



Willows High School

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Board Report:

- ★ Establish a high-performing District culture with quality teaching and learning.
 - ★ ALL students have access to grade level classes and high school students are enrolled in college or academic/CTE aligned course sequences. At-risk students will be identified by certificated staff using various assessments to provide academic support at each site.
 - ★ The schools and district will develop and maintain a systematic method of partnering with students, parents, county resources and community members to improve student engagement.
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- Currently, we are at 442 (130, 104, 102, 106) students total at WHS.
 - For chronic absenteeism, we are currently at 11.8% which equates to 52 students. This is a good decrease from our previous reports! We have introduced the electronic hallpass and are getting interesting data with the use of that. At our staff meeting next week, we will be looking more closely at this data.
 - The tournaments that Mr. Calonico has created and put on have been great to see! Not only providing opportunities for our student-athletes, but providing opportunities for the overall community! Very well received and I give John the credit! A job well done... and only going to get better.
 - Our first PLC Coaching Day took place on Thursday, 1/29/26. Our coach Dan Cohan was quite impressed with our overall culture and interaction with our teachers.
 - Greatly appreciate the participation from Superintendent Koerperich, Mr. Siplin, GCOE staff and staff from the high school shadowing students on campus. We will continue to do two more rounds of shadowing this spring with more of our staff. The purpose of this exercise is to observe students and their speaking/listening interactions within the classroom setting. The data collected has been profound and the next steps will be to inform our instruction in our classrooms.
 - FFA continues to provide great opportunities for our students: floral competitions, field days, and other competitions.

1/29/26

Winter Sports Board Report

January was a busy month for Honkers Athletics with our Home Basketball Tournament kicking off the New Year. Congratulations to the Central Valley Falcons with the sweep of the Boys and Girls Varsity Divisions. We have officially started league contests for all Winters Sports at the beginning of January, where Honkers have been competing in the Sacramento Valley League. On January 16th, we held our Winter Homecoming game against Winters. The following day, we held the Ed Zuckerman Classic wrestling tournament, which was Varsity Girls and JV Boys. We were happy to have Coach Ed and the Zuckerman family join us and hand out awards. We held varsity coach interviews on 1/27/26, they were very informational and the panel of 5 people had a very hard choice to make for the leader of the Honkers Gridders but the panel made the united agreement to extend the position to David Milano. David has a vision and desire to help build the Honkers into a competitive and winning team. We held Girls Varsity Basketball Senior Night on 1/28/26. That was capped off with a Varsity Girls win over Paradise. Spring Sports Sign ups are currently underway.

- Boys Basketball: varsity roster of 10 players and a jv roster of 13.
- Girls Basketball: varsity roster of 9 players and a jv roster of 11
- Boys Soccer: Roster of 23
- Girls Soccer: Currently ranked 5th in Division 3 and a Roster of 22
- Wrestling: Boys roster of 19 and Girls Roster of 4

Upcoming Events:

- Soccer Senior Night-2/10/26
- Wrestling Senior Nights- 2/10/26
- Boys Basketball Senior Nights- 2/13/26

School Farm / Barn Program Update

Livestock Inventory

- **Pigs:** 25
- **Sheep:** 5
- **Goats:** 8

Facility Management & Adjustments

- Staff are continually adjusting procedures and layouts as issues arise to ensure animal safety, cleanliness, and efficiency.
- Mats and pen locations have been changed to improve animal comfort and overall barn organization.
- Kickboards are being installed to prevent bedding from falling out of pens and to maintain cleaner walkways and work areas.

Maintenance Update

- Maintenance staff are currently waiting on replacement parts for the water system.
- Temporary measures are in place to ensure animals continue to have access to water until repairs are completed.

Student Responsibilities & Supervision

- A Barn Duty Schedule has been implemented for all communal areas.
- Responsibilities will rotate weekly among students, promoting shared accountability, responsibility, and proper facility upkeep.

Overall Status

The barn program continues to operate effectively, with ongoing adjustments made to address facility needs, animal welfare, and student involvement. Staff are proactively managing challenges as they arise and maintaining a safe, educational environment for both students and animals.