

February has been a month of growth and celebration at West Carroll Schools! From exciting renovation updates to student-driven initiatives and staff appreciation, we continue to build a strong and supportive learning environment. This month's highlights showcase the dedication of our students, educators, and community. Let's take a look at some of the great things happening in our district!

3-Exciting Highlights & Developments

- 1. West Carroll's Spirit Box Store is Officially Open!** A huge congratulations to our students for launching the Spirit Box Store! This student-run business offers school-branded merchandise, everyday essentials, and more. Sales from the store go directly back into the business program, allowing students to gain real-world experience in business operations, marketing, and customer service.
- 2. Exciting School Renovations Moving Forward:** Our renovation projects at all three schools are progressing smoothly! Plans for the elementary and primary school are 90% complete, with final approvals expected soon. Bidding is set to begin in March, ensuring construction can start this summer. We appreciate everyone's patience and support as we work to enhance our learning environments.
- 3. CTE & Beta Club Students Preparing for State Competitions:** West Carroll's Career and Technical Education (CTE) and Beta Club students are gearing up for major state-level competitions. From leadership challenges to hands-on projects, these students are demonstrating their skills and dedication. Last year's success led to national competition opportunities, and we are excited to see what this year's talented students accomplish!

2-Inspiring Quotes

"We are excited to host Pastries with Parents on Valentine's Day. It's a great opportunity for our students and parents to connect while enjoying breakfast together." - Dr. Jessica Williams, West Carroll Elementary School Principal

"As we gear up for spring testing, I am so excited to host Alex Beene again for our students for an ACT workshop. Mr. Beene gives our students the tools and skills to be successful on the ACT and other entrance exams." - Dr. Adam Douglas, WCHS Principal; (ACT workshop is February 22nd.)

1-Community Challenge

Think you can solve these riddles? Email your answers to preston.caldwell@wcassd.org. Get them all right, and your name will be featured on our District Marquee Sign!

1. I have a neck, but no head. I have two arms, but no hands. What am I?
2. I'm not a blanket, yet I cover the ground; a crystal from heaven that doesn't make a sound. What am I?
3. I'm sweet and cold with a stick to hold; a treat on a hot day, worth more than gold. What am I?
4. I am easy to lift, but hard to throw. What am I?

West Carroll Schools continues to thrive thanks to our incredible students, staff, and community. From exciting renovations to student-driven businesses, we are always growing and improving. Thank you for your support, and let's keep up the great work!

To another great month of learning,

Preston Caldwell