

# ITS eWARRIOR NEWS

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## WSU ITS Preparing For Next Round Of eWarrior Hardware

The eWarrior Digital Life & Learning Program equips students with the technology to succeed; but it's more than just a laptop. The program ensures WSU students have secure, reliable, and supportable technology 24/7.

Information technology is integrated into the student's social and learning experience. Students have the flexibility of working on campus or within the comforts of their own home. With eWarrior technology, the WSU network – complete with course software – is only a click away.

Students at WSU expand their classroom by viewing class information, submitting assignments online, and interacting with faculty and fellow students via email, video conferencing, and instant messenger. Less than perfect weather outside? Students don't need to head to the library when they have the ability to prepare papers and presentations via online research and study groups. But it doesn't stop there. Students have the freedom to create their own websites, listen to music, chat, watch movies, and web surf!

To prepare for next year, WSU ITS will be unveiling the newest model options of Windows and Mac based laptops. **The big unveiling of the potential models is scheduled for the final week of February!**



### ITS MISSION

Information Technology Services (ITS) provides the technology-based foundation to support and empower the Winona State University (WSU) community to meet and exceed their educational and business needs.

## WSU ITS Guiding “Preferred Name” Accuracy

Some members of the WSU Community go by a designation besides their legal name. Their name might be William but they go by Bill; It might be Samantha but they go by Sam.

WSU recognizes and supports our community members who wish to use preferred names where legally permissible. WSU ITS has been instrumental in introducing Preferred Name accuracy as well as ease of management with necessary request forms and database driven execution.

ITS helps to ensure members of the WSU Community that their preferred name is correctly utilized and will appear where legal name is not required: email accounts, on-line directory, D2L homepage, ID card, etc.

## “Tech Quote”

“What new technology does is create new opportunities to do a job that customers want done.”

— Tim O’Reilly, Leading Silicon Valley intellectual

## eWarrior Aspen Capital eScholarship Is Focused On “Building Connections & Bringing People Together”



Aspen Capital, in partnership with Winona State University, provides the latest mobile devices and technology to Winona State students.

A key component of the partnership established between Aspen Capital and WSU includes Aspen's commitment to “give back” to the University. Accordingly, Aspen Capital is pleased to provide scholarships for the 2019-2020 e-Warrior Aspen Capital eScholarship events. This year Aspen Capital has generously donated \$20,000 enabling us to provide 20 students with a \$1,000 scholarship for the e-Warrior: Digital Life & Learning Program. These scholarships will be awarded through our eWarrior Aspen Capital eScholarship events.

Details can be found at:

[https://learn.winona.edu/wiki/E-Warrior\\_Aspen\\_Capital\\_eScholarship](https://learn.winona.edu/wiki/E-Warrior_Aspen_Capital_eScholarship)

## ITS VISION

Information Technology Services (ITS) endeavors to position the University as a national leader in the innovative and effective use of technology to support the academic enterprise.

## TECH TEAM SPOTLIGHT

**NAME:** Ben Nagel

**POSITION:** Database Developer

**YEARS AT WSU ITS:** 10

**WHAT DO YOU DO FOR WSU ITS:** “Work with Ed Callahan and Bill Soranno on the Data Services team. We handle all kinds of campus data needs: reporting, data visualization, accreditation, assessment, data analysis, database server maintenance, etc.”

**FAVORITE PART OF ITS:** “I love working with different groups of people from all the areas across campus. In one week, I might get the chance to work with the College of Education on their federal reporting needs, the nursing department on mapping where their graduate students come from, Institutional Research on university-wide HLC accreditation, and our SSS TRIO program on renewing the grant that keeps their program running. Then Bill Soranno and I might just geek out getting a SQL query to run faster.”

**FUN FACT ABOUT STEVE:** “Two of my kids have graduated from WSU.”



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