State of the Schools

2016-2017
Mr. Patrick Pecher was named the Whiting-Robertsdale Chamber of Commerce Teacher of the Year for his dedication and excellence in teaching. Mr. Pecher has led our band and choir program for over ten years!
Technology

Awarded Innovation Planning Grant through the State of Indiana

14 Chromebook carts in the three schools
TECHNOLOGY

Introductory use of Google Apps for Education (GAFE)

13 educators attended GAFE training in January
Whiting High School
2016–2017

440
Student Enrollment

83.8%
Graduation Rate
Graduates in the Class of 2017:

- Over 300 College Credits Earned
- 43 Core 40 Diplomas
- 31 Academic Honors Diplomas
- 17 Technical Honors Diplomas
- Average SAT Score: 993
- AP Tests Taken: 88
- AP Students: 77
- AP Tests with Transferrable College Credit: 22
William Ramos, Pablo Moore, Samuel Bibat, Ethan Bibat, David Gormley, Adam Zorich (back row)
Ana Cornejo, Jacqueline Zarate, Courtney Blackwell, Margaret Mills–Groninger (front row)
Volleyball

Volleyball finished 4th in conference with 23-11 record, second at the Hanover Central Tournament and 1st at the Griffith Tournament. Brianna Figueroa was MVP.
Coached by Jeff Cain, the mighty Oilers finished their season 14–2. They remained Sectional and Regional Champs as well as GSSC North Division Champs. Dylan White was named MVP.
**Softball**
Our Lady Oilers had 5 stand out seniors: Courtney Blackwell, Callie Mansfield, Sydney Neyhart, Alia Shatat, and Kayla Brown and a roller coaster season that ended with a heartbreaking 11 inning loss to Bishop Noll in the sectional championships. MVPs were Courtney Blackwell and Callie Mansfield.

**Girls Basketball**
Coach Gregory led our Lady Oilers to a 9-14 season, with the 15th best turnaround season in the state. The team finished with a 3-5 conference record. Emily Balcazar was named MVP.

**Cross Country**
Our 16-17 team was the biggest yet! Our girl’s team qualified for regionals. Ivan Lopez qualified for regionals and beat BNI at sectionals!
Baseball
The team was led by 7 seniors and had an exciting season. With Alden Plemmons on the mound for 9 innings, our boys handed Hanover Central their only loss of the season! The team finished 6–1 after falling to Bishop Noll during the sectional championship. Gio Marin was named MVP.

Wrestling
Whiting Wrestling persevered through a trying season. Our junior wrestlers built a foundation that our program can build upon. Nick Krieger was named MVP.

Golf
The Oiler Golf team continued to improve this season. The team doubled to 10 golfers and all improved their scores throughout the season. Kevin Kompier was MVP and was named to Second All Team Conference.
Our boy’s basketball team finished 10-14, making this their 4th straight season with 10 wins. Our boys played in the historic Hoosier Gym and visited the Indiana High School Basketball Hall of Fame. Victor Quinones was MVP.
Girl's Tennis
Our Lady Oilers dominated the courts, finishing 8-0 in conference and 16-3 for the season, losing only to 4A schools—schools that are 2–3 times the size of WHS! Marissa Baez was named MVP. Coach Harnew was nominated for coach of the year.
Whiting Middle School

2016–2017

266
Student Enrollment
Preparing For The Future
WMS strives to provide quality educational experiences that expose, enrich, and encourage lifelong learning; as well as prepare students for the challenges of college and career.

This year, we participated in NAEP, an exam that assists with providing information for our nation’s report card.

(Right, Below) Advisory classes researched colleges and made door displays during college go week. (Below): An example of 7th/8th grade expectations.
Hands-on, Problem-Based Learning

WMS provided experiences ranging from the classroom, to the lake, and even in space!
WMS: Beyond the Classroom

WMS Students are involved in clubs and sports that teach valuable college and career readiness skills such as critical thinking, problem solving, self regulation, and motivation.
WMS welcomed a new experience this year for its 8th graders.

Students chose a career and family size and then were required to make responsible choices with a month’s salary.
**Reality Store**
Members of Crossroads Chamber, Whiting–Robertsdale Chamber, and School City of Whiting volunteered to assist in the event.
Nathan Hale Elementary

2016–2017

493 Student Enrollment
Monday Morning Meetings

Every Monday, our Nathan Hale community met in the gym for a whole school assembly focusing on character education. At the end of each month, one student from each class was recognized for exemplifying the trait of the month.
Celebrating student success

- Science Olympiad finished 6th out of 16
- Lego Robotics recognized for teamwork and leadership
- 306 students received recognition at grade level award ceremonies
Working together

+ Over 300 people attended both our Literacy Night and Math Night
+ Hosted our first side-by-side where families come to work with their child in their classroom
Students talked to community members about their careers and the path they took to get there. Students learned firsthand how their education and study habits shape their future.
Learning outside of the classroom
Over a quarter of our students participated in some type of school-sponsored group, club, or activity before or after school.
Girls on the Run, Student Council, 3rd Grade Theater, Science Olympiad, Lego Robotics, Coding Club, Chess Scholars, Young Rembrandts, and Band