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FFA Happenings



Written by Emerson Underwood
February was a whirlwind month for our FFA chapter, full of activities, learning, and connection. The month began with the FFA Lock-In, where members enjoyed games like Grog and Glow in the Dark Dodgeball while planning for the year ahead.

Members also attended the Spokane Ag Expo, exploring vendors and gaining hands-on insight into the agricultural industry. Looking forward, the chapter is preparing for the Harvest Ball, an annual dance celebrating achievements and strengthening connections.

February proved once again that our FFA chapter is dedicated to growth, learning, and fun.

"Take every opportunity."

-Ms. Abel

WRESTLING TEAM SHINES; JAROD FINISHES 10TH

Written by Martin Vasquez

The wrestling season was a success for everyone involved, with each athlete showing dedication, growth, and determination throughout the year. Team members included Dylan Gutierrez, Flynn Richardson, Graycen Teal, and Jarod Hankins. The team was led by coaches Lash LaRue and Ray Compton, with Karissa Potts serving as team manager and supporting the wrestling team all season long.

Dylan Gutierrez, a sophomore, completed his second year of wrestling. After gaining experience last season, he showed noticeable improvement and finished this year with a 5-12 record. His hard work and development from year one to year two prove that he is continuing to grow as an athlete.

Flynn Richardson, a first year wrestler, stepped up and competed in most of the team's tournaments and dual meets.

Being new to the sport, he gained valuable experience that will help him continue improving in the coming seasons.

Senior Graycen Teal wrapped up his third year of wrestling with an impressive amount of growth. Teammate Jared Hankins noted how dramatically Graycen improved from his first year to his third. Graycen finished the season with a strong winning record of 12-9, a great accomplishment to close out his high school career.

Jarod Hankins, also a senior in his third year, had an outstanding season. He dominated in tournaments and finished with an impressive 32-11 record. Jarod made his second appearance at the State Tournament, where he placed 10th with a 3-2 record. He shared that one of his favorite parts of the season was traveling, staying in a hotel room, and making memories with his teammates.

Overall, it was a memorable season filled with growth, hard work, and team bonding. While this was the final season for seniors Graycen and Jared, they leave behind strong legacies and unforgettable memories. As for Dylan and Flynn, the future looks bright as they continue to improve and build on this year's success. Congratulations to all the wrestlers on a great season!



Inside the Cage

By: Mattilynn Carter

The ASB has been working with the program, Teens In The Driver's Seat. Teens in the Driver's Seat is a safety program that educates teenagers about traffic and the safety risks they may face while driving. ASB has completed 3 activities based on seatbelt safety. They also hosted an informative assembly about the program and got students involved with a trivia race. It has been great getting students involved in the program and emphasizing the importance of driving safely.



Principal's corner

We've had a great few weeks at school! Harvest Ball and Ag Olympics were both fantastic events that showcased our students' school spirit and community pride. I'm also proud of our Leadership class for putting on a meaningful seatbelt awareness assembly to promote student safety. Spring sports begin in March, and we're excited to see our student-athletes back in action!

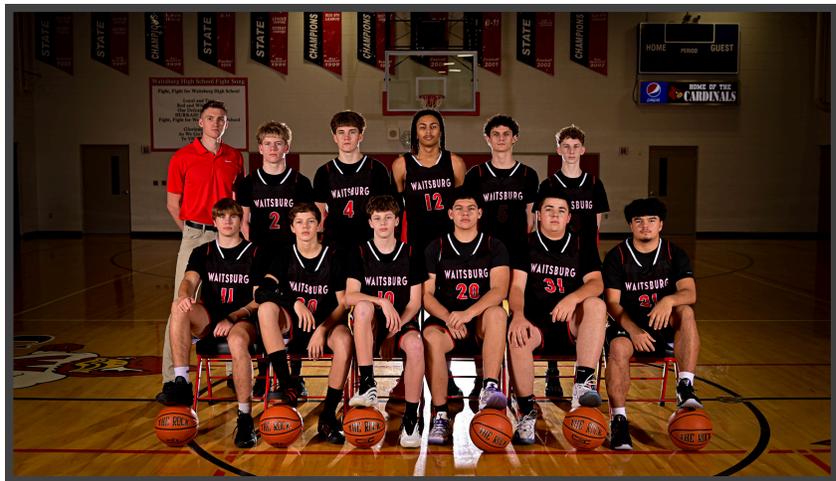
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Benavides Shines as Teams Wrap Up Season

Written by Liam Kiefel

Basketball season has come to an end, and both teams performed very well. Although they faced adversity throughout the season, the team captains remained positive and proud of how everything turned out. Blake, the varsity boys' team captain, said, "I think the team did amazing, and I was very happy with how the season ended."

Cheri, one of the captains of the girls' team, shared similar thoughts: "I think the season went really well. We improved a lot, and I was happy with how it ended and how the team performed overall." Sadly, neither team made it to the playoffs, but both teams and their coaches are hopeful that next season they will secure a spot and perform even better.



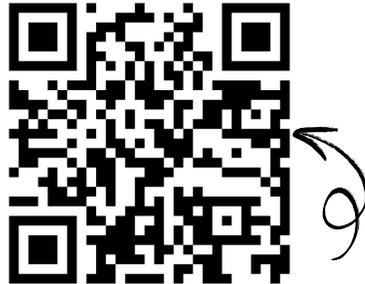
 **NHS-sponsored blood drive
in the HS gym, March 12
from 9 a.m.-2 p.m.**

American Red Cross

January Students of the month



Freshman: Carsyn Pennington
Sophomore: Yaneli Flores
Junior: Trace Nesje
Senior: Brenton Segraves



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Harvest Ball King Koyen Fortune and Queen Kayla Mikesell



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Ag Olympics: Racing for the Crown

MARCH EVENTS

- 2nd Spring sports begin
- 3rd Ag Mech @ Gar/Pal
- 10th FFA sub-district @ Pomeroy
- 12th NHS blood drive
- 17th FFA Food Science @ Rosalia
- 19th School Board mtg.
- 25th FFA Dist. Leadership @ Asotin
- 26th FFA State Ag-Mech @ Yakima
- 27th Early release



Freshman: Olivia Kiefel
Sophomore: Cheri Mathews
Junior: Pilar Diaz-Easton
Senior: Jarod Hankins

February Students of the month

