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2011 Feb President's Message

News from our President, Jennifer Campbell February 2011

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In a flash, the first semester of the school year is officially over!

Due to unforeseen snow days, report cards will be distributed

February 8th during 7th period classes. Please ask your student to

review it with you. If your student doesn't have a 7th period class, have them check with their

Sub School. Please remember if your student is having problems with a particular subject, it's not too late to improve performance before the end of the year. **There is free tutoring available through the BITS Tutoring program.** Go to http://www.fcps.edu/WestfieldHS/student_services/bits.htm. There are also opportunities for students who excel in a subject to volunteer to provide tutoring. BITS takes place on Saturday mornings in the school library.

Have you begun your New Year's resolutions and starting cleaning out your closets? Before you thrown things out, please think twice. The PTSA is partnering with the WHS English department to **recycle your gently used books**, both fiction and non-fiction, to use for our students or teachers. Also, while emptying your shelves, if you no longer need your book shelves, several teachers are looking any castaways you may have. On the same note, in preparation for Senior Prom on Friday June 3rd, I am looking for a parent who would be willing to help collect clean men's and **women's prom clothes for redistribution to Westfield students in need**. If you are interested in helping with either of these time limited projects, or if you have any of the above items you'd like to donate, [please contact me](#).

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PTSA Tidbits and FCPS News

Saturday Night in the Suburbs

Find out from a panel of high school seniors what is really going on, when adults aren't looking!

WHEN: Thursday, March 17, 2011 at 7:00 PM

WHERE: Westfield High School, Lecture Hall, 4700 Stonecroft Blvd., Chantilly, VA

WHAT: A free program for adults, an evening of dialogue with a panel of senior students to discuss drugs, alcohol, parties, driving, sexting, and communication between teens and parents.

This program was well received the past 7

Chantilly Academy Open House

Do you have a career in mind? We would like to help you achieve your goals...

6:00 – 7:00 PM - Students and parents are cordially invited to join us for a free spaghetti dinner prepared and served by our Culinary Arts students.

6:00 PM – 8:00 PM - Students and parents are invited to learn more about our exciting programs at Chantilly Academy by touring the classrooms, meeting the instructors, and learning how you can earn industry certifications, professional licenses, and

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Items to be included in the March 2011 Bulldog Bulletin must be [submitted to newsletter@westfieldhs.org on or before February 22, 2011](#)

Your feedback is important to us. Send to [newsletter@westfieldhs.org](#) comments or suggestions to make your PTSA better

years by Westfield High School and other middle and high school parents in the surrounding area. Join us for an “eye-opening” and honest discussion.

Even if you think your teen is behaving, come out and hear what pressures your child has or will have to deal with and what others are involved in!

Knowledge is power, and prevention starts early...please help us spread the word!

Funded in part by Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act and supported by Westfield Community Coalition and the Westfield PTSA.

For additional information contact Jennifer Cooper at jalcooper@aol.com or Jennifer Campbell at jcampbellpta@aol.com

Race to Nowhere

Race to Nowhere, is being shown at several area locations. This documentary is about the pressures our school children and teachers are facing in a competitive system with a drive to perform. The film examines various outcomes for our students and educators: stress-related illnesses, depression and burnout. [Read more information.](#)

Two area screenings will take place on February 10, 2011 at 7pm at Madison High School and Chantilly High School.

Class of 2014 Spirit Wear

There is a limited amount of Spirit Wear available for the Class of 2014. Long and short sleeve t-shirts are available as well as sweat pants. Order forms and payments can be turned in to Ms. Eldredge or Mrs. Murray in E105 during Bulldog Block or during periods 3-7.

college credits in high school.

Chantilly Academy, 4201 Stringfellow Road, Chantilly, Virginia 20151. For more information, please call 703-222-7460 or [visit their web site.](#)

Fairfax Academy Information Night

Fairfax Academy Information Night is Tuesday, March 1 from 7:30-9pm in the Fairfax HS auditorium.

We are encouraging all those curious about our academy to click “Like” on our Fairfax Academy Facebook page (search “Fairfax Academy” in Facebook to receive daily updates on the great activities at Fairfax Academy. [Read more General information](#)

SAT vs. ACT...Whats the difference?

Come take our SAT/ ACT combination practice test and find out!

The Princeton Review will be hosting an SAT/ ACT combination test at Westfield High School!

When: Saturday, February 5, 2011 *8:45 a.m. - 12: 45 p.m.*, snow date- 2/12/11

Where: Westfield High School Cafeteria

Cost: \$15, check made payable to WHS PTSA (SAT Practice in memo).

[Register now.](#)

Have questions? Contact [Jennifer Campbell.](#)

Committee News**Minority Achievement Committee**

Save the Date! The next Minority Achievement Committee (MAC) meeting is Feb. 22, 2011.

The focus of MAC is to establish positive relationships between the Westfield

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

Friendly reminder to take action and spread the word to the parents, teachers, staff and community members to register their grocery reward cards.

Safeway: We currently have members that

administration, faculty, students and parents by encouraging community involvement, while providing communication and guidance of school programs as we work to build bridges to close the minority achievement gap.

Please plan to attend the next MAC meeting on Tuesday, 2/22/11, at 7 pm in the library. Our next MAC Parent Coffee is on 3/22/11. You can find out the Latest News and Information on MAC and events in our area at <http://ptsa.westfieldhs.org/latest-news-and-information.html>.

Join the MAC community. Membership is free at <http://ptsa.westfieldhs.org/join-mac-community.html>. We look forward to seeing you at the meetings.

If you have any questions, please contact Milan Coleman and/or Deanna McRae King at mac@westfieldhs.org

SAP

Did you know that Westfield has a Student Assistance Program?

It provides prevention, intervention and treatment services for our students.

Contact Jessica Williams at 703-488-6386 or jwilliams4@fcps.edu for a free, confidential consultation.

need to renew their Club cards. Logon to www.eScrip.com select YES renew, then enter phone number, email or Club card number. If you need to sign up simply click on 1-Sign up and enter Club card number. Our school code is Westfield High School Ptsa eScrip Group ID – 6634243

Harris Teeter: school code 8134. There are several ways to link your VIC card: At the register in Harris Teeter stores, at the Customer Service desk in Harris Teeter stores, on their web site - www.harristeeter.com , by phone - Call 1-800-432-6111

Last year we earned \$111.31 with only 22 VIC cards designated. Currently we have 14 cards linked earning \$43.36.

Giant A+ Bonusbucks: Bonuscard designations are in full swing. Please do your part to register and designate your bonus card to Westfield code #03798. Please note you have to re-designate your card every new school year. You can log on to www.giantfood.com/aplus to register online, call 1-877-275-2758 to register over the phone or in the store. If you do not have your bonus card information please go to https://www.giantfood.com/our_stores/bonus_bucks/designation_lookup.htm or contact 1-877-366-2668.

For 2009-2010 we earned \$7,330.78 with only 371 cards signed up. This year we currently only have 65 cards designated and but already have easy to earn \$299. Please relink today!

Imagine what we could do with more cards signed up to support WHS. With over 2900 students we need everyone to take 5 minutes to do this for your students and the school. [Any questions feel free to email me.](#)