

# WARREN CONNECTION: 2015-2016 SECOND SEMESTER REVIEW

Warren Township High School District 121



Dear Warren Community:

The Warren Connection: 2015-2016 Second Semester Review is designed to share some highlights of achievements and activities our students and parents, staff and community members have been involved with during the second semester. Please continue to check our District website for more complete and timely information.

Thank you for your interest and support of Warren Township High School District 121.

Sincerely,

John P. Ahlgrim, Ed.D.  
Superintendent of Schools

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## ***Washington Post*: “America’s Most Challenging High Schools”**

The *Washington Post* has announced the list of “America’s Most Challenging High Schools” and Warren is on it for the 7<sup>th</sup> year in a row. “America’s Most Challenging High School” list is compiled using the number of advanced placement exams given by a school divided by the number of its graduating seniors. Warren is ranked #37 in the state of Illinois and #1216 in the United States. Both of these rankings hold Warren in the top 5% of schools. We are very proud of our advanced placement numbers and results. In 2015, Warren administered 2,381 exams to 1,131 students with a pass rate of 89.4%. This past year we administered 2,245 exams to 1,120 students and are anxiously awaiting our scores coming in the next few weeks.

## ***Newsweek*: “Best High Schools”**

*Newsweek* released their list of “Best High Schools” and Warren is proud to be on this list in the #32 spot in Illinois and #865 in the United States. The “Best High Schools” list is based on four criteria: 1) Warren students are performing better than statistically expected in the state, 2) Warren’s disadvantaged students are out-performing other disadvantaged students in the state, 3) Warren’s graduation rate and 4) advanced placement scores. Since we are in the top 2,000 schools nationally we are the recipient of the Silver Medal Award. We are very proud of this national recognition for our students and staff. We continue to work hard on our district initiatives to provide our students with a rigorous curriculum and a nationally recognized education experience.



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## Board of Education Recognitions

### At the January 19, 2016 meeting:

- Student Council members for all of the work they do coordinating activities and events
- Bradley Wilinski, 10<sup>th</sup> Congressional District Young Leader Award
- All State Fall Sports Athletes: Courtney Barker, Dustin Macuiba, Alex Fratila
- Bill Dawson, Lake County Sports Hall of Fame

### At the February 9, 2016 meeting:

- National Merit Scholar Recipients: Ethan Corr, Laura Judge, Haiwen Liu, Madeline Brueggemann, Nadia Chreno, Matthew Haight, Sage Iverson, Emily Jahn, Emma Swain, Arnel Lingad
- Conor Leden, *Daily Herald* Leadership Team

### At the February 23, 2016 meeting:

- Sean Mahoney, AP Psychology Teacher
- Illinois Music Educators Association (ILMEA) for Band: Nicolas Romero, David Young, Noah Schuetter, Ruchira Ray, Haiwen Liu, Eric Jung, Sarah Gibes.  
Jazz Band: Elizabeth Carpentier, Noah Schuetter, Evan Peters. Choir: Jaylen Davis, Maya McGowan
- Illinois High School Theatre Festival: Drama teacher Adam Miller and students Sarah Strathman and Megan Hawksworth

### At the March 15, 2016 meeting:

- Patsy Thompson, Warren's "Gurnee Teacher of the Year"
- 100 Year Anniversary Logo Student Designers:
- Matt Daniel, Jeffrey Peterson, Elijah Pohlman, Cameron Courchene and Marcos Hamelin
- Devillettes IHSA State Qualifiers: Kyra Bearnod, Madeline Tourt, Grace Brezina, Lauren Vergara, Kelly Cook, Amanda Wolff, Cassidee Guthrie, Emily LeClair, Kelly McGurn, Courtney McCawley, Rebecca Nachbin, Stephanie Papp, Alexandra Pawl, Jessica Sachs, Samantha Sachs, Julia Woods
- Girls' Bowling IHSA State Qualifiers: Megan Martin, Hayley Gregerson, Macayla Powers, Victoria Dizon, Kayla Rossi, Maggie Faje, Sulmarie McGee and Amanda Yoder



- Cheerleading IHSA State Qualifiers: Gina Bernardini, Jaelee Rosenbaum, Amanda Beyrer, Julia Schwarz, Emily Boehm, Desiree Walker, Victoria Campanella, Alexandria Weihs, Diana Campanella, Jessica Wynveen, Carlie Cotter, Kaitlyn Zahn, Annika Crawford, Cameron Zamin, Alexa Cygan, Brooke Diete, Taylor Haegers, Lindsey Flood, Gabrielle Inawat, Emily Lobo, Natalie Lyjak, and Amanda Stautz
- Gymnastics IHSA State Qualifiers: Teagon Albert and Katie Graeb
- Wrestling IHSA State Qualifiers: Grant Zamin and Sergio Sosa
- Speech IHSA State Qualifiers: JaMia Johnson-Rockingham, Jared Garner and Megan Hawksworth

### At the May 10, 2016 meeting:

- Student Technology Leadership Summit: Mustafa Ahmed, Gaby Alcala, Ayesha Annaqeeb, Megane Beaupre, Sydney Chuen, Nicole Estrella, Michael Rojas, and Yesh Sheth. Sponsors are: Chris Stock, Rico D'Amore, Kelly Wilkerson and Jessica Diaz
- Illinois High School Art Exhibit: Rebecca Slawin, Ashley Edmondson, Dahyembi Neal, and Janelie Lazaritt
- 2016 STEM Leaders: Daniel Rychel, Emily Voigt, Ethan Shoemaker, Sage Iverson, Dylan Hellickson, Justin Frank, Justin Giss, Parker Main, Alan Kraft, Steven Esposito, Matthew Gutterman, Genevieve Korn, Cameron Harvey, Haiwen Liu, Ryan Oberlander, Rodrigo Diaz, Tanner Thompson, Spencer Chinske, Sujal Sutaria, Julia Lim. Sponsors for the program are: Josh Greene, Jon VanPay, Megan Burza, Annette Johnston (Abbott Labs), Kathleen Marwitz (Abbott Labs), and Tom Drake.

### At the May 24, 2016 meeting:

- Boys' Tennis, IHSA State Qualifiers: Scott Seiler, Nick Skradski, Daniel Nystrom, and Brandon Reichel

### At the June 14, 2016 meeting:

- Technology Campus, Skills USA: Lauren Constantino, Diana Gomez, Teague McWard, Tazia O'Bryant, Raul Reyna, Grace Winkle, Ethan Bellair, Zachary Liljegren, Sam Melendez, Ashley Krause, Diana Orejel. Tech Campus students who received Rotary scholarships: Vincent Gratz, Melissa Cannon, and Morgan Griffin.
- Susan Suhling, Mothers Trust Foundation

### At the June 28, 2016 meeting:

- Track: Abena Atuobi

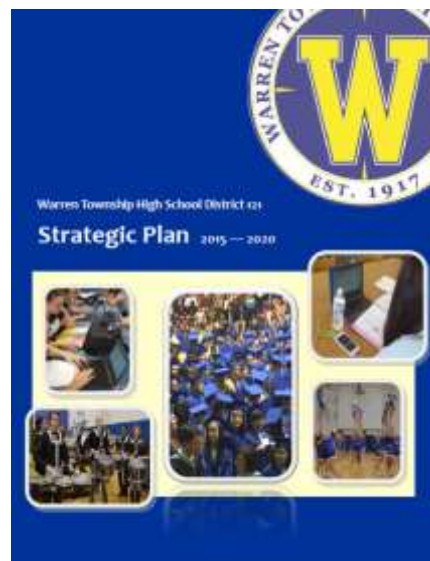
## Strategic Plan 2015-2020

The **2015-2020 WTHS District 121 Strategic Plan** was created in the fall of 2015 and will be reviewed and modified annually with our Board of Education and community to help guide the priorities and work for the school over the next several years. The full strategic plan document is on the website at:

<http://tinyurl.com/jzd3pqb>

During the second semester of the 2015-16 school year exciting progress has been made on several of our key initiatives. Some of these items include:

- Establishment of new courses for the fall of 2016 including dance, computer science, and STEM Physics.
- Creation of a new final exam policy for seniors beginning with the Class of 2017.
- Facilitation of a program analysis and implementation of new programming within our Special Education and English Language Learners departments emphasizing inclusion and co-teaching within all of our academic departments.
- Implementation of a new Lead Teacher structure and identification of personnel to support high quality teaching and learning beginning in the fall of 2016.
- Initiation of four additional sports teams (boys' and girls' water polo, boys' bowling, girls' badminton) to participate in the new North Suburban Conference beginning in the 2016-17 school year.
- Facilitation of a study of the food services and recommendations for a new food service provider and offerings beginning in 2016-17.
- Improvements to structures and air-quality within our pool to be ready for fall 2016.
- Development and implementation of a certified staff modification plan to address declining enrollments and anticipated retirements in the district.
- Modifications to and expansion of our district long-term capital project schedule through 2020.
- Preparation for our WTHS Centennial Celebration beginning in the summer 2016.



### 100 Years of Excellence

Certainly one of the most enjoyable and unique goals for 2016 has been the planning of our celebration of our “100 Years of Excellence” at WTHS. Since 1917, Warren Township High School has been proud to serve the community and help our young people maximize their growth and achievement. Over the course of the 2016-17 school year, we hope to honor our wonderful history, celebrate in the present, and lay the groundwork for an even brighter future.

With the help of WTHS students, we have identified and will utilize a new WTHS logo for this exciting school year to help bring attention to our Centennial events.

We have also created a list of 100 events to help celebrate our 100 years. We will bring our traveling museum of WTHS photos and memorabilia to share the wonderful collective history of Warren to many of these events!

For a complete list of our centennial events and how you can get involved, please go to: [www.wths100.org](http://www.wths100.org)



## Curriculum Highlights and Accomplishments

Warren is very excited to make some curricular changes for next year in its curricular department leadership structure. Through the work of our Strategic Planning Committee, it was a recommendation that our Lead Teachers have additional time to be Instructional Leaders to oversee the curricular aspects of their responsibilities. We are pleased to announce the addition of two instructional coaches that will assist our teachers as they develop and expand their knowledge base of applicable instructional strategies and technologies along with professional development opportunities. We are excited to add this extra level of support to our teaching staff as the district is committed to our mission of maximizing the growth and achievement of every student through rigor, support and innovation.

### Warren's Advanced Placement Program

Over the past 30 years Warren's Advanced Placement (AP) Program has increased significantly in the number of exams given our passing rate has increased by 20 percent. In 1985, we had 35 students take 35 AP exams with a passing rate of 69%. This represented 2% of Warren's high school population. Ten years later, we had 80 students take 116 AP exams with a passing rate of 77%. These 80 students represented 4% of Warren's high school population. By 2005, Warren had 463 students take 839 AP exams with a passing rate of 78%. In 2005, our AP students represented 12% of our population. Thirty years later, we had the largest number of exams taken, along with the most students, with one of our highest passing rates in the past few years. We had 1,131 students, which is 26% of our student population, take 2,381 exams with a passing rate of 89%. This past year we administered 2,245 exams to 1,120 students and are anxiously awaiting our scores coming in the next few weeks. Congratulations to all of our students for achieving such high marks on advanced placement exams to earn college credit and congratulations to our faculty members who prepare these students to make sure they were ready to take these rigorous and challenging exams.

### Test Prep at Warren

Every year WTHS offers many opportunities for students to prepare for standardized testing. Although our curriculum is aligned to the New Illinois Learning Standards, we also provide opportunities for students to experience growth on the ACT test.



### Class of 2016 By the Numbers

- ✓ 996 students graduated on May 21, 2016 at Northwestern University
- ✓ 164 Illinois State Scholars
- ✓ 116 President's Education Awards Program
- ✓ 185 members in National Honor Society
- ✓ \$2,329,321 Scholarship money received
- ✓ 3 students that are National Merit Finalists
- ✓ 2 students with Perfect ACT Score of 36
- ✓ 68 AP Scholars
- ✓ 39 AP Scholars with Honor
- ✓ 53 AP Scholars with Distinction
- ✓ 1 National AP Scholar
- ✓ 70 students recognized at the 2016 Honors Night



As freshmen our students take a retired EXPLORE test and as sophomores they take a retired PLAN test. With these results, students are provided an ACT score range that indicate areas needing improvement. After we administered these tests and the score reports were handed back to students, they were all provided





access to a free online ACT test prep course, Method Test Prep. The program is highly adaptive and keeps track of a student's strengths and weaknesses which allows the student to focus their work on areas in need of improvement. Students can listen to math, verbal and writing tutorials and each tutorial is accompanied by a quiz to test student mastery. Method Test Prep is a good fit for all students. It uses proven strategies that are clear and easy to understand for any type of learner. Their website can be accessed at any time of day or night most convenient to the student. By visiting the following link:

<https://app.methodtestprep.com/WarrenTownshipHighSchoolAlmondCampus/signup/tkn20050128> your child can set up his or her own account and the course will keep track of all the work he or she has completed.

Also in the fall of 2015 we had a select group of sophomores and juniors participate in the PSAT/NMSQT exam which for sophomores is a practice test for the National Merit Qualifying Exam as a junior. This test also provides score reports to explain how ready students are for college, explore which AP courses are a good match for students and also provides insight into which skills to focus on in order to prepare for the SAT. Since these score reports are online, students can link the report to Khan Academy to access free, personalized SAT practice based on their PSAT/NMSQT results. You can learn more at <http://psat.org/scores>.

Please plan on taking advantage of these free resources available to you and your students in order to successfully prepare for your student's college entrance exams.



## Warren's College Students

The National Student Clearinghouse is a database that includes 93% of 2-year and 4-year colleges, in-state and out-of-state colleges, and public and private institutions. According to the latest research, on average 77% of Warren's graduates enroll in college the fall immediately after high school, 81% enroll in college any time during the first year after high school and on average 85% of students enroll in college at any time during the first two years after high school. In comparison, according to the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics, 69.2% of 2015 high school graduates were enrolled in college the fall of 2015.

We are very pleased that our students research colleges that are particularly good matches for them because our freshmen to sophomore persistence rate is 90%. According to *US News and World Report* the national average for students returning for their second year is 67%. As we continue to provide information to the National Student Clearinghouse, we will commit to monitor our students and their progress towards earning college degrees.



### Food Service

Warren is excited to have a new food service provider beginning July 1, 2016. Quest Food Service Management was chosen after surveys with parents, staff, students, other schools' superintendents and chief school business officials. The majority of Quest's business is in the high school market. Quest submitted a proposal which was accepted by the Board of Education. Their vision for Warren is built on a more collegiate experience with across-the-board availability of assemble-to-order and made-to-order options, an expansion of choices available throughout the days as students are scheduled and are socializing in a similar way to colleges and universities, and a movement from a "food service program" to a "hospitality program." Prices for existing items will remain unchanged for the 2016-2017 school year. Prices on new items will be set by the District and the Provider.



### Facility Improvements

The Board of Education in its Strategic Plan has made a commitment to allocating \$750,000 each year to maintain and improve our facilities. The District has developed a five-year facility plan which prioritizes projects and provides a road map if situations change. The 2015-2016 projects included the renovation of the lecture hall at the O'Plaine Campus which was built 30 years ago, new LED lighting which will save the District thousands of dollars and will be eco-friendly, repair of the concession stand, carpet replacement, and renovation of the pool among other projects.



In 2016-2017, we will be renovating the Almond Competition Gym floor, softball field improvements, wrestling and weight room relocations, auditorium improvements and continuing with pool upgrades.

### Pool Renovation

The O'Plaine Campus pool was installed in the old gym when the campus was rebuilt after the fire in the mid-1980s. The District is installing new filters to replace the ones that are failing, improving the ventilation system and correcting other issues to keep the pool operating for the next 5 to 10 years. We are also preparing our pool as a competitive water polo facility for our Blue Devils.

A flyer for the 100-year anniversary of Warren Township High School. It features a blue background with a cartoon blue devil mascot in the top left corner. The text includes: "The 2016-2017 school year marks the centennial anniversary of Warren Township High School's 100 Years of Excellence." Below this is a section titled "View Warren's Historical Traveling Museum of Events" with a description and contact information for Chuck Masner. To the right is a section titled "Support the Centennial Celebration" with a list of donation levels and their corresponding benefits. At the bottom, there are social media links for Facebook, Twitter, and a website, along with the school's address and phone number.

### 100-Year Anniversary Fundraising

The Resource Development Committee is busy fundraising for the centennial celebrations. We have a range of options for those who wish to be proud sponsors of Warren's 100-year anniversary. Our most popular choices are alumni club memberships which include alumni shirts, shirt sponsors and street banner sponsors. Please visit our website at [www.wths100.org](http://www.wths100.org). We accept credit cards for your purchases.

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## Students Making a Difference

Warren Township High School students are recognized throughout the school year for their efforts in making the high school a better place and also for demonstrating achievement in a particular department. High school staff members nominate students for the recognition.

*Congratulations*

The Matter of Pride Award at the O'Plaine Campus and A-Team Awards at the Almond Campus go to students who have displayed positive behavior in one or more of the following areas: academic excellence, academic improvement, making Warren a better place, leadership, and random acts of kindness.

### Matter of Pride Awards at O'Plaine Campus

January/February Winners: Osmel Calzada-Serrano, Vishal Job, Jessica Lim, Molly Berthiaume, Ana Clara Guassi-Moreira, Brendan Filipiak, Molly Meyers, Maria Del Carmen Salazar, Kyle Slawin, Jaushaun Wynn, Taylor Shaw, Christian McCaughey, Brett Lay, Angelica Rivera-Vazquez, Jonathan Brenner, Cody Underwood.

March/April Winners: Jessamyn Lopez, Abigail Roman-Ahlgrim, Kevin Padilla-Soto, Jose Lopez-Pantoja, Jose Maldonado, Kael Valdez, Michael Flesher, Lauren Swanson, Briana Hale, Eric Obersta, Micah Jones, Daisy Castejon, Justin Shamberg, Sarah Nielander, Simone Scigousky, Jillian Brann, Genevieve Braune, Elena Randle.

### A-Team Awards at Almond Campus

January/February Winners: Kody Anderson, Jillian Krockner, Bethanie Murray, John Villaluz, Abraham Macias, Lauren Sammons, Emily LeClair, Zachary Schultz, Jasmine Villalobos, Sarah Hunter, Anthony Morrelli, Claire Lundtveit, Guenevere Balmes, Marlon Duffie, Nadia Chreno.

March/April Winners: Max Kravitz, Nicholas Zblewski, Cristian Estrada, Peter Kircher, Santiago Olaya-Nino, Stephanie Paredes, Ty Carriere, Destiny England, Jessica Elson, Nicole Urquhart, Nicolas Quirini, Cesar Hoyos, Sarah Stockdale, Karen Castrejon, Valentina Rodriguez-Escobar.



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## Staff Recognitions and Accomplishments

### Warren's "Gurnee Teacher of the Year" honors Patsy Thompson



Special education teacher, Patsy Thompson, was voted by her colleagues as this year's Warren 121 "Gurnee Teacher of the Year."

At their Board meeting on May 2, the Village of Gurnee recognized three Gurnee teachers, one from each of the area schools: Warren Township High School District 121, Gurnee School District 56 and Woodland School District 50.

The "Gurnee Teacher of the Year" received a \$1,000 honorarium from the Village of Gurnee.

Thompson has been teaching at Warren for the last 23 years in the special education department. She received her bachelor's degree in special education from Northern Illinois University in 1991 and a master's degree in Curriculum and Instruction from Concordia University in 1997. While at college, Patsy volunteered her time tutoring a student with cerebral palsy and helping with the Special Olympics. She also worked at NSSED and at a home for developmentally disabled adults in Sycamore, Illinois.

Thompson takes her role as a special educator very seriously and constantly strives to excel and grow in her field. She is not afraid to ask questions or gain feedback from others. She is always working toward being the most effective educator she can be. Patsy also attributes her success to her hard working special education colleagues of Warren Township High School.

### Staff members who retired this year are:

Mary Andrichik, 23 years

Peggy Henry, 13 years

Susan Motley, 15 years

Felipe Melendez, 12 years

Sandra Rhodes, 27 years

Pauline Mika-Komorous, 15 years

Carol Rogers, 11 years

Ronald Sekenske, 10 years

Christine Waldron, 21 years



### Sean Mahoney, Advanced Placement (AP) Psychology Teacher

Sean Mahoney, Psychology teacher at the Almond Campus, was selected as a College Board Advanced Placement (AP) Consultant for AP Psychology. This honor is a first for Warren. Sean has been teaching AP Psychology classes for the past 16 years, since the course started at WTHS in 2001. He and his AP colleagues have always had one of the highest passing rates each year. For the past eight years Sean has been an AP reader/grader for the AP Psychology exam. Warren is very fortunate to have this type of knowledge and experience on staff for the students taking an AP Psychology course. Sean started his AP consulting work in March and will continue throughout the summer.

### Bill Dawson, Lake County Sports Hall of Fame

Coach Bill Dawson was inducted into the Lake County Sports Hall of Fame in February 2016. Bill has been coaching both cross country and track and field in Lake County for over 37 years. He has coached at North Chicago, Stevenson, and over 30 years at Warren. Bill has coached seven state champions, 40 state qualifiers, dozens of all-state athletes, hundreds of all-academic athletes, and one IHSA record holder.



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## Fine Arts Department

### Illinois High School Art Exhibit

Over 100 schools in the Chicago land area participate in the Illinois High School Art Exhibit. Each school submitted five art pieces per category: Painting, Photography, Graphic Design, 3-Dimensional and Time Arts.

The 25 pieces are juried by outside artists with one piece per category being selected. The five pieces are then put on display at the Zhou B. Art Gallery in Chicago. At the show, colleges and art schools award scholarships summer art programs.

The students that were selected and the scholarships awarded include: Rebecca Slawin, Ashley Edmondson, Dahyembi Neal and Janelie Lazaritt.



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LITERARY PUBLICATION

### Illinois High School Theatre Festival

Senior Sarah Strathman and Teacher Adam Miller had the recent honor of working on the All-State Production of *Rent* as part of the 41st Annual Illinois High School Theatre Festival. The Illinois High School Theatre Festival is the largest and oldest non-competitive high school theatre festival in the nation. The All-State Company (cast and crew) is comprised of top student performers, technicians, and musicians from across the state of Illinois. More than 300 talented students from 103 Illinois high schools auditioned/interview for this year's production, and only 99 were selected for the final production company. Sarah worked mainly with the costume and props crew, helping with the costume design and doing hair and make-up for many of the actors, including the lead actress. Additionally, Sarah worked on the set design and helped build aspects of the set.

Adam Miller served as the Assistant Director, working with the actors to develop their characters and to stage the production on the set, as well as collaborating with the production team to solve some of the challenges of working with a large set and a large cast in the All-State show.

As part of the Festival, Sarah and Adam had the opportunity to perform at the Opening Ceremony with Broadway star Tyce Green as well as *Rent*'s original Angel, Wilson Jermaine Heredia.

Additionally, at the Illinois High School Theatre Festival, junior Megan Hawksworth auditioned for and was selected to be on the All-Fest Improv team. Auditions were held the Friday morning of the festival, and chosen improvisers spent the day rehearsing before doing a performance that evening. Megan was one of about 15 members to make the team.



### Mary Poppins, Warren's spring musical

Warren Theatre presented the magical tale of *Mary Poppins* on April 28-30 at 7 p.m. and April 30<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m. in the O'Plaine Auditorium. More than 142 students worked on this performance as either a cast member, crew leadership, crew member or played an instrument in the band. Theatre students and the Warren Drama Boosters hosted *A Practically Perfect Meet and Greet* where children could meet Mary and her friends before the Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup> matinee.

## Illinois Music Educators Association (ILMEA)

We are pleased to announce the Warren Township High School students who were selected to the Illinois Music Educators Association (ILMEA) District 7 Festival as well as the subsequent ILMEA All-State Festival.

The ILMEA hosts nine different district festivals in the fall. More than 100 high schools participate in ILMEA in District 7, which includes Lake County, Northern Cook County and Eastern McHenry County. Auditions were held in early October and the top students on each instrument and voice part were selected to perform with the District 7 Choir and Band in November. After the District Festivals in November, the top students from each of the nine ILMEA Districts are selected to the ILMEA All-State Festival in January. Being selected to the ILMEA State Festival is the highest individual honor a high school musician can receive.



ALMOND JAZZ STUDENTS PERFORM  
IN THE FOYER DURING KINDNESS WEEK

WTHS 2015-2016 District Festival selectees were:

Band: Nicolas Romero - trumpet, David Young - trumpet, Noah Schuetter - trumpet, Ruchira Ray - clarinet, Haiwen Liu - clarinet, Eric Jung, and Sarah Gibes - bassoon. Jazz Band: Elizabeth Carpentier - vibraphone, Noah Schuetter - trumpet, and Evan Peters - Guitar. Choir: Jaylen Davis - tenor I and Maya McGowan - Soprano I

WTHS 2016 All-State selectees were:

Band: Ruchira Ray - clarinet and Haiwen Liu - clarinet. Both students re-auditioned at the All-State Festival and were chosen for the "Honor Band" - the top All-State Band.

Congratulations to all of the students on their accomplishments!

## 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Live Arts Festival

On April 1, 2016, Warren hosted our annual celebration of music, visual arts, theatre, comedy, and dance at the Almond Campus. This Friday evening event featured students from WTHS as well as our elementary sender districts and their tremendous pieces of artwork and performances.

The event was attended by hundreds of parents, students and community members. Interactive activities and demonstrations were offered to children, some of which were drawing caricatures, shirt decorating, face painting, balloon art and a photo booth.

Thank you to the Booster Clubs and Fine Arts parents for their support in providing refreshments and hospitality.

**YOU ARE INVITED!**  
**Friday April 1, 2016**  
**WARREN TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL**  
**LIVE & ARTS**  
**festival**

Sponsored by: **My Eye Xpert**

**Friday April 1, 2016 - 6-9:45pm at the WTHS Almond Campus**  
**34090 N. Almond Road Germar IL 60031**  
*Art, Music, Theatre & Dance all come together for one night of fun!*

**ENJOY LIVE ARTS!**

**What:** 5th Annual LIVE ARTS FESTIVAL  
**When:** Friday April 1, 2016 6pm - 9:45pm  
**Where:** Almond Campus - Warren Township High School  
**Why:** Experience & celebrate the fine arts programs of WTHS  
Student led **performances** and **workshops** all night!  
**Admission: FREE!**

**Put On By:** Warren Art, Band, Choir, Drama, Speech & Debate  
**Performers:** Speech/Debate, Band, Choir, Drama, Speech & Debate  
**Speech Team:** Giggles and Bits Improv Comedy Troupe, Adeline Solisno Orator Group, Special Performers of the Year's Musical "Moby Dicks" & More  
**Sponsored by:** My Eye Xpert of Germar

**Activities:** Food & drinks, Interactive Workshops and Demonstrations: Caricatures, Shirt Decorating, Face Painting, Artwork Display, Balloon Art, Arts Contest, Photo Booth

**PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE**

6:10 - Class Photo: All Participants  
6:20 - **INTERMISSION I**  
**EXHIBITIONS**  
**RECEIPTS**  
6:30 - Jazz Ensemble (15 min)  
6:40 - Giggles and Bits (10 min)  
6:55 - Speech Team Group (10 min)  
7:00 - **INTERMISSION II**  
**EXHIBITIONS**  
7:05 - Musical Theatre  
7:15 - Blue Jokes  
7:30 - Speech Team Individual (10 min)  
7:45 - **INTERMISSION III**  
**PEPPER WALK CONTEST WITH DR -**  
**CAROL MARRER AWARDS**  
8:05 - Skill on Station  
8:15 - Symphonic Band (10 min)  
8:40 - "The Hokies"

## Activities and Athletics Achievements

Warren is a member of the North Suburban Conference in the Lake Division. The Lake Division includes: Lake Forest, Lake Zurich, Libertyville, Mundelein, Stevenson, Warren and Zion Benton.



**Baseball:** 5<sup>th</sup> place in the division, three all-conference, regional champions

**Girls' Gymnastics:** 2<sup>nd</sup> in the conference, regional champs, two state qualifiers, one all-state

**Girls' Soccer:** 4<sup>th</sup> in the division, regional champions, all-conference, two all-state

**Softball:** 2<sup>nd</sup> in the division, regional champions

**Boys' Tennis:** 4<sup>th</sup> in the conference, sectional champions, five state qualifiers, and two all-state

**Girls' Track and Field:** 1<sup>st</sup> place in the division, 3 state qualifiers, one all-state

**Boys' Track and Field:** 1<sup>st</sup> place in the division, 10 state qualifiers

**Wrestling:** 3<sup>rd</sup> in the conference

**Boys' Basketball:** 6<sup>th</sup> place in the division, two all-conference

**Girls' Basketball:** 5<sup>th</sup> place in the division, two all-conference

**Girls' Bowling:** 2<sup>nd</sup> place in conference, team qualified for state and finished 12<sup>th</sup> in the state, one all-state

**Boys' Swimming:** 5<sup>th</sup> place in the conference



## Fast Facts about Activities and Athletics

- Warren competed in 28 athletic sports with 84 levels within those sports
- 1,550 students participated on athletic teams
- Cumulative grade point average (GPA) for athletes for the 2015-16 school year was 3.39
- 40 of our student athletes will be playing sports in college next year
- Warren finished 4<sup>th</sup> out of 14 schools in the North Suburban Conference All-Sports total for the 2015-2016 school year. This place was determined by Warren's finishes both in the Lake Division and conference for all sports.
- Warren sponsors 40 clubs, 6 competitive clubs, 14 performing arts programs and 3 intramural opportunities.
- More than 2,500 students participated in clubs and intramural activities this year.
- 467 students attended the Turnabout Dance, which was held in the Fieldhouse at the Almond Campus in February.
- More than 1,040 students attended Prom, which was held at the Donald J. Stephens Center in Rosemont. *Enchanted Garden* was this year's theme.



## Go Blue Devils!