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Dear Friends and Family of Wheeling High School,

Welcome to the second quarter of the year and the official fall season. We are excited to continue our work here at Wheeling High School to empower our students and staff to explore, care, connect, and grow in a changing world. I am confident that every day we are helping students prepare for college and careers while also providing a safe and nurturing environment for them to mature.

By the time you receive this newsletter, our students will have already begun course selection for classes next year. I would like to reinforce the importance of discussing with your student their post-high school plans and their career path. We've worked diligently here in D214 to align our courses by career pathways to ensure that students take the appropriate course sequence to maximize their exposure to the content and increase their chances of earning early-college credit or an industry credential. If you ever have any questions about our courses or any specific career pathway, please do not hesitate to contact your student's school counselor. We are here to help.

Fall sports are wrapping up and we will soon be in the midst of the winter sports season. That means another opportunity to be a part of a team sport. During the winter season, we offer both boys and girls basketball, wrestling, boys swimming and diving, girls gymnastics, bowling, cheerleading, competitive dance, and boy's volleyball. Tryouts will be happening soon for many of these sports, make sure to stay informed and get involved.

It is not all about sports. The second quarter is also a great opportunity to catch a performance from any one of our award-winning fine-arts programs. Personally, I am looking forward to the WHS production of Chicago. The musical has been updated and adapted, and will no doubt be a hit. Our choir, orchestra, and jazz band will also host performances throughout the season. Don't miss our band Holiday Extravaganza December 6th and 7th. I also hope to see you at the choir and orchestra Hoopla Concert hosted by St. Edna Church on December 11th.

Lastly, can you give me five? Parental involvement and volunteerism is still very important, even in high school. Just five hours of your time throughout the year would make a huge difference for many of our classes, clubs, activities, and sports. We have a variety of parent groups that are always looking for members and volunteers. Help us continue to offer our students the best opportunities in the area by donating your time. Just ask how you can help.

Have a great second quarter, go Wildcats!

Sincerely,

Jerry Cook
Principal