deadline of March 29th.**

**Hearthstone Housing Foundation** - Students from low-income families with 3.0 GPA planning on continuing the education or training. Apply online at [www.hearthstonehousing.org/scholarship](http://www.hearthstonehousing.org/scholarship). **Deadline is March 31st.**



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**Twin Star Community Foundation** - Seniors who are members in good standing with TwinStar Credit Union and planning on continuing their education. **Deadline is March 31st.** Applications available to download online at: <https://apply.mykaleidoscope.com/scholarships/twinstarhighereducation2024>

**Masonic Legacy and Masonic Youth Order** - For seniors pursuing higher education who have family connection to WA Masonic Lodge . Other requirements can be found with application at: <https://www.wa-masoniccharities.org/on-the-level-student-success/scholarships/> **Deadline is March 31st.**

**Lockheed Martin STEM Scholarship** - Students majoring in STEM at 4 yr. Institution. Specific majors are: engineering, math, physics, information systems or information assurance. **Deadline is April 1st, by 1:00 pm our time.** Apply online at: <https://www.lockheedmartin.com/en-us/who-we-are/communities/stem-education/lm-scholarship-program.html>

**Lockheed Martin Vocational Scholarship** - Students pursuing a voc/tech degree. For study in one of the following areas/ related fields: computer/info science; support services; engineering tech; mechanic/repair tech; precision production; transportation/materials moving or security/protective services. **Deadline is April 1st, by 1:00 pm our time.** Apply at: <https://www.lockheedmartin.com/en-us/who-we-are/communities/stem-education/lockheed-martin-vocational-scholarship.html>

**Mike Oechsner Memorial Scholarship** - Female athletes who have earned at least two letters in a varsity sport. Open to those planning to attend college or vocational training. Application available online at <http://leadable.info/XScholarship> **Deadline is April 1st.**

**\*\* WA Sustainable Forestry Initiative** - For students pursuing an education in Forestry or Natural Resources at several Washington universities and community colleges. Applications available online at: <https://www.wasfi.org/scholarships> **Deadline is April 1st.**

**\*\*THE NEXT 5 APPLICATIONS ARE TO BE TURNED INTO THE COUNSELING CENTER. SINCE THEIR DEADLINES OCCUR DURING SPRING BREAK 3/31 and 4/1), WE WILL CONTINUE TO ACCEPT THEM UNTIL 2:30 ON APRIL 8TH \*\***

**Ric Snelson Memorial Scholarship** - Students enrolling full-time in college or university next fall planning to pursue a degree in a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering or Math) field. Application available in counseling center and **must be returned to the counseling center by March 31st.**

**Fred and Virginia Haunreiter Memorial Nursing** - Students planning on pursuing a degree in nursing with a GPA of at least 2.5. Applications in counseling center and must be returned **no later than April 1st.**

**Rod Rinta Memorial Scholarship** - For seniors who have earned a letter in a varsity sport and have a 2.5 GPA or higher. Applications in counseling center and must be returned **no later than April 1st.**

**Connie Small Community Service Scholarship** - For WF West seniors planning to attend a 2/4 year college or university. Based on scholastic achievement, community service, leadership and volunteer experiences. Applications in counseling center and must be returned **no later than April 1st.**

**Chehalis Activators Scholarship** - Must have at least a 2.5 GPA and participation in extracurricular activities. Application in the Counseling Center. **Deadline April 1st.**

**\*\*BIAW Scholarship** - Seniors planning to attend any Washington state accredited community, voc/tech, or university program to pursue construction industry related fields of study. **Deadline is April 8th.** Apply online at: <https://www.biaw.com/wa-homebuilders-foundation/>





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**\*\*Washington State Opportunities Career and Technical Scholarship** – For students entering community college, technical school or approved apprenticeship. Must have at least a 2.75 GPA. Helps low - middle income WA residents attending school in state. Check online for a list of approved major, income guidelines, and included programs. Application online at <https://waopportunitiescholarship.org/applicants/career-technical/#eligibility> Application opens March 5th with a **deadline on April 10th.**

**Olympia Master Builders Scholarship** - For Seniors intending to pursue studies leading to a career in the building industry such as: engineering, architecture, drafting, industrial design, carpentry, construction management. Application online at: <https://omb.org/education/scholarships/> **Deadline to be mailed and postmarked by April 12th.**

**Chehalis Education Association Scholarship** - Seniors desiring to pursue a degree in education. First priority will be given to the children, stepchildren and grandchildren of CEA members followed by W.F. West graduates. Paper applications are available in the counseling center and Ms. Chaput's office. **Application must be received (not postmarked) by the deadline of April 14th.**

**Chehalis JR CATS Scholarship** - Seniors with minimum 2.75 GPA who are planning to further their education or training. Must have participated for at least 2 yrs. in Jr. Cats football/cheer or have accumulated a minimum of 20 volunteer hours helping with these programs. Must also have participated in at least 1 school sponsored sport or program for each year of high school. **Application in counseling center and mailed by April 15th.**

**The BHW Group scholars** - For women who plan to pursue a undergraduate or masters degree in a STEM field. Application will open in January and **deadline is around April 15th.** Apply online: [www.thebhwwgroup.com/scholarship](http://www.thebhwwgroup.com/scholarship)

**Sea Mar Community Health Centers Scholarships** - Several scholarships for students who face economic, language and cultural barriers to attend college. Requirements differ for various scholarships. More information and applications online at: <https://seamar.org/scholarships.html> **Deadline is April 15th.**

**\*\* Centralia College Scholarships** - If you plan on attending Centralia College, this one application is for all available scholarships. Apply online at: <https://www.centralia.edu/funding/scholarships.aspx> **Deadline is April 15th.**

**\*\* GM Minority Dealer Scholarship** - For minority students interested in pursuing careers in automotive retail and/or automotive technology. Apply online at <https://gmmdscholarship.com/> **Deadline is April 15th.**

**\*\* Lewis County Bowling Association Scholarship** - For students who are part of WFW and/or LC bowling community. Application in counseling center and must be emailed to contact listed by deadline of **April 15th.**

**\*\*Sea Mar Community Health Centers Scholarships** - Several scholarships for students who face economic, language and cultural barriers to attend college. Requirements differ for various scholarships. More information and applications online at: <https://seamar.org/scholarships.html> **Deadline is April 15th.**

**Lewis County Farm Bureau** - Any Lewis County, WA high school senior, extra consideration will be given to students of Farm Bureau families and/or those who have been actively involved in agricultural activities. A career in agriculture is not required. Students must be planning to pursue post-secondary training/education, at a college, trade school or vocational program. No minimum GPA requirement but students must be interested in giving back to their community. Application information is available in the counseling center and **must be mailed to the address listed by April 15th.**

**BHW Scholarship** - Students planning to pursue an undergraduate degree in Science, Technology, Engineering or Math. Apply online at <https://thebhwwgroup.com/scholarship> **Deadline is April 15th.**

**WWIN Scholarship** - For students who identify as a woman, must have filled out your FAFSA, plan to continue education, minimum GPA of 2.0 and have unmet financial need. **Deadline is April 18th.** Apply online : <https://wwin.org/star-scholars/>



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**\*\* Jeniffer Affeldt Memorial Scholarship** - For Seniors pursuing a course of study in Social Work; Midwifery/Obstetrics; Aiding and/or teaching children. Application in counseling center and **deadline to return is April 18th.**

**\*\* Wichert Electric Inc. Scholarship** - Seniors who plan on pursuing education/training. Must have participated in a sport/club/band/etc. and have a 3.0 or higher GPA. Application in counseling center and **must be mailed/postmarked by deadline of April 19th.**

**Drew Douglass Memorial Scholarship** - Seniors who are passionate about raising awareness of mental health issues and who are involved in the community. Must be planning to attend college/tech school. Applications in counseling center and due back by **April 19th.**

**\*\* WA State Auto Dealers Association Bright Future Scholarship** - Scholarship is to provide financial assistance to automotive technology programs. **Deadline is April 26th..**

<https://wsada.org/community/scholarships#:~:text=WSADA%20Bright%20Future%20Scholarship&text=The%20Washington%20State%20Auto%20Dealers.Washington%20State%20automotive%20technology%20program>

**\*\* Brian Cox Memorial Scholarship** - W.F. West athletes who have lettered in at least 1 varsity sport, GPA of 2.5 or better, plan to pursue post-secondary education. Application in Counseling Center and **due back by April 30th.**

**\*\* Chehalis Little League Scholarship** - Seniors who participated in Chehalis Little League and continued to participate in the sport of baseball in high school by playing, coaching, umping or volunteering. Application available in counseling center and must be mailed to address on application by **April 30th.**

**\*\*Royal Brougham Scholarship** - Students attending a Christian college/university (approved list on website). Apply online at: <https://crista.org/royal-brougham-foundation-scholarship/rbfs-guidelines/> **Deadline is April 30th.**

**\*\*Major Gray Memorial Scholarship** - For W.F. West fastpitch players (at least 2 yrs) who earned a varsity letter and have a minimum GPA of 2.75. Pick up and return the application to the counseling center by **May 1st.**

**Scholarship America** - Listings for **many** scholarships administered by Scholarship America. Various requirements and deadlines. <https://scholarshipamerica.org/students/browse-scholarship/>

**StudentScholarships.org** - **This website posts many scholarships with a variety of options for students.** Check out their website at: <https://studentscholarships.org/>

**Incredible Health Nursing Scholarships and Grants resource guide** - **This link contains numerous links to scholarships and nursing career resources.** <https://www.incrediblehealth.com/blog/nursing-scholarships-and-grants/>

**Scholarship Junkies.org** - This website posts many scholarships with a variety of option and deadlines: <https://www.scholarshipjunkies.org/scholarship-search>

**SCHOLARSHIPS ARE ADDED AS WE RECEIVE THEM. PLEASE CONTINUE TO CHECK ONLINE AND IN THE COUNSELING CENTER FOR ADDITIONAL SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES THAT MAY BE POSTED THROUGHOUT THE MONTH.**

Want to receive the latest "Friday Connect" emails and other School District News? Join our email group!  
Sign up by emailing:  
[communications@chehalisschools.org](mailto:communications@chehalisschools.org)

**Chehalis School District Community Newsletter**

"The Learning Network," can be accessed online through the district's website at <http://www.chehalisschools.org>



*Baby Bearcat enrollment is just around the corner! Registration will take place on Monday, April 8th. You can pick up a registration packet in the main office at W. F. West on March 18th. You will need to complete the registration packet with immunization record and pay a \$45.00 deposit to be added to a class list.*

*We will enroll 4 year olds and Chehalis School District students first. Students from other districts and three year olds will be placed on a waitlist and added to class lists as space allows. Baby Bearcats is a really cool program and the spaces will go fast!*

*Baby Bearcats: engaged learners, good citizens, future bearcat graduates!*

## **YOU CAN HELP A SENIOR THIS YEAR!**

Every year when we approach graduation orders, we have a number of students who cannot afford the cost of a cap and gown, which is required for them to participate in the graduation ceremony. Some sets are generously donated each year by Jostens. For the rest, we are appealing to our generous Chehalis community for help. The school does not have cap/gown sets to loan since we do not sell them.

The cost for cap, gown, tassel and stole for a graduate is approximately \$75 and we regularly have about 15 students in need per year. We screen the students who need help, but do not ask too many personal questions. We are trying to help but not embarrass them. Only the students we work with and Jostens know they have received help.

If you can help, please send a check made out to W.F. West (on the memo line write **Grad Donation**).

### **Address to:**

W.F. West  
Attn: Kirstin Toynbee  
342 SW 16th St.  
Chehalis, WA 98532

### **ANY AMOUNT HELPS!**

If we receive more than we need for this year, we will leave the money in the fund for next year. Thank you for your consideration of this request.



W.F. West High School  
342 SW 16th St.  
Chehalis, WA 98532



Habla español? El distrito escolar de Chehalis ofrece servicios de traducción al español a nuestros padres y familias. Por favor comuníquese con Emma Reynolds al 360-807-7225, o al correo electrónico a [ereynolds@chehalisschools.org](mailto:ereynolds@chehalisschools.org)

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### **Non-Discrimination/Equal Opportunity Statement**

Chehalis School District does not discriminate in any programs or activities on the basis of sex, race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, veteran or military status, sexual orientation, gender expression or identity, disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups.

Chehalis School District offers classes in many career and technical education (CTE) program areas, including Agriculture, Business and Marketing, Family and Consumer Sciences, Skilled and Technical Sciences, Health Sciences and STEM. Lack of English language proficiency will not be a barrier to admission and participation in career and technical education programs.

The following employees have been designated to handle questions and complaints of alleged discrimination:

El Distrito Escolar de Chehalis no discrimina en ningún programa o actividad por sexo, raza, credo, religión, color, origen nacional, edad, estado veterano o militar, orientación sexual, expresión o identidad de género, discapacidad o el uso de un Guía de perros entrenados o un animal de servicio y proporciona igual acceso a los Boy Scouts y otros grupos juveniles designados.

El Distrito Escolar de Chehalis ofrece clases en varias áreas con programas de educación vocacional y técnica (CTE), incluyendo Agricultura, Negocios y Mercadotecnia, Ciencias de la Familia y del Consumidor, Ciencias Técnicas y Calificadas, Ciencias de la Salud y STEM. La falta de dominio del idioma inglés no será una barrera para la admisión y participación en programas de educación profesional y técnica.

Los siguientes empleados han sido designados para manejar las preguntas y quejas de supuestas discriminaciones:

Title IX Coordinator

Athletic Director, Tommy Elder, 310 SW 16th Street Chehalis, WA 98532 360-807-7235 [telder@chehalisschools.org](mailto:telder@chehalisschools.org)

Section 504/ADA Coordinator

Director of Special Education, Katie Howell, 2025 SW Salsbury Ave Chehalis, WA 98532 (360) 807-7245 option 3 (360) 748-8767 Fax [khowell@chehalisschools.org](mailto:khowell@chehalisschools.org)

Civil Rights Compliance Coordinator

Debby Gregory, 310 SW 16th Street Chehalis, WA 98532 360-807-7200 [dgregory@chehalisschools.org](mailto:dgregory@chehalisschools.org)

Career and Technical Education Coordinator

Mark Westley, 310 SW 16th Street Chehalis, WA 98532 360-807-7235 [mwestley@chehalisschools.org](mailto:mwestley@chehalisschools.org)