

The Red & Black

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The *Red & Black* newspaper, a **Winchester High School tradition since 1939**, has printed eight issues during the 2004-2005 school year. Our core staff of editors has brought a new sense of enthusiasm and professionalism to the publication and hopes for its continued success.

Student involvement has been steady, but with increased attention and funding, the *Red & Black* can develop into an activity about which students feel passionately. The newspaper should be the academic cornerstone of any high school. With the academic caliber of WHS students, there is no reason why we cannot produce one of the strongest school newspapers in the Boston area. Reaching this goal cannot occur overnight; it requires years of hard work and support before self-sufficiency and excellence can be obtained. Now is the time to start.

A student newspaper is not just about writing. Students can develop skills in photography, graphic design, page layout, public relations, and basic finance. The newspaper serves as a bridge connecting the students, faculty, and community at large.

In 2001, we joined the Columbia Scholastic Press Association and the New England Scholastic Press Association, and Suffolk University recognized us with awards. At the beginning of 2004, we received a silver medalist certificate from the Columbia Scholastic Press Association. Despite the cost of joining these organizations, we are certain that the professional critiques that they offer will improve the quality of our publication.

We receive **no funds whatsoever** from the school department. During the past year, we have supported ourselves **solely from private contributions**. These barely cover our yearly printing costs of \$2500. **Your financial support makes a huge difference.** Regardless of whether the school department decides to fund us in the future, we will continue to need your support, as our budget will continue to be very tight.

Any donation you can make is appreciated—every bit helps! To show our appreciation for a donation of **fifteen dollars or more**, you will receive a **year's subscription** of the *Red & Black* in the mail. Your first issue will arrive in October.

Thank you so much for your support!

Joe Vitti
Editor in Chief

Alissa Cooper
Editor in Chief

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