

# SCHOOL CULTURE

## LOWER SCHOOL

### Chapel

Lower School chapel is an exhilarating experience. Weekly lower school chapel allows students to worship with one another and receive Biblical instruction from special speakers.

### Class Field Trips

Each lower school class participates in fun field trips throughout the year. Field trips are selected at the teacher's discretion based on current class curriculum. Field trips are a great way for students to enhance their educational experience and to bond as a group.

### Class Parties

Class parties make holidays especially memorable. Class parties are typically

held at Christmas, Valentine's Day, and Easter. Teachers block off specific time for their class party. Room parents assist the teacher in coordinating and planning a great party. Interested in helping with class parties? Contact your room parent or a PTO member!

### Annual Black History Month Program

Our first graders make their acting debut each year with this annual program. With the assistance of several teachers, staff members, and older students, Ms. Bishop's first grade class shares a captivating performance to memorialize Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and his contributions to our society.

### Lower School Programs

Lower School students participate in a special Christmas program and a

Spring program. These programs give students the chance to honor God and to showcase talents that they have developed during the year.

### Specials

Lower School students make their way out of the classroom several times throughout the week for "Specials." Specials are blocks of time for students to engage in learning beyond the textbook. From art to music to P.E to media, there is a brain break that every kid is sure to enjoy!

### Sports

5th Graders are invited to try out for several of the Middle School Sports including soccer, volleyball and basketball.

## UPPER SCHOOL

### Lions Camp

Our high school starts the first week of school in an unconventional way-by running off to camp! Every high school student spends the first days together bonding, singing, and learning the ropes of being a Lion. It's a week like no other, and students will build memories they will never forget.

### House system

Every student is sorted into a house upon arrival to our school and this house becomes their family during their time at WSCS. They compete together, serve together and pray together. House is family and house means every student belongs from day one.

### Hunt for the Lion

Twice a year our High Schoolers come together (either by grade or by house) to hunt! The Lion (a wooden carving of the mascot) is hidden and students work together to solve clues and find it - winning points for their team. The competition is fierce and usually coincides with Homecoming week in the fall and House Wars in the Spring. This is a great opportunity for parents to get involved by driving!

### Homecoming

We may not have a homecoming football game, but we still know how to throw a great Homecoming Week. Theme days take over dress code

for the week and special events are planned for all grades. The week ends with a themed dances for both the Middle and High Schoolers.

### Lions Life

Lions Life is a place for students to hangout, learn more about Jesus and have a good time. It's a place where students can grow in their faith no matter where their starting point is.

### Service

At WSCS Community Service is a way of life. Every student participates in service. Each house will partner with a local non-profit, such as Rescue Mission and Habitat for Humanity to serve the larger community of Winston Salem. Upper School students will use their connections to plan service for lower school students, providing opportunities for all students to serve.

### Chapel

Upper School chapel takes place every Thursday. Students meet to sing praise and worship songs, share Scripture, and experience a mini-sermon. Much of chapel is student-led, giving students the chance to lead in prayer, music and sharing how God is working in their lives. Speakers come from within the school or as guests from outside the school.

### Advisory

Each of our upper school students belong to an advisory group that meets

weekly. These advisory groups provide an adult mentor to each student in grades 6-12. Weekly meetings offer opportunity for prayer and discussion. All of our teachers seek to be active in the lives of students, offering encouragement and support to everyone here on campus.

### Sports at WSCS!

Sports at WSCS are second to none! This is not, however, measured in wins and losses only, but rather by attitude, motives, and effort. Every student can find a sport at WSCS! And where there are sports, there are fans! If you are new to the school, sports are a great way to get involved. Whether playing, attending, selling tickets or concessions - there is a spot for everyone. We are excited to be able to play at our new home for the 2020 school year! Sports offered include:

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| • Cross Country              | • Varsity Mens Basketball |
| • Mens Soccer                | • MS Boys Basketball      |
| • Womens Soccer              | • MS Girls Basketball     |
| • MS Soccer                  | • MS Girls Basketball     |
| • HS Volleyball              | • Varsity Flag Football   |
| • MS Volleyball              | • Track & Field           |
| • National Womens Basketball | • ESports                 |
| • National Mens Basketball   | • Cheerleading            |
| • Varsity Womens Basketball  |                           |