Dear Wheeling High School Staff, Students, Families, and Community Members

With 4th quarter underway and Spring Break behind us, the end of the 2023-24 school year is in sight. Over the course of the next two months, there is so much to finalize, complete, wrap up, accomplish, honor, recognize, acknowledge, and celebrate. As we embark on the completion of each year, it is important to always take stock of the journey we have had together. This year, like all years, has been a special one. It has come with its challenges, learning opportunities, chances to grow, time to connect, experiences to remember, and performances to applaud.

Being the principal of Wheeling High School is an incredible honor and awesome responsibility. Daily, I have the opportunity to listen, cheer, support, and lead. I get to experience with our students and staff some of their highest highs and lowest lows. I try to do so with empathy, passion, care, and genuine authenticity. My excitement is real and my tears are too. School years, and even school days, are a lot like rollercoasters - one minute you are acknowledging and celebrating a once-in-a-lifetime accolade and the next you might be in an office with a grieving staff member or student in crisis. As a Wildcat staff, we do both incredibly well and with lots of love.

I am proud to be connected to and working with, for, alongside, and on behalf of our students, staff, and families. The totality of what really happens in a school throughout the course of a school year is nothing short of extraordinary. Each year we are literally and figuratively tested and without exception, each year comes to an end with events like state testing, prom, final exams, graduation, and the final day of classes. In the end, we always have a lot to learn from, be proud of, and celebrate. This year has all of that too.

I frequently use the phrase “make it matter” and that can mean different things to different people. In these final months of the 2023-24 school year, I encourage us all to “make it matter.” Make it matter in the classroom, hallways, competition surface, community, graduation stage, and life. There is so much power for good in each one of us and alone, we can all make a difference. If each of us does our part, our collective influence and impact are truly immeasurable.

Finish the year strong, Wildcats, and know what a pleasure and honor it is to be part of this incredibly special and one-of-a-kind learning community.

Grateful,
Dr. Bradford Hubbard

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