

WPSD

HOMECOMING

December 9-11, 2022



Kentucky



New York



Pennsylvania



W. Pennsylvania

at the Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2022

3:00 PM - NY-Fanwood girls vs WPSD

4:30 PM - Kentucky boys vs WPSD

4:00 to 7:00 PM - DINNER

6:30 PM - New York-Fanwood boys vs Pennsylvania

8:00 PM - WPSD girls vs Pennsylvania

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2022

8:00 to 9:30 AM - BREAKFAST

9:00 AM - NY-Fanwood girls vs Pennsylvania

10:30 AM - Pennsylvania boys vs. Kentucky

11:00 AM to 1:00 PM - LUNCH

12:00 N - WPSD boys vs. NY-Fanwood

1:30 PM - WPSD girls vs NY-Fanwood

3:30 PM - NY-Fanwood boys vs. Kentucky

4:00 to 7:00 PM - DINNER

4:30 PM - Pennsylvania boys vs WPSD

6:00 PM - WPSD girls vs. Pennsylvania

SOCIAL TIME in Porterfield Gymnasium til 11 PM

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2022

8:00 to 9:00 AM – BREAKFAST

DEPARTURE after breakfast



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Steven E. Farmer, Ed. D, **Chief Executive Officer**

Dear Friends,

Greetings!

Welcome to Pittsburgh and WPSD. It is our pleasure to host the WPSD's 23rd Annual Homecoming.

This weekend's classic isn't only about competition. It is the cumulation of the hard work you put into basketball and cheerleading and giving your best on the court. Vince Lombardi said it all, "The price of success is hard work, dedication to the job at hand, and the determination that whether we win or lose, we have applied the best of ourselves to the task at hand".

Most importantly, sportsmanship is a critical component of the overall classic. We should all win with style and lose with dignity.

Finally, during your stay here, please make yourself at home. Take the time to catch up with old friends and make new ones.

Enjoy your stay.

Warmest regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Steve Farmer".

Steven E. Farmer
CEO



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Dear Students, Parents, Alumni, and Friends:

Welcome to Pittsburgh and to WPSD! We are excited to host our 23rd annual Homecoming weekend. Welcome to the visiting schools, Kentucky School for the Deaf, New York School for the Deaf-Fanwood, and Pennsylvania School for the Deaf. After a busy spirit week and the crowning of this year's Homecoming King and Queen, we are ready for a fun-filled weekend!

Homecoming is a wonderful way for alumni to rekindle friendships and to reminisce about memories during their high school years. Homecoming is also a wonderful avenue for current student-athletes to create new friendships and lifelong memories, and we are asking everyone to promote good sportsmanship and camaraderie throughout the weekend. Good luck to all of the participants, and be sure to leave it all on the court!

To the alumni of WPSD, welcome home! We hope this weekend will bring fond memories of your time as a student at WPSD. I hope you enjoy catching up with old friends. Be sure to cheer on our Lions when they take the court!

Thank you to everyone who made this Homecoming Week and Weekend possible, including WPSD staff, teachers, residential staff, administrators, volunteers, and the members of Junior NAD and Varsity Letter Club.

Enjoy your stay at WPSD, have fun, and create new lifelong memories. Go WPSD Lions!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Gregory Mendenhall".

Greg Mendenhall
High School/Middle School Principal



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On behalf of the Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf and Pittsburgh community, I personally want to extend a warm welcome to all participants for an enjoyable and successful 23rd Annual WPSD Homecoming. I believe this year's homecoming will be a memorable one for each and every student who joins in the competition and fun. Over the next few days, I hope you enjoy the hospitality of the Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf and the Pittsburgh community. Our Homecoming Committee has been working very hard to ensure that you all have a memorable weekend.

We will welcome these schools as our guests: Kentucky School for the Deaf, New York School for the Deaf-Fanwood, and Pennsylvania School for the Deaf for several basketball games. I hope you will make many new friends and be re-acquainted with those you've met in the past. Making friends and sharing ideas about your school and your life should be an important part of coming together. I strongly believe the Homecoming is a time to develop DEAF pride and to reinforce the fact that Deaf people working together can do anything they set out to accomplish. Homecoming is also a source of pride for the Deaf community and the students who have accomplished a high level of athletic achievement. Student involvement in athletics and other activities develops a sense of leadership and teamwork that leads to academic success and success in life.

For all basketball participants: Go out there on the court, making fantastic alley-oop passes, dunking, hitting 3-pointers, sinking free throws, and many other things that you are capable of doing and showcase your talents and sportsmanship!

For WPSD cheerleaders: Go out and cheer our teams to victory and many other things that you are capable of doing and showcase your talents and sportsmanship! Let me again welcome all visitors for a good time of basketball games, social activities, and the positive spirit of competition that this Homecoming will provide.

Good luck and best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Valentine J. Wojton, III".

Valentine J. Wojton, III
Athletic Director



A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bill Estes".

Bill Estes
Director of Student Affairs



SPORTSMANSHIP

IS AN

EXPECTATION!

SO PLEASE

LET THE

PLAYERS PLAY.

LET THE

COACHES COACH.

LET THE

OFFICIALS OFFICIATE.

LET THE SPECTATORS

BE POSITIVE.

Kentucky School for the Deaf

Danville, KY



LEFT TO RIGHT: Head Coach Mike Yance, Francisco Alonzo-Gomez, Mulumba Asukulu, Micah Tucker, Matt Colbert, Sean Brown, Alex Frahler, Austin Overbay, and Assistant Coach Leslie Stayer, Jr.

HEAD COACH: Mike Yance

ASSISTANT COACH: Leslie Stayer, Jr.

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Lisa Kingsley

SUPERINTENDENT: April Pieper

| <u>PLAYER</u> | <u>#</u> | <u>GRADE</u> |
|------------------------|----------|-----------------------|
| Francisco Alonzo-Gomez | 5 | 7 th grade |
| Alex Frahler | 12 | Senior |
| Sean Brown | 15 | Sophomore |
| Micah Tucker | 20 | Senior |
| Mulumba Asukulu | 30 | Senior |
| Dakota Cox | 34 | 7 th grade |
| Matt Colbert | 44 | 8 th grade |
| Austin Overbay | 55 | Junior |



SCHOOL COLORS: Kelly Green and White
MASCOT: Colonels

New York School for the Deaf-Fanwood

White Plains, NY



BACK ROW: Hector Ruiz, Kalilou Kaba, Muneebur Rahman, Jamiere Elmore, Terell Demorcy, Ricardo Valle, and Manuel Perez

FRONT ROW: Joshua Alvarez, Irving Ramirez-Rios, John Kaede Sucio, Jhostin Zacarias, Arturo Dominguez-Fermin, and Enrique Romaldo-Bruno

HEAD COACH: Charles Vernon

ASSISTANT COACHES: James Trusock, III and Milan Telesmanic

MANAGER: Allonna Mounon

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Nicolas Tegni

SUPERINTENDENT: Dr. Joseph Santini

| <u>PLAYER</u> | <u>#</u> | <u>GRADE</u> |
|-------------------------|----------|-----------------------|
| Terell Demorcy | 1 | Senior |
| Manuel Perez | 2 | Senior |
| Hector Ruiz | 3 | Sophomor |
| Ricardo Valle | 4 | Junior |
| Jamiere Elmore | 5 | Junior |
| Kalilou Kaba | 11 | Junior |
| Arturo Dominguez-Fermin | 13 | Freshman |
| Jhostin Zacarias | 15 | 8 th grade |
| Muneebur Rahman | 33 | Junior |
| John Kaede Sucio 4 | 2 | Freshman |



SCHOOL COLORS: Royal Blue and Gold

MASCOT: Tornadoes

New York School for the Deaf-Fanwood

White Plains, NY



LEFT to RIGHT: Jireth Duque-Vasquez, Melissa Ramirez-Tello, Micaella Padagas, Mia Garcia, Aizah Rahman, Crystal Pon, Fatoumata Dukureh-Seibou, Mishelle Campos, Yashira Baez, and Jocelynn Wilson-Gomez

HEAD COACH: Tiffany Freeman

ASSISTANT COACH: Rockia Ricketts

MANAGER: Anniesha Persaud

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Nicolas Tegni

SUPERINTENDENT:: Dr. Joseph Santini

| <u>PLAYER</u> | <u>#</u> | <u>GRADE</u> |
|--------------------------|----------|--------------|
| Fatoumata Dukureh-Seibou | 2 | Senior |
| Mishelle Campos | 5 | Sophomore |
| Micaella Padagas | 10 | Freshman |
| Crystal Pon | 11 | Sophomore |
| Jireth Duque-Vasquez | 12 | Sophomore |
| Yashira Baez | 14 | Sophomore |
| Mia Garcia | 14 | Sophomore |
| Aizah Rahman | 15 | Sophomore |
| Sadie Rose Canada | 20 | Freshman |
| Jocelynn Wilson-Gomez | 23 | Freshman |
| Melissa Ramirez-Tello | 33 | Junior |



SCHOOL COLORS: Royal Blue and Gold

MASCOT: Tornados

Pennsylvania School for the Deaf

Philadelphia, PA



FRONT: Shamir Tillery, Jose Diaz-Delcid, Hameed McCoy, and Emilio Perez-Nieto

BACK: Malcolm Clark, Jibrael Id-deen, Arnando Delavalle, and Messiah Smith, manager

HEAD COACH: De'Angelo Brown

ASSISTANT COACH: David Ronnenberg

MANAGER: Messiah Smith

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Matt Bujak

SUPERINTENDENT: Peter L. Bailey

| <u>PLAYER</u> | <u>#</u> | <u>GRADE</u> |
|--------------------|----------|-----------------------|
| Hameed McCoy | 10 | Sophomore |
| Jose Diaz-Delcid | 11 | 8 th grade |
| Wilfredo Soler | 12 | Junior |
| Shamir Tillery | 13 | 8 th grade |
| Emilio Perez-Nieto | 14 | Sophomore |
| Arnando Delavalle | 20 | Senior |
| Julio P. Galindo | 21 | 8 th grade |
| Malcolm Clark | 23 | Freshman |
| Alex Rivera | 24 | Senior |
| Jibreal Id-deen | 30 | Senior |



SCHOOL COLORS: Navy and Gold
MASCOT: Panthers

Pennsylvania School for the Deaf

Philadelphia, PA



SEATING: Tykeenah Brown, I'Zariah Jennings, Zoe Reisman, and Kamirah Chandler-Gordon

STANDING: Ashley Lewis, Maya Carson, Jade Mack, and Ayanna Warren-Wilson

HEAD COACH: Nikita Curry

ASSISTANT COACH: Syreeta Richardson

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Matt Bujak

SUPERINTENDENT: Peter L. Bailey

| <u>PLAYER</u> | <u>#</u> | <u>GRADE</u> |
|-------------------------|----------|-----------------------|
| Zoe Reisman | 5 | 7 th grade |
| I'zariah Jennings | 10 | 8 th grade |
| Dinh Huynh | 11 | Sophomore |
| Ayanna Warren-Wilson | 12 | Junior |
| Kamirah Chandler-Gordon | 13 | 7 th grade |
| Jade Mack | 22 | Junior |
| Tykeenah Brown | 24 | Freshman |
| Ashley Lewis | 25 | Sophomore |
| Maya Carson | 32 | Freshman |



SCHOOL COLORS: Navy and Gold
MASCOT: Panthers

Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf

Pittsburgh, PA



LEFT TO RIGHT: Micah Baskin, Elisha Querry, Jared Price, Chris Brisach, Spencer Ahearn, Walker Remis, Anthony Sitone, Morkos Youssef, and Tay-Von Reed

HEAD COACH: George D'Amore

ASSISTANT COACHES: Derek Possumato and Ken Peters

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Valentine J. Wojton, III

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER: Dr. Steven E. Farmer

| <u>PLAYER</u> | <u>#</u> | <u>GRADE</u> |
|----------------|----------|--------------|
| Spencer Ahearn | 1 | Junior |
| Walker Remis | 2 | Junior |
| Chris Brisach | 3 | Freshman |
| Micah Baskin | 10 | Freshman |
| Anthony Sitone | 11 | Senior |
| Jared Price | 24 | Sophomore |
| Morkos Youssef | 25 | Senior |
| Tay-Von Reed | 34 | Freshman |



SCHOOL COLORS: Blue and Gold
MASCOT: Lions

Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf

Pittsburgh, PA



KNEELING: Sierra Woodford, Rylee Maher, Neveah Corley, and Lily Farmer

BACK: Ellie Horn, Samantha Reno, Jada Pippins, Carlene Miller, Starla Baskin, and Anae Boswell

HEAD COACH: Kallie Mendenhall

ASSISTANT COACH: Nicole Borelle

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Valentine J. Wojton, III

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER: Dr. Steven E. Farmer

| <u>PLAYER</u> | <u>#</u> | <u>GRADE</u> |
|-----------------|----------|-----------------------|
| Sierra Woodford | 2 | Senior |
| Neveah Corley | 3 | Senior |
| Samantha Reno | 4 | Junior |
| Ellie Horn | 12 | Junior |
| Starla Baskin | 13 | 8 th grade |
| Lily Farmer | 15 | Senior |
| Rylee Maher | 22 | Senior |
| Anae Boswell | 23 | 8 th grade |
| Jada Pippins | 33 | Freshman |



SCHOOL COLORS: Blue and Gold
MASCOT: Lions

Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf

STANDING - LEFT TO RIGHT:

Kalilah D'Angelo,
Makenna Hager,
Emma Zitko,
Britney Moctezuma, and
Kyrey Therrien

KNEELING: Elijah Carr



HEAD COACH: Venita Smith

ASSISTANT COACH: Oyamo Carracci

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PLAYER

Elijah Carr

Kalilah D'Angelo

Makenna Hager

Britney Moctezuma

Kyrey Therrien

Emma Zitko

GRADE

7th grade

6th grade

Senior

Senior

Freshman

Senior



SCHOOL COLORS: Blue and Gold
MASCOT: Lions

SCORES & AWARDS

BOYS' BASKETBALL

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|------|-------|------|-------|
| KSD | _____ | WPSD | _____ |
| NYSD | _____ | PSD | _____ |
| PSD | _____ | KSD | _____ |
| NYSD | _____ | WPSD | _____ |
| NYSD | _____ | KSD | _____ |
| PSD | _____ | WPSD | _____ |

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

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|------|-------|------|-------|
| NYSD | _____ | WPSD | _____ |
| WPSD | _____ | PSD | _____ |
| NYSD | _____ | PSD | _____ |
| NYSD | _____ | WPSD | _____ |
| PSD | _____ | WPSD | _____ |

A blue and yellow sports jersey is shown from the back. The jersey has yellow accents on the shoulders and sleeves. The text is printed in a bold, black, sans-serif font with a white outline. The text reads:

**PLAY FOR THE
NAME ON THE
FRONT OF
THE JERSEY,
NOT THE
NAME ON THE
BACK.**

Special Thanks go to....

All the participating schools for their support.

The Homecoming Committee for their hard work.

Director Kevin McDonough, Principal Greg Mendenhall, Director of Facilities Tom Stanton, and CEO Dr. Steven E. Farmer for making this event possible.

LionWorks for the colorful program book.

Jennifer Morris for athletic arrangements.

Sandi Kitchen for scheduling volunteers and setting up the schedule and ordering carnations/roses.

Bill Estes, Tom Halik, and Residential Supervisors for housing our guests.

Greg Mendenhall, Angel Maher, and Tony Dumblosky for the Pep Rally and daytime Spirit Week activities.

Tom Halik for the Spirit Week evening activities.

Deb Remis for the Mini Signshine.

Robert Maher, Jr. and Holly Mendel for Housekeeping and Maintenance.

Bill Estes and Mike DelCimmuto for security arrangements.

Mr. Starr and Mr. Insko and his Five Starr food service staff.

John Fisher and Brian Slavinsky for the media equipment and livestreaming.

Sarah Bartlebaugh and Matt Champion for photographing and keeping our website updated with scores.

Alumni Association for their continued support.

WPSD Staff and Faculty for volunteering.

Varsity Letter Club for the food sales.

AND ESPECIALLY OUR COACHES for their timeless work over the weekend!!!