The mission of Ware Shoals High School is ensure continuous learning for all students by empowering them to be actively involved in their education and by providing varied opportunities for successful achievement of high standards. Our vision is to be an integral part of a district that is committed to learning, serving and leading. Ware Shoals High School continues to strive for excellence in all areas. The Ware Shoals High Learning Academy was successful in assisting our students in completion of credits normally unattainable. Through Apex Learning, approximately 45 students were able to attempt to obtain credit leading to graduation and, in some cases, college credit. Our student body continues to serve our community with our annual "Christmas for Kids" fund drive. The attendance and participation for CATE Day, and newly implemented TailCATE, which highlight our Career and Technology students, was at an all-time high. WSHS CATE instructors were chosen to present at the 2017 Education and Business Summit. Our Guidance Department was able to secure over 20 presenters for our Career Day. Onehundred percent of our seniors applied to college. We experienced a Reality of Money Seminar, courtesy the State Credit Union. Freshman were exposed to a wide range of topics to include character education and career choices during monthly seminars. Out of these seminars was borne our Squad 51. These students work and train with local Fire Departments and provide assistance at school and community activities. The annual community bonfire was, for the eighth year, well attended. Ware Shoals High is once again home to at State Champion, captured by our entry in the 145 lb. weight class. The Million Dollar Band continued their streak of OPA's, earning this distinction for the 3<sup>rd</sup> consecutive year. The faculty and staff at Ware Shoals High are dedicated to providing a safe, challenging, and educational environment that meets the unique needs of our students while preparing them to be respectful, productive, and responsible members of a democratic society.

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